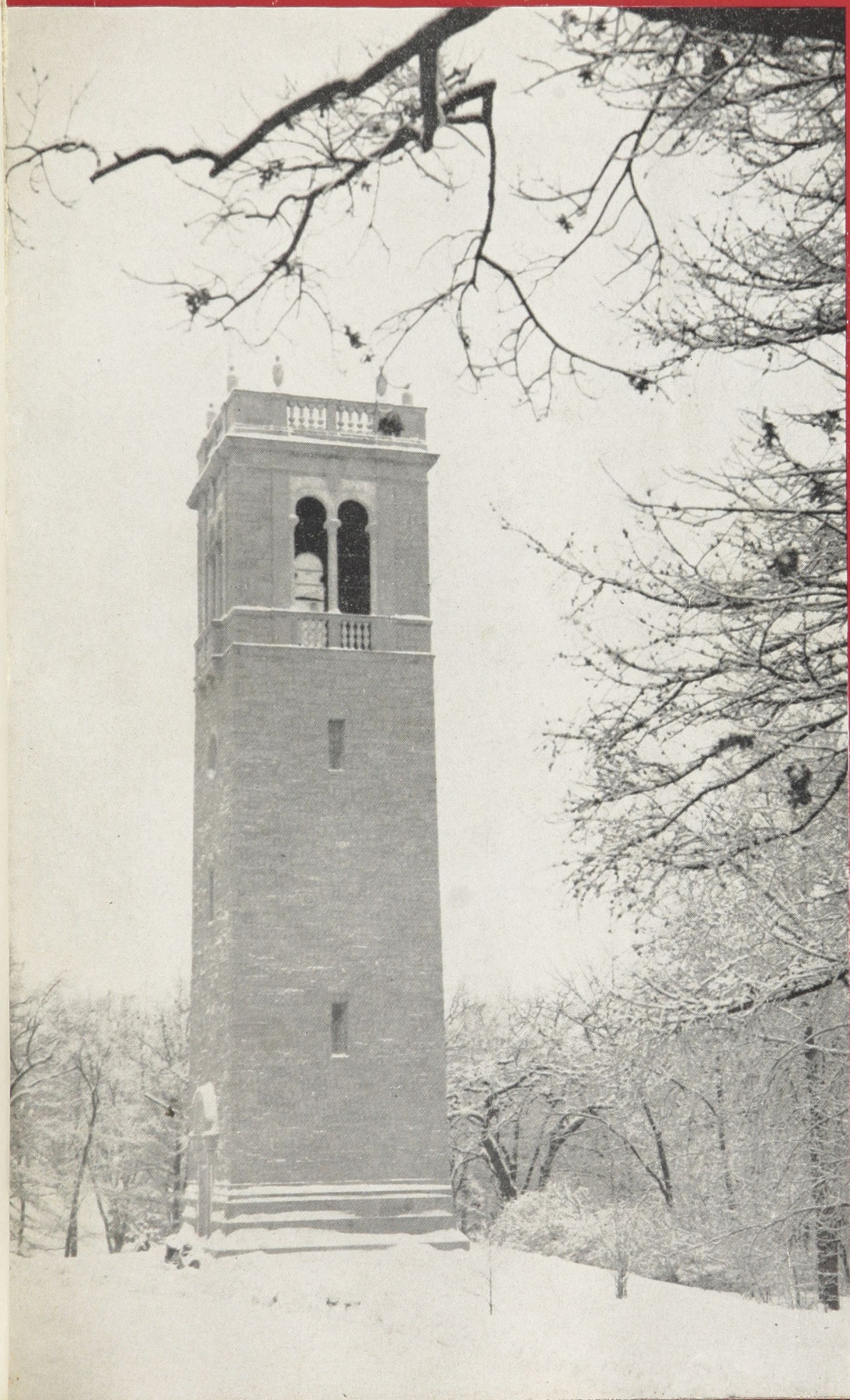


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Memorial Union Building at the University of Wisconsin

National Conference

December 29, 30, and 31st

New York City

OUR First Emergency Conference, which was held in December, has been one of the finest meetings that our Fraternity has ever held. Not since the reorganization in 1907 have we seen truer Alpha Sigma Phi spirit of cooperation in discussing and solving the particular problems which fraternities are facing today. Actives and alumni worked together on committees and came out with reports which indicated most careful thought and study.

As you know, this Conference was called very hurriedly, but not until the Grand Prudential Committee had given careful thought as to the actual need for such a Conference. All but five chapters were represented and these five were not all on the West Coast. There were alumni councils represented as far west as Chicago.

This Conference differed from other National Conventions in that it was confined strictly to business sessions, except for a banquet the evening of the opening day. The delegates responded with untiring zeal, accomplishing in three days that for which we would normally take five to six days.

The old questions of ritual, drinking, "hell week" and expansion came before the Conference, and after some rather heated discussion, we arrived at several

conclusions. It was the opinion of the meeting, that our ritual, because of its fundamental cardinal virtues of character building, is as valuable today as it was in its infancy. Of course, a few changes have been made in particular parts during its existence, but the essential qualities are still to be found.

Our stand on drinking and gambling remains the same. Some chapters reported difficulty in enforcing the law on these questions. Some felt it might be better to eliminate any law, allowing each chapter to deal with its problem in an individual manner. It was the opinion of all present, that the officers in each chapter should enforce the law as it now stands and in so doing would eliminate any difficulty arising from permitting such practices in the chapter house.

"Hell Week", as it is known on college campuses, has no place in the development of a neophyte of our Fraternity. The practice of beating a man, to see if he is able to take it, is no test of a man's courage. A period of "corrective discipline" was considered an excellent substitute, whereby, specific duties of a constructive nature were to be performed by the pledge before his initiation as a brother.

Brother Clarke's report on expansion

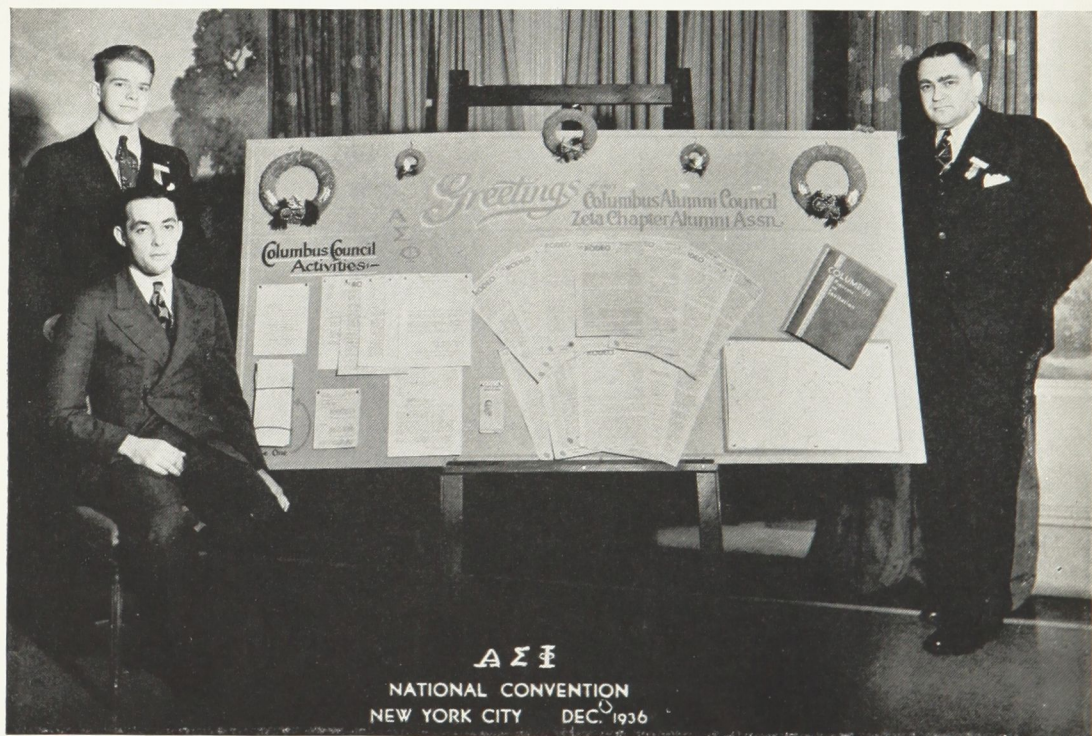
indicated that, more than ever, we need to carefully supervise newly installed chapters. It is essential that close contact be kept during the first few years until the chapter is well able to stand on its own feet. With better times and a ten to fifteen per cent increase in college enrollment, the field should be open for a more extensive expansion program. Students seem to have more money these days and are thus better able to join a fraternity.

Besides these topics, which are debated at every Convention, we discussed two other questions of paramount importance. These were reorganization of our Fraternity government and a plan for a national alumni organization through local alumni councils.

The procedure, which the Conference decided to follow on reorganization, was embodied in the resolutions, which were passed and sent to the chapters and alumni councils for careful consideration and ratification. The Fraternity

owes a debt of gratitude to those on the committee, who spent long hours in debating certain changes which seemed to be advisable in order that we may more adequately meet individual situations existing in every fraternal organization. Careful deliberation and advice of our older fraternity men and the active delegates resulted in plans, whereby, the National Organization can meet and deal in a more efficient manner with any problem which may arise. The spirit of this committee, shown by actives and alumni alike, has never been equaled in any other National Meeting.

The Committee on Reorganization of Alumni Councils was headed by Brother H. C. Blakeslee, who is the secretary-treasurer of the Columbus, Ohio, Alumni Council. With his display board pictured here, he offered concrete and specific suggestions to the Conference which were very valuable. His committee realized the need for more organized alumni cooperation and said so in their report.



Brother Blakeslee and Zeta's delegates with display board at Conference

We should not omit the definite feeling for a closer financial knowledge and understanding between the chapters, alumni and the National Office. Financial reports and operating budgets are invaluable to the proper training in business practice for running our chapter houses. A more careful supervision was deemed necessary so that the weak spots in our organization could be strengthened before they reach an impossible stage.

The Fraternity is indebted to those

delegates and non-delegates who met and gave their time and best efforts to create a better understanding of the present position of Alpha Sigma Phi. In order that members will know of our more specific work, an esoteric publication is being planned. Our inventory has been taken, assets over-balance liabilities, and Alpha Sigma Phi is moving forward. Those attending the First Emergency Conference will long remember the spirit of cooperation shown there.

New Fraternity Officers

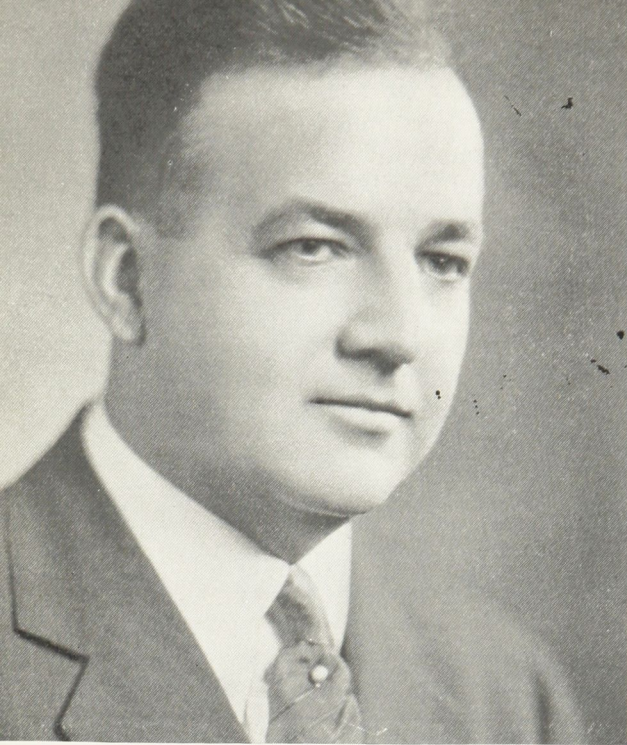
ELECTION of new fraternity officers, who will guide the destinies of the Fraternity until the next official convention, was the final act of the National Conference.

The executive management of Alpha Sigma Phi is vested in the Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee. The expansion policy is conducted by the Grand Junior President assisted by the Grand Prudential Committee. Brother Benjamin Clarke was reelected Grand Junior President, which position he has held since 1923.

The Grand Prudential Committee, who are designated by the Constitution to manage the affairs of the Fraternity, including statement of policy, publication of the *Tomahawk*, and all functions except those specifically assigned to the Grand Junior President will be carried on by Brother C. William Cleworth, Wentworth F. Gantt and Maurice J. Pierce. Brothers Gantt and Pierce replace Brothers Robert L. Jagocki and Cleaveland J. Rice. Brother Jagocki and Brother Rice have given the fraternity their services at the expense of personal time, energy, and effort during those trying times of the depression, and we

owe them our warmest feeling of commendation and gratitude. Since 1919, Brother Jagocki has served untiringly and he has desired a rest, but his counsel and advice will be invaluable to those who carry on the work. At the first meeting of the Grand Prudential Committee, Brother Cleworth was elected chairman and Executive President.

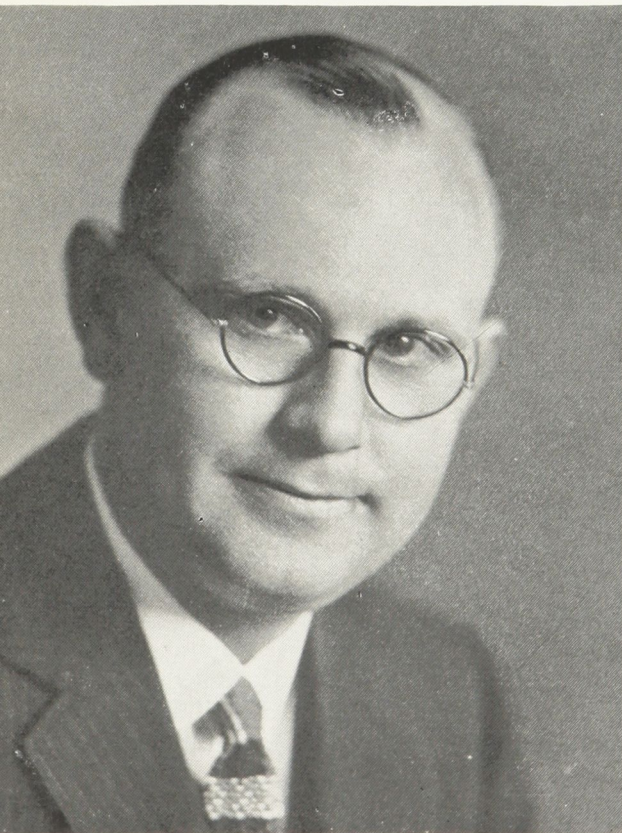
The other Grand Offices were awarded to prominent members of the Fraternity as a reward for their faithful and active interest. The men selected were: Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet, Alpha '12, replaces William J. Cooper, Nu '13, who died September, 1935, as Grand Senior President; Floyd W. Mosiman, Tau '17, replaces William C. Fundenberg, Tau '17, as Grand Secretary; Henry H. Yoder, Epsilon '13, replaces William R. Young, Upsilon '20, as Grand Corresponding Secretary; Dr. William D. Gordon, Omicron '16, replaces Frank T. Gilligan, Pi '15, as Grand Treasurer; and Leslie A. Crandall, Xi '15, replaces Luther B. Liles, Alpha '11, as Grand Marshal. The Fraternity expresses its appreciation of the faithfulness and work of the retiring Grand Officers and their contribution to the development of the Fraternity.



Benjamin Clarke
Grand Junior President

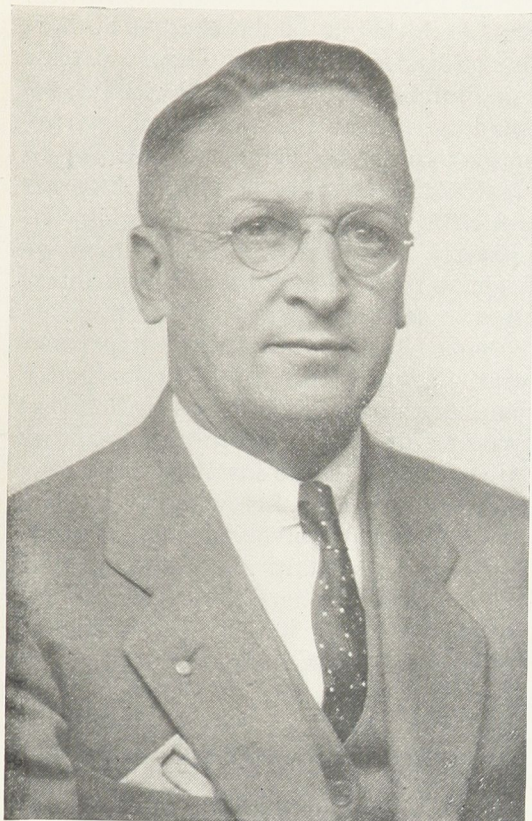


Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet
Grand Senior President



Floyd W. Mosiman
Grand Secretary

The Fraternity's New Officers



Henry H. Yoder
Grand Corresponding Secretary



Wentworth F. Gantt
Member of Grand Prudential Committee



C. William Cleworth
Member of Grand Prudential Committee



Maurice J. Pierce
Member of Grand Prudential Committee

Grand Senior President

DR. Wilbur H. Cramblet, President of Bethany College, Bethany, W. Va., has a very fine record in educational circles.

Dr. Cramblet was born July 10, 1892. He attended Bethany Prep and graduated from Bethany College in 1910. He entered Yale graduate school the next Fall, securing his Ph.D. in 1913. His first position was that of instructor in mathematics at the University of Rochester. From there, he went to Phillips University in Oklahoma where he received the appointment of professor of mathematics. While there he was also director of athletics and coach of the football and basketball teams.

In 1917, he returned to Bethany where he was dean of the school of liberal arts for several years. Next he became college treasurer, which position he still holds. He had the honor of becoming president of the college in 1934.

Brother Cramblet was initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi in 1912 and has always maintained an active interest in Fraternity affairs.

Grand Junior President

AGAIN Brother Clarke was elected to the position he has ably held for the last thirteen years. He needs very little introduction and to all those who know him, he is Ben; he in turn, knows more Alpha Sigs than most of the brothers in the Fraternity.

Brother Clarke was born in Chicago, April 23, 1888, and has maintained his residence in that city ever since. He entered the University of Michigan in 1910 and was initiated into Alpha

Sigma Phi. He graduated in 1913 with his LL.B. While in the chapter he held the offices of H.E. and H.S.P. After his graduation, he studied public accounting and at the same time started his law practice. He was married to Edith Anne Gregson in 1916. At present, Brother Clarke is practicing law in Chicago as a partner in the firm of Anderson and Clarke and is also interested in several Chicago concerns.

Ben's work as the chief expansion officer of the Fraternity speaks better than anything we might say. All investigations of local fraternities, granting of charters, and the installation of new chapters is under his wing. Only he knows the work involved and his principles and his untiring service mark him as a true brother interested in Alpha Sigma Phi as a builder of character. We rejoice in his reelection.

Grand Prudential Committee

C. William Cleworth, Eta '14, Wentworth F. Gantt, Alpha '19, and Maurice J. Pierce, Eta '16, were the men elected for the present Grand Prudential Committee.

Brother Cleworth, who was elected to the Grand Prudential Committee at the Estes Park Convention in 1927, was re-elected, in turn he was elected Executive President and Chairman of the Committee at their first meeting.

Bill was born at Riverside, Illinois, July 1, 1895. He entered the University of Illinois in 1913 and was initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi, February 28, 1914. During his years as an active, he was one of the hardest workers in the chapter, holding the offices of H.C.S., H.E. and H.S.P. He is a member of Sigma Tau, honorary engineering fraternity. After his first year of college, he spent a year in Porto Rico as princi-

pal of the government high school and his education was again interrupted by his enlistment in the army at the entrance of the United States into the World War. He served in the army engineers and as an officer in the Tank Corps, being the first man commissioned for that service. He saw considerable action on the western front, was wounded and honorably discharged after fourteen months of foreign service.

He returned to college after the war and received his degree from the electrical engineering school.

Brother Cleworth's time since graduation has been devoted to the technical publication field, having spent the past fourteen years with the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company at its Chicago and New York offices. He is assistant manager in charge of advertising of the six McGraw-Hill electrical and radio publications. He is married, has four children, and resides at Port Washington, Long, Island.

Bill with his ability in the publishing field is of great value for advice on the *Tomahawk*. His proven past record on the Grand Prudential Committee fits him most ably for the position, to which he gives a great deal of personal time and energy.

WENTWORTH F. Gantt, Alpha '19, is not a newcomer to the committee. Brother Gantt was elected to the Grand Prudential Committee at the Estes Park Convention in 1927, but resigned shortly after to leave the city.

He has had a very fine and successful business experience extending over some fourteen or fifteen years along the lines of industrial marketing and advertising, engineering and production, general management and organization work. At the present time he is assistant to the president of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Brother Gantt has been vitally interested in the Fraternity and as President of the New York Alumni Council, he

acted as official host at our recent National Conference. We are very happy to secure the ability of Brother Gantt on this committee, and he will be a definite asset to the Fraternity.

MAURICE J. "Duke" Pierce is the third member of the Grand Prudential Committee. "Duke" was born in Gifford, Illinois, attended high school in Urbana, entered the University of Illinois in 1915 and graduated with a B.S. in 1921.

Brother Pierce has been a very active member since his initiation in 1916. He was president and treasurer of Eta Chapter, which gave him a great deal of practical experience that he was able to carry over and develop in his business career. He was also president of the chapter trustees and while in Chicago he served as president and later as treasurer of the alumni council.

He has been with the Standard Accident Insurance Company of Detroit, Michigan, since 1924. Office manager of the Chicago branch from 1928 through 1936 and now office manager of the New York branch.

The Fraternity in securing the assistance of Brother Pierce is very fortunate and we are very thankful for the contributions of thought and action which have and will be made on his part.

Grand Secretary

THE office of the Grand Secretary is to be held until the next convention by Floyd W. Mosiman of San Francisco, California. Brother Mosiman is not new in the activities of fraternity work. He served as Grand Marshal of the Fraternity from 1927 to 1929.

He was born in Kidder, South Dakota, and attended high school at Aberdeen. Brother Mosiman entered Stanford University in 1915 and graduated with his A.B. degree in 1919. He has been secretary and treasurer of the

Tau Alumni Corporation since 1933 and in this capacity he has shown the same enthusiasm as he did when in the active chapter.

Since leaving college in 1920, he has been in the investment security business in San Francisco and is still trying to tell clients how not to lose their money. He has been associated with Elworthy & Co., San Francisco, for several years.

We feel highly indebted to Brother Mosiman for his consent in accepting this position.

Grand Corresponding Secretary

HENRY Harrison Yoder was born in Wadsworth, Ohio, and attended high school there. He entered Ohio-Wesleyan University in 1909 and finished with his A.B. in 1913. He held different offices in the active chapter after he was initiated on June 3, 1913 as the eighteenth man to be initiated after the reorganization of Epsilon in May 1913.

Brother Yoder attended Western Reserve Law School in Cleveland, Ohio, and was graduated L.L.B. in 1916. He has been associated with the Equity Savings and Loan Company of Cleveland as assistant secretary since 1919. He was secretary of the Epsilon Alumni Corporation from 1924 to 1934. He was one of the founders and past president of the *Cleveland Alumni Council. He is a charter member of the Cleveland Club and was past president and is present secretary of that organization.

"Dutch" is also a member of Phi Alpha Delta, law fraternity, and the Civitan International Service Club. He is married and has three children. His residence is in Brecksville, a suburban village of Cleveland, where he is a present member of the library board and past chairman of the board.

Brother Yoder represented the Cleveland Alumni Council at the recent Conference, and the work he did as chairman of the Resolutions Committee indicated his ability and enthusiasm regarding any work in connection with the Fraternity.

Grand Treasurer

BORN August 4, 1892, in Philadelphia, Dr. William Duncan Gordon attended Central high school, and received his B.S., Wharton School of Finance and Commerce, University of Pennsylvania, 1917; Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania, 1921; and his LL.D., Temple University, 1934.

Brother Gordon's experience has been very extensive—instructor at the University of Pennsylvania, 1916; co-director in Ordnance Training School for Field Service, U. S. Army, 1917; Director of Ensigns Training School in Naval Aviation November 1917 to 1929; Assistant professor, Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, 1921-1923; Professor of Accounting at Wharton School, 1926-1937. He has been treasurer of a number of railway companies and other corporations. In 1923, he was appointed deputy secretary of banking of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Governor Pinchot; resigning this position in 1926, he was appointed to Governor Pinchot's cabinet on February 28, 1931, as secretary of banking for a term of four years. He supervised the administration of 867 banks and trust companies, 3000 building and loan associations, 625 loan companies and 40 private banks with assets totaling 13 billion dollars. Was also receiver of 157 banks in Pennsylvania, involving the management and liquidation of assets totaling 500 million dollars.

Appointed a member of the Insurance Commission of Pennsylvania in 1932 and served as a member of the Securi-

ties Commission, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, from 1931 to 1935. He was elected President and Director of Bankers Bond and Mortgage Company of City Stores Company, New York City. The sales of their stores aggregated 40 million dollars during the fiscal year 1936. In August, 1936 he was promoted to the office of Executive Vice-President and Treasurer of the City Stores Company. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Scruggs, Vanderroort & Barney Dry Goods Company, one of the leading department stores in St. Louis. He is also a director of Bankers Bond and Mortgage Guaranty Company of America, New York City, and of the United States Mortgage and Title Guaranty Company of New Jersey.

He has written several articles, which have been published in prominent magazines and journals. He is co-author of *Modern Accounting Systems*, 1924, revised 1933, published by John Wiley and Sons.

He was initiated into Alpha Sigma on March 24, 1916. He is a member of Phi Eta and Beta Gamma Sigma. He acted as Grand Secretary and Treasurer of Beta Gamma Sigma Exchange, 1921-1930; and National President of Beta Gamma Sigma, 1930-33.

You can see that Brother Gordon has lost very little time since he left school and his wealth of experience should prove of great value to the Fraternity.

Grand Marshall

LESLIE Atwood Crandall, born May 14, 1896, at Overton, Nebraska. He attended high school in Overton and entered the University of Nebraska in 1914, receiving his A.B. in 1918.

Brother Crandall was a very strong force in the life of Xi Chapter and has always been a very interested alumnus.

At present, he is living in Omaha, where he is business manager of a medical clinic.

At The Conference

DOES anyone attending the National Conference know why it took Lloyd Cochran so long to have the reorganization committee report typed—perhaps we should have the very dark attractive young woman who did the work in his hotel room explain that—we all know Lloyd has a way about him.

H. C. Blakeslee, "Blake" as they know him in Ohio, steamed into New York full blast on Monday morning before the Conference and spent most of the day arranging a display board which startled some of the more conservative easterners, showing the activities of Zeta Chapter and the Columbus Alumni Council—better to do something than nothing at all—good work, Blake.

BROTHER Stivers, Pi '33, son of Brother John L. Stivers, Alpha '08, and Brother Watrous attended the Conference from Colorado.

WE were honored to hear Dr. W. H. Cramblet our new Grand Senior President at the Conference banquet. Dr. Cramblet is vitally interested in the fraternity as shown by his special trip from Washington, D. C., to attend the banquet.

CONFERENCE sessions were pretty strenuous for our chairman, Ben Clarke—he had to have his cup of coffee before retiring each night—he said he needed two or three after Bill Cleworth and Dick Archibald took him to one of New York's hot spots.

Colombia Ceases To Be Just a Spot On the Map

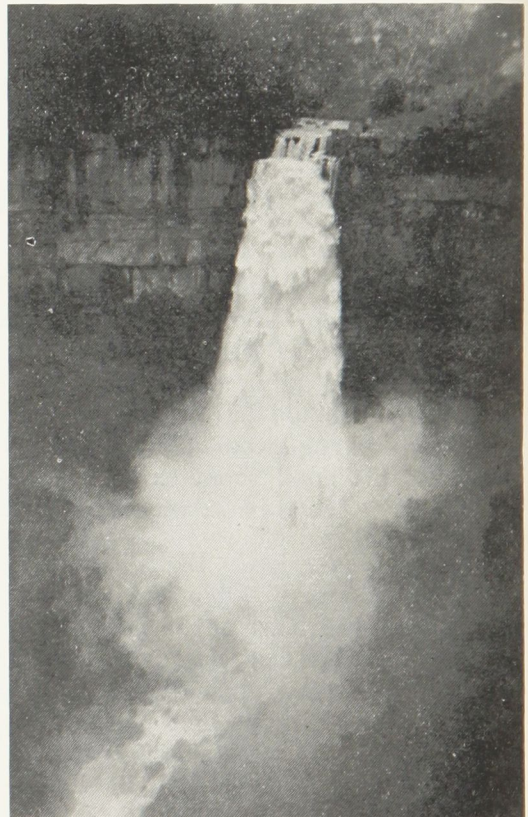
ROBERT E. LANDMAN

Alpha Theta, '30

THE Republic of Colombia is little more than a name to the vast majority of people in the United States although its colonization by Europeans dates back more than 400 years and geographically it is our nearest South American neighbor. While the number of our citizens who have visited the coast ports of Colombia is negligible, those who have visited the interior would probably not exceed the names in a small-town telephone directory.

Colombia is situated in the northwestern corner of South America, with more than two-thirds of its territory lying in the northern hemisphere and the balance in the southern. Its geographical center is more than 2,500 miles practically due south of New York City. In area, it is almost one-seventh as large as the United States, or about the size of Montana, Washington, Oregon and California combined. The country is bounded on the north by the Caribbean Sea, on the east by Venezuela and Brazil, on the south by Ecuador and Peru, on the west by the Pacific Ocean, and it is linked to Central America by the Isthmus of Panama. The boundary lines have, in some instances, never been accurately determined, as, for example, on the Panamanian border where certain dangerous mountain peaks have hardly been explored and on the Brazilian and Venezuelan borders where dense tropical swamps and jungles have seldom been penetrated by white men.

The Andes Mountains fan out from the southwest to the north and northeast into three great ranges known as the Western, Central and Eastern Cordilleras and divide the country into practically independent economic territories. They cover about one-third of Colombia's total area. Certain of these Andean peaks rise to more than 18,000



Tequendama Falls on the Bogota River, Colombia, South America



Swamp land along Magdalena River



Sunday market in Fusagasuga

feet and are covered perpetually with snow. The topography changes in an extraordinary manner as one descends from the high altitudes to the low. Vegetation in the higher elevations resembles somewhat that in our northern states while vegetation in the lower levels does not differ greatly from certain swamp and jungle areas in Florida. The climates are almost wholly a matter of altitude and range from frigid to torrid extremes. The most healthful sections are the high mountain plateaus or savannas and almost three-fourths of the white population dwell there. Seasons do not change in Colombia inasmuch as the country straddles the equator, although certain periods are characterized by rains and others by drought.

The mountain ranges, swamps and jungles render transportation and communication extremely slow and difficult.

Railways are under-developed not only because of the tremendous physical difficulties but also because of lack of capital. They do not form a complete national trunk system, the longest continuous line extending only about 250 miles. Some of the more important cities have rail communication with only those cities and towns located in the immediate vicinity. Automobile roads, also, are in a rudimentary state of development, although additional roads are being built. Roads in the low-lying regions or the so-called "hot country" are often practically impassable during rainy seasons, while mountain roads, hugging precipitous walls and winding almost endlessly down to valleys below, are generally extremely narrow and frequently dangerous. Some mountain roads are so narrow that only one-way traffic is permitted, the direction alternating daily. Other mountain roads are subject to landslides which may block traffic for days at a time. Under the circumstances, rivers play a far more important role than in our United States. The Magdalena, largest river in Colombia and third largest in South America, is navigable from the Caribbean Sea to more than 500 miles inland. However, the Magdalena is subject to the vagaries of rains, and it is not unusual for a river steamer to be stuck on a sandbar for several days. Other navigable streams include some of the tributaries of the Amazon and the Orinoco. The logical consequence of such inadequate communication facilities has been the development of air transportation to a point where, in a period of less than two decades, it now ranks as a vital national factor. Large, modern planes, running on regular schedules at frequent intervals, provide passenger, freight and mail service which links together practically all important cities.

Spanish Conquistadores explored Colombia as far back as 1499. Unlike the

early English and French settlers of North America who brought their women folk, most of the Spaniards came to Colombia without their families. Their original purpose was to bring back to Spain gold, silver and precious stones rather than to settle down in the New World. As a result, a large proportion of those who did settle intermarried with the native Indians, so that today the Indian strains predominate. In the northern low-lying regions bordering the Caribbean Sea, the population is a motley mixture, with a certain number having some negro blood. In the interior cities situated in higher altitudes the people have lighter complexions. The ruling classes—those in responsible government and business positions—are predominantly white, of good Spanish stock. At the other extreme are savage tribes of Indians living in primitive fashion in certain almost unexplored jungle regions. Other Indian tribes are semi-civilized. Of a total population of some eight million, about 35 per cent are white, 5 per cent negroes, 2 per cent Indians and 58 per cent of mixed race. Less than one-half of the population is literate, despite the fact that education is free.

Colombians are very conscious of the influence of the United States, both in business and cultural spheres. This is only natural in view of the fact that we are Colombia's principal customer, our investments have helped to develop her oil, mining and certain other industries and have contributed to national and departmental public works construction, and we have served as her model in building up a democratic republic. On the other hand, in certain respects, European influence surpasses ours; for example, the British predominate in banking and the Germans control air transportation.

The principal export product of Colombia is coffee, of which the nation is the world's largest producer of mild

blends. Gold, always an important Colombian export, has assumed increased importance since the beginning of the world depression and the devaluation of the world's leading currencies, so that now gold exports are exceeded in value by only those of coffee. Third in value of exports comes petroleum; fourth, bananas. Colombia sells more than one-half of her exports to the United States and in turn buys more of her imports from us than from any other nation.

The Colombians' attitude toward the United States is friendly and has become increasingly so in recent years. They look upon us as a great power to the north, and numerous Colombians come to our country for academic, professional and business training.

Colombia is a republic, with Federal executive, legislative and judicial branches resembling somewhat those of our national government. Suffrage is limited to literate male citizens 21 years and over. In 1936 a new national constitution was adopted, representing an advance toward greater liberalism. The country is divided into 14 states or departments and also certain other divisions termed *intendencias* and *comisarias*.

The capital city of Colombia is Bogota, situated in the Eastern Cordilleras on a savanna about 30 miles wide and 100 miles long. It is about 650 miles directly inland, and until air transportation was introduced, from one to two weeks or more were required to reach the city from Caribbean ports by a combination of river steamer on the Magdalena, automobile and railway. Now, by airplane the journey is regularly made in about six hours. Some new and speedier planes, recently purchased in the United States, have reduced the time still more. The older modes of transportation involve of necessity much more than the 650 miles of direct distance and are, of course, still the most commonly used. The time

required depends upon the direction of travel (being more rapid when descending the river), the amount of recent rains (facilitating or hindering river navigation), the type of steamer used, the condition of the roads, and other factors.

Bogota will celebrate its 400th anniversary in 1938. When one contemplates the months that must have been required to come from the coast through jungles and up rugged mountains, fighting against Indians, wild animals, tropical diseases and other difficulties, one can not help but have great admiration for the courage of the early Conquistadores. To this day, it remains a partial mystery as to just why the capital and largest city of the Republic (population about 250,000) should have grown up in a location so inaccessible to the outside world. Even the natives of Bogota seem unable to fully account for it. The best explanation offered is that the city was founded on the site of the capital of the ancient Chibcha Indian nation.

It was in Bogota in 1810 on the memorable 20th of July that the Act of Independence was signed, heralding the long fight for freedom from Spain. Led by the great Liberator, Simon Bolivar, the war was finally crowned with success in the famous battle of Boyaca in 1819. The liberated territory of Colombia, which was formerly known as New Granada, originally embraced what are now Colombia, Venezuela, Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia and Panama. These latter areas subsequently separated from Colombia to become independent nations.

Bogota is one of the most attractive cities in the world. From practically every section the surrounding Andes

Mountains are visible, for the city nestles at their foot. Due to its altitude of almost 9,000 feet, Bogota has a year-round temperature of from about 50 to 60 degrees, despite the fact that it is less than 300 miles north of the equator. There are many imposing buildings, such as the Capitol, the State House of the Department of Cundinamarca, churches, universities and libraries. Numerous squares with statues, fountains and landscaped gardens add to the city's beauty.

In many respects, the city's architecture reminds one more of Europe than of America. However, Bogota has recently developed a large residential section in which the modernistic style of architecture predominates and in which there are practically no two houses alike.

Other important cities include Medellin, inland center of a great coffee growing region; Cali, about 100 miles from the Pacific coast, center of commercial activity and of a large agricultural region; Barranquilla, the principal Caribbean import and export center and the terminus of steamers plying the Magdalena River; and Cartagena, also an important Caribbean seaport. These cities are important in their own right as separate centers of influence, independent of Bogota, due largely to the character of the country's topography.

In a limited space no more than a sketch of Colombia can be given. Its varied climates, scenery and peoples must be studied locally in the different parts of the country in order to be fully understood and appreciated. To travelers who have seen more than the coastal ports Colombia ceases to be just a spot on the map.

WE know Lloyd Cochran doesn't like to brag but it seems every time the reorganization committee met in his room that he paid the porter to bring in three or four suits just newly pressed.

BROTHER McBride from Alabama spent a night in a cheap rooming house in Jersey after having a hard time explaining to the police that he was looking at house numbers at midnight trying to find an old friend.

Chapters Need Leaders

C. WILLIAM CLEWORTH, ETA '14

Chairman of Grand Prudential Committee

NEVER before has there been a greater need for strong men in fraternity chapters than there is today.

Everything is being examined skeptically these days. Justification is demanded on every hand. Fraternities are being challenged with increasing severity. The challenge can not be met defensively as in the past. Offensive tactics must be used.

The first step is to maintain an uninterrupted series of strong leaders in chapter houses—men who will devote time and energy to upbuilding the chapter. These leaders must lay down a program of improvement and see that it is enthusiastically followed by the members, year after year.

Analyze the place of the fraternity. It must be a valuable and integral part of the educational process. The farther it gets away from this objective, the more chance there is of it being replaced by some other form of group organization.

Fraternity constitutions and their early activities emphasized their cultural and educational objectives. A return to the original purposes and ideals must be made. The fraternity must "sell" itself through the promotion of good scholarship and intellectual achievement. A positive contribution in this direction is demanded.

Fraternities, generally credited with molding campus opinion, can replace the erroneous idea that a passing grade is a gentleman's grade, with a more sensible estimate of desirable attainment.

Better study conditions must prevail within fraternity houses, with quiet hours rigidly maintained. Freshmen must be taught good study habits and a wise use of time.

One of the fraternity's most vulnerable points is its failure to grasp the opportunity of providing for cultural development. The fraternity house is in an excellent position to provide this experience. But little, if any, attempt is made to promote an appreciation for good music and art. The reading habits of fraternity men are poor.

The fraternity has in social activity most nearly met its responsibility. But even here, there have been defects in social training and experience. Fraternities have failed in many cases to insist on ordinary good manners. At many universities the authorities have been obliged to set up paternalistic control of social functions, because fraternities have not generally shown their willingness or ability to take a responsible attitude.

Fraternities must help mold a sound student attitude and promote loyalty to the university. Selfish squabbling by fraternity politicians must be replaced by responsible and representative student government.

Rough-house initiation and public humiliation of candidates, fortunately, are being rapidly discontinued. Carefully planned pledge training is vital to the fraternity.

Resident advisers are effective in promoting scholarship, giving personal

counsel and in maintaining financial stability of chapters. The finances of chapters must be handled in a business-like way, with every member paying his full share of the expenses on time.

Alumni co-operation is essential. It must be cultivated constantly, through regular promotion by mail to accurate lists.

The foregoing are the most often expressed criticisms of and suggestion for improving college fraternities. Many of the points enumerated apply to chapters of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Many who have read this far will say, "all very fine, but why should I bother about it". A few, one or two in each chapter, I hope, will accept the

challenge, analyze their chapters in the light of the foregoing criticisms and suggestions and determine that they will start immediately on the development of plans for improving their chapters. Thereby, they will do untold good for the fraternity cause.

To any man, who aggressively sets about enlarging the horizon of his chapter, will come a valuable training in molding opinion, directing constructive action and serving his fellow men, that will stand him in good stead throughout his life.

Alpha Sigma Phi is going to be re-organized and revitalized by men who have the vision and the ambition to do the job.

In Memoriam

CLIEF W. Dunson, Mu '18, died July 26, 1936, at St. Luke's Hospital, Kansas City, Missouri, of a streptococci infection.

He was born in Michigan on March 17, 1898, and has lived in Kansas City since 1932. He entered the University of Washington in 1917 and graduated in 1921 with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

His rise in the employ of the Montgomery Ward & Company was rapid. He began with the company in 1922 at Portland, Oregon, and a year later was transferred to Oakland, California, as superintendent of merchandise of the branch there. In 1929 Mr. Dunson went to Denver as house manager and in 1930 was transferred to Chicago as assistant operating manager. In 1932 he came to Kansas City as regional manager of the retail and mail order departments. In 1933 he was made house manager of the Kansas City branch, a position he held at the time of his death.

He was a member of the Kansas City Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and was a Mason.

Besides his widow, he leaves Clief Wendel Dunson, Jr., 11 years old, and a daughter, Mary Jeanette Dunson, 5, and a brother, Louis Dunson, St. Maries, Idaho.

THOMAS G. Spellacy, Jr., Sigma '35, died last April after a four months illness.

He was a lifelong resident of Schenectady, New York. He entered the University of Kentucky and was in his sophomore year when ill health forced his return home. He was a member of St. Luke's church and of Alex G. Baxter Camp, Sons of Spanish War Veterans.

Besides his parents, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. George O. Smith, Jr., and a brother, Edward Spellacy. Sigma Chapter has Thomas' picture hung in the house as a memorial to his name.

National Headquarters

EVERYONE coming to New York wants to see 42nd Street and in seeing the most interesting places you will notice the thirty-three story building between Eighth and Ninth Avenues. Looking closer you will see that it is the McGraw-Hill Building, the home of the largest publishers of technical magazines and books in the world.

As you enter the building and walk down the foyer you will find at the end there are elevators to your right and to your left. Step to one of the elevators on your left and ask the operator to stop

at the 18th floor. You will have no difficulty in finding the office after you have reached this stage.

We understand the designer of the building did not have an obsession for green but realized that green was the easiest color in the spectrum on your eyes. The halls are green, elevators green, offices green, and the window blinds are yellow with green stripes down the middle. Your executive secretary did not feel entirely out of place midst this color scheme when he first came on the job in September.



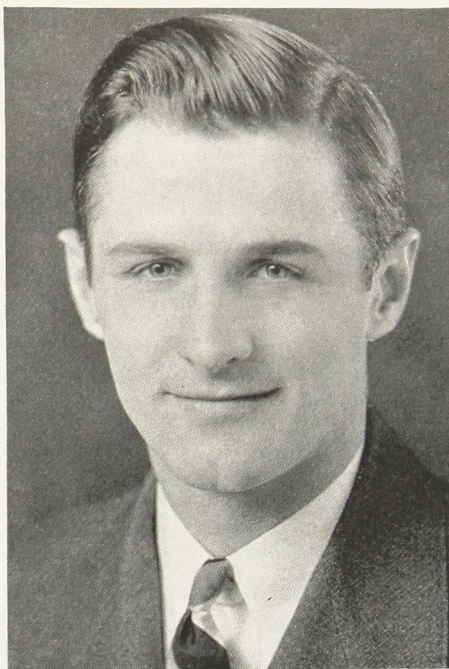
McGraw-Hill Building in foreground location of National Headquarters

Ralph Burns, Epsilon (Ohio Wesleyan) '32, was appointed Executive Secretary on September 14, 1936. He came highly recommended by alumni, and his keen interest and enthusiasm will prove a great asset to the fraternity. Ralph is ready at all times to receive criticisms, suggestions and new ideas which may be used in giving the fraternity a little more meaning to you.

The only other employee of the National Office is Miss Harriet Terry. She assists in seeing that the *Tomahawk* is published four times a year, which in itself is no small task. All pins and shingles are ordered directly through this office to protect our insignia from being used by any jeweler other than our official jeweler.

All changes of address are made at this office where we have complete individual, chapter and geographical files of every member in the fraternity. We receive complaints that I don't receive my *Tomahawk* or other notices from national headquarters, but still some of the brothers are very slow in sending in their new address when they move from city to city.

Alumni bills are sent out from this office along with the handling of all the national finances of the fraternity. There are other innumerable details which have to be taken care of so that the mechanics will move along very smoothly.



Ralph F. Burns
New Executive Secretary

National Headquarters is always open for visitors in town, and we hope that those living in New York as well as those passing through will stop in, if to do nothing more than to say "hello," sign the register, and see the beautiful view of the Hudson and peek at the Empire State building. Make your National Headquarters one of your planned stops while in the city.

At The Conference

WAS "Spence" Spencer Young's face red when Count Ernest Rosse from Milan, Italy, turned out to be the paid entertainer at the banquet after Spence had apologized graciously for actions which were not in his control. Perhaps that is why he drank a quart of milk before going to bed—milk is the greatest drink in the world—sometimes good the morning after.

KNOW why Bob Jagocki looked so robust, well and seemed so gay at the Conference—he just returned from Florida and a recent honeymoon.

THEY are looking for someone who dropped a glass from the Woodstock Bar on the southeast corner of 44th street and Broadway on Wednesday night, December 30, 1936—know anything about it, Dick Archibald?

Accounts Receivable

THE cardinal virtue of every undergraduate social fraternity is the building of certain qualities of character in young men while in college. One of the greatest handicaps to this program in chapters of any fraternity is the person who permits his debt to his fraternity to reach a sum he cannot easily take care of.

It may be that he is unwilling to sacrifice what the fraternity has to offer by giving it up, but will permit the whole group share his burden. He may be the man who does not have the moral fortitude to turn over the money due the chapter, before he has it all spent. The man who is unwilling to make the sacrifice or does not have the money should not join a fraternity.

There is a dual responsibility which has to be shared by the individual and by the chapter as a whole. The member has a financial responsibility to the chapter which he knows has to be met at a specific time each month. The chapter and especially the treasurer of the chapter has the responsibility of seeing this obligation paid when it is due or make some arrangements which are satisfactory to all concerned.

We must realize that we have a small business to run and it must be run on a business-like basis. If we have a chapter of thirty men paying a house bill of \$40 a month we have \$1200 worth of business each month and over \$10,000 during a nine month period being handled by a chapter. If this business is not handled properly, it will not take long to make a mess out of things. We don't have two people involved but thirty people.

We realize the difficulty you have in

the collection of accounts within the chapter and also of the greater difficulty after the members have left the chapter. It is for this reason that we would like to submit a few suggestions in the possible collection of delinquent accounts.

First, a man should be made to realize that he must pay as he goes. Not only while he is in college but when he leaves school he must live within his means or he is headed for serious difficulty. If he does not pay when the account is due then he should not continue to eat at the table, or share the same privileges as other members who are paying for their share.

Second, most parents send money to their sons belonging to fraternities to pay their bills. If the son spends the money before he pays his bills, the parents would like to hear about it. The chapter who permits one of its members to run up his account after the man has been duly approached about the account without notifying his parents is not assuming the responsibility it should to the parents who look to the fraternity as an organization which upholds certain fundamentals of business training.

Third, chapters have to use hard business practices on certain individuals who are too immature to realize their responsibilities. A chapter should never bow to an individual unless the chapter as a whole is willing to assume the burden of the member's delinquent bill. We must not sacrifice for the individual but the individual must sacrifice for the group.

We will be thanked for such a method because we are standing for qualities which are fair and sound to all. Chapter harmony will be better with paid up

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News of the Alumni Councils

CHICAGO ALUMNI COUNCIL

Joseph H. Belair

Eta '31

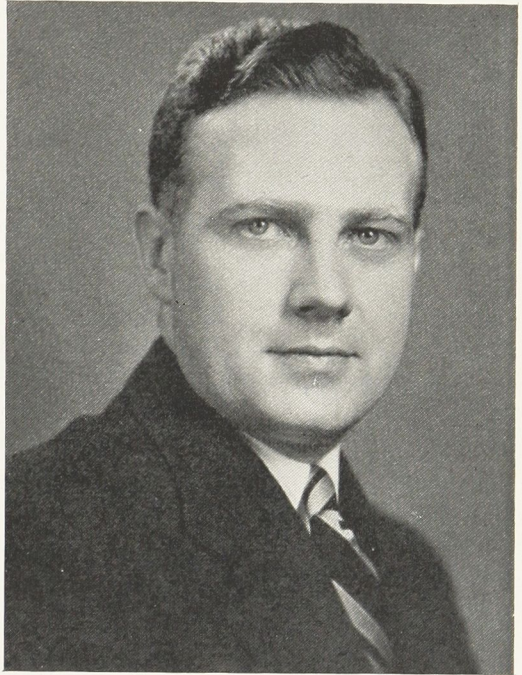
Chicagoland Sigs danced to the music of Red Hodgson and his orchestra at the Alumni Council's first annual Tomahawk Ball, which was held Saturday evening, November 28, in the Celtic room of the Medinah club.

Brother Bud Slomer entertained the customers with his repertoire of cigarette tricks at one point during the evening, and Mr. Hodgson did his famous "The Music Goes 'Round and 'Round" act.

Social Chairman Chuck Mathison finally accomplished financial success in his efforts to revive the social life of the council. Previous affairs have paid their own expenses, but no profit was realized. This time a few dollars were added to the treasury.

Team captains were Felix Caruso, Matty Pimperl, Lou Soldner, Jack Brodt, Cliff Olin and Les Flora. In a large measure the success of the dance is due to the efforts of these men in the distribution of tickets.

Attendance at Chicago Alumni Council meeting for October took a nose dive when Secretary Joe Belair's mimeograph machine collapsed at the psychological moment. The cards announcing the meeting arrived at their destinations the day after the meeting in most cases, but a loyal group of eight brothers were on hand to fight with the Central Y. M. C. A. secretary about the unpaid balance on the dinners which got cold.



Charles A. Mathison, Eta '27
President of Chicago Alumni Council

New committees were appointed by President Chuck Mathison at the November meeting of the Council. Lou Soldner is chairman of the attendance committee. Les Schini is in charge of entertainment at the monthly meetings and Gus Ehnborn is in charge of the planned employment assistance to Alpha Sigs. Rudy Hodal is the new social chairman.

COLUMBUS ALUMNI COUNCIL

H. C. Blakeslee

Zeta '20

At the November meeting of the Columbus Alumni Council, our annual election of officers was held. The new officers are Walter McGeehan, president; E. N. Hart, vice-president; H. C. Blakeslee, secretary; and Parker Z. Bloser, treasurer.

Our new president, Walter McGeehan, is membership secretary of the

Columbus Chamber of Commerce, and our new vice-president is head of the national advertising department for our local Scripps-Howard newspaper. Both are "live wires". The other two officers have served in a similar capacity during the past year, and I can assure you we will have an "up and doing" organization next year.

CLEVELAND ALUMNI COUNCIL

Roy S. Fisher

Upsilon '21

THERE has been a great deal of interest and activity in the Cleveland chapter of the alumni of Alpha Sigma Phi, worked up chiefly by the visit of the National Secretary, Ralph F. Burns, who met with us at a luncheon at the City Club on October 30th, at which time there were 22 in attendance, and Brother Burns gave us a very comprehensive and enlightening talk on the general condition of the national fraternity.

On November 16 a dinner was held at the Tavern with 14 in attendance and it was decided to send a delegate to the

convention to be held in New York. Harry Yoder was designated to attend the convention.

On December 7 a stag party for the men was held at Walter Lehman's, at which there were 16 in attendance, and a party for the ladies the same night was held at Mrs. Reed Hadsell's, at which there were 14 in attendance.

It is hoped we will be able to have regular monthly meetings throughout the ensuing year, and we are very hopeful and optimistic of what has developed out of the National Convention at New York.

WASHINGTON ALUMNI COUNCIL

George C. Worthington

Kappa '09

Business meeting of the Washington Alumni Council was held on November 10 with approximately 20 members in attendance. The following officers were elected: George E. Worthington, Kappa, President; C. S. Engel, Theta, vice-president; M. A. Chapman, Theta, secretary; and T. M. Rodlun, Rho, treasurer.

The November and December meetings were devoted to an earnest discussion of proposed amendments to the

Constitution, matters to be presented at the National Conference and the representation of the Washington Council at the conference.

Such interest was manifested in the conference, that a special meeting was called for December 10 at the National Press club to which all of the Washington alumni were invited. We were happy to be represented at the conference and we are behind the future plans of Alpha Sigma Phi to the man.

LEXINGTON ALUMNI COUNCIL

W. C. Wilson

Sigma '26

At the first meeting of the year, new officers were elected to hold office until January 1938: J. C. Warren, president; William I. Heiger, Jr., vice-president, and W. C. Wilson, secretary-treasurer.

The officers were elected for a period longer than 12 months to assure a

good beginning in the fall with the same officers carrying on until January 1. We feel sure that this will eliminate any confusion after the summer months.

The council has been working very closely with the chapter at the university, and you can expect real things happening in the Kentucky district.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNI COUNCIL

C. J. Iverson

Rho '16

Dinner-meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the Ambassador Hotel. In October, we varied this program by having an evening meeting at the home of the president, and it was decided that we would have occasional evening meetings as a change from our

regular dinner meetings.

We urge that any actives or alumni, who have recently moved to Kansas City, get in touch with the present or past officers of the Kansas City Alumni Association, so that we can get acquainted and have their names on the mailing list.

Alumni Notes

FRANK W. BARNES, Alpha '09, practices law in the new Baker building in Norwich, New York. He is a member of the Syracuse Alumni Council.

CHARLES Bulkley, Alpha '22, is with the Aetna Insurance Company in the State Tower building, Syracuse, New York.

EDWIN M. Waterbury, Alpha '07, is publisher of the Oswego, N. Y., *Palladium-Times* and also of the *Tomahawk*. To him goes the honor of coming the longest distance to attend the Syracuse Alumni Council "get-together" and he has missed only a few such meetings. Waterbury has just been re-elected vice-president of the New York State Publishers' Association.

FRANK Jordan, Delta '85, has been chosen a member of the *Societe Astronomique de France*. He lives at 49 Riverview Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JOHN Jordan, Delta '30, (son of Frank Jordan) was married to Miss Marian Spies, also a graduate of Marietta College '34. John is an assistant in chemistry at Columbia University and also working for his Ph.D. Their address is 531 West 122nd Street, New York City.

NEAL Artz, Epsilon '20, is an instructor in the Chemistry department at Syracuse University.

"ART" Emerick, Iota '21, is now with the Onondaga County Planning Commission, with offices in the county court house in Syracuse and Liverpool.

HARRY Duerst, Eta '29, sells paper for the Monarch Paper Company, which noble organization celebrated its first birthday, December 9. Jack Selig, Eta '31, is the boss of the outfit with Duerst and Joe Belair, Eta '31, under his thumb.

CHUCK Nave, Eta '32, says that Charles Homer Nave, III has begun to crawl and that it is a tough job to keep up with him. His uncle, Brother Russ Cullison, says that little Chuck is absolutely a member of the pledge class of 1954.

BILL Agnew, Iota '29, is with the Syracuse Lighting Company.

JACK Steele, Iota '25, works for the MacMillan Book Company in Syracuse.

THOMAS J. Nicoll, Lambda '24, is an attorney with the Home Title Insurance Company, 51 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn.

SAMUEL W. Maniaci, Lambda '35, former track star, is now with R. H. Macy & Co.

THREE Lambda brothers are coaching in the New York City public high schools. Robert McCoy '31, is at Manual Training High School in Brooklyn; William J. Meisel '33, is at Commerce High School and Vincent J. Cunningham '33, is at George Washington High School.

C. Porter Kuykendall, Lambda '14, first secretary of the American Legation at Kaunas, Lithuania, came into the National Headquarters during his recent trip home.

With The Actives

ALPHA

Yale

Here at Yale the fraternity has been faced with a difficult problem, the newly developed college plan. In the battle with this strong, but not worthy, opponent, many fraternities have dropped by the wayside, but I am proud to say that Alpha Sigma Phi is one of the five fraternities now remaining at Yale. The crisis has passed, and with the aid of our newly elected, very able officers, the Alpha Chapter will be able to cooperate with the other chapters in the organization, and we shall be only too willing to do whatever is desired of us by the National Committee.

Present at the induction meeting last Thursday was Brother Ralph F. Burns who gave a stirring talk about the fraternity and its national standing. He told us that without doubt the other chapters would like to learn just what we, here at Yale, had to offer towards the advancement of our national rating. In a summary form your correspondent will endeavor to present this information, hoping that the oversight of any of his brothers will be forgiven.

Soccer is the sport at Yale where this fraternity is the most prominent. The manager, Roger C. Sullivan, winning competitor, Harlan Scott, and five players, in the starting lineup of almost every game: Ernest W. Smith, Robert M. Davidson, Frank L. Orth, John O. Wilson, and Dexter B. Blake are all members of Alpha Sigma Phi. Most of these men were also members of last year's intercollegiate championship team which entitled them to receive the highest honor awarded to athletes at Yale, their major Y.

Dexter Blake, aside from being an

outstanding goal tender on the soccer team, was the short stop of last year's baseball team. His fielding average was one of the best in the league and he is noted for his steadying influence on the team. Also representing Alpha Sigma Phi on last year's baseball team was the captain, Rowland S. Bosworth, Jr. As a tribute to his personal popularity Dex was chosen to be a member of a very exclusive senior society here at Yale.

John H. Hendrick, former head of our chapter, was the center on the 150 pound football team this year up until the time his back was broken in a practice scrimmage. Narrowly escaping death, Jack is once again back with us, and it was with great sorrow that we saw him succeeded in office as Jack was an able leader and did much for the fraternity while at its head. Much of the credit for the team's undefeated championship season is awarded to Jack.

Richard A. Davies is a name which is on the lips of all the undergraduates here at Yale when they mention one of the college's most colorful sports, crew. In his freshman year Dick achieved early fame by stroking the yearling crew to a victory over a highly publicized Harvard aggregation in the annual New London regatta. Last year, as a sophomore, Dick stroked the varsity in many of its important races. No greater tribute to his prowess can be made than to mention the fact the crew captain and former stroke was moved from stroke to number two position in order to make a place for Dick. This year Dick is one of the few letter men returning, and the coach is counting on him for a nucleus around which to build.

Next in the mention of Alpha Sigma Phi athletes we come to the name of Lincoln Pierce. Linc, now a junior at Yale, was a member of both the freshman cross country and track teams. Since then he has represented the Yale varsity for two years in cross-country, the latter of which he was a member of the Big Three championship team. Last winter and spring he ran the half mile on the varsity and expects to continue to do so this coming season. Inasmuch as Linc is also our present correspondent and a modest soul, he will let his future actions speak louder than his words.

Palmer York, present head of the chapter, is another Alpha Sigma Phi representative on the track team. Palmer came to Yale from Andover where he starred in both football and track. While at Yale Palmer has justified himself both as a hurdler and a sprinter. He was a member of both the freshman track and football teams, but in his sophomore year he decided to devote all his time to track, and as a result he was able to live up to his prep school reputation. This year the coach is relying upon Palmer, now a junior, to carry the Blue to victory in the high hurdles. Much is expected of Palmer as head of the house because he is a natural leader, and in my opinion a better choice for this position could not have been made. As a result of his election, the Alpha chapter should go ahead in leaps and bounds.

The outstanding athletes among the 20 sophomores who have just come in the house are John Robb and George Page. The former was a quarter miler on the freshman track team, thus earning his numerals. John is also the present head of his delegation and is in charge of the winter rushing when the fraternity will take in 20 new members. George starred on the freshman basketball team, and according to the sport page of the Yale Daily News, he is doing very well

in the varsity practice sessions. As yet the season has not begun, so George has not had the chance to show his ability in action.

Outside of athletics the house possesses three members of the Yale Year Book Board, Morgan Adams, Jr., Robert M. Davidson, and Channing Barlow; two managers, Roger C. Sullivan, soccer, and Channing Barlow, cross-country; and last, but not least, an outstanding scholar and a junior Phi Beta Kappa member, Irving Belser, Jr., who was largely responsible for Alpha Sigma Phi's scholastic average which was second only to that of D..K..E.. among the fraternities on the campus.

In conclusion may I say that the chapter as a whole consists of 85 present members with 20 more to be taken in during February. Among other things, we are noted for our dances, the last of which netted us a profit of \$150.00. Last year your correspondent, you remember the modest person mentioned above, represented the fraternity on the Yale Interfraternity Council as treasurer which brings out the point that the name Alpha Sigma Phi must be held in high esteem about the Yale campus if, handicapped as they were by the fact that they were represented by me, they still attained one of the honorary offices in the council.

May I, in behalf of the Alpha chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi, cordially invite any of the members of other chapters, when in New Haven during the college year, to drop in on us and look us over. We shall be only too glad to meet you and treat you as members of a great fraternity, and that it truly is. Even today, December 6th, as I attempt this article, Alpha Sigma Phi is witnessing its 91st birthday. During those 91 years much has been achieved, and many hazards have been overcome, but these are nothing when compared to the future that lies in wait for Alpha Sigma Phi.

DELTA

Marietta College

Anticipating another "crack-up" year we wasted little time by sending in the first three weeks, three pledges from last year "over the hill", namely Bill White, Sisterville, W. Va.; John Griffith, Bridgeport, Ohio, and Harry Savasteen, of Youngstown, Ohio, thereby raising the active chapter to 19 men.

Starting the nine-week rushing period off in great style, with the usual round of novel smokers and dinners we found we had on the night of pledging, November 9, 14 of the best fellows on the campus. They are:

Ray Davis, Cleveland, Ohio; Thomas Arkle, Colerain, Ohio; Philip Peters and Howard Core, Sisterville, W. Va.; Winston Orr, New Haven, Conn.; William Hindman, Steubenville, Ohio; Norman Cordes, Haverstraw, N. Y.; Ben Sylvestro and Charles Cardillo, Bridgeport, Conn.; Richard Edgar and Howard Mellor, Marietta, Ohio; David Dummer, Baltimore, Md.; Bernard Yoswiak, Youngstown, Ohio, and George Green, Cuyahoga, Ohio. George is a transfer from Middlebury. Thanks, Alpha Delt's. He's O. K. Don Wil-



Delta's gridiron huskies

liams, rush chairman, piloted our ship through the stormy nine weeks and deserves due credit for holding the ship "Old Gal" on her course.

Orchids to the Mothers club of the chapter, responsible for the fine annual pledge dinner, given on the night before pledging for the prospective pledges and the actives.

Varsity athletics at Marietta are looking up once again in view of the fact that in addition to the Ohio Conference basketball and tennis titles, we now possess the Ohio Conference football title, due to a great extent to the efforts of brothers Jack Hart, Orin Ogden, Harley Magee, Don "lovee dovee" Williams, Dick Bergen, Bob Tate, and Bill O'Donnell. And here's some hot news, Brother O'Donnell will pilot the Blue and White football squad next year.

Freshman pledges Ray Davis, Norm Cordes, and Tom Arkle, perhaps should also be given credit for allowing the



Mother's Club dinner for Delta's Pledges

varsity to rub their faces in the mud, and thereby gaining much of the practice that brought them to the top. These three pledges received as recognition of their work the freshman sweaters and numerals from the athletic department of the college.

Brother "Bud" Johns will captain the varsity crew next spring, and don't say you weren't tipped off if you find four "Sigs" riding in the varsity shell also.

In basketball brothers Steve Nesha, Harley Magee, and Bob Tate will do their part to help retain the basketball crown won last year. Pledges Ray Davis, Bennie Sylvestro, Phil Peters, Bernard Yoswiak, and Dave Dummer are doing their part to turn out a crack freshman team to fall back on in future years.

Trying to retain the intramural "battleaxe" for this year, we tried our darndest to play a rip-roaring game of touch football, but we found ourselves being "touched" too much, for in the first round we managed to win but one game. In the second round, however, we pulled out the "lead" and got going, winding up in a tie for first place. In the playoff the first game ended in a tie.

but not dismayed we played once again and turned the trick. Boy! that trophy sure looks swell in its new resting place. Brother Johns captained this sticky-fingered, fleet-footed outfit, backed up by the fine playing of brothers Bill White, Dan Burton, Jack Hart, Stewart Shilling, Charles Fogle, Howard Heinmiller.

Brothers Driscoll, Dick Bergen, and Williams, are once again slapping that mighty fast little handball around the courts in anticipation of another intramural victory, while the Class "A" and "B" basketballers are trying to get a much larger ball through what appears to be a mighty small hoop. But now, on to an atmosphere scented with perfume and sweet music as we whirl into a review of our fall social program.

December 18 found us holding our annual "Barn Dance" in an atmosphere of hay and corn stalks (no corn licker allowed) to celebrate the Christmas vacation. Oh yah! With the hot music and a host of farmer co-eds, we had as always, a rollicking, bang-up good time. And so, in this hot tempo we sign off till you find the next *Tomahawk* in your mail box. So long and good luck from Delta.

EPSILON

Ohio Wesleyan

Brothers Robert Eastman and Bill Lacy were members of the Ohio Wesleyan Glee Club which toured through the east during the Thanksgiving vacation and sang on the Palmolive program over the Columbia broadcasting system. Brother Eastman was the glee club's soloist.

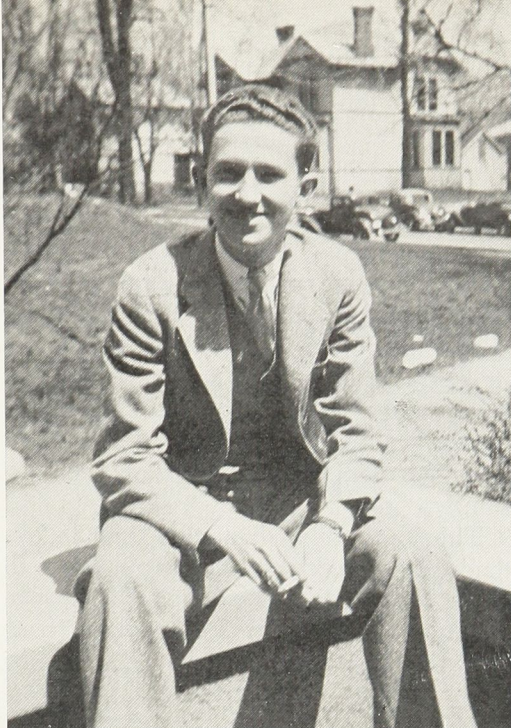
The fraternity's social season was climaxed with a winter formal which was held at the Delaware armory on December 12. Music was furnished by Chuck

Selby and his orchestra. Brothers Larry Leach and Bill Lacy, decorators extraordinary, paneled the walls with huge comic strip figures in Christmas attire. A falling snow false ceiling and an attractive orchestra shell completed the decorations.

Other events carried out by Social Chairman Bill Tantum were a hay ride on the evening after the Xavier football game in October, and a scavenger hunt in November.

Almost a hundred Alpha Sigs were present at the Bust which was held on Homecoming Day, October 31. The speaker was Brother Ralph Burns, National Executive Secertary, who informed the group of the present status of the national organization and what progress might be made in the future.

On December 4, the Epsilon Chapter held its annual Founders Day banquet. New officers were elected. Herbert Smith replaced Fred Coope in the office of H.S.P. Robert Olds was made H.J.P., Sidney Bailey was elected H.S., Bill Tantum was made the new H.M. and Donald Tod was elected H.C. Alfred Moore and Richard Riddle were made members of the Prudential Committee. Brother Bob Lewis will take over the Role of Rush Chairman, succeeding Herbert Smith.

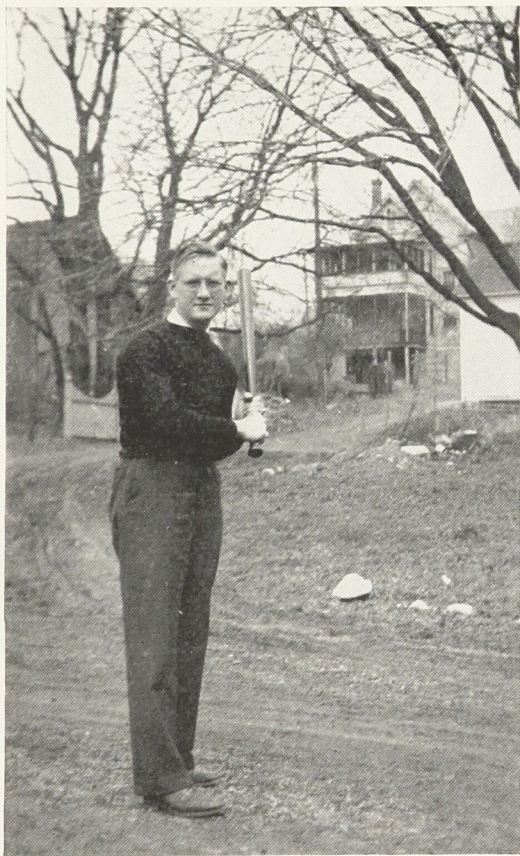


Bob Lewis, Epsilon's rush chairman for next year

Through the efforts of Wilbert Port, head university cheer leader and also head of intramural sports for the fraternity, the Alpha Sig Chapter now leads the rest of the Greeks on the Ohio Wesleyan campus in the intramural race.

Members of Epsilon Chapter returned from Thanksgiving vacation to find that Eva Hutchison, their cook for the past 16 years, was no longer a "Miss" but had changed her name to Mrs. Alkair. "Eva" was married on November 24. Although the Alpha Sigs are worriedly looking about for someone who might be able to take her place, they hope that she may decide to stay on with "her boys".

A matter that had been put off for years was finally brought to realization through the insistence of House Manager Richard Riddle. During the Thanksgiving vacation glass windows were put in the heretofore screened-in sleeping porch and the porch itself was weather boarded and given a coat of paint.



Wilbert Port, Head University Cheer Leader

ZETA

Ohio State

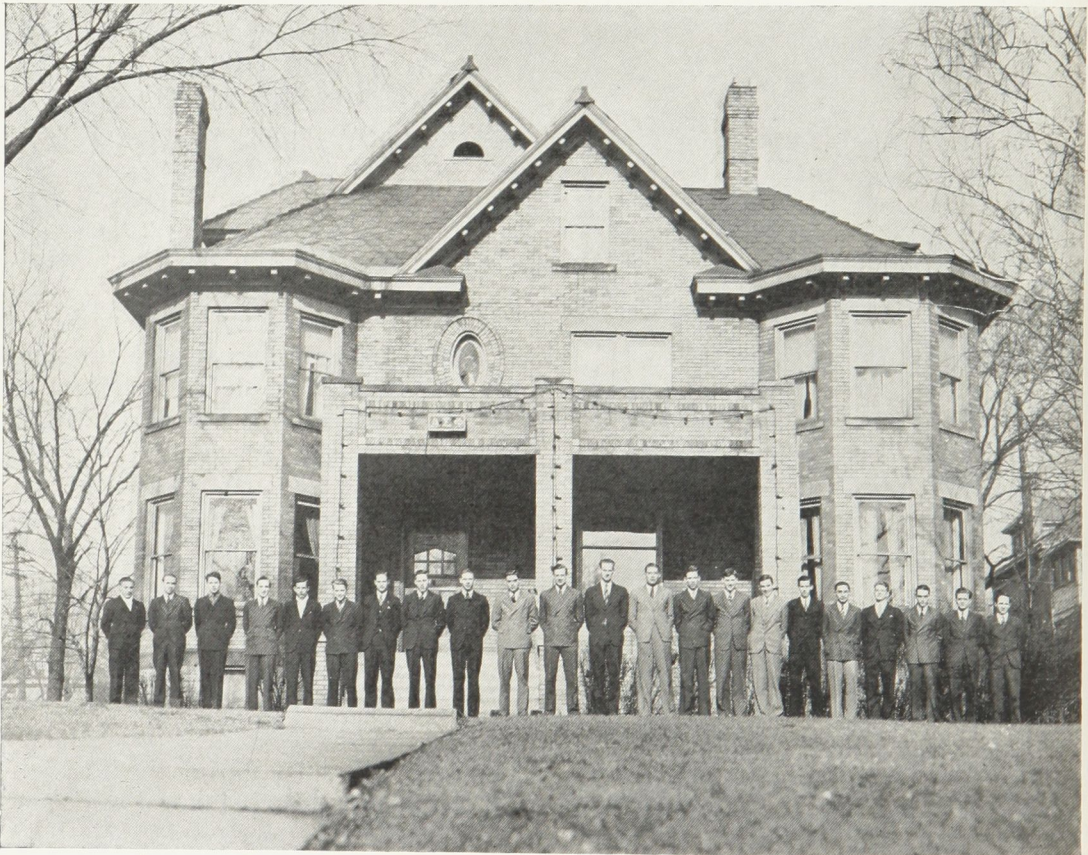
A strenuous rushing program, lasting the whole fall quarter of school, gave Zeta one of the best pledge classes in its history. After the smoke of rushing week had cleared away the "Old Gal" counted noses and found she had 14 new men pledged to her ever-increasing family.

The brothers wish at this time to extend their heartiest congratulations to these new men listed below: George Bohman, Cincinnati; George Friese, Toledo; Ed Kennedy, Orient, Ohio;

Jean Mills, Indianapolis; Kenny Pierce, Toledo, Ohio; Bob Smith, Medina, Ohio; Dick Taft, Newport, Rhode Island, and the following men, all from Columbus, Bob Burris, Stan Cherrington, Jack Evans, Chet Gore, Claude Hayes, Jack Hamilton, and Fred Sheridan.

Congratulations are also in order for Jean Mills, Indianapolis, and Stan Robinson, Columbus, who entered the Mystic Circle in the fall initiation.

Scholastically, Zeta again stands near



Zeta Chapter

the top of the fraternity list. This year's pledge class seemed especially well equipped with brains. They won the Phi Eta Sigma trophy, annually given to the fraternity pledge class which has the largest representation in Phi Eta Sigma, honorary freshman fraternity.

The athletic season for the coming year seems to have much promise. A strong basketball team will be out hunting new laurels and last year's bowling champions will be doing their best to repeat. The cross-country team took second place in that fall sport. The team was composed of Stan Robinson, George Maharg, the long-legged "athlete" from Dayton, and Kenny Pierce.

Robinson took first place but the team as a whole finished second.

The whole chapter is eagerly looking forward to the return to school of Sam Busich. Sam, who played end for the Bucks last year and whom Coach Schmidt described as "the best ball-handler I have ever seen", has been playing professional ball with the Boston Redskins, winners of the eastern division championship of the National Pro League.

Tommy Wheelin, the hoss-doctor from Arizona, has returned to Zeta's folds after a two year absence. The only loss at the end of this quarter will be Norm Platz and the brothers wish him luck.

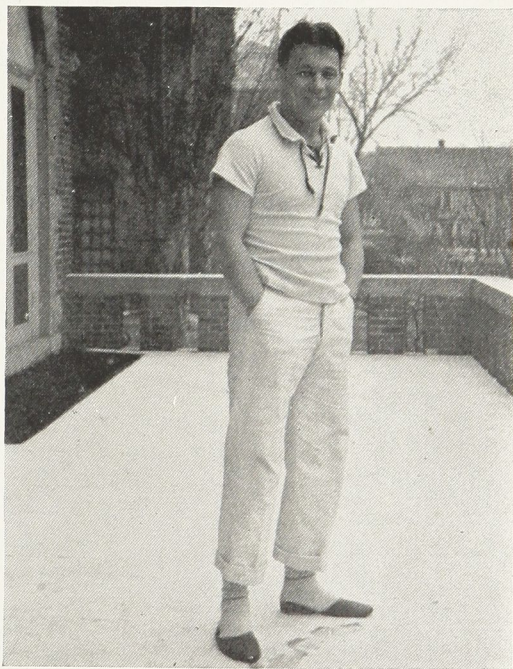
ETA

University of Illinois

While El Sayre was making a name for himself on the gridiron playing his last season for the Illini in a manner that caused Jay Berwanger to choose him on his All-Conference team, the softball team of the chapter was out winning the fraternity championship. In a playoff for the all-university title against the independent winners the team tried three times to eke out a victory, but after an 8 to 8 tie in the last game, played in very cold weather, the matter was considered as a tie, neither team claiming the championship.

At the present writing the house is engaged in competition for the water polo crown. We lost our first game, but with a few practice games getting rid of the rough spots we expect to win the remaining games.

We have a basketball team practicing and when the intramural department announces the competition schedule we



*El Sayre, Eta's H.S.P. and Illinois' '36
FootBall Captain*

expect to retain the championship won last year. Eta is determined to win the big intramural trophy, that goes to the fraternity that garners the most points in intramural competition.

Socially, Eta hasn't much to report. A pledge dance was held November 7 and, in the opinion of your correspondent, it was the best that Eta has had in several years. The pledges are still talking about the fine time that they had.

Wednesday, December 9, the chapter had a dinner for the faculty and other Sigs in the twin-cities. The following attended: Edward C. Baldwin, professor of English; Gil Johnson, instructor in English; Everett E. King, professor of railway engineering; William H. Scheick, professor of architecture; Francis P. Shepard, professor of geology; William Bruce Lockling, instructor in economics; Frederick Stivens, director of the School of Music; Dr. E.

Phelps Little, dentist; Dr. F. S. Kroner, dentist; J. S. Bartholow, manager of Robeson's department store; R. W. Michael, R. F. Colwell, and J. H. Nogle.

Just before the Christmas vacation we had a Christmas party — dancing, hay rides and refreshments. This is something of an innovation on the campus and much interest is being shown by other fraternities. Of course there will be the annual party for the actives given by the pledges.

Blout is a senior letterman on the basketball squad and from the way he is going in practice it looks like he will play a prominent part in the success of the team this year.

Homecoming brought back a large number of alum's for the celebration. There were too many present to mention names, but I'm sure that all were satisfied with the occasion even though Illinois lost the game to Northwestern.

THETA

University of Michigan

Theta has given a good account of herself socially, athletically, and scholastically in the past three months. We are well represented, socially, by Brother Ernest Pederson, who has laid aside his helmet and shoulder pads of the gridiron for the gentler sport of the J-Hop committee. With his support, Michigan is looking forward to its biggest J-Hop of all time.

Although Theta has no representative on a varsity team at this time, prospects for success in inter-fraternity competition are unusually fine. With 21 men out for basketball, Theta should finish well up in the first division, and strong support has been shown the

swimming team. With one fine bowling trophy resting on the mantle, as the result of last year's efforts, the boys are now concerned with making room for another, for the team has swept its first two matches with little difficulty.

Many complaints have been heard during the last week from the third floor dorm to the effect that some one has been "feathering their nest". An inspection of the dorm proved this to be true for each bed seemed to be well padded with feathers which caused many a sneeze and itchy back. The identity of the culprits is a great mystery. Many other mysterious happenings have been reported. It is not in the least un-

common to arise in the morning, place your feet in your slippers and encounter a gooey mass of shaving cream, or to be saluted with a pail of water, strategically placed above the door, as you enter your room. Typewriters, theses, and many other articles have disappeared, to turn up in the most unlikely places. All of which means that Christmas vacation was near and the relaxation from studies had already begun.

And now, in the words of a famous

columnist, "An orchid to: H. E. Pederson, to whom Theta is greatly indebted for her present excellent financial condition; H.J.P. Miller for his splendid handling of the rushing duties; H. M. Morrell for his fine job as pledge master. And to Pledges Taft and Uthoff for their fine spirit and cooperation in organizing the pledge class.

Theta sent, as her representative to the National Conference in New York, Brother Robert Morrell.

IOTA

Cornell University

Rushing over, Iota has once again settled down to regular routine, proud of its eleven pledges. These boys are live wires. Already several are making a name in various activities. Walt Kopp and Garrett Brown, future chemists, have become members of Retort and Beaker, a chemistry club, and Red Lions, a freshman social club. Rus Smith is practicing his "passados" and "punto reversos" and hopes to win a place on the fencing team. Cross country claims John Van Aiken, whose dad is an alumnus of Omicron chapter, as one of its promising runners. Georgie Sears' recent hoarseness came from yelling "stroke" from his coxy position on the frosh crew. Chuck Eitzen, transfer from New Mexico, was also out for crew. Jim Young is now practicing basketball, and from all reports, is showing promise.

The actives, too, are doing their bit on the Hill. Bill "Moose" Kennedy played in his last game on Snaveley's revitalized Big Red Team. The *Cornell Daily Sun*



"H. S. Zouk gets the latest, Crown, or Wally"

is prospering under the editorship of Al Willson.

Perhaps you read his recent satirical remarks directed toward Senator McNaboe and his revelation that Cornell is seething with Communism. Incidentally, Al is now sporting one of those cagey little buttons: "McNaboe Wants Me". Dick Brelos has been working night and day on his section for the *Cornellian* yearbook. Congratulations are due "Shrewd" Cummings for his election to Ye Hosts, honorary society in Hotel Administration. Gordon Trolley is working hard on the business board of the University theater; he has also been made an associate member of the Cornell Dramatic club. Bruce Kester has assumed a fatherly attitude as a member of the Freshman Advisory committee. Bruce has gained renown in crew circles as a catcher of "crabs". He was elected to Pyramid, honorary Civil Engineering society, a short time ago.

Due to renewed interest in Cornell football, Iota was host this fall to many Brother Sigs, especially over Syracuse and Dartmouth week-ends. After the Dartmouth game, Rockledge was the scene of an "Open House" dance. For this occasion a few of the fellows imported their lady friends, who stayed at the house over night. On December 12 an informal Christmas party and victrola dance—with Christmas tree, mistletoe, and all—gave the boys a chance to do a little swinging.

AT THE CONFERENCE

BROTHER Kennedy from Cornell Chapter and Brother Ben Clarke are planning a debate tour on the necessity of the technicalities and formalities of parliamentary law. Brother Clarke defending the affirmative and Brother Kennedy the negative. Any chapters interested in securing this famous team please contact the national office which has complete rights on this highly specialized tour.

BROTHERS Fashbaugh and Gump from Ohio State had a difficult time recuperating from their automobile drive, which was evidenced by the fact that they had a very hard time getting up in the morning—or was it the New York night life which is very glamorous.

WALTER Rinck, Lambda '10, charter member of Lambda Chapter, is a member of the firm of Rinck-McIlwaine, Inc., dealers in auto equipment, at 16 Hudson Street, New York. His son, Walter, is a member of the Sophomore class at Columbia and is a pledge of Lambda.

BERNARD "Bunny" Oakes, Eta '20, was seen at the Conference smoker and banquet. Bunny was attending the National Coaches Convention.

JOHN Neff, Xi '19, a stranger to the New York Alumni Council meetings, was present at the Conference banquet.



H.S.P. Wilson

KAPPA

niversity of Wisconsin

Starting off the new semester, the boys from Kappa netted eight pledges and twenty-one re-pledges. The outlook is for a most successful year. Our officers this year are: Lightbourn, H.S.P.; Eckhardt, H.J.B.; Kramer, H.E.; Booth, H.M.; Hilgendorf, H.C.S.; Mangold, H.S.; Herlihy, rushing chairman; Kramer, social chairman. Few men were lost in graduation last June. Several have entered the Law School and are still part of our group.



Wisconsin House Viewed from the Pier

The past semester was a good one—new cups for championships in baseball and bowling decorate the house. The teams entered in football did not win cups this time, but the prospects look better for our teams in hockey, basketball and bowling. At present, we are high scorers and have won nine straight games toward a new bowling championship. Brothers Hilgendorf and Mangold are good for over 200 every game.

Brother Haller is co-captain of the 1936-37 track team, and though he didn't go to the Olympics this year, he did place high in the finals at New York this summer. In Conference, he jumped as high as fourteen feet four and three-fourths inches to set a new record.

The house was furnished with new rugs, and the second floor was newly decorated during the summer session.

Among the pledges there is very good athletic material: Jones, Raddatz and Wiegand being on the frosh football team; Haritose having won a couple of golf championships; Wiegandt, a star basketball man; and Jones on the swimming team.

At present, Forsgren, a chemical engineer, is the only honor man scholastically—a member of Phi Eta Sigma.

In R. O. T. C., the Kappas have Stumruler in the senior corps, and Horton, Boetliker and Sieloff in the junior corps.

There is lots of competition at the piano between Hilgendorf and Eckardt. Eckardt is also a member of the Tudor Singers and the Glee Club. In the band, Augie (square shooter) Steinbrecker plays a mean trumpet.

The social activities this fall include four parties—three informals and a Christmas formal on December 12.

At present, we are looking for a house dog. If any chapter has one they don't need, just look us up.

Initiation is just around the corner, and the boys amuse themselves scaring the new pledges.



Some of the Brothers on the Pier

LAMBDA

Columbia University

Although still without a permanent meeting place, Lambda has been making real progress during the current college year.

On the evenings of Friday and Sunday, November 20 and 22, the first initiation of the year was held at the home of the parents of Brother Alfred A. Beaujean '33, in Yonkers. The chapter greatly appreciates the hospitality extended to Lambda by the Beaujeans. Among the guests present on this occasion was Brother Ralph F. Burns, executive secretary, who assisted by taking an active part in the ceremonies. The following were initiated and we take this opportunity to introduce them as brothers: Juan de Zengotita '38, of Philadelphia, Pa.; John A. Thompson '38, of Flushing, L. I.; Dean H. Arnold '38, of Central Valley, N. Y.; Herbert S. Weast, '39, of Oakdale, Cal.; and Harwood C. Simmons '25, '32 A. M. of Adairville, Ky.

Brother Simmons is a member of the faculty of the department of music. As director of the Columbia Symphonic Band he has built up a very fine student organization. He is also a member of Phi Mu Alpha (musical fraternity). Brother de Zengotita was formerly intramural boxing champion at 145 pounds. Brother Thompson was one of the assistant managers of football program sales this fall and therefore a candidate for manager next year. He is a member of the varsity swimming and baseball teams. Brother Arnold played shortstop on the varsity baseball team last spring and was its leading hitter. This fall he was an assistant manager of the refreshment concession at the football games and will probably be the manager next season. He is now a candidate for a berth on the basketball team. Brother Weast won his numerals in track last year and is now in training for the varsity team.

On November 9 members of the chapter were guests of Brother and Mrs. Carl Boyer whose apartment is just off the Campus, and on December 11 Brother William Haslett entertained the chapter at his home in Jersey City. On both occasions the chapter was successful in pledging several men. The pledges at this time are: John F. Ryan, Jr. '37, of Babylon, L. I.; Andrew E. Goodale '38, of New Suffolk, L. I.; Josef J. Sansone '39, of New Rochelle; Revill J. Fox '39, of Waterbury, Conn.; Richard V. Colligan '38, and Thomas J. Finnerty '39, of New York; and Walter Rinck, Jr. '39, of Glen Ridge, N. J. The latter's father was of the class of 1910

and a charter member of Lambda.

Our H.J.P., Brother Carl Boyer, teaches mathematics at Brooklyn College. Both Carl and his wife are taking graduate courses at Columbia.

At the annual dinner of the Varsity C club, held at the Columbia University club in New York on the evening of December 3, at which time certificates were awarded to those winners of the C for participation in spring and fall sports for 1936, the following Lambda brothers were honored: Dean H. Arnold '38 (baseball); Peter MacI. Brown '36 (wrestling—captain); William M. Fleischman, Jr. '36 (tennis—manager); and John A. Thompson '38 (swimming).

MU

University of Washington



Interior View of Chapter House, University of Washington

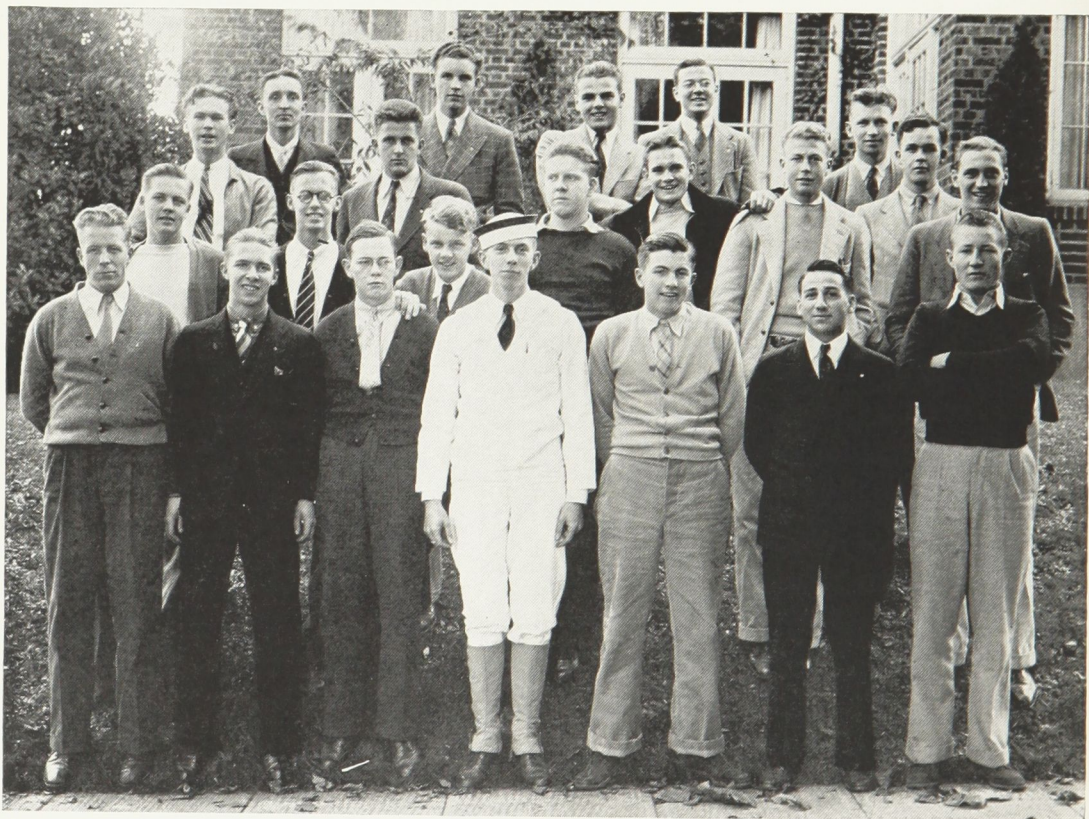
As a result of a strenuous campaign conducted by that capable rushing chairman, George Baum, Mu chapter has set out towards a year of successes: Social, Athletic, and what have you. The active members turned out this fall in full force during rush week and when the smoke of battle cleared away, Mu of Alpha Sigma Phi, led all other fraternities on the University of Washington campus with a total of 30 pledges.

With a pledge class such as this and the return to school of 30 active members, the boys are more than ready to play an active part in Washington's activities. As for athletics, Alpha Sig's are tops. At the present time the men of Mu have forged to the front in the intramural athletics, having already earned 580 points towards the coveted Garhart Trophy.

As for school athletics Alpha Sig's

minge with the best of them. Ed Lov-
erich at the present time is receiving the most attention as the basketball season draws near. We all remember Big Ed as the star forward last year on Washington's champion basketball team of last season, not mentioning that he was chosen on the second Olympic basketball team after the tryouts in New York. Other W men in the house are Len "Snuffy" Rich after two years of good varsity baseball; and Johnny "Doc" Merrill who got his letter as coxswain of the 150 pound crew. Adding to this list, of course, little Freddy Salmela, who is spending his spare time with the oars and shells as junior crew manager.

Among the frosh which seem to be athletically inclined are Pledges Dobson and Whims who look plenty good on the basketball floor and should make their numerals this year. Down at the crew



Pledge Class, University of Washington

house are found Pledges Pande, who was in the first shell at the end of fall turnout; Nicola, who has been trying to steer a straight course as a coxswain; and Ted Hughes, who is trying his best to be a manager.

In various other activities Alpha Sig's are doing their bit as usual. Pledge Jack Boley is found down at the Daily Shack as business manager of the University of Washington paper and should be congratulated on the fine record he has made. On the advertising staff of the *Columns*, Pledge McGuane is still trying to sell ads.

Among the Alpha Sig's who have earned their way into the band are Brothers Atkinson, H. S. P.; Keyser, ex-H.S.P., and Pledges Stevens, Jacobsen, and Haddon, and all are looking forward to their New Year's episode at the Rose Bowl. Such an influx of future musicians has resulted in the for-

mation of a pep band boasting a membership of seven not-too-good musicians, but which have created quite a riot at the intramural basketball games.

In "high sassiety" at Washington, the fellows are right in there pitching. The social calendar was crammed with dinners, dances and firesides. The first of these was the dance given in honor of the pledges and broke in our future social lions into the ways and means of college life. The outstanding social event was the Barn Dance which was held in the chapter house in elaborate style with the aid of fitting decorations and to the tune of Brother Keyser's Shipmates. The last major social function was the dance and card party given at the chapter house by the Mother's club.

Congratulations are in order for Leo Sebastian, Phil McNamee, and Kermit Ness, newly initiated brothers.

NU

University of California

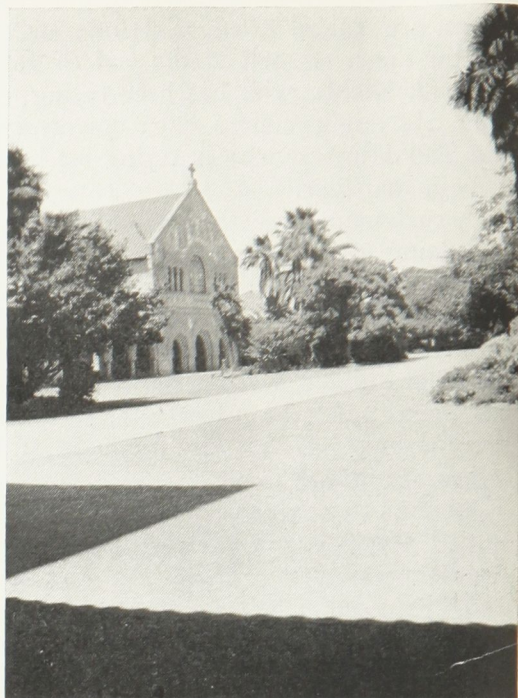
In the sudden rush of finals, your correspondent hastily grabs a few minutes to toss off this report of the boys at Nu. The air around the house is heavy and serious, and unbecoming to the careless freedom that usually prevails. The questions we ask one another now run something to the order of "Have you the lecture notes...?" or "What did he ask last year"? The strained atmosphere is relieved only at mealtime with an occasional hog-call, a quick hand of bridge or with easy conversation intended to aid in the revival of the poor unfortunates who stagger in from a morning ordeal bitterly exuding invectives against the world in general and tough courses in particular.

The house as a whole is greatly elated at winning its first intramural title in some time. This was achieved a few days ago, when our American football

team defeated Phi Gamma Delta, 13 to 7.

We are now planning to meet the naval unit next semester in a playoff for the all-university title. They are the winners of the non-fraternity league. Our touch football team also went quite a way toward the title before we were finally eliminated, and as a consequence, the latest reports are that we ended the semester rating second for all intramural sports. Perhaps one of the main reasons for such interest being shown in this phase of activities this semester is the fact that Steve Rogers is senior intramural manager. As such, he is doing a fine job. Recently he was initiated into the Big C Society.

Our formal was held October 30 at one of the nearby country clubs. The night was cold (your correspondent can vouch for that. He was in a rumble



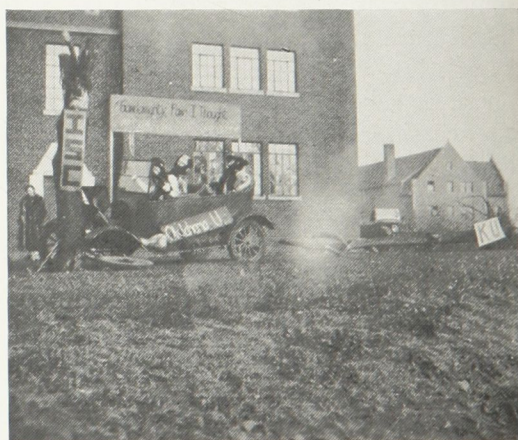
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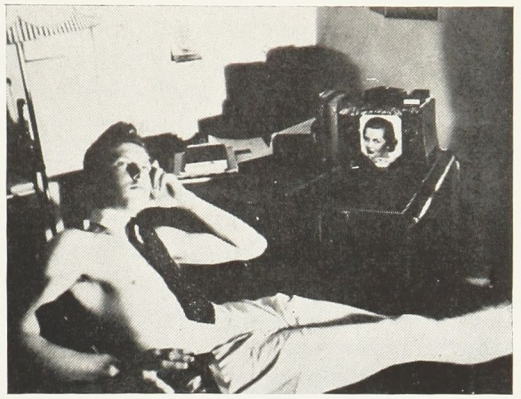
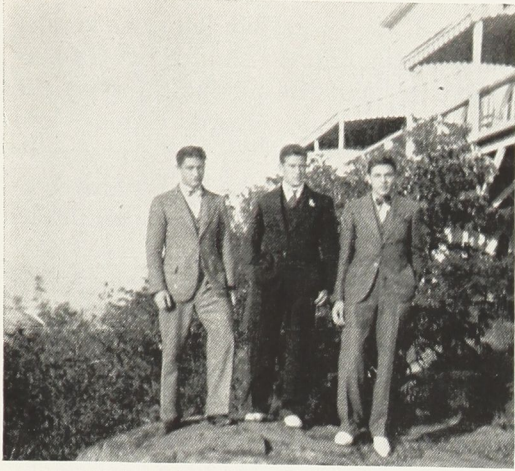
*Left Center—H. S. P. Leiningner and
Brother McGinnis of Xi Chapter*

*Lower Left—Nu's Football Squad with
winning Cup ..*

Above—Stanford Memorial Chapel

*Below—Iowa State's Homecoming
Decorations*



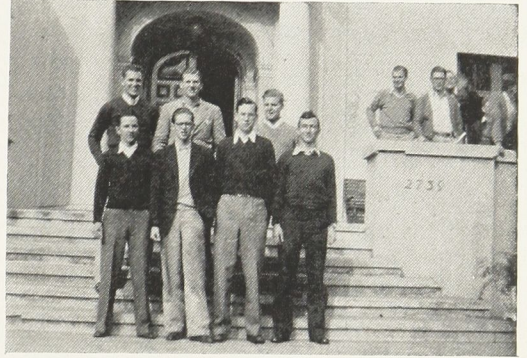


*Above—Brothers Bruneau, Cushman
and Benea from Gamma at the
Mt. Holyoke House*

Upper Right—Cornett, Pi's "Apollo"

*Right Center—New Officers of the Nu
Chapter*

*Below—Group attending Gamma's
Pledge Banquet*



seat) but the music was hot, and with a fairly large dance floor on which to perform, the boys went to town. We arrived home that night to discover that a neighboring sorority (we're not mentioning names but we know 'em!) had covered the front door with a barrage of eggs. In retaliation, the boys are going to get Battery A into action before long. Battery A is our overgrown sling-shot, made from an old inner tube. When in shape she tosses antique food-stuffs well over a block. Gus Teskey, who is a cadet officer in the local Coast Artillery unit, is figuring out the range and technical details.

A couple of weeks before the big game, Nu and Tau got together out in the Berkeley Hills for a good, old fashioned Bust. On October 17, California had its annual battle with our southern brother, U. C. L. A., and we were happy to act as hosts to Alpha Zeta Chapter.

The morning of our big game with Stanford, the Mothers club generously handled the arrangements for the open house, and the chapter has only gratitude for the wonderful job they did. The boys from Tau were out in full force, and we trust we handled our job as host adequately even though they must have been a little depressed at their—to put it mildly—shellacing.

Nu had one man on the varsity squad this year in the person of Bill Barker, a tough tackle. Bill has one more year of eligibility, and he doesn't know whether to graduate or to use his extra year.

In the spring, we will have quite a number of the boys out for sports. Bill Foulkes, who earned his freshman num-

erals, will try to get his letter in varsity tennis competition. Bob Blackford is anxious to land the pitcher's job on the baseball diamond. Boyd Gainor and Guy Davis intend to try out for varsity track, while Mo Witzel will attempt to pound his way into a permanent berth on the freshman squad.

In other activities, too, Alpha Sigs have been prominent. Phil Breck does a lot of acting around the house, but he makes it effective on the little theater stage. In addition Phil is a junior member of the deputations committee and has high hopes of getting his senior appointment. Another junior member of this committee is Lou Wirgler. Joe Vokoun and Bill Foulkes are working hard for their junior appointments on the wheel committee, while John Doane is following suit in the Torch Society that handles the rallies.

The elections resulted in a very competent group of officers: Howard Barney, H. S. P.; Fred Glasseley, H. J. P.; Doug Teskey, H. E.; Joe Vokoun, H. M.; John Doane, H. S.; Bill Foulkes, H. C. S.; John Steponovich, H. C.; and Ken Miller and Bob Knowles as senior and junior representatives on the prudential committee.

In conclusion, we should like to mention the fine work done by two associated bodies for the active chapter this semester. Our rejuvenated Mother's club has done some splendid work for which we are deeply grateful. The second group is our alumni organization which has held two meetings at the house and which has given us both sound advice and concrete aid.

EARLE Lee Kelly, Nu '13, state director of public works, has frequently appeared in the limelight as he was one of the "big shots" in the construction of the recently opened San Francisco-Oakland Bay bridge.

"CHICK" Megargel, Upsilon '22, now vice-president of the Syracuse Alumni Council, is with the Fidelity & Deposit Company of Maryland, with offices in the Chimes Building, Syracuse.

GAMMA

Massachusetts State

Since the graduation of nine seniors last June, the actives have been in the minority. Conditions finally came back to normal a few weeks ago with the initiation of six new members. They are: Edward Stoddard '39, Donald Mayo '39, Ray Parmenter '39, John Townsend '39, Phillips Luce '39, and Edward Flavin '37.

The pledges under the guiding eye of "Dregs" Wilson staged a coming-out party for themselves a few weeks ago, in a combined scavenger hunt and "vic" party. The scavenger hunt started the night before the party when the buzzard-like freshmen went in search of bait with which the members might dance the following evening; similar to the habits of the buzzard, they used no discretion in their choice of morsels. The old adage, "The farmer had two daughters: one was good looking, and the other went to Massachusetts State", still holds true; and consequently the unwritten law of past years that co-eds shall not attend house parties may be resurrected. (Pledges Novelli and Mosher look forward to warmer weather during Hell Week!!)

Each room in the house this semester has its own peculiar specialty; and yet it is still a "house divided against itself". The two factions, however, are both

comprised of athletes (Mexican): some matadors specialize in throwing the bull; others in avoiding the bull; and then there are, of course, those temperamental artists who attempt both arts. The Camel cigarette manufacturers have not as yet discovered such a convincing advertisement as the "Third Deck of Alpha Sig"!

The Kabat-Osley-Bokina combination is outstanding among Gamma's athletic representatives. Brother Kabat is manager of varsity basketball. "Joe" Bokina, (not the major league's Washington Senator from Conway; just a cousin), veteran center of last season, is in the running again for the same position. "Flash" Osley, brilliant right inside scorer for the varsity soccer team, is filling a position as guard. With two "eagle-eyes" on the floor and "Cabbage" (the power behind the throne when Mrs. Simpson is indisposed) as their manager, Gamma and Hatfield anticipate plenty of publicity from the basketball season.

Then the case comes to mind of the freshman pledge whose feminine friend in the old home town sings to him every Wednesday evening over station WMAS. Someone said the oil-burner caused the static! Maybe we're just jealous.

ANDREW Mohan, Alpha Epsilon '31, is now the proud father of a baby girl. He makes his home at Stillwater, New York, where he is in the insurance and ice business.

ARTHUR Breed, Jr., Nu '23, was re-elected assemblyman from his district. He resides at 93 Wildwood Gardens, Piedmont, California.

R. J. Taylor, Alpha Epsilon '29, has become the circulation manager of the *Paughkeepsie Evening Star*. Brother Taylor lives at 48 Fox Terrace, Poughkeepsie, New York.

TC. Bolton, Omicron '16, is the head of the Finance Department of Syracuse University at Syracuse, New York.

XI

University of Nebraska

Another Alpha Sig hung up an excellent record for the annals of Nebraska grid history this fall when Ken McGinnis, varsity right guard, checked in his moleskins after he and his Cornhusker teammates had won another Big Six conference championship. In addition to receiving his varsity "N", "Mac" was honored with the right guard post on the mythical all Big Six conference eleven and won honorable mention on the list of All Americans. Brother McGinnis, a senior, will next fall enter the University College of Medicine at Omaha.

And when mentioning football we can't neglect Brother Johnny Richardson, Jr., who this year earned his second varsity letter playing at left end.

Leaving athletics for the social side of Xi Chapter activities, we find that to date this fall two of the brothers no longer wear their Alpha Sig pins. Omar "Butch" Bornemeier lost his in Kappa Delt house and not so long ago a certain AOPI began wearing the pin of Brother Galen (Jonesey) Jones. Vance Leininger, H. S. P., still has possession of a most charming Theta. McGinnis has also been spending considerable time in the Tri Delt house.

The more prominent brothers on the campus are: Vance Leininger, who is a member of Kosmet Klub and past member of Student Council and Corn Cobs; Bill Hollister, managing editor of the *Awgwan*, humor publication; Don Wagner, managing editor of the *Daily Nebraskan*, student publication; Paul

and Don Wagner, members of Corn Cobs, men's pep club; Galen Jones, cheerleader, and Joner and McGinnis, captains in the R. O. T. C. unit. Among the pledges Ralph Hopkins is progressing as a reporter on the *Daily Nebraskan*; Vern Ledbetter is a member of Pershing Rifles and Bob Johnston is making good with the University Players. Brother Paul Wagner is also a worker for Kosmet Klub.

Xi Chapter lads had their share of house parties this fall and topped off the fall social season with a party of the "haunted house" variety. A good job was done decorating the house with an occasional ghost flitting about.

The brothers, it appears, have a peculiar "hankering" for old crates (cars). Leininger and Halstead own a Whippet, which tops the list; it rattles and occasionally rambles. Woods drives his lady friends about the campus in another Whippet, painted yellow, age unknown. Also parked behind the house is an old red Buick, for which Johnson, Gonzales, Cooper and Palmer kicked in a couple bucks apiece. McGinnies drives about in a none too new "Chev-y"; he might feel "hurt" if it were classified along with the rest of the "crates". And oh, yes, we can't forget Les Stoltzmann's dilapidated "Chev-y". It is of the type that runs now and then.

A recent addition to the pledge class is Thomas Perry Gaines, the Fremont flash. Perry claims to be in the arts and science college, is thinking about law.

OMICRON

University of Pennsylvania

THE brothers of Omicron have finally settled down to begin serious work of studies and activities, after one of the most exciting and successful seasons in Pennsylvania's football history. Speculation over the possibilities of All-American honors for members of the so-called destiny backfield has ceased, and life has returned to normal. The success of the team was brought even closer to us because of the fact that Al Peterson, H.S.P. of Omicron, managed the team in its success. It has been a source of great personal satisfaction both to Al and to the house.

Amid the excitement and thrills of the football season, however, the ordinary affairs of the chapter have been carried on smoothly. The fall election of officers has been held, with few changes made in the former regime. The officers at present are: Al Peterson, H.S.P.; Tom Rees, H.J.P.; Russ Hoverman, H.S.; Bob Jordan, H.E.; Fred Darragh, H.C.S.; Wayne Barr, H.C.; and John Morgan, H.M. Fred Darragh and John Morgan were the only newly elected officers.

The freshman class of the house was enlarged to 12 on Sunday, December 6, by the initiation of two new men, Gilbert Zimmerman, of Madison, New Jersey, and Edward Lopatto, of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. We regard this as a good start on what should be a rushing season successful in the extreme. The first smoker of the 1936-37 rushing season will be held three days after the Christmas vacation, with two following that before the end of the fall term. A week of intensive rushing will

open the Spring term, climaxing the season. A group of high quality will have to be obtained to come close to filling the shoes of the present senior class of the house.

The present freshman class has entered the spirit of the various campus activities in encouraging style. "Chuck" Diven has received his numerals in both freshman basketball and baseball, and was selected as captain of the baseball team. He is now playing on the junior varsity basketball team, and captained the team in its first game of the season. He is a member of the Business Board of the *Daily Pennsylvanian*, and the Business Board of the *Wharton Review*, and he has served on the vigilance committee of the sophomore class.

Bill Maloney has recently been elected to the business board of the *Pennsylvanian*, the campus daily, and intends to heel for business manager of the paper. At the present time he is also a candidate for assistant manager of track, and we feel that his chances are excellent. Bob Campbell has received his numerals in golf, and he is practically assured of election to the editorial board of the *Pennsylvanian*.

Bill Lindgren is healing for manager of crew, a managerial that will not be completed until late spring, but in which we believe he should be successful. He also expects to find time to compete for a board or two some time during the year.

Porter Rapp, a member who calls Buenos Aires his home, is a candidate for both *Pennsylvanian* business board and assistant manager of fencing, and

Ed Lopatto is heeling for assistant manager of wrestling. Gil Zimmerman expects to be working for assistant manager of baseball in the spring.

The majority of the rest of the members are resting on their laurels at the present moment, but several are active in important activities. Gordon Walls and Gerry Creamer have been participating in track throughout the fall, in preparation for the spring season. Gordon Walls has already been timed in the 220 in 21.6, and was well on his way to establishing a new Penn record in the Yale Dual Meet last spring when he pulled a tendon, eliminating him for the rest of the season. He obtained his major letter, however, before his injury, and is the leading candidate for

election to the captaincy of track at the end of this year.

Wayne Barr, assistant manager of basketball, and member of Phi Kappa Beta, is active in the campaign for manager of the sport. Al Peterson has been elected president of the interfraternity council, and is occupied with his duties prior to the coming rushing season.

We wish to conclude this report with an expression of confidence that the national conference held in New York proved to be a step in the right direction. It is our opinion that a new period of acceleration in the fraternity has begun with this conference. The turning of the one hundredth anniversary of Alpha Sigma Phi should find us greatly advanced as a national unit.

PI

University of Colorado

Perhaps the impression has been given that Pi's members are a bunch of freaks whose sole purpose in life is to put out their pins. Not so! Frank Morales and Carlos Bates were both initiated into Tau Beta Pi, the highest ranking honorary engineering fraternity on this campus. Frank was also pledged to Sigma Tau, another honorary engineering fraternity, and he is president of Chi Epsilon, a civil engineering fraternity. Brother Morales and Professor Ekel, who is an alumnus of Pi and national vice-president of Chi Epsilon, have both left to attend that fraternity's national convention at Purdue University.

The glee club under the direction of Brother Hugh Jones must have been good when they made their first sere-nade not so many nights ago. A carton of cigarettes was received from each of

the three following sororities: Delta Gamma, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Alpha Chi Omega. However, the whole of Pi chapter is in a dither over what became of the pills—some blame Jones and some doubt that any cigarettes were received. We think that some brother is holding out on us, and the finger of suspicion is pointing in Brother Jones' direction.

The cross country track team of Pi carried off first place in this yearly event of the University. Pi is indeed proud of the three men who make up the team: Earl Howsam, Robert Howsam, and Jack Truscott. This is the second year that Pi has won first place in this annual cross country race.

The traditional fall Barn Dance was also held. It is superflous to say that everyone attending had a grand time. We should like to state that our nerves

were somewhat frazzled by the frequent explosions of blanks in cow punchers' guns.

We have not attempted to report the activities of Pi in full; rather, we have tried to give you some idea of the fun and good fellowship which prevails here, as it does in all Alpha Sig houses. We have a grand time and we wish to extend a rather trite though sincere, "Cum up 'n see us sumtime" to any of you who visit this campus.

While this correspondent is trying to think of something to write for the *Tomahawk*, many of the boys still have one or two more final examinations to take. Before starting this, we made a tour of the house. We found Chambers with some sort of big sheet which he was trying to memorize for a final in Geology, and further up the hall we peeped in on our beloved H.S.P., Earl Howsam, and found him playing a peculiar kind of game with Alfred Lenzotti. Howsam was trying to make his bed faster than Brother Lenzotti could tear it up. It looked like the height of asininity to us, but then final week at the University of Colorado always causes a great number of antics which are not unlike the games which the inmates of a psychopathic ward take part in. Next we entered Brother Bissey's room to see how he was taking final week. We found him to be quite normal; he growled fondly at us and let out a hearty groan when we asked him if he had some snapshots for the *Tomahawk*. Incidentally Bissey should be very happy

as he is in the midst of one of his more interesting love affairs—apparently love at first sight—he placed his pin in less than two weeks after we got him his first date with her. Bissey really lives up to his title, Bissey, the Bellicose Lover. Now don't get technical, please—the chief merit in the title is that it is alliterative, and will cause many embarrassing growls from said brother when he reads it in the *Tomahawk*. Johnny Green was in the room also and immediately said that he wanted his name in our piece. Well, John, you asked for it so here goes: Green is one of our more interesting personalities. He always threatens to go completely insane if the brothers don't observe quiet hours while he is trying to study Organic Chemistry. We have always wanted to make the appropriate remark when he tells us this; but a mad gleam in his eye changes our cryptic remark to mumbled apology for living. It was the same all over the house; some of the brethren packing and making a joyful noise because for them finals were over and other brothers offering to whip the whole house singly or individually if the noise was not hushed.

Three other men also passed out their pins this quarter. Warren "Doc" Watrous convinced a very lovely little Alpha Phi, that he was tops, and, wonder of wonders, our popular president finally decided to let an Alpha Chi have the honor of wearing his pin. Allen Reyer also went over the deep end for another time and gave his pin to an A. O. Pi.



SIGMA

University of Kentucky

"We are members of one great body, planted by nature in a mutual love, and fitted for a social life. We must consider that we were born for the good of the whole".—Seneca.

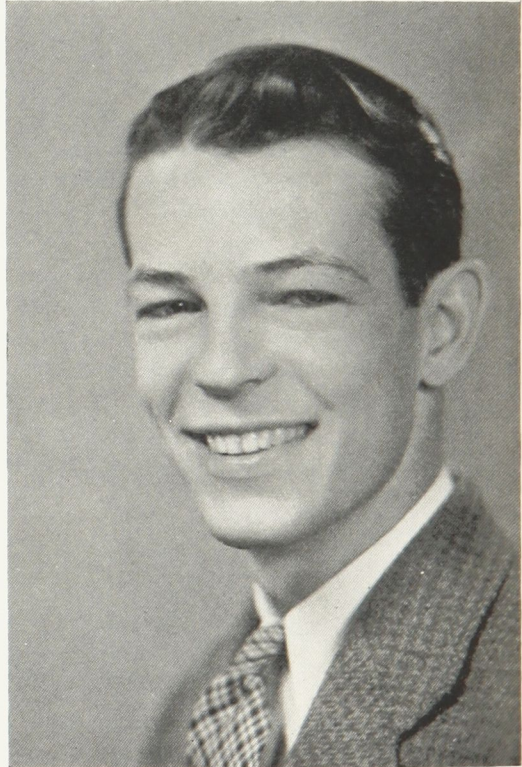
A fine thought and more so at this time, when delegates from each chapter of this glorious brotherhood assembled in New York City shortly after the Christmas Holiday to discuss and make plans for the remedy of a situation that needs the aid of every brother of this great organization. However, all indications point to the fact that the whole force of the chapters are behind the cart and all will do their share of pushing, so that our brotherhood will be more firmly united and strengthened.

Brother James P. Altrutz, H.S.P., was Sigma's delegate to the conclave. We received many letters from various alumni councils throughout the country and we, along with our alumni council, studied the various plans and suggestions carefully for our opinions which were voiced at the conclave by Brother Altrutz. A joint meeting of the active chapter and the Lexington Alumni was held last December 16 at the Lafayette Hotel. After the banquet, a discussion was held to determine our policies at the National Conference. Brother Nantz contributed heavily to the discussion and also to the friendly poker game.

A new year means that the earth is just one year older. But alas, why worry about the flight of time? The future is the thing to think about now—the future of Sigma. We see a gayer and more prosperous year for Sigma

Chapter. We see a trophy for the basketball champions in the forthcoming intramural session. The trophy will sit on our mantle among our many other awards. We, also, see a formal dance to be held on February 13, which will excell our last dance in every respect. Yes, we see a fine year ahead, but why rave on?

The thing of the future that is worrying most of us is the final examinations, which begin the last week in January—cramming books, books, books,



James Altrutz, Sigma's H.S.P.



Left to Right—Brothers Shovea, Ford Gibson, Vogel and Center, Mrs. Annie Neal, Housemother

burning the midnight oil, calming the nerves with cigarettes, pulling and tugging the hair, sighing with disgust and then the agonizing wait for the final grade. Oh! how discouraging! Is it worth it? Just wait until we cash in on our education, then we can answer the question.

Sigma salutes Brother Bill Merton upon crashing the mystic circle of Phi Mu Alpha, honorary music fraternity. Bill invaded "Sweet Pea's" home town recently and introduced himself to her family. It looks as if he will be making several week-end trips to Williamstown. He says it's not infatuation either.

Sigma salutes Brother Downing for his supremacy in campus politics. He was elected interfraternity representative and he is also a candidate for president of interfraternity council. Brother Downing and Brother Culton have both worked hard in recent elections of candidates of our clique.

Our housemother, Mrs. Annie Neal—and we are proud of her—has guided brother Sigs for the past five years with kindness and generosity, never failing in her duties in caring for us in times of discouragement and illness and when necessary scolding us for our misbehavior and foolish conduct.

Brother James P. Alrutz is our congenial H.S.P. He certainly has what it takes to lead a group of men successfully. His favorite hobby is cooking; he dislikes the opposite sex; and he prefers sleeping on the floor rather than a bed. A queer duck, isn't he?

Ah, here's the man, Brother Ernest Shovea. He is president of Alpha Delta Sigma, honorary advertising fraternity, vice-president of Omicron Delta Kappa, honorary leadership fraternity, and business manager of the *Kentuckian*, University Year Book. His favorite dish is bean soup. Brother Shovea also enjoys trading clothes, often skinning his own fraternity brothers in his slick deals. His motto is, "If you catch a sucker, bump his head".

Here, brother, is a typical southern gentleman. Brother Douglas Ford is a member of Lances, honorable junior organization; H.J.P. of Sigma Chapter, and associate editor of the *Kentuckian*. He walks and talks with the greatest of ease; his favorite dislike is work; his favorite radio program is "Buck Benny Rides Again"; and he delights in throwing stones at men who live in glass houses.

Brother James Gibson is a dauntless, dashing, daring and yet a delightful personality. He is a member of the Glee club and plays his fiddle in the Philharmonic orchestra. He is, also, a member of Phi Mu Alpha, honorary music fraternity, and a committeeman of the "240" club. His motto is, "He who pays early, pays easily". He is H.E. of the chapter.

Pledge Alfred Vogel has been here only two years and is now one of the campus leaders, being a member of Alpha Delta Sigma, advertising fraternity.

TAU

Stanford University

Activities sound the keynote of the Tau Sigs' attention as they head into the winter quarter, after making themselves heard in every nook and cranny of this 9000 acre campus during the autumn quarter.

The Tau Sigs reach into the activity bag, push aside the moth balls, and produce their quota of athletes to spring forth on chilly winter afternoons to do or die for the Cardinal and White. H..J..P.. Neils Schultz and Bud Tondro are whacking each other's shins, horses, and once in a while, the little white ball out on the polo fields. Brother Schultz shows promise of carving his name on a mallet head before he's through. H..S..P.. Herb Charters is studying flying cinders out on the track oval. Let's hope that he runs fast enough to show somebody else his flying cinders. Charters runs the 440, and tours the one lap with plenty of speed.

Brother Ed Read swings a mean racket, and is at present making a serious bid on the varsity tennis ladder. Russ Brinely had to drop off Stanford's coast chamionship basketball squad because of conflicts, but is doing a fine job of managing Tau chapter's intramural hopes. The Tau Sigs met with disaster in the football league last quarter, but are eyeing the basketball championship with one of the strongest quintets on the campus. Pledge Bob Pickford is planning to don cleats and glove in an attempt to strengthen Stanford's none too strong baseball team. Pledge Gene Gear, although ineligible this year, is pointing for varsity awards in swimming and water polo next year.

Brothers Ed Rea and Phil Halla are really earning their house nicknames—"the twin senators"—by throwing verbal blasts at intercollegiate opponents in forensic battles. Rea is also serving as frosh debate manager.

An old Tau Sig custom is being observed this quarter in quite a convincing manner with five men on the staff of the *Chaparral*, campus humor magazine. H..E.. Jack Scott poses as the managing editor; Powell Humphrey claims the advertising manager's job; Ted Cornell and Pledge Bill Ward fiddle around with figures on the business staff; and some of Tom Fleming's wit (?) eventually finds its way into print. Pledge Gear and Brother Jim Lehman tear their hair for the dear old *Stanford Daily*, Gear being assistant sports editor. The stage calls Brother Lehman and Pledges Gear and Ward. Ward is assistant dramatic manager.

Last quarter the following men entered the mystic circle: Phillips, Brinely, Cornell, Fleming, Halla, and Rea. Initiation near the end of January beckons Camp, Pickford, Gear, Ward, and Gard, with several junior transfers as added possibilities.

On Big Game day, Tau Sigs journeyed en masse to Berkeley where the Nu brothers played hosts in a big way. The Taus made up for the bleak day in Memorial Coliseum by out eating the Nu's at the buffet luncheon. A few Taus were fortunate enough to travel southward to watch the Indians wallop the Bruins of U. C. L. A. and partake of the hospitality afforded by the Brother Sigs in the Alpha Zeta Chapter.

Last quarter, Nu extended an open hand to the Taus, and said Taus weren't the least bit bashful or slow in accepting the invitation for a real Berkeley bust. The Taus were also guests of the Nus at a formal dance at the spacious Oak Knoll Country Club last quarter.

The Taus stand in salute to the Nu Chapter, a real bunch of Alpha Sigs.

Plans are already being made for Tau's annual South Sea Island Dance—the talk of the campus. The Tau house is transformed into an enchanting spot in the middle of the Pacific for one night next quarter.



Chapter House, Stanford

UPSILON

Penn State

On November 20, the fall election for H.S.P. and H.J.P. was held. The brothers elected were "Howie" Hancock, H.S.P. and Jim Hooven, H.J.P.

Three more men were permitted to be initiated into Alpha Sigma Phi on December 3. These brothers were Nelson "Jiggs" Darby, Bob Givler, and Jim Longo. With the cooperation of both pledges and brothers the initiation went over very smoothly.

During the Thanksgiving holidays, the Upsilon chapter was graced by the presence of Rex Becker and Dick Sidwell of the Phi and Alpha Beta chapters respectively. Although there were only a few men at the house at this time, the brothers seemed to have a good time, in spite of the "dryness" of Penn State.

On December 11, the annual Soph Hop was held, being about a month previous to that of last year. Bob Givler, a brother, was co-chairman. Tommy

Dorsey furnished the music, and did it go over big! Rec Hall was decorated in blue, gold and white which made the Hall quite attractive. Of course, as usual, the floor was so crowded that not much dancing was done or might one say hopping and "staggering".

Now for an insight of what the brothers and pledges are doing. Bill "Philbert" Lindenmuth was elected manager of the football team. Now, we shall see some real football playing. What do you think? Tony Sinkosky is a member of the varsity basketball team. "Hap" Galer made out very good in freshman track. Bob Shadle is on the debating team and Francis Renault is in "The Players", which will give the production "School for Scandal" in the near future.

In closing the brotherhood of Upsilon chapter extends its heartiest greetings to all other chapters of Alpha Sigma Phi.

PHI

Iowa State

Since examination week delayed activity for a short time, your correspondent had time to dash off only a few lines.

Phi is knocking off another pledge every now and then. The list now includes: Frank McLean, Kurt Pilgram, Wayne Suesens, Philip Derby, Donald Jackson of Burlington, Wilmer Dockstadter, Wendell Meggit, Gene Sponheim, Richard Lorenzen of St. Ansgar, Harold Haight of Woodbine, Ken McLea of Johannesburg, South Africa; Leland Woodburn, of Hillsdale, Illinois. These are a lively crew of lads who are almost, but not quite, too much for the actives.

Carl Riepe, engineer extraordinary, wrote to the head of the West Virginia Highway Commission for information about a highway report he was writing, and now the commissioner wants a copy of Riepe's report, when it is done.

Wayne Bohan, Phi's only Democrat, who is competent to vote, says, "I never saw such a thing. Nine Republicans and one Democrat the day before election and ten Democrats the day after".

By the time you get this three of Phi's actives will have graduated from Iowa State College (of which it means something to be an alumnus). They are: Frank Medd, electrical engineering; William Minert, agricultural economics; and Richard Sidwell, dairy industry. These teamed up with the other seniors, who will be graduated at the end of win-

ter and spring quarters, including Rex Becker, Lawrence Simmering, Carl Riepe and Lloyd Fry, will give the Alpha Sigma Phi House a neon sign.

We wish all our sister chapters a Happy New Year, and if the words are a bit trite, the feeling is there just the same. Also to Alpha Theta Chapter, we extend our congratulations and the hope that they like the fraternity blanket, which we wagered with them on the Iowa State-Missouri football game.



*Brother Ford and Brother Simmering
under New Neon Sig*

PSI CHAPTER

Oregon State College

After the usual hectic fall term, with the countless worries of pledging and breaking in the gang of green rooks, the men of Psi heave a sigh of relief and look back on a successful period. With a full house and able leaders the outcome couldn't be other than successful. Under the guiding hand of Jim Carson, H.S.P., the organization soon found itself and began clicking into action. At this writing it looks as if next term will see us holding the largest initiation in many years, for Grades Chairman McCormick has seen to it that our pledges hit the books and make their grades.

This fall saw a long awaited event when our football team finally came out of the fog and beat our bitter rivals, the University of Oregon, in the annual homecoming game. A fine showing of alumni were here to witness the killing, and the house was only too glad to see them again. We hope to see them around more often in the future.

Although the house boasts of no men on the football team this year, we hope to have Arland Price, member of this year's rook club, on the varsity next fall. Price, 200 pounds of shifty muscle, is a candidate for fullback. In spite of his size he was one of the fastest men on the rook squad.

On the varsity basketball squad this year are two Alpha Sigs, "Maizie" Kuvallis and "Stookey" Harris. Both of these boys will see plenty of action on the Beaver varsity this winter. Kuvallis was captain of last year's freshman squad, and Harris is a transfer from a junior college in the sunny southland.

The house basketball team was nosed out in the championship playoff of our league in a closely contested ball game. Wilbur Smith, prospect for this year's rook basketball squad, tossed in the winning basket just as the whistle blew, and it was ruled that the basket didn't count. Bill Miller also played sterling ball throughout the season, and is on the yearling squad at this writing.

In intramural football the fighting Alpha Sigs again failed to cop the coveted trophy. In cross-country our team failed to bring home the bacon, but brought home a turkey as a result of taking first and second places in the annual all-school race. Norm Rands copped the first place medal by nosing out Joe Larson in the final sprint. Walt Coate also finished well up in the field of 50 hill-and-dalers.

John McCormick, the best orator this campus has seen in many years, and Pacific Coast Forensic league winner, is again burning the midnight oil in preparation for the coming Peace contest. Mac is also being called upon from time to time to make talks and to act as toastmaster at important affairs on the campus.

Psi's Christmas party this year was carols (joke) of fun. Ten cent gifts were received by each and every man, and Santy removed his whiskers and read a poem about the person receiving the gift. A lively one act melodrama was presented by our pledges' dramatic guild. The audience showed their appreciation by heartily hissing the actors off the stage.

ALPHA BETA

University of Iowa

First of all, we gained three new and outstanding pledges. From the sunny South comes Charles McCall, the Alabam' boy, who promises to become another great Hawkeye athlete. Harold Sears won a letter in swimming last year and is president of the Dolphin club, honorary swimming fraternity. And we have Forrest Hall, who is a keen student and has his eyes on all the beautiful gals on the campus. While he may not get clear around to dating them all—he is trying.

And another cup graces the trophy collection! The boys were led into battle by Ed Thompson, and emerged with the sectional touch football championship. Touching, isn't it?

The football season is over. Our frosh stars have put away the moleskins and are now spending the afternoons in deep study. Knutson, the big tackle from Eagle Grove, who gave the varsity boys a battle all season, won a numeral. He expects to weigh in at 200 when he reports to Coach Ossie Solem next fall. McCall was also awarded a numeral sweater for playing quarterback against the varsity.

And now several of the fellows are making names for themselves on the basketball court. On the varsity, we have Gaddis leading the Hawkeye team in scoring from his forward post. Gaddis is fast and a clever ball handler and is one of the best forwards Coach Rolie Williams has had in years. Ed Thompson, big husky guard, is playing his second year for the Old Gold. He is an adept ball handler and keeps the opponents playing on the wrong end of

the court. Dave Porter is out for the freshman quintet, and we may look forward to a great year for all three of our basketeters.

But sports do not claim all the interests of the Alpha Betas. Jack Grove, talented pledge, appeared in one of the leading roles in the university play, "Peter Pan", which was presented in the new university theatre just completed this fall.

On the *Daily Iowan*, student newspaper, we find that aspiring journalist, Richard Tucker, holding down the position of assistant news editor.

On Friday, December 4, a large group of active members, pledges, and alumni gathered at the chapter house for the annual Founder's Day Banquet. Rod Van Scoy, who reentered Iowa this fall after attending Iowa State, served as toastmaster right smartly. Responses came from John Baker, representing the pledge group; Ed Thompson; Fred Heitzman, H. S. P.; and a long, clever, mirth-provoking, hilarious talk by Hume Hopkirk, who had "'em rolling in the aisle" with laughter.

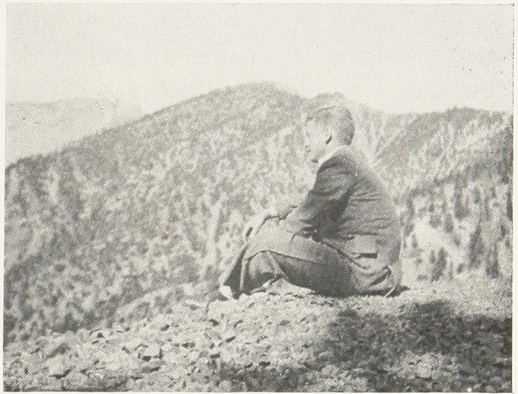
The next night, December 5, the chapter held its annual Christmas formal. This year it took the form of a dinner dance. Even Mother Nature cooperated with the social chairman to present us with a beautiful snow which added much to the spirit of the occasion. Even Rex III attended and enjoyed his first big party as much as the pledges. The Alpha Sigs were rather fortunate in getting the River Room of the Iowa Memorial Union. Special credit must go to Harold Nicolaus.

ALPHA ZETA

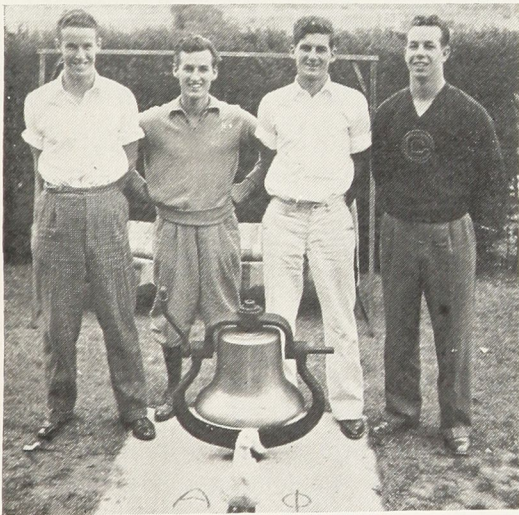
University of California

Strange as it seems, believe it or not, the unusual with the interesting occurred here when the Alpha Zeta Chapter secured second place in scholarship rating among the 30 odd fraternities on campus. We—felt—rather—elated, to put it mildly.

But that is not all, keep your seats. We had a track meet, an interfraternity affair, and on the first day the Alpha Sigs led by nine points and were touted to win the meet. Then came the second day, when, cruel fate, we lost by two



Don Holman, High on a Hilltop



*Left to Right—Brothers Leovry, H.S.P.,
Johnke, Mitchell and Ryland*

points. The atmosphere in the house was similar to that in Mudville the day Casey struck out. Tough ending but, nevertheless, it was a great meet. It was tops for thrills. Monroe Leovy, H.S.P., ran a great 440. The second day, he lost the event by inches after leading the field and then losing it in a hard fought sprint. Dennis Francis bounded over the hurdles with a flash and sped to take a first. Odie Clements, our gazelle man, cleared the high bar for a first in the pole vault. "Doc" Bidwell, the athletic manager and spark of the team, did something well; but I cannot recall what. *Sic transit gloria.*

ALPHA THETA

University of Missouri

With their pledges leading the way, Alpha Theta chapter has been quite active on the Tiger campus. Pledges who have heaped credit on themselves follow:

Bob Snell from St. Louis is one of the best track men to hit Missouri in a long time and much is expected of him. Bob is president of the pledge chapter.

Roy "Butch" Schuette is another St. Louisian who likes athletics. Butch gives promise of being Alpha Theta's outstanding intramural man, and is showing up well in basketball at present.

And, after years of tedious searching, a man has been found who can match Brother Keller story for story in any bull session. Harold Bierman, a sophomore in the Arts and Science school, is the pledge who challenges Keller's crown.

Alpha Theta's fame on the gridiron this fall rested on the broad shoulders of Ray Moss. Moss, "the Hoss", fastest man on the squad, was one of the outstanding Tiger ends. The Hoss's name should continue to be in the headlines, as he is also a track star, winning the freshman decathlon last year.

Bill DeJarnette from Kansas City is the pledge chapter's best bid for fame scholastically. Bill, besides being an honor student, is expected to be a mainstay on the Sig basketball team.

Charles Ishmael, another boy from Kansas City, has a great appetite—for ping pong. "Ishy" can always be found at the newly purchased table and it is rumored that in the near future he is going to claim the house championship.



Mrs. Kolde, Chaperon at Missouri

Gregory "Duchin" Dunn is the life of any Alpha Theta "rat race". Duchin is the only man in the house who can play the piano, and is now the pianist of one of the favorite dance bands of the campus.

Howard Maiwurm, the Maywood Mangler, as he has been nicknamed in the intramural wrestling tourney, hails from parts near Chicago. Besides being quite a wrestler, the Mangler is the ladies' man of the house.

Bob St. John, of St. Louis, is a pledge



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still going strong in the handball tourney. The reason for his frequent week end trips to St. Louis remains unsolved.

Merle Helmkamp, another St. Louis product, is rapidly taking the part of Brother Niehouse with his puns and quick wits. Merle also knocked down some good grades at mid-semester.

Charles Crump is the only local pledge this year. When Crump isn't at his reserved booth at Barbecue Joe's, he's keeping the boys at the house interested with his tales of shoe factory night life.

Basketball prospects look exceedingly bright this year. Harold Keller, who missed making the varsity squad by

the scantest of margins, has been elected captain. He should get some able support from Brothers Cross, Reid, Combs, Caldwell, and Sternfels, and Pledges Schuette, Crump, and De Jarnette.

The chapter wishes to extend a bouquet to Brother Keller for his untiring efforts in increasing intramural spirit in the house. The Alpha Theta's are now challenging the larger houses on the campus for the much coveted intramural trophy to be awarded in June.

Plans are progressing rapidly for the next big dance, to be held near Valentine's day. President Combs and Social Chairman Boyles promise something unusual in entertainment for the affair.

ALPHA IOTA

University of Alabama

September the ninth saw the start of another year for the University of Alabama and the Alpha Iota chapter.

Brother Roberts, house steward, with the aid of our Brothers Parker and Williamson had the house in fine shape and as a result the old members were greeted on their return with a house improved by such things as new carpets, wall paper, paint, etc.

The start of rushing found the house ready to go to war and so we now have a fine pledge class of 14 men, four of whom were carried over from last year. The new wearers of the cardinal and stone are: Anderson of New York, N. Y.; Bidel of New York, N. Y.; Ivey of Norfolk, Va.; Kendricks of New York, N. Y.; Mimms of Rochester, N. Y.; Tyson of Meridian, Miss., and Wyman of Rochester, N. Y.

This has not been a very good year for Alpha Iota as far as sports go. To date we have not been able to get a first place cup. However, we still have hopes for the future. Also we have not been very busy along the social line. To make up for our lack along these lines we point to our scholastic standing. We have given up other activities in order to improve our school work and we feel that we are well repaid for our effort. Now that we have our grades where we want them we are to have a Christmas party.

Brother Roberts as well as house

steward, is the assistant editor of the *Corolla*, our year book. Besides this he serves on the Inter-Fraternity Council and the Spirit Committee. He has just been elected to the Cotillion Club as well. Brother B. Fuller is helping Brother Roberts on the *Corolla* in the post of business manager and is also on the Interfraternity Council and Spirit Committee. Now we come to Brother Jorden who has just been elected to the job of Student President of the Y.M. C.A. for the State of Alabama. In his free time he too is busy on the Spirit Committee and Interfraternity Council. Brothers Hoffman and Webb are first lieutenant and first sergeant of the Pershing Rifles. In the Blackfriar Players, dramatic club, Brothers Parker and Webb are helping put over a very successful year.

Under the direction of Brother Miller, H.S.P., we have set out winter grass. As a result, the lawn is now looking much better. While the spirit of improvement was in the air it was decided to have new drapes for the ground floor and these have now been ordered.

During the football season some of the brothers followed the Crimson Tide on its trips. From all reports a good time was had by all. However, all agree that at the Kentucky game Sigma chapter provided the best time. Let us here stop and offer our true heartfelt thanks to the brothers at Sigma.

Last Look

OUR last bit of copy to go to the printers and we wonder what can be said after the articles which have appeared in the front of this issue. We can take a "last look" at school since September or October and look forward to what is in store for us the remaining months of the school year.

Examinations are upon us or over. We ask ourselves, what did we come to college for? Was it because we had some definite purpose in view, or because mother and father attended college, or because most of my friends went to college, or just why am I here? It is very true that we should take inventory sometimes, but first we must remember we are in college and the first thing is to do well that which is set before us.

Don't be satisfied with a "C" grade but shoot for an "A", and don't be discouraged if you don't reach the top because your capacity and aptitude may lie in some other field of endeavor other than the academic. You are an individual and you should not compare your work or accomplishments with your roommate or classmate, because his thoughts and ideas and goal in life may

be quite different from yours.

Each chapter can set for itself a higher goal of scholarship. This will not only prove a benefit to the chapter, but a reward to the individual for his efforts and a dividend to the parents who are sacrificing to keep us in school.

In every chapter there are undoubtedly two or three freshmen or even upperclassmen who are having difficulty with their studies. They may not be evaluating their time properly, or they may be interested in too many extra-curricular activities to give the proper amount of time to their studies. The chapter which can impress upon the minds of its members that good scholarship is the best thing they can give to themselves and to the chapter is the chapter that will step forward in all other events. The capacities of the men for scholarship alone are usually above the requirements of the college faculty and the path is left open for achievements in all other fields of a varied college life.

Let's set our goal on a high plane for the remaining months of this year—hit the ball hard and be able to say "a job well done".

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members. More activities which have been curtailed by poor accounts can be held and a sound chapter run on business-like standards will be the result. Such a chapter will have the respect of actives, alumni and all those who come in contact with it.

How are we to deal with alumni who owe money to the chapters? The most satisfactory way of handling this situation is to never let it occur in the first place, but since we have it we must face it. A letter from the chapter to the

alumnus with a program set down to meet the account by regular payments each month or other specified intervals has brought fine results. Some chapters have turned over delinquent accounts of alumni to their chapter alumni organization for collection. Experience has shown it is best not to use any legal means or the service of a collection agency in the collection of delinquent accounts, only as the last resort. The alumnus who cannot be reached by our first two methods should be dealt with a little more harshly.

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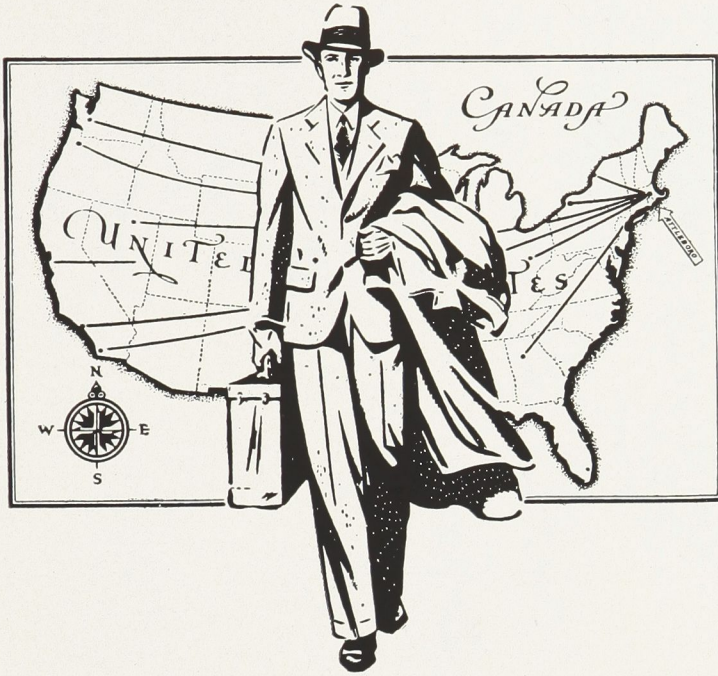
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