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MONDAY MORNING SESSION

September 9, 1929

The opening session of the Fourteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, held in the North Room of Willard Straight Hall, Ithaca, New York, convened at ten-thirty o'clock, the Chairman of the Convention Committee, Brother Toadvine presiding.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN:

Brothers, the Fourteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi is now open for any business that may come before it. The Delegates to the Convention will please come to order.

THE CHAIRMAN, BROTHER TOADVINE: Brother Donald Engdahl, the H. S. P. of Alpha Epsilon Chapter, will welcome you in the name of Syracuse Chapter.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: Brothers, it is indeed a pleasure for Alpha Epsilon to welcome the Fourteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi to Syracuse and Cornell. Alpha Epsilon is really proud to be so young a chapter and to be able to play host to the National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi.

We only hope that when you come up to Syracuse Thursday afternoon that you will have a good time. We certainly guarantee you a wonderful time. It will be the best time of the Convention, in our viewpoint. (Applause)

THE CHAIRMAN, BROTHER TOADVINE: Brother Merle

Bartley, H. S. P. of the Iota Chapter, will welcome the delegates and guests in the name of Cornell.

BROTHER BARTLEY: It is extremely pleasant for us to welcome you to Iota, Cornell Campus, and Ithaca. We Cornellians want you to conduct yourselves and feel as though this were your Alma Mater and home chapter. Become informal; loosen up just as though you came out of classes. We don't want you to conduct yourselves as though you were strangers among us.

I hope you will excuse me for being a little dull this morning, more so than usual, but I have been going around in a fog all morning. I think Dick Archibald had that shipped up from Philadelphia just to get even with us for what he said at the last Convention.

You have perhaps heard the story of the speaker who was telling about Cornell. He told what a beautiful place it was and then he said, "It is built high on a bluff and run on the same plan." Well, Dick heard one of our enemies tell that story, so at the last Convention he thought, "Here's where I get a slap at Cornell," so he said, "It is built high and run on the same plan." (Laughter)

We hope you will all loosen up and be as informal, as much at home as you possibly can. Although our words of welcome are few, we want you to feel just as welcome and even more so than if we had talked for five hours.



We will try to make our welcome prominent by action instead of words. (Applause)

THE CHAIRMAN, BROTHER TOADVINE: Professor Nathaniel Schmidt who is one of the distinguished members of Iota Chapter, as well as one of the prominent members of the Cornell faculty, will welcome the delegates and guests in the name of Cornell University as well as of Iota Chapter. (Applause)

DR. SCHMIDT: Mr. President, Brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi: It is a privilege indeed to welcome you as delegates from the various chapters of our national organization to Cornell. Cornell University realizes the importance of these fraternal organizations in its academic life.

We understand that the university has three functions to perform. In the first place, it is a center of research and investigation. That is the most traditional function of a university and we adhere to it strongly.

In the second place, it is a center of education, in the sense of assistance being given by older students to younger students, mature enough men to have graduated from the kindergarten, the grade schools and the secondary schools.

And in the third place, it is a center of a peculiar social life in harmony with and appropriate to the

purposes already stated of a university. It is in connection with this social life of the university that our fraternities play so important a part.

I was very much impressed a quarter of a century or more ago in listening to an address by President Elliott of Harvard in which he presented an idea that a university should be a model upon which society at large might develop its life. That is a very high ideal. He based it upon the claim that society at large has upon those privileged in enjoying a university education.

He also outlined certain directions in which the university could become thus a model for society at large, particularly in connection with the fraternity. I would like for you to indulge with me for a few moments and I will indicate what seems to me to be the particular services that fraternities may render.

When a young student comes to a great university, he is very often oppressed by a sense of loneliness, a sense of bewilderment, a sense of irresponsibility. Now all of these things are good things. It is a good thing to cultivate loneliness. A man who does not care to be alone with himself, a man who never has cultivated the virtue of solitude, thinking and looking into his own innermost life without having company when he does it, isn't going to amount to very much.

There is too little, I think, in our university life and in our fraternity life of an opportunity for the kind of solitude that is absolutely essential if a man is going to concentrate what is within him for great efforts. But on the other hand, loneliness leads to a lop-sided existence and it should be supplemented by companionship, and it is this companionship of those who are congenial, who have common interests, common viewpoints on life, that is so valuable because it gives the opportunity of a development of friendships, friendships that may be of permanent value in life.

It is also a very good thing to have a sense of awe, wonder, bewilderment before the great facts of life. A kitten is not very much disturbed by such a sense. The smallest kitten finds itself at home very easily in its environment. But the higher we ascend in the scale of nature, the more perplexing seem the different ways that open out, the different problems that present themselves, and a man who never felt the sense of awe before the great facts of existence, the stars and heavens above, the multitude of forms and life around us, will never amount to much.

But this bewilderment often takes the form of not knowing what to prepare for in life, what studies to take, and this bewilderment may lead a man far astray in a selection that he will reject in later life. Therefore, it

is of very great importance that there should be friendly guidance, and the fraternities, I think, have a function to fulfill in this respect. The older members may be of very great service to the younger in guiding them, in suggesting, in helping them in the matter, which of course, is the foremost and first purpose of a university, the preparation for a career in life.

And then there is the sense the young student has of irresponsibility. He isn't concerned about anybody else. He is an atom flung out in the university. He doesn't care what others do, that is none of his business. He is not at all concerned about their conduct.

Here again a fraternity can be very helpful indeed when they are imbued with the spirit of wanting to invoke in the individual member a sense of responsibility for his career, for his conduct. It has to be done tactfully, particularly tactfully when you want to live together in close union, but it can be done, it is done and is a very valuable part of the life of a fraternity.

These are some of the points that I would like to emphasize in welcoming you on behalf of the University which believes in you and such organizations as ours. We have locally done all we could to make it pleasant for you. We are not responsible for the weather, but we have at least an equal responsibility for it that the Weather Bureau

has. (Laughter)

We and the Weather Bureau have arranged for you a wet welcome. You noticed, perhaps, that we had a very refreshing shower during the night. It came upon a thirsty land like a benediction. I hope you felt it to be a benediction and the fact that we have particularly been anxious to arrange that you come in the night and not in the day, because we are anxious to show you something of Cornell University.

We would like for you to become intoxicated, not literally, of course, (laughter) with the beauty of our campus, of our buildings, of our outfit here. You are welcome to everything. You are given the freedom of the University. You won't have to listen to any lectures -- that is a part of the freedom of this University.

You will have an opportunity, which I hope you will take, of noticing what is upon this campus and what is generally done upon this campus. This is the first time that our chapter has had the privilege of entertaining, as hosts, the general organization. Last time it was at Estes Park, Colorado. This time it is at Cornell and at Syracuse. Whether the welcome at Syracuse will be more hearty than the welcome here, I cannot say. I doubt whether it is possible, and whether their entertainment in Syracuse at the banquet will be more exciting and helpful than the entertainment here,

I cannot say, but I can assure you that you are most heartily welcome and we are glad to see you all here. We express the hope that the deliberations of the coming days may be of benefit to our beloved fraternity.

... The delegates arose and applauded ...

THE CHAIRMAN, BROTHER TOADVINE: Brother Musgrave will answer Brother Schmidt's welcome.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Mr. Chairman and Brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi: I believe that I have been picked out as a goat this morning for the purpose of making this response. I don't know why I was picked -- perhaps because of the fact that I have been at this game a little longer than some of the rest of you have.

At any rate, I can recall this one fact, that we as members of Alpha Sigma Phi look with peculiar interest upon Cornell and its splendid man who organized it years ago, who as its President, put into force those elements that made Cornell what it is today, and in the course of time, when his work as the President of the University had somewhat subsided, accepted the highest position that we had to offer by becoming our Grand Senior President.

I remember Andrew Dixon White with a peculiar feeling of personal love and respect and benediction. I don't believe that any man ever came in personal contact with him, but took away that same feeling when he departed

from his presence. I never go upon your campus here and stand for a moment before that splendid monument that you have erected and look at it without I can almost feel I am personally in the presence of the personification of Andrew Dixon White. Before we go, I hope we, as a fraternity, will journey ourselves up there, one by one and collectively, and lay our tributes upon that silent object that represents our great veneration for the man who made Cornell what it is.

On behalf of the fraternity, I wish to extend our thanks to Cornell again, and I would be remiss in my duty if I forgot to acknowledge that we feel the same spirit of appreciation toward our sister university at Syracuse and accept on behalf of the fraternity, Brothers and Gentlemen, the hospitality that both of its chapters, Syracuse and Cornell, have extended to us.

I wish also to speak for a moment about that splendid body of young men whom we took in at Cornell some years ago as charter members of Iota Chapter. I was the inductive officer. I have never forgotten the little incident that occurred at Yale that night that threw us all into a state of great anxiety.

The man who was the founder of the organization that became the Cornell Chapter, had been brought to Yale for the induction along with the other men and he was ill. In fact, he had gotten out of a sick bed and been dragged up

there to accept of the initiation ceremonies. Somehow, no one knew exactly how it happened, he had been instructed to go to one of the young men's rooms in one of the dormitories at Yale to there wait to get his instructions for his field work. Someone transformed the directions somehow, and the poor lad sat there all night long while we were inducting his nine companions into the mysteries of Alpha Sigma Phi.

We looked for him high and low, and visions of a similar tragedy to one which had occurred during outside work of Kappa Alpha here upon your campus several years ago loomed high in our imaginations. We finally notified the police department to be on the lookout for a man who might be found in a faint somewhere along the way.

We had selected teams that went out to scour the highways and by-ways, but still we couldn't find him, and finally as the gray dawn began to appear, I said to my men, "Go back to your homes and get a little rest and report here at eight o'clock, and we will at that time be able to scour the city and be able to find out what has become of Warner." We had consulted the records of the hospitals but no Warner was found.

When one of the boys came back to his room, he found Warner quietly, snugly asleep waiting the instructions that had miscarried. We were glad the accident had occurred and had such a happy ending. For that reason, I have

always felt keenly interested in Cornell and its chapter.

And you men who are here from the Pittsburgh Alumni Council and the Carnegie Chapter, will be interested to know that the four Cornellians who were present upon the occasion of the induction of the Carnegie Chapter were also, every one of them, charter members of the unit.

But our fraternity is so filled with interesting incidents. Its age, of course, has given it that opportunity for veneration that we all love. But out of the past there comes this spirit of accomplishment on the part of our elder brothers who have gone out from various chapters, particularly the old Yale, the old Amherst, the old Marietta, and the old Delaware Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan University. Those men wrote their names high upon the pinnacle of fame and are close to the hearts of their fellow countrymen.

They have given us a heritage that we, in a modern sense, must live up to if we be true to the fraternity they established. Let us not forget that among the virtues of men, that fraternity life undoubtedly controls, stimulates, and emulates those higher principles of manhood. The word itself means brotherly love.

Let us not forget, my friends, the inculcations and the teachings of our fraternity, and let us not also forget that among other elements, that we must, as members and as men, appreciate the element of acceptability and the

appreciation for courtesies extended, and so on behalf of the fraternity, I again extend to Cornell, to Syracuse, and to our Professor Schmidt, our appreciation of the courtesy and the welcome you have extended to us. (Applause)

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN:
Brother Benjamin Clarke, Grand Junior President of the Fraternity will take the chair as permanent Chairman of the Convention.

THE GRAND JUNIOR PRESIDENT, BROTHER CLARKE:
Without any preliminaries, I will ask the Secretary to call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary, Brother Bowen, called the roll, and found all delegates present but Samuel Alexander, Alpha Alpha Chapter, and James H. Canning, Alpha Gamma Chapter...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there an alumnus here of Alpha Alpha or Alpha Gamma Chapters? Are there any alternates from those chapters?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: No.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We will have to proceed without those delegates present. The first order of business, I believe, is the reading of the minutes of the last convention. I am open for a motion.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The minutes of the last convention are contained in this book and

I move we dispense with the reading of the minutes.

BROTHER TOADVINE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The order of business now calls for a report of chapter delegates. Before we go on with those, however, we will sing, as is customary, "In All This Mighty Nation."

... Singing of "In All This Mighty Nation" by delegates ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Now we will proceed with the reports of delegates, and I will ask the Secretary to start down the list and ask each man to respond as briefly as possible, but not with the purpose of cutting out anything of value. We want to get things of value, so consequently we don't want to cut the reports down too much for the sake of saving time.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN:
Alpha Chapter.

BROTHER BANNER (Alpha Chapter): I do not have mine with me, and I believe several of the others do not.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I will go down the list and the first one having his report with him will please present it at this time.



... Brother Paul Wilson presented the report of Delta Chapter ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't know what the custom has been in the past, but I believe it would be proper to entertain a motion that the reports be accepted, as they are made, and placed on file.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I so move.

BROTHER TOADVINE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JOGACKI: I would like to make a suggestion to the convention. In the past we have found it rather tedious to listen to 30 reports in consecutive order, and I remember two years ago we took 5 at a clip and sprinkled them through the convention so that it broke the routine. I simply make that as a suggestion. I believe then we had some of them at the evening session and some were even read at the banquet to spread them out over the convention.

BROTHER KNAPP (Eta Chapter): I move that Brother Jogacki's suggestion of spreading the reports through the convention be adopted.

BROTHER WRIGHT (Alpha Epsilon Chapter): I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was

carried ...

... The following delegates presented the reports of their chapters: Brother Rees of Epsilon Chapter, Brother Knapp of Eta Chapter, Brother Hofelich of Theta Chapter, and Brother Bekkedall of Kappa Chapter ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That completes the five reports for this morning. The next order of business is the reports of National Officers. The first report is that of the Grand Senior President. Has there been any report filed?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I have received none.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Next is the report of the Grand Prudential Committee. We may not have time for all of it this morning, but Brother Jagocki can start it now.

... The Executive President, Brother Robert L. Jagocki, presented part of the report of the Grand Prudential Committee ...

... Announcements ...

... The meeting adjourned at twelve-ten o'clock ...

MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

September 9, 1929

The meeting convened at one o'clock, the Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will call the roll.

... All delegates were present but those from Iota, Pi, Alpha Alpha, and Alpha Gamma ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARK: We have a quorum so we will proceed.

... Brother Jagocki continued with the report of the Grand Prudential Committee ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We will now have the report of the Executive Secretary.

... Brother Bowen presented the report of the Executive Secretary, and also the report of the Editor of The Tomahawk...

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: You will notice that reference has been made in these reports to the Auditor's report. It has been customary for the Chairman to appoint an Auditing Committee to take care of that.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Is it in order to accept or reject these reports as they are read?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I move you that these reports be received and that parts thereof which need further



consideration be referred to committees which will be appointed in due time, or taken up as special order of business when we may arrive at that. We merely receive it and refer it in due time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you mean all reports read?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I would include in that your report which is to follow.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The motion has been made that all reports of National Officers shall be accepted and filed and further action be referred to committees if necessary. Is there a second to that motion?

BROTHER SCOTT (Omicron Chapter): I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

... The Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke, presented his report ... (Applause)

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Now I think at this time it wouldn't be out of the way to hear some more chapter reports.

... Brother Banner of Alpha Chapter, Brother Tollefson of Mu Chapter, Brother Bobier, Pi Chapter, and Brother Kalløe of Chi Chapter, presented reports of their respective chapters ...

BROTHER KALLOE: You see our situation is pretty bad, but we hope it will improve.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Where do you see any hope?

BROTHER KALLOE: Well, we have this list of names we are going to work on for this fall.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Of your thirty-four fraternities on the campus, are they all national?

BROTHER KALLOE: No.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: May I make a suggestion? It seems to me there is a possibility of meeting that situation, perhaps in the manner in which similar situations have been met in the past. In 1863, Epsilon Chapter was confronted with just about the same situation that confronts Chi Chapter at the present time. Also Sigma Chi was in the same relative condition, with the result that during the summer vacation, representatives of the two fraternities got together to talk the matter over.

They finally decided upon a consolidation scheme by which each would give up their national charters and make an application as a local to Delta Kappa Epsilon. However, seeing that they were confronted with a situation that was uncertain and being opposed by the active workers of the alumni of the Sigma Chi Chapter, they modified their intention of withdrawing their chapters and decided that inasmuch as

Alpha Sigma Phi had only recently come upon the campus, that they would give up and surrender ~~that~~ and go to Sigma Chi.

In 1918, our Nu Chapter at California, finding that Sigma Chi there was carrying a burden which would entail the loss of their home, and Alpha Sigma Phi, having no house, went in and helped Sigma Chi carry on through the war.

I am merely making a suggestion for you to take back to the boys in Chicago. There are locals there that have no affiliations. Wouldn't it be possible to attempt a consolidation with one or two of them and bring Chi Chapter back to where it should be? The effect will be this: You will decrease the amount of potential competition that exists for Chi Chapter at the present time. Every time you eliminate one of those locals you eliminate competition, and you may be able to weather severe storms by absorbing one or two of the locals that are causing the trouble.

I would like to make another suggestion for the men to bear in mind. Certainly there is a good deal in the way of chapters helping each other, keeping our eyes open for new men and letting our chapters know about them. A great deal of help can be given the chapters if they only know who to look for and spot. If they know that they can do the rest of it.

You men who are scattered all over the country must know men coming to Chicago. The indications are that there are not many men coming, but nevertheless, there are men coming from all over the country. They need the strength and support of the national organization. That is what the organization, as a national organization, is for.

A local that gets in that state feels helpless and eventually they will go out, but with national organization behind it, they ought to be able to look to the national organization and get some assistance that means something to them.

... Brother Johnson of Alpha Alpha Chapter and Brother Casey of Alpha Delta Chapter presented reports of their respective chapters ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The next order of business as indicated by the Constitution is the appointment of certain committees. I am not in a position to appoint those committees now. I expect to do so between now and tomorrow morning's session. Of course, immediately after appointment of committees comes the reports of committees which cannot be made at this time.

The next order of business is miscellaneous, old and new. I don't know what the sense of the convention may be, but I believe this is the time when we ought to discuss the important issues or matters that we desire brought

up at the convention, to determine what those matters are and whether any committees are necessary to be appointed in connection with different matters.

I think we should designate an order of business with respect to matters of this sort, and go ahead and get them out of the way. Otherwise we might start off on something and get away off on a tangent and get nowhere, and when we get all through we may find some very important things that we wanted to consider that we didn't get an opportunity to. At this time I think it might be proper to entertain suggestions or motions indicating the things that the delegates desire discussed or brought up at the convention. After we have gotten those things listed, we can determine whether any committees are necessary in connection with them and determine the order of consideration.

The only matters that I got from the reports which were very specific was the matter of the History. One report indicated some desire on the part of some members that some action be taken to get the large size badge in some chapter houses, and increasing of the fees to National Headquarters.

The prohibition question has got to be discussed. Southern expansion, alumni cooperation, and the matter of alumni voice in expansion should be taken up. I think also the size of the chapters, the membership in the

chapters was a very important matter referred to, the decrease in membership and the reason for it. If any of the delegates or any other men here have matters they think should be brought up and discussed at this convention, they should be mentioned now.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think the matter of visitation in the light of fraternity finances might be discussed again. I think also that mere mentioning of the fact that the Directory, which according to the By-Laws must be published every two years, costs over \$2000 might raise a nice question. We might publish it every five years and save some money.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Did you consider the proposition of a supplement in the interim? That might be less expensive.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The last Directory was published as an issue of The Tomahawk. It was both geographical and alphabetical.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You want the question raised as to the desirability of a Directory?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Did I understand you the cost of publication was \$700.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: It would have been if we had not published it as an edition of the Tomahawk. That may be, as in the past, put in the form

of a resolution to amend the By-Laws, and make it as a part of the report of the Resolutions Committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: wouldn't you rather have them raised here and discussed?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: They write them out and give them to a committee. Sometimes they are killed in committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If you have discussed them here first, you may save referring them to committees. Anything you have on your chests at all, now is the time to speak of it.

BROTHER KNAPP: We have a problem confronting us at Eta Chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If you have something you want discussed, I suggest you mention it now. Let's not get into discussion now, however.

BROTHER KNAPP: Dean Clark has put it up to the fraternities at Illinois that they have got to cut out rough-housing or get out.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You want the question of the elimination of outside and inside rough-house initiation discussed.

BROTHER COOGAN (Upsilon Chapter): The matter of individual members meeting financial obligations, and the matter of the authority of the chapters to suspend members

for that offense, I think should be discussed.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I am reading from the Constitution of 1927, Article XI, Suspension, Expulsions, and Reinstatements, Section 2 reads as follows: "Nothing herein contained shall prevent a chapter from providing in its By-Laws for suspension of any member failing to discharge his financial obligation to it, and so remain while he is in default."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is suspension only, isn't it?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Yes. You can't expell a man.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: That is negative rather than positive.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: It doesn't prohibit, but it doesn't say it can. The interpretation of the Constitution is something like that of the United States. Those things retained by the states are not included. They have to be specifically delegated and that is the way with the chapters.

Now it seems to me, Mr. Chairman, that the individual chapters do have the absolute constitutional right to provide for a man's suspension on charges of failure to fulfill his financial obligation to the chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It doesn't carry as much weight as though the National Constitution provided

that the national organization take some steps. They feel it would be more effective.

BROTHER BOBIER: I don't know whether it will be discussed or not, but I think the matter of the traveling secretary is very vital.

BROTHER FOX (Nu Chapter): I haven't gone into this at all, but I have seen from several other fraternities that there is a possibility of using a uniform bookkeeping system in all the houses. Has that ever been discussed?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is a uniform bookkeeping system. It has been compiled by the auditor that got out this report.

BROTHER FOX: That is not compulsory, is it?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: No, provided they have a working system of their own.

BROTHER FOX: How about any vital matters that may be lost. Would that system provide some way of keeping those important records?

BROTHER JOHNSON (Psi Chapter): How about the idea of a National Sweetheart Song?

BROTHER MAYES (Sigma Chapter): We have spoken of the idea of changing the ritual and making it a bit more elaborate. I wonder if that is possible. I simply mention the fact that we have thought of it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there a

standing committee on Ritual?

BROTHER COCHRAN (Omicron Chapter): Might that not come under the head of changes of rough-house initiation? If you take out the rough-house part of it, you want to substitute something else for it.

BROTHER BANNER (Alpha): The matter of joining the Interfraternity Club in New York so people could stay there while in New York City might be brought up. I think the men know about that.

BROTHER McCARTHY (Iota Chapter): I would like to know if the specifications in the contents and quality of jewelry is being checked upon from time to time.

BROTHER KNAPP: I want to know if there is any harm in changing the order of the election of officers in the chapter itself.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Your Chapter Constitution provides for that, doesn't it? Doesn't the Chapter Constitution provide for election of officers?

BROTHER KNAPP: Yes, it does.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Doesn't the Constitution provide as to how the Constitution may be amended?

BROTHER KNAPP: Yes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right, then, that takes care of that.

BROTHER RICE (Alpha Chapter): The matter of

a song book ought to come up at every convention. And did I ever hear mentioned something about a History? Is that on the list? I just happened to think of it. (Laughter)

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: There is still another proposition that has been advanced by the Los Angeles Alumni Conference. Although our Constitution provides for a convention two years hence, they suggest we skip a year and have it three years hence when the Olympic Games are held in Los Angeles.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right, we will discuss the matter of the next convention. Well, fellows, we are going to have a busy time. I am going to check over these matters that have been suggested for discussion here.

There is the matter of visitation and the matter of postponement or elimination of the Directory, amending the By-Laws requiring publication every two years, and making it possibly five years.

Then there is the matter of the History. That will involve Brother Musgrave's report and my ideas with respect to that. We should take considerable time on the matter of the History. I hope this convention is the last one we have to discuss this one.

There is the matter of the use of the large badge; reduction in membership query; amendment of By-Laws

to permit of suspension or possibly expulsion on account of failure to meet financial obligations; bookkeeping system and keeping of records. I think the question of keeping records so that they can be found and not destroyed is the thing Brother Fox had in mind rather than the method of bookkeeping. National Sweetheart Song; Increase of fees to National Headquarters.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Will you make that so as to mean some method of prorating the convention expenses so that the National treasury will not be drained on account of convention expenses?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Change in method of meeting convention expenses; Alumni voice in expansion; Southern expansion; Alumni cooperation. If anybody objects to our method of trying to get at these matters, remember this is a convention of delegates. I don't want you to feel anybody is trying to run this thing contrary to your wishes, because the convention is primarily a delegates' convention and anybody has a right to determine their own order of business and practically everything else except such things as may be contrary to the Constitution.

Then there are the matters of the song book; Ritual regalia; Interfraternity membership; Fraternity jewelry, checking of specifications; Next convention.

BROTHER KNAPP: Does that matter of ritual

regalia include the question of rough-house initiation?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I believe I meant to combine those two.

BROTHER RICE: Did you put in the question of the different ways of working for expansion?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Yes, that is included in alumni voice in expansion.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is the pleasure of the convention with respect to the order of this? I think we will get much further if we indicate a desired order and go at it that way. Shall we try to get rid of the small matters first?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: In the rest of the afternoon, we might dispose of some. (Laughter)

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I will personally pick out the thing that will take the least discussion to be disposed of this afternoon. The first thing I would suggest is the question of a large badge.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I have here a sample of the large badge, a replica of the badge first used by Marietta, the early model, made by Balfour to cost \$12. It was suggested by both Brother Musgrave and by Brother Frank Harger, an alumnus of Nu Chapter, that we use this badge to sell to the chapters and for the chapters to allow their H. S. P. to wear them, either during the term

of office, or to wear them out after they graduate as a gift from the chapter, showing the honor the chapter has bestowed upon them in selecting such individuals as president.

Rather than placing it before the Grand Prudential Committee, it was thought wiser to bring it to the convention and pass the badge around and get a full opinion on the matter.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: In connection with this badge, I will say that a good many of the chapters make a present of some sort to their retiring H. S. P.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Since when?

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I know a good many of them, for the last ten years, have done so. Of course, I can't say about back in 1863. I wouldn't remember that. (Laughter) But it is a custom in a good many chapters to give a gavel or some other token of appreciation, and if this could be worked into a uniform idea, I think it would be very good.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to get your suggestions as to what you expect the convention to do here.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: May I make this suggestion with reference to that badge? The badge that Brother Bowen has just handed around is an exact replica, so far as the face is concerned, to one originated by Louis Manigault

at the time the fraternity was instituted in 1845. I have down at my room, the exact replica with the back also engraved as it was at that time, taken from the original badge.

Now it seems to me that this idea of having a large badge handed around to various members who may become H. S. P. of their respective chapter and allowed to wear it outside of the fraternity house and outside of the walls would be a very poor place for it. We have changed the general character of this badge in the interim.

The original badge, as you will note, did not have the hieroglyphics upon it. That did not come until Delta, as a local, changed it about 1882. Previous to that time, all the badges had the little gold dots that were evidently representing the printing upon the page of the open book. The hieroglyphics did have a place in the old Yale badge and started from the old insignia of 1845 or 1846 which was the first time it was reproduced in print. That had the hieroglyphics upon the pages of the open book, but it was not in the original badge.

My idea would be this: That this badge should be worn by the H. S. P. as a part of his ritualistic duties at the time he is in the office, occupying the position of presiding officer in the chapter. I believe in doing that, that you keep cemented always the attention of the undergraduate members on the old historical value of that badge.

Just the moment that you go to work and make it possible to give it around to the various H. S. P's. as they go out into the world, and they hand it to their wives and sweethearts, and other people, you are going to loosen and lower that peculiar historical value of that badge. My feeling is very strong on that question but I want you fellows to decide it.

I think we might amend rituals, providing a regular form by which this should be handed to the H. S. P. at the time he calls the chapter in session, and handed in such a way that even the newest neophyte should see this same historical value. This, in other words, represents what the original badge was, in size, in shape, in contour, and even in the reverse engraving.

I believe that would enhance the historical value of this badge and at the same time perhaps make our ritual a little bit richer because of that fact.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will you express, Brother Bowen, what your ideas are as to what this convention can do with respect to this. As I see it, you can't pass a resolution here except to the effect that the delegates go on record as being in favor of it, unless you amend the By-Laws or something of that kind, and I believe this particular kind of thing would be entirely out of place in either the By-Laws or the Constitution.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The reason I brought it to the convention was this: We have always taken a very decided stand upon different badges and jewelry and non-conformative badges. It is important to know the opinion of the chapters on this matter of accepting an original badge, much in the way many other fraternities have accepted their original badges, as a part of the jewelry paraphernalia that is sold them.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Don't you believe, somewhat as Brother Musgrave does, that it isn't exactly a good idea to have two kinds of badges out in public. If one man is wearing a larger badge, that is all right, but where the badge is different on the face, it looks rather peculiar to an outsider. The original suggestion was that a pin be given to each outgoing H. S. P.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Yes, that is it. A number of men are wearing very old badges that have been passed on to them from 1863. There is little danger of confusing a very old badge of Alpha Sigma Phi. However, there is much truth about letting it become a common thing instead of carrying on a tradition and keeping alive early recollections. I really don't know in what form it should be put.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: For the purpose of record, I move the chairman take a roll call of the delegates to find



if they are in favor, first of having such a badge at the present time, and secondly whether they would want it for a permanent gift to the H. S. P. or to be used only connection with regular meetings and initiations.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You have heard this motion to have a roll call to find out whether you are interested in the badge, and if so in what form. Is there a second to that motion?

BROTHER COOGAN: I second the motion.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I would like to discuss that. I had a suggestion in mind that I think would solve this matter a little better. Undoubtedly we are going to have a permanent ritualistic committee appointed for bringing the present ritual up to date, and therefore it seems to me it would be a very good thing to refer this to that committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What we are trying to do is to find out the delegates' views on this thing, then we will know better what to do.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: This is merely a process of elimination, whether it will be purely ritualistic or whether it is to be worn by H. S. P's. indiscriminately.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We will call the roll on the first question, then go through the list for the second one.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: It is simply one more thing the national organization is selling and it won't be sold for \$12. It will be sold for a little profit. When a chapter is installed, it will be an added expense. That is something to bear in mind.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any more discussion? If not we will vote on this motion to call the roll.

... The motion was put to a vote ...

... Roll call ...

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The vote is 16 in favor; 14 against.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think we ought to consider it then, as the delegates as expressed a desire to have this badge. I will now entertain a motion -

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I move you this matter be referred to the Ritualistic Committee hereafter to be appointed.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: There is a motion on the floor that has been passed that we haven't acted upon, and that is whether they want it referred to the ritualistic committee or want to use it as a gift.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Yes, I guess you are out of order, Brother Musgrave. Brother Archibald,

will you make that motion one way or the other so we can vote on it?

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Mr. Chairman, I move you that the old style, large size badge be given to the H. S. P. at meetings and initiations for ritualistic use only.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I second the motion.

BROTHER FOX (Nu Chapter): I would be interested to know if this is used for ritualistic work only, if there would be only thirty put out. Would that increase the price of them? If you are going to give them to all H. S. P's. that would be sixty each year.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is that price based on?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: You can get one or thirty at the cost of \$12 each. The number will make no difference in the cost.

BROTHER FOX: I would like to know if it is possible that it might be considered as a badge to be worn by the H. S. P. during his term in office, but not only in the house and in the ritualistic work, but that it might be used as an insignia to be worn by him while he is H. S. P.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: At Marietta, the chapter has a badge which the H. S. P. wears all the time.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: The thing to do, if you

don't want it just for ritualistic, is to vote the present motion down.

BROTHER BOBIER: I believe if the badge is used at all, and I would like to see it used, the ritualistic purposes is the only place for it. I feel that as soon as you let them go out of the house they are going to disappear. It might become lost then the chapter would have to buy another badge, and you would have that thing happening all the time.

You often have an H. S. P. dropping out of school. After they are elected they serve part of a term and then drop out and you have to elect a new one. I believe to keep the historical value of the badge and make it worth something in the eyes of other men of the fraternity, it should be presented to the president formally when he takes his office.

Make a formal occasion out of it and make them want the job of president. Keep it right inside the walls as a part of the ritualistic paraphernalia.

BROTHER REES (Epsilon Chapter): We have had the same thing at Epsilon. I don't remember that an H. S. P. has ever dropped out; no one has ever stolen it. That badge is worn on the campus and is the only one down there and when the other students see that pin, they mark that man as the president of Alpha Sigma Phi, because the other

men wear the regular badge. I am in favor of its being passed from one H. S. P. to the next and worn on the campus, not used only in ritualistic work.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: But your limitation would be that it should not be given to him -- just passed on down?

BROTHER REES: Yes.

BROTHER RICE (Alpha): Brother Archibald said the only way we could do was to vote it down and make a new motion. The easiest way would be to amend the motion that it be given to the H. S. P. to be worn by him during his term of office.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will somebody make that amendment to the present motion?

BROTHER NEWMAN (Alpha Eta Chapter): I move that the motion be amended that the large size badge be used not only in ritualistic work, but also the H. S. P. be permitted to wear it while in office.

BROTHER LARSON (Xi Chapter): I second the amendment.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The original motion is that this large size pin be used in ritualistic work only. The amendment is that it be worn by the H. S. P. during his term of office. We will vote on the amendment first. Do you want this by roll call?

BROTHER KALLOE (Chi Chapter): Will the chapters be expected to buy one of these badges and pay for it if they don't want it?

BROTHER WILSON (Delta Chapter): Will this vote taken here be final?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It has to be approved by the chapters.

BROTHER WILSON: There may be many H. S. P's. looking out for themselves.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This means one badge per chapter to be turned back as a part of the chapter's property. Are you ready to vote on the amendment?

... The amendment was put to a vote and was carried ...

You have passed the amendment. Now we will vote on the original motion as amended, which is this: That the large size pin be used, not only for ritualistic purposes, but also that one chapter have one pin which they pass on to the H. S. P. to be worn by him and used in any other way as desired or indicated by the ritualistic committee.

If any of the delegates are not in favor of having a badge at all, they simply signify that by voting "no" on this motion. The majority have already indicated that they are interested in the pin. When they signified their interest in this pin, they signified a desire to have

it in some form or other.

BROTHER FRITZ (Alpha Zeta Chapter): I am against having the pin at all, but if they do have this pin, I am in favor of having it under the condition that it be passed on to each H. S. P.

BROTHER FOX: As I understand Brother Archibald's motion, a vote of "no" on that motion would indicate that the house wanted the pin to circulate to each outgoing president. His position was that it would be decided whether it would be used for ritualistic purposes only or for outgoing presidents.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The motion as amended now is that this large pin be used for ritualistic purposes, and also for the purpose of permitting the H. S. P. to wear the pin while in office. You passed the amendment and you now have a motion that includes the whole thing. If you vote negative, that wipes the whole thing off the slate.

BROTHER RICE: I doubt the validity of that vote on the amendment. It was an "Aye-aye" vote. Is it proper to call for another vote on it. I think that is where your trouble is.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Chairman has declared the amendment was passed. I think that closes it.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD. You have never voted that

we would not have a pin at all. You have just added to the original motion that it be used for ritualistic work and that the H. S. P. be permitted to wear it while he is in office.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If you vote this motion down you will wipe the whole thing off the slate.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Failure to pass this motion merely means the pin will not be used in ritualistic work, that, there will not be one pin for each chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLAREK: When this is voted down, it is over unless you make a new motion.

BROTHER RICE: I think it would straighten things out to vote again on that amendment.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is it the sense of the convention that we should go back and have a roll call on this amendment? Does someone want to move a reconsideration? We will proceed with the motion as amended, which is that this pin shall be used for ritualistic purposes and also that the H. S. P. of each chapter shall be permitted to wear this pin during his term of office.

... Roll call ...

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The vote is 15 affirmative; 15 negative.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Brother Chairman, you decide the question. This is once the Chairman has a vote.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I vote negative.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Now would it be in order to find out if any want to circularize it, for every H. S. P. to have a badge.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This is your convention. Anything is in order.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I make a motion that each H. S. P. be given a badge as a token of appreciation for services rendered.

BROTHER FOX: I second the motion.

BROTHER SCOTT (Omicron Chapter): Many of the chapters show their appreciation of the work of the H. S. P. in different manners, I suppose. I don't know the usual method, but at Omicron we give the H. S. P., upon retirement, a gavel to show our appreciation. I think that is better than giving a pin because a pin changes the whole thing. Some fellows will be wearing one kind of pin; others another style. If the H. S. P. is given a gavel, he has the gavel and his old pin.

BROTHER FOX: On the other hand, if this pin is given to a man as he goes out, it shows people with whom he comes in contact that he is a man who has attained high honor in his fraternity. It shows that he has done a lot of good work for the fraternity, because the H. S. P. does have to work hard, and I think it would be a wonderful token of appreciation from the chapter.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think this is going to become a rather expensive proposition for each chapter to present a gift to each president. Regardless of the experience of Epsilon, Pi Chapter, in two successive years, has had presidents leave school.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: He meant they were honest and wouldn't take the pin with them.

BROTHER BOBIER: But if you circularize the pin, you would have to buy him one to take with him.

BROTHER BANNER (Alpha Chapter): I am very much opposed to this whole idea. Down at Alpha Chapter, I don't think any of the seniors would want to wear a pin like this around the campus. I am very much opposed to the idea of the convention enforcing a rule like this. Let us use those pins the same as a gavel and give one to the retiring H. S. P. as a gift if we want to. I think it much better to give something privately known among your own brothers than to show it off to the whole campus that he is H. S. P.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I want to accept that as an amendment to my motion. I think the motion should read "may give" rather than "must give."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Grand Prudential Committee, as I understand it, has full authority to get out anything of this kind. You don't have to get the chapters to authorize you, do you?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: In the matter of a badge like this, we wouldn't feel we had authority. What we want is authority to make and sell these badges.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Then if you get that authority, you can notify the chapters that you have such a badge and the chapters can buy them.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: It should be stated whether we can sell them to individual members or whether we shall be restricted to sell them only to chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The sense of this resolution is that they be sold to the chapters only. Brother Archibald, you tried to make an amendment to your motion. Will you state your motion as amended?

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I move you that the Grand Prudential Committee be empowered to sell replicas of the old badge to the chapters, to be used by the chapters if they so desire, as a gift to the retiring H. S. P. as a token of their appreciation for his work.

BROTHER BANNER: I second the motion.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We are open for discussion.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON (Mu Chapter): It says here in the By-Laws that "Every active member shall wear his



badge at all time ..."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You are speaking of the official badge. A man gets a regular badge when he goes in. If he becomes H. S. P. he may be presented with another badge.

BROTHER WILSON: This means that it can be given as a gift and any number circulated?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The motion as put now is that the chapters desiring to do so may give the H. S. P. a badge for his own personal possession. It doesn't limit it to one badge in each chapter. It authorizes the Prudential Committee to have this badge manufactured as an additional article of jewelry but limited to be given to someone who has been an H. S. P. Is there any further discussion?

BROTHER BANNER: I wish to call for a vote.

... Roll call ...

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The vote is 20 in the affirmative; 10 in the negative.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I will now entertain, as a matter of course, a motion that this be referred to the Resolutions Committee to draw up proper resolutions to be submitted to the convention.

BROTHER COOGAN: I so move.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think we might take up the matter of membership in the Interfraternity Club.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Membership was assigned to members of a fraternity belonging to the Club, the same fraternity having to pay a fee of about \$1000 year. Perhaps that is not the exact amount but it was exorbitant at any rate. Alpha Sigma Phi never joined the Interfraternity Club, but since that time the Interfraternity Club found they couldn't keep up at that rate. Now any fraternity man can go and get a room at any time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is no action on that necessary then.

BROTHER BANNER: I am the one who brought that up and I didn't know that was possible. I am very glad to know that, for there are a lot of people who would like to go to the Club.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: May I add that the new office is only a block from the Interfraternity Club, and if any of you fellows ever experience any difficulty in getting a room, come over to the office and I will be glad to go with you to the Club.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Next is the

question of checking of specifications on jewelry. What is being done about that.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The question has never been raised before. No one has ever written that the badge was not up to specifications. Balfour is supposed to conform to specifications. If there were any violations we would investigate them. We have received no complaints and have no method by which we check.

BROTHER LARSON: An older Alpha Sig member was telling me that at the convention six or eight years ago this question was raised and somehow or other, they analyzed the badge and found Balfour was not building up to the standards called for.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That was not Balfour. It was another jeweler.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: May I ask Brother McCarthy what grounds he had for raising the question.

BROTHER McCARTHY: I really had no grounds, but I suggested it as merely a check upon Balfour's work, whether they were giving us satisfactory jewelry for our money.

BROTHER BOBIER: I happen to know about that other incident. About 1922 there were several very poor badges received at Pi Chapter. But that was another jeweler

than Balfour. Since then we have changed jewelers and there has been no trouble.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think we can rely on the Grand Prudential Committee to take care of that. They are taking care of it now.

I think perhaps the next matter that might not take so very long is the question of a National Sweetheart Song.

BROTHER JOHNSON: I would like to know if the chapters are in favor of it. We have a chapter Sweetheart Song, the words and music of which were written by one of our men. A few of the other chapters have written in for it and we would like to know if other chapters are in favor of it and if so we will send copies to them.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Isn't it a fact that all the chapters would be interested in any song that would be a good song for Alpha Sigma Phi?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Of course you know the famed song of Sigma, "The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi." We wanted to be different and not have a Sweetheart Song. We thought they might point their fingers at us and say we were copying.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there still a Song Book Committee? My suggestion would be that your chapter take it up with National Headquarters and suggest the

song be distributed, unless you want further action here.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Send that stuff in and we will get it out to the other chapters. That is what we want to do, keep sending things out. If you have something good, let the others have it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The next question is the question of the bookkeeping system and the keeping of records.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: We have a uniform bookkeeping system that has been in existence for three or four years. Any chapter desiring information about the system can write to us.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They have never been advised that you have it.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I am quite sure that they have been.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The other point was the question of the keeping of chapter records in a place that is safe and proper.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The best method is to buy a steel filing cabinet. Alphabetize and place material in it and it can't be lost and won't stray. Keeping a file is very simple and the chapter shouldn't experience any difficulty at all.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any

further information desired on that?

BROTHER FOX: I see it isn't a matter of great enough importance to discuss further.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The keeping of records is very important.

BROTHER FOX: I know a couple of national fraternities that have a bookkeeping system put out by their National Headquarters. All forms are put out and there is a definite form for everything. When the H. E. makes out a bill, he uses certain sized paper, and so on. The books can be more easily checked and a man going from one chapter to another can tell instantly whether the books or the chapter is in good shape.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I don't believe there has ever been a bookkeeping system adopted by the fraternity as such. We have spoken a great deal at conventions of this particular system. Brother Musgrave has a system he considers superior to that. There has never been any resolution or any by-law which says this is our system.

That would meet a good deal of opposition because some of these chapters have the Warner system. Others have a system of their own and it has never been passed or commented upon. We do not check the finances of the various chapters. Their attitude at some conventions has been that

we should have nothing to say about that; that National Headquarters was not concerned with that. That attitude has defeated any possibility of passing a uniform bookkeeping system.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: May I call your attention to Section 12 of the By-Laws which reads as follows: "Chapters may be required to use a uniform system of accounting when the fraternity has duly adopted such ..." (Continuing reading)

I may say in reference to what Bob has said, he is correct; our fraternity has never adopted any uniform system as yet. I originated a uniform system which was published and then Brother Campbell originated his system. I have no preference for mine. I do think it might be a valuable thing if we were to so adopt and recommend to our chapters the system that has been originated by Brother Campbell.

I believe a uniform system would be better if maintained. The purpose of supervision is not to try to pry into your particular chapter affairs, fellows, but merely to get the general supervision and assistance of a man like Campbell. When I originated this very clause here it was with that purpose in mind, that the Grand Prudential Committee might, in exercise of jurisdiction in the course of time, -- assuming they adopt that system -- appoint, we will say, Mr. Campbell as general auditor of the fraternity.

report on whether or not we should give this further study?

I make that a motion, that it be referred to the Resolutions Committee.

BROTHER FOX: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was lost ...

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The simple matter of having a filing cabinet, I would advise all chapters to get one. The file can be gone through and the report found; no writing to know why it hasn't been delivered.

Secondary is the matter of keeping old examination papers so freshmen may have them. It may not be exactly ethical, but it is done in the fraternities and it gives the men some idea of what the examinations may be like, and it really is of extreme value.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Now we come to the matter of reduction in the number of men initiated during the past year. I don't know just how you want to get at that. National Headquarters and National Officers are inquiring as to the reason for the reduction in the number of men initiated during the past year. The reduction this past year is quite large, considering too that we added a new chapter. They are interested in getting a first hand opinion as to why your particular chapter failed to

initiate the usual number.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: What I am particularly interested to know is this: Does this difference between 380 men this year and 462 men last year -- a difference of 82 men -- show that we are going down steadily or is it just one of those things that will happen one year and not another. We all heard the report of Chi Chapter. I want to get some sort of data on some of the other chapters to prove one way or another just what it is all about.

BROTHER BOBIER: It is my opinion that many university campuses are becoming crowded with fraternities. There are new locals being organized in many universities. There is a new national that has just recently become national from locals, and there is a great deal of activity in all fraternities now, in the matter of building houses, and it is getting to the point where radical changes are coming into the chapters.

I have noticed this in several of our chapters right now. You might call it a reorganization period, where an Alpha Sig Chapter has gone along for years and years in an old house, and now so many fraternities have built new houses that I believe it has come to the point where it is pretty nearly necessary for every chapter to have a new home if they haven't a really good home now.

I know conditions were such at Pi Chapter that

it was just simply a shame to ask a man to live in a house like that. You can say men shouldn't choose a fraternity because of the house they will live in, but there are so many of them that are similar that men are bound to choose one with the best living conditions. That was the reason for our decline in membership for a while.

Last year we pledged 29 men and initiated about 10. We got a lot of men, good men as far as activities and athletics were concerned, but they were from small town high schools and they couldn't stand the gaff. The university is tightening up its requirements for freshmen, and I believe that condition exists everywhere.. The universities are boosting their standards and kicking out the freshmen quick. The big universities are reaching such a capacity that they have got to either build new buildings or cut down on enrollment.

I believe we will initiate more men this year. We haven't the handicap of an old house any more. I am citing that as an example and I believe it is true in cases of other chapters. They are just coming out of a hole they got into.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You attribute it to a temporary condition then.

BROTHER RILEY (Gamma Chapter): Our situation is this: The housing problem is the biggest problem we have.

Our drive for a new house got in a stationary condition and we decided we had to do something. In view of the fact that we had only \$5000 to go on, we decided to alter the house we are living in now. So we completely remodeled the house and it was refurnished this summer and this fall will tell the story whether it will make any difference.

The crowded living conditions are a detriment, especially when we bring freshmen and they see how crowded it is. It is about a 16 men house and we carry about 22 there all the time and that is the thing you can't put up with.

The college hasn't the facilities to take care of increasing enrollment and at the end of the first term about 18 per cent of the freshmen are kicked out and at the end of the second term about 22 per cent go, so by pledging 25 men, you are lucky if you have 10 men to initiate. We won't be able to tell until rush week is over, whether our position has improved.

THE J. G. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you expect the conditions on the campus to change at all?

BROTHER RILEY: Their building program just started and I think that will better that situation. That will increase the enrollment and we will be able to pledge more men. There are no more fraternities starting there?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: From the two men we have heard I can see that flunk-outs are a

cause of a great part of this. Are we making extra-curricular activities so important that we are allowing freshmen to flunk out? All of the chapters are pledging plenty of men but there are so many of them that they can't initiate. I think the great question is the idea of putting forth a greater effort toward freshmen supervision for the first semester at least.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The chief point is that under normal conditions, those wouldn't be flunked out, but the institutions are making an effort to flunk out as many men as they can to reduce enrollment. It is a matter of choosing fair scholars.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: But there is such a thing as keeping men in school by supervision and making them study.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: But there are a good many of these men who can't stay because they haven't the ability to stay. The institutions only want a certain grade of men and a great many that go now can't stay.

BROTHER MAYES (Sigma Chapter): We had several men drop out of school on account of financial difficulties and three on account of sickness so that is the way we were. Six out of seven men ready to be initiated dropped out.

BROTHER Warburton (Phi Chapter): I think by looking into high school records of men entering school you

can tell a great deal about them. Limit the men you pick and don't insist too strongly on activities but emphasize scholarship, and I think you will initiate more men.

BROTHER HOFELICH (Theta Chapter): I think it is quite difficult to look up some students' records in high school. In Michigan you have to pledge freshmen before they get to school to get hold of them. We have been having them write to us and tell us what train they are getting in on and we meet them and take them up to the house and lock them up in a room. That is the only chance we have of getting there there.

Another reason we have fallen down is that last year we had sort of a peculiar group of fellows, very particular about whom they took in. The enrollment in Michigan decreased several hundred last year and the fraternities are all attempting to pledge larger numbers of men. I think there are 80 fraternities on the campus there.

BROTHER REES: Before freshmen come to Epsilon we know them because we have a sheet that is already filled out and we know what he made in Algebra, whether he played in football, and whether he is a good egg or not, and what his religion is, in fact all about him. In that way we have a list of men and we can tell when they arrive whether or not we want them.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: How do you get

it?

BROTHER REES: It's quite simple. Go to the registrar of the college or the man in charge of new enrollment and he will give you a list of the men who are enrolled in the university, the class that is about to enter. Send the list to the high school principal and he will usually oblige you by filling it out.

BROTHER MAYES; Don't you have the deferred rushing system?

BROTHER REES: No, we get them on the fly.

BROTHER FOX: It seems that California and Stanford are changing very radically the last two years. We are heading more toward a graduate school. At least Stanford is running toward a graduate school or what is known as an upper division school. Men have been going to a two-year junior college before they come there. That means it is almost impossible to get freshmen. I think 4000 registered this last time and of that number, only about 800 were freshmen. The most of them are junior-college men which means that you take a man when he is a junior and he is in the house two years and then gone. It has made a radical change in our method of rushing and it will be worse in the next few years.

BROTHER O'BRIEN (Tau Chapter): We have the deferred rushing system and do our rushing in the spring

quarter. I think we initiated 17 men these last two years and that is about average. Last spring quarter we pledges 10 men.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is the usual enrollment in your house?

BROTHER O'BRIEN: We have room for 24 but the last two years it has been rather slim. They are supposed to admit 450 students in the fall and 50 at the start of the winter quarter. They are going to admit 400 instead of 450 this fall, and the other 50 are the fraternity men.

It is sort of a permanent condition. We picked up when our President became a member of President Hoover's cabinet, because if Hoover is reelected, the fraternities will exist at Stanford for about six more years. We have a President now who is a fraternity man.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Would you like to hear from some more of these men?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I think that is enough. I simply wanted to see if the situation was as serious as it seemed or if it was just temporary.

BROTHER FRITZ: We have a rather peculiar situation. We might have fallen down some on rushing. The school started about eight or ten years ago with about 16,000. There are about two women to every man. The

University can't quite keep all the men and they figure on flunking out 10 per cent of them which means 30 per cent of the freshmen class.

We are moving to a new location this fall so I expect conditions to pick up. We are getting new building and turning the campus over to a junior college. All the fraternities there run small. There is only one that could really be called large.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Does that mean you are going to run into the same condition as California?

BROTHER FRITZ: Eventually, but not as soon as California.

BROTHER RICE: I don't understand about these junior colleges we hear about from California. I am wondering where they get money for that purpose.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is plenty of money out there you know.

BROTHER FOX: It seems there are too many people who want to go to school and they haven't room for them. Since the University of California is the largest in the world, so far as I know, they have split it up into smaller schools all over the state. A man goes to one of the smaller schools then he comes to California for the last two years.

BROTHER RICE: Your teams must loose a lot of

men due to the fact that they are in these junior colleges.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Maybe they spirit out the athletes and see that they attend at Berkeley.

BROTHER JOHNSON (Alpha Alpha Chapter): Our condition is temporary. Formerly we pledged more men but the mortality rate among the freshmen was high. That brings up the question of supervision of freshmen in the house. I think that is very important. We learned our lesson this year and hope to do better next year.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That disposes of five out of about twenty matters which I feel is a fairly good afternoon's work, and I am wondering if it wouldn't be better if a certain committee was designated to line up matters that are to be considered in the order of their importance and take them up that way in the morning.

BROTHER RICE: Leave it to the Chairman.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is nothing else now, so we will stand adjourned until our session tomorrow morning.

... The meeting adjourned at four-thirty o'clock ...

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

September 10, 1929

The meeting convened at nine-twenty o'clock, the Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke, presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will please call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and the following chapters were absent: Alpha, Delta, Zeta, Nu, Pi, Rho, Tau, Alpha Beta, Alpha Delta, and Alpha Epsilon ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We have a quorum present, but there is not much use of starting with a third of the body absent. We will begin with some more chapter reports.

... Brother Greer of Beta Chapter, Brother Riley of Gamma Chapter, Brother Roos of Zeta Chapter, Brother McCarthy of Iota Chapter, Brother Fox of Nu Chapter, Brother Larson of Xi Chapter, Brother Scott of Omicron Chapter, Brother Mayes of Sigma Chapter, and Brother O'Brien of Tau Chapter presented the reports of their respective chapters ...

... The delegates from Alpha, Delta, Zeta, Nu, Pi, Tau, and Alpha Epsilon came in while the chapter reports were being presenting, making all chapters present but Rho, Alpha Beta, and Alpha Delta ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Bob seems to

be getting tired of these reports. We have a number of things here to discuss and we have been over the list and there are certain ones that will require committees. I think we should have a short discussion on those matters here so the committees to whom they are referred will have some notion as to what is in the air and they can come in with the necessary resolutions or whatever the convention may desire.

There are certain required committees, the Auditing, Resolutions, and Nominating Committees, which will have to be appointed. As we reach these subjects which I believe we want to refer to a committee, I will so indicate and I wish you would hold your discussion down pretty well, just to give a general idea as to what you have on your mind and when the resolution comes in, you can have a real discussion or a real scrap on the proposition. I don't believe we should take much time on this particular phase of it now because it will come up when the resolution comes before you. That is the quickest way to get at it, to advise the committee what they should consider.

The first item is the question raised by the Grand Prudential Committee of modifying, either by Constitution or By-Law, the requirement that a visitation of all chapters be made once a year. The Prudential Committee has reported that their finances are such that that is not deemed advisable, and they desire some sort of action on the

part of the convention that will justify their action in not sending out either the Executive Secretary or somebody else on a visitation trip.

I don't believe that matter requires a committee for its consideration. I think ordinary discussion on the part of the delegates will be sufficient, and then refer it to the resolutions committee when we have terminated our deliberations. Possibly, Brother Jagocki, you might express a little more fully your Committee's idea on that.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The last convention passed a resolution making it obligatory upon the Committee to send a traveling secretary or the Executive Secretary or his assistant, or anybody they may deem proper, once a year to each chapter. That means a considerable expense.

Such a trip, to visit thirty chapters scattered through all parts of this country would be at a cost of probably \$1000, or perhaps more. Now our profit for the year in which we have a convention is nil. We are in the red that year and we only make money the year we don't have a convention. This year we made \$1400 due to the publication of this Directory.

So that means that we have no funds available with which to send a man once a year to each chapter, but by not complying with that last resolution, we come before

you and say we haven't done what you wanted us to. We simply ask for the authority to send a man when we deem it necessary and when finances are in such shape that we can properly send such a man.

At the last convention this point was raised and some of the men said that the matter of finances was immaterial; that we should send a man anyway. That is impractical. Unless we have the money we can't send him.

The benefits of visitation are doubtful, despite what some of the men feel. There are some chapters where it is very beneficial; other chapters it does no good whatsoever. We believe in visitation and would like to see it more prevalent than it is, but I think the next Prudential Committee should at least be permitted to judge when and to whom they should send a representative on a visitation trip.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do any of you delegates have any thoughts on this?

BROTHER ENGDAHL (Alpha Epsilon Chapter): I rather favor visitation although I think that once a year is too great a responsibility to the national fraternity. I also rather disagree that the total cost would be \$1000. I believe that is about double what it would amount to. I believe \$500 would cover the railroad fare and living expenses would be taken of at the chapter houses. Our chapters are close enough together so that hotel stops in between would

hardly be necessary.

We chapters in the East do receive a visitation. We have no kick coming, but the chapters on the West Coast run along, perhaps for a number of years, without any contact with the National Headquarters. They can't get a National Officer to attend any of their initiations or functions in the house. I believe that is a sad state of affairs for them. They need some sort of connection with the national fraternity.

I know here in the East it gives us a chance to talk over the major problems of the national fraternity and to receive a few suggestions as to policies we should follow. It seems to be a great help to us, and especially when something comes up at a chapter meeting and we need advice from the National Office. We seem to understand what to do about it and consequently can vote a little more intelligently.

Personally, I would hate to see the visitation go out altogether or put at an option. But it seems to me that it could be made every other year and alternate years between the years when conventions are held. I believe that would be the best solution to it. That would make up for the year we would not have any money and would make one trip between each convention.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: You



are pretty low as to what it would cost. When a man takes a trip of that kind he rarely carries his own bag; he has a porter do it. He rarely travels on the sub-way or street cars; he takes a taxi. He travels in style and his meals on the train cost more too, and if he stops over he stays at the best hotels and eats at the best restaurants, and so on.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There is another phase of this that hasn't been taken into consideration. Assuming that it is the Executive Secretary who is sent out upon this round-robin trip. He may be gone two or three months, depending upon the length of time he spent with each chapter. His salary has to be taken care of because back at Headquarters they would have to have somebody to take his place, and the cost actually would run more than the amount Brother Jagocki stated.

Those things ought to be considered very seriously. I think the easiest way would be to simply make a resolution to the effect that we are in favor of visitation whenever, in the opinion of the Prudential Committee, circumstances will permit it, and let it go at that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The objection to that has been that the chapters felt that the Prudential Committee wouldn't act on it. I think sometimes the chapters have the wrong attitude toward the Prudential Committee. There

is nothing in this game for the Prudential Committee. They are as much interested in Alpha Sigma Phi as any other man here, and if they found finances would permit it, and they deemed it an advantage to the chapter to send out a man, they would do it. It seems to me we are inclined to leave too little to the judgment of the Officers who are really running this fraternity. That is my slant on the matter. I know in past conventions the attitude has been that the chapters thought they had to command the Committee to send a man out.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think the very fact that the Committee itself has raised the question and comes before you and says, "We are sorry but we are unable to comply with your wishes," shows that this subject is really near their hearts and is constantly in their minds.

If it so happens that the Committee can do so, every effort will be made to dispatch a secretary or some one, as quickly as possible, to the far West if they so desire it. In fact, before we made our first extensive trip we asked every chapter, "Do you want such a visitation?" If they so indicate, very soon after college convenes we will make every possible effort to send a man, especially to Colorado and to Seattle, and down in California.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you think



that visitation is alone a question as to whether the chapters desired it. Shouldn't Headquarters be interested in having a man go around and find out what is going on.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I don't think that Headquarters finds out. The chapters are on their good behavior. A man would have to stay for some time to find out anything. As to finances, he can find that out quickly. We can find that out without visitation.

I am a very practical sort of person, at least I think I am, and when the Executive Secretary or some other officer takes a long trip to California simply to straighten out some minor detail of ritualistic work, I don't consider that trip was worth the money. But when the Executive Secretary or some other officers visits the college campus and speaks to the Dean of Men and finds out that he doesn't consider our fraternity such a wonderful organization on his campus, then I believe that trip was of value. I think each individual case has to be considered on its own merits.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The desire of the Grand Prudential Committee is to have a resolution passed relieving them of this responsibility.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think it is a matter of finances.

BROTHER BOBIER: I believe the agitation for



visitation to chapters has come from Pi Chapter and I have my instructions to push this. I see that it is utterly impossible to go ahead with it unless some means of providing funds is put forward, and I know, as far as we are concerned, we are willing to suffer an increase in national dues to get a permanent officer, and we believe it should be a separate officer from the Executive Secretary that spends his entire time during the year doing that work.

That should be his job to travel around from chapter to chapter and spend enough time at each chapter to find out what is going on there. He may not find out the financial condition of the chapter, and I don't see that it makes a lot of difference if he doesn't. If the finances of the chapter are satisfactory at Headquarters, I don't believe there is likely to be much trouble with merchants in town and other financial status.

I think that as soon as a chapter is apparently getting into financial difficulties, it is apparent at National Headquarters, but the most important thing is the keeping of records of the fraternity. Most chapters have their own system of keeping records of proceedings and correspondence, etc., and it has gone on for years. In some cases you would find it in a muddle, and I think that a traveling secretary could go to a chapter and look through its records and see if things are being kept in the right

manner and bawl them out if they are not taking care of records as they should.

He could see if the house is being taken care of in such a way as to impress anybody taken in there as belonging to a neat bunch of men. And there are many such ways that this traveling secretary could help the chapters and I think it necessary that it be regular and compulsory rather than from time to time as the Grand Prudential Committee sees fit.

I am not criticizing them for I know the financial situation is such that it couldn't be done. For that reason I believe that another officer -- call him a traveling secretary or whatever you like -- should be placed in office and some means of raising the money necessary to finance his part of the business provided for.

Now that immediately raises the question, if there is any money coming in perhaps we ought to get behind this History proposition, and I don't know whether there is any means that could be found to finance both or not, but I merely brought this up to show our reason for wanting it.

Pi Chapter wants this traveling secretary and we need it as badly as anybody. Our nearest chapter is about 500 miles from Boulder. We feel the need of national assistance lots of times in points that come up in ritualistic work and it is hard to straighten out details through mail.

If we could get a man from National Headquarters we would accomplish a lot more than by writing back and forth through the mails.

For that reason I wish to go on record as being in favor of a traveling secretary, or at least a chapter visitation as provided for at the last convention. If necessary let us raise funds in a different manner than we have been doing, either by raising the initiation fee or national dues, or cutting out a convention from time to time as seems to be possible as indicated by the desire to have the next one three years from now instead of in two years.

I believe the office is important enough to merit any plan which would provide the money to pay this man's salary and expenses. There is nothing definite I have gotten to in my talk, but I simply want to show my attitude before that resolution passed at the last convention is altered in any way. Then if it becomes necessary, in order to enforce this, to provide money, the next thing to do is to provide that money.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The time element in this seems very important, and going upon the assumption that the Executive Secretary would be sent on this trip, the time could be so apportioned between publication dates of The Tomahawk, say after the September issue is published if the Executive Secretary were to leave New York

on or around the date of publication he could make that trip without additional help in the office. Most of the work would be routine work relative to initiation and there are few initiations because most of them are held in February, following the fall pledging or the second semester.

I simply wanted to bring that up because the time element does seem important.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This matter of chapter visitation has been a thing I have thought a good deal about. The matter of a permanent man that you speak of is fine if we get the right man. But to my mind, the type of man required is not a young man just out of school, who hasn't had a great deal of experience in the fraternity, but it requires an older man, and to my mind the only type of man that can be used for that sort of thing is a man who is about ready to retire, not from age, but one who is financially fixed so that he would be willing to give his time for very little, for our finances would never stand a \$6000 a year man.

That is the type of man you ought to have if he is going to give the chapters real help, such a man as Shepardson. He has retired and is spending all his time in that work. Or take LaVere (?), a man who has grown up in that work. If you could get a man like that who would take \$100 or \$150 for expenses, it would be fine, but you have got

to have a man who is financially able to get along on that sort of a proposition.

In some cases I believe chapter visitation is all right, but I don't believe that the chapters feel that a man who is Executive Secretary in the employ of the Grand Prudential Committee is a man to whom they can look for the proper sort of advice. I think the matter of how they keep their records can be handled by the Secretary.

But what the chapters need is a man who will go there and talk things over and give them assistance, and one whom they can feel, "Here is a man who has been through the mill and had lots of experience. He knows what the national fraternity has been doing for years and he knows what we are up against and what we are to do."

That is the only type of visitation that gives anything of real value. If you send around a younger man, a man without much experience, he can check records and look up reports, but that is not the real thing that ties your chapter up with the national organization.

You see if you had a man who would come in and sit down and talk with you, you would get a lot out of it. If you had alumni whose duty it was to do that sort of thing you would get a great deal more of benefit than from a man who only came around occasionally. That is why I have been trying to stir up interest in connection with the matter of

alumni cooperation, one man from the chapter in question and two or three other alumni from other chapters, men with whom the Committee could correspond and to whom the chapters could go, and iron things out that way.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Just a moment, in reference to this, let me inject one other thing. Alpha Alpha Epsilon has Billy LaVere, but they also have ninety chapters to support Billy LaVere. Beta Theta Pi, up to two years ago, had no Traveling Secretary and no general center Headquarters like we have and yet, as an organization, it is older than we are, very much older and had accumulated a vast fund. Dr. Shepardson is a remarkable man. Beta Theta Pi is able to command his services because of the fact that it has about one hundred chapters to support that work. The burden of the individual chapter under those circumstances is almost nil.

The difficulty with us is this: You men who are the active chapters are the ones who dictate the policy of expansion. You will not allow us to have new chapters until you have passed upon every detail of opposition. You charge Brother Clarke with the work of accumulating information relative to new chapters. You will keep him working for four years and then not accept the chapter because of some opposition some of the chapters may have.

Those are the serious problems. There is no



doubt in my mind but that there are at least forty more institutions where we could go in. If we had an organization of sixty or seventy chapters financing this proposition we could then support a traveling secretary, but the suggestion that we put a traveling secretary on the road at the present time means an added \$5000 for 1000 active members to pay out of their pockets each year.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: I gather that the chapters most desiring visitation from the National Headquarters are the western chapters. It seems that the chapters in the East are visited by members of the Grand Prudential Committee or National Officers from time to time and they receive the benefits and advantages from such visitation that would not come otherwise.

Something over two years ago Brother Archibald visited our chapter and we appreciated his coming and it was a pleasure to us to have him there. We thought we received a great deal of benefit from his visit. That is true; we did receive some benefit, but after he had gone things ran along in their ordinary course. Our fraternity runs along as it did years ago. The results of Archibald's visit have been forgotten.

For that reason, I feel that chapter visitation, while advantageous, should be left wholly to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee. And if it is in



order, I would like to move that chapter visitation be left entirely to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I second the motion.

BROTHER FOX: It seems to me to get around all arguments it would be a good idea to include in this motion the fact that the traveling secretary must come at least once every four years. In that way you have a secretary there once each time a class comes in. A class is in school four years and he would be there at least once in that time. I wish to make that as an amendment to the present motion.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is hardly consistent though.

BROTHER FOX: I wish to amend the motion so that the visitation by the Executive Secretary be at the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee with proper provision that a visit be made to each chapter at least once in every four years.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Do you want that to be the Executive Secretary?

BROTHER FOX: Not necessarily.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We might have someone on the West Coast do that.

BROTHER FOX: That seems to defeat the proposition. A man on the West Coast wouldn't be in touch with

the Grand Prudential Committee.

BROTHER O'BRIEN (Tau Chapter): I second that amendment.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think it should be a National Officer without a question because the idea of visitation at least once in four years is so that every man that goes through Alpha Sigma Phi, providing he is in college four years, gets to be a member of the national organization. I know there are men who come and go and, as far as they know, there isn't any national organization. They never see a national officer and they never hear anything of the national office unless they happen to be an officer, or what they hear read in their meetings.

It is so remote that they can't realize we have any organization. As far as they know the chapter is a local. I think it is very essential that that man that visits the chapters be a National Officer from National Headquarters.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: I would like to have my motion voted on without an amendment, because I think the Officers, the men we elect on the Prudential Committee, are of a caliber capable of determining when they should visit a chapter.

I have been in college for five years and I think my college life has been an average one. During the



first two or three years my mind was centered upon my own fraternity. Since then I have looked into the activities of the national organization and I have been interested in that as well as my own particular chapter, and I have come to the conclusion that our national organization is not as strong as it should be. I would like to see the Grand Prudential Committee have more authority than it has at the present time and have the power to do things at their own discretion more than in the past.

BROTHER FOX: My amendment doesn't in any way limit the power of the Grand Prudential Committee. It merely assures us that we will have one visitation in four years. That is not going to work any great hardship with regard to raising funds for that visit. It leaves the Prudential Committee the power to send a man around once every year if they wish to do so, but it requires that they send someone at least once in four years.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We will vote on the amendment which is that the Grand Prudential Committee must send the Executive Secretary -- that's what you want isn't it?-- at least once in four years.

BROTHER FOX: I wouldn't make it that narrow, but I would like to include that it be some Prudential Committee member. You see our viewpoint. If we get a man who is one of our own alumni we have no close contact with the

National Office.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You want your motion to read the Executive Secretary or some National Officer?

BROTHER FOX: Yes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right, the amendment is that the Grand Prudential Committee be required to send, once in four years, a visitation officer who must be the Executive Secretary or a National Officer. Are you ready for the question?

BROTHER RICE: When you say Grand Officer, that might be the Grand Treasurer, residing in Sacramento who had never been east of the Mississippi.

BROTHER FOX: What we want is contact with the National Office through this visitation.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The only way you can be safe is to leave it Executive Secretary. Is that the way you want to leave it?

BROTHER FOX: Yes.

... The amendment was put to a vote and was lost ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The amendment is lost. Now we have the original motion that it be left to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee. Are you ready for the question?

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER BANNER: I want this to come up in discussion, about the alumni. I should like to make sure that some provision is made for alumni to have closer contact with actives on such matters as this, during all the time when the Prudential Committee does not send a man around.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You mean local alumni? That will come up later.

Now we have the question of relieving the Prudential Committee of the requirement that the new Directory be published every two years. The Grand Prudential Committee has reported that it creates a financial situation that is unbearable, from their standpoint, and they believe that every five years is often enough for the publication of the Directory. Whether that might involve a supplement or not, I don't know.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That hinges on this question of visitation. With the Directory coming out every two years, it uses up money that might be used in other ways. If we had one every five years, that would give us a chance to save money that could then be used for other things.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: How about a supplement including men that come out in between?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think we could do that almost every year.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You could take four or five pages of The Tomahawk. Most of the fellows that I have talked to think this is a good thing.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We get it out and that is about all it amounts to. We seem to get very few complaints, and we get very few letters of commendation;

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: We have already made up a supplement of about 400 names for the September issue, changes of address and men who have come in since the Directory was published in 1928. It will cost but a few dollars. Most addresses are static. Men have moved around more or less since graduation from college but now are settled down. We will have some six pages placed in the back of the September issue of The Tomahawk and they can be clipped out and put in the 1928 issue of the Directory.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think the five year proposition is all right.

BROTHER TOADVINE: I question the real value of publishing a Directory at frequent intervals. Here is something the Executive Secretary does not know, but in circularizing literature in connection with the convention to

Brothers living in the various states, we received 368 letters back from the dead letter office. That is the fault of alumni secretaries of various chapters, so unless you get them to send in the changes of address, Brother Bowen or anybody else can compile a Directory from now until Kingdom Come and it won't be accurate.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Isn't that a good average?

BROTHER TOADVINE: Yes. But when you know they are not sending in the changes of address it doesn't make you feel very good.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think you are simply bound to have that condition.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I would simply like to tell the delegates how much trouble and work a Directory of that sort is, aside from the question of expense. Work was started on the Directory in March, 1928 and the direct mail system was used in which we begged them to send back the letter or give the correct address. A number of the first envelopes were sent out and we assumed that all letters not delivered by the government would be returned to us.

Of some 6000 sent out, we received 3600 in return. In ordinary mail order business 10 per cent is considered good. We had over 50 per cent. We used a red

ribbon and typed the new address under the old address, then we sent to active chapters, alumni associations, and in many cases to individuals who had lists of men, and we received corrections on those.

We used the Directories of Iota Chapter and of Omicron and a number of other chapters who issue directories from time to time. Even then we had a number of addresses that were entirely incorrect. Ninety per cent correct addresses is considered good. I am sure we had more than that when the Directory was published.

But so many men, when they graduated, left no forwarding address, and it has only been since 1925 that we could keep an accurate Tomahawk subscription list. All other men who do not keep in touch with the chapter, some individual, or alumnus council are no longer included on our list. It takes cooperation through a period of four or five years.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: So far as this convention is concerned, it seems we are giving the Grand Prudential Committee a fuller swing of things, and I think the matter of the Directory should be left up to them too. Consequently, I move you that the matter of the Directory publication be left to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee.

BROTHER TOADVINE: I second the motion.

BROTHER RICE: When you say that the cost of

the Directory was reduced by the fact that it was published as an issue of The Tomahawk and that you saved \$750, does that mean that \$750 was used from The Tomahawk Fund toward the publication of the Directory, or do you simply save getting out an issue of The Tomahawk?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We got out an issue of The Tomahawk which ordinarily costs \$750 for \$2100.

BROTHER RICE: Is that paid out of the General Fund?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The Tomahawk Fund does not cover the cost of publication.

BROTHER RICE: Was the \$750 taken from The Tomahawk Fund to pay for this particular issue because it was a Directory issue?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The total cost of The Tomahawk for the year was computed, in which was included this \$2100, and the \$1500 was deducted and left a deficit which was paid out of the General Fund.

BROTHER RICE: That brings up another question. In the report of The Tomahawk Fund only the income was used, which I think a very fine thing if it were an endowment fund, but my recollection was that all the income was to be used plus a certain amount of the principal, because if you keep piling up principal it won't be necessary to charge the \$10

per person and it was figured on that basis when Kirkpatrick first gave it. I don't want to tread on anything that should come up in the auditing report, but I wonder if that is the determination of the Trustees of The Tomahawk Fund.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The By-Laws provide for a committee to compute the amount of principal which should be applied toward that but since the Life Subscription Fund Trustees have been in existence since January, 1928, no committee has been formed.

BROTHER RICE: There has been no deficit as far as publication of the Tomahawk is concerned? There has been no deficit paid out of the National treasury?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT: Yes, there has.

BROTHER RICE: Doesn't the \$383 represent the excess of expenditures over receipts? I am thinking particularly of the four issues of The Tomahawk and omitting the Directory and including the issue you attributed.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: That report was for 1928 when the accumulated interest was transferred for the first time to the General Fund. It was for over a period of six years and amounted to \$3600. It exceeded the amount used in publishing The Tomahawk for the year. Therefore, there was a surplus for this year. This year there was \$1500 actual interest on the \$30,000 held by the Trustees.

That was applied but not it was not as large as the cost of publication. Therefore there was a loss on The Tomahawk for the year. In three years'time you will have enough principal in the Tomahawk Trustees' Fund, the interest of which will entirely cover the publication of the Tomahawk.

BROTHER RICE: Who pays this excess now?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Before this time, the Tomahawk has been run at a loss, paid for from the General Fund until such time as the Fund held by the Trustees be sufficient to give interest to cover publication expenses. It was thought best to do that until there was a sum large enough to cover publication costs.

BROTHER RICE: I don't see why the General Fund should be depleted for the Tomahawk. I would rather see the use of the principal of The Tomahawk Fund.

On the general topid of the Directory, I probably have had more experience in keeping records than any man here and I know something about the percentages in keeping records. With my own records including some six or seven hundred names, I send all of those out at any time and the number of letters that I will get back through the dead letter office will not be over two. That is very easily done provided some time is given to it. It does take time, as Brother Bowen has pointed out.

At Yale University, where they send to about 32,000 names at a clip, I daresay the returned envelopes that come back to them is probably less than 200 every time they send them out. I am guessing at that, but their lists are kept up all the while. I change about 3 addresses every week and it has to be kept after all the time.

To me that is a very good argument to the fact that if you are going to have a Directory, its main purpose is not to keep an accurate mailing list up to date because it cannot be done. In the six months that it would take to make up the list, without question over 10 per cent of those names compiled during that period would have changed addresses.

So the main purpose should be to give a permanent address and geographical location and that every five years is a great plenty. You can save some money by arranging your list geographically in the first place and then list them alphabetically later because that way you would save a lot of the cost of printing. You only have to write the city once that way. There are a whole lot of things that could be done in regard to that, and I think it well to leave that to the Grand Prudential Committee. I hope that all of the active members will understand that in leaving it to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee, you are doing the natural thing. While it is

valuable, after all it is temporary.

BROTHER CANNING (Alpha Gamma Chapter): There is no doubt but that the Directory is useful but it really comes a little bit separate from The Tomahawk. It is not a regular issue at all. I don't see why you couldn't charge extra for it. Have the people who wanted a Directory leave their names and have it sent to them. And people who wanted to be reached could send in their names and you could have a page of such names in The Tomahawk.

BROTHER HOFELICH: If you charged for it there would be about 25 per cent that would order it. Why not put it out in June because very few read the June Tomahawk anyway. Put it out in June and then you could put it out every year and keep adding the names of initiates every year until the fifth year and then include all in the General Directory.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: I would like to move that the Grand Prudential Committee be instructed to publish a Directory at least once every five years.

BROTHER LARSON (Xi Chapter): I second the motion.

BROTHER KNAPP: I would like to ask Brother Bowen is he is going to institute the plan of adding a supplement every year of new initiates and new addresses.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: We



plan to use slip sheets in The Tomahawk so that the men receiving those magazines can remove them and add them to the Directory.

In reply to the suggestion that we sell the Directory, it is impossible to sell Directories. We have so many things to sell and so little contact with the men that it would be impossible to reach them.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The next question we would like to have discussed is this matter of the History. I think this discussion should take this form. There are two or three things that the Grand Prudential Committee has brought up. First is the question of the obligation, or alleged obligation as it is referred to, to the syndicate which was formed and the men never paid, and the further proposition of the obligation to Brother Musgrave.

Those are the things this convention shouldn't pass up as they were passed up at the last convention. I think perhaps Brother Jagocki might read that part of his report pertaining to this matter again.

... Brother Jagocki read from the report of the Grand Prudential Committee that part pertaining to the History ...

BROTHER COOGAN: I believe before we have any discussion that Brother Musgrave should give his side of the story.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Here I may be wrong, but --

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI:
(Interrupting) He should certainly make a report.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right, Brother Musgrave, we will have your report.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Mr. Chairman and Brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi: The effort that I have expended in trying to get the manuscript ready previous to this convention has been sincere but I have failed. I have before me and with me the manuscript of Part I of the History which is practically completed. There are just a few details that are still lacking, the data of which reached me on Friday last, with the exception of just a little bit of additional information that I need from Tau Chapter.

That will complete Part I which will involve the running history of the fraternity and the individual chapters of the fraternity in great detail, detail that will enable you to find the definite things you want to know about the men, the chapters, and the accomplishments of individual members and includes every man from the inception of the fraternity in 1845 down to date.

Part II will be much briefer and will involve a brief description of the Song Book, The Tomahawk, the Conventions, the administrations, the laws and so forth that way, and I think I will be able to complete it within the next four or five weeks.

I have put in, while I have been concentrating upon this, somewhere in the neighborhood of from 12 to 14 hours a day for 7 days of the week. There is a physical limit even to my capacity for work.

The amount of detail in running down, cross checking, being sure of my facts, and replacing the great many things I have found lacking from the official reports of the fraternity on file at National Headquarters, which for several years in succession disappeared and had to be secured from the records of the individual chapters, necessitating a great deal of extra work, worry and so forth, is immense.

I have received splendid cooperation from the most of the men, but it has taken a great deal more time than I anticipated. I did not understand or appreciate the magnitude of the job I assumed. Speaking about the History generally, I want to say that away back twenty years ago we passed a resolution that a History should be brought out by Brother Waterbury, but it wasn't.

We passed resolutions from convention to con-

vention in favor of a history. The only thing we succeeded in doing was passing these resolutions and it wasn't until I had retired from the active duties of Grand Junior President that I assumed this task myself.

A word has been used in connection with the report that I dislike extremely. That word is repudiate. Now Gentlemen, I will say this most plainly and unequivocally: I don't like the idea behind the work repudiation. If you want the product of my brain and work and labor for nothing, and you want to accept it, that is one thing. You can have it. You will have no law suit. You will have no trouble and I want to say, what is more, I will continue this work, if it is necessary at my own expense until it is completed.

I will go one step further than that, Gentlemen. I was responsible for that syndicate and for organizing it and collecting that money and spending it for purposes of the compilation and getting ready of material, and if it is necessary and this fraternity will go on record as repudiating that obligation, I will pledge myself to see that every dollar is returned to those men, even though it takes the rest of my life to earn and save that money.

My fraternity comes in my whole life first. It has always been so. I wish to God I could go back twenty-two years in my life. I tell you frankly, Gentlemen, I would not devote and I would not advise any other man to

devote to the welfare of his fraternity the amount of energy and time that I have devoted to it. I gave to it the best I had; in that respect I have no regrets, but it has been at the expenditure of such an immense amount of time. It has interfered with my own personal ambitions and interests. I might be a rich man today if I had devoted my entire time and the same amount of energy to accumulating wealth as I have devoted to the interests of Alpha Sigma Phi.

As I said before, the word repudiation gets down under my skin. I don't believe that my fraternity is going to kick me out with repudiation as its compensation at this time. However, I leave that entirely to you. The question of \$100 a week is extremely small when you consider my earnings as an attorney. If I had continued my practice I could have at least earned from \$15,000 to \$25,000 a year clear, over and above my expenses.

Now then, I have expended the time. You have heard my report as to that. The \$2800 has been entirely expended for legitimate compilation of data. The data is here, one original copy of it as far as it has been completed. There are six individual copies of this in the form of mimeographed copies for the readers, the Committee of Readers I have appointed to go over this and make their final report to the Grand Prudential Committee.

The question of financing the Fraternity History is one that of course confronts you. I can see, personally, no other means, if you are going to assume it as a fraternity matter, than arbitrarily placing a price upon the cost of each volume to the consumer and make the incoming men take it. That has been and was the scheme involved throughout all the twenty odd years that I have known about this History Fund.

It is nothing new now; it is simply that you are confronted perhaps with a situation that you didn't quite anticipate. I don't know. I have done my work, that is I have almost completed my work. I have done my best in every sense of the word. This History, if ever published, will give you detailed information concerning every man whose name is known in connection with every chapter of our fraternity from the inception of 1845 down to date, with the single exception of the old Harvard Chapter which was established at Harvard in 1850 and which went out there in 1853, '54, '55, '56, or possibly as late as 1857.

We have none of that information because it is absolutely unobtainable up to the present time. I do not say it does not exist but I have not been able, after much effort, to discover it. We had data concerning the old Amherst Chapter that was very incorrect. We found instead of there being 98 as officially reported in the annals of

Amherst College that we had 197. And I have the names and what the men have accomplished in life. I have set them forth in great detail so far as these men are concerned.

In 1864, Alpha Sigma Phi failed at Yale University, owing to excesses of drinking and carousing by the men active at that time. Out of its loins, as it were, there developed two sophomore fraternities, Phi Beta Psi and Delta Psi in December 1864.

The name of those men I have gone over and checked with all kinds of class lists, and everything I can find and I believe my list is almost complete in every one of those cases. I have checked them in various ways and it has taken much more time than I had anticipated.

Now then as to the matter of financing expenses: Delta Kappa Epsilon has put out a History in three volumes that cost \$36, and it has been able to put it out and finance it. I don't know what their methods were. I know you folks want a History. I have done my level best to produce it. Now it is up to you to either accept it and do it gracefully and fairly, or to take it irrespective of whether you accept and do with it as you please and also repudiate all the obligations, tacit, expressed, implied, or any other form.

But I have told you what I will do under any and all circumstances. Therefore, I leave the matter for you to thresh out any way you choose.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to ask Brother Musgrave to clear up a couple of points. In the first place, on that Syndicate matter, wasn't that an arrangement whereby a man gave \$20 and he received the return of his money provided the History was issued and provided there was a profit?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: No, Mr. Chairman, the theory of the Syndicate was somewhat involved in this form: That we hoped to get advanced subscriptions to the extent of \$20 each, from the total of which we would be able to finance the History and put it out.

Profits were not anticipated from the sale of the History. We never thought of profits in this matter at all, but we do know there is a basic charge for printing and for type setting and things of that kind and those were to be anticipated and paid from the funds as they were accumulated from these various subscriptions or certificates of subscriptions.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There was no understanding or no obligation on the part of Alpha Sigma Phi as a fraternity to return this money unless the History was provided?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Yes, that was perhaps a legal inference.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Legal or other-

wise, there is no obligation.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: When the Syndicate was authorized by a general resolution by the fraternity in convention assembled, certainly there was an implied agreement back of that to the effect that the fraternity itself would see that it was done. The principle involved in the matter was carried out.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I gave \$20 to that Syndicate and I didn't have any feeling that I was going to have my money returned.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I think perhaps, Brother President, I might say that none of us anticipated -- I know I did not -- that the thing would not go over. I still believe it can go over.

Suppose you assume that the History must be purchased by the incoming men, which was the assumption from the beginning, and you put the price at \$5 per copy. That would give an income of \$25,000 spread over a number of years, out of which these various expenses will be met.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: But you have certain costs that will have to be met before it can even be printed.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The idea is that the \$25,000 would pay any advances made, editorial or anything else.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is going to

cost you something to deliver that volume.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I haven't figured it on that basis. The distribution should be pro rata per volume and we should attempt to get into the hands of members of Alpha Sigma Phi at cost.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is the \$5 you are talking about?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The price of \$5 a copy was included in the resolution passed at Estes Park. If you sell 5000 copies at \$5 per, you will have \$25,000 when they are all sold.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: But there are all these expenses that have got to come out first.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There will have to be advances made. I have arranged with the George Bond Publishing Company (?) to give us advanced credit of \$5000 against publication costs, and if we would keep reducing that out of sales we might be able to renew it from time to time and they would arrange to finance it through their banks.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Brother Musgrave dwelt upon the word repudiation which he said he does not like. There is one word he used that I likewise dislike and that is the word assumption. There seems to have been a great deal assumed in the past.

We threshed this out at the last convention and

we said there should not be a detailed report of every man who was ever a member of this fraternity. It was specifically said that we did not care to know that John Smith was initiated such and such a year into Omicron Chapter, or some other chapter. The convention considered that and definitely said that there should be merely a Who's Who of the outstanding men of the fraternity, either as a separate part of the History or as a portion of the history of the individual chapters.

Despite that, Brother Musgraves continues and assumes the responsibility for including a detailed report of each and every man that belonged to the fraternity, when that was threshed out for hours two years ago.

Another thing is the question of financing the whole thing. He assumes that 5000 copies will be sold at \$5 apiece, making \$25,000. How long would it take to sell 5000 copies? Who wants the book? The chapters want it for rushing purposes. An interested alumnus here and there wants it, but every member of this fraternity doesn't want a History. It has been said to me that the History would be advantageous if it were a beautiful book and could be used as a decoration of a library, but as a book of reference, there is not a crying need among the thousands of alumni for such a book.

As a matter of loyalty, some might buy it but

to me it is a ludicrous situation to assume, as has been assumed in the past, that this book shall be financed by compulsory sale by simply mentioning that every initiate must buy a History at an added cost of initiation expense. And so we tie up money for a long period of years and at the end of twenty years or so the History still isn't published. Figuring on the basis of \$5000 is entirely beside the point. Unless we figure on the basis of 5000 copies, it cannot be published.

Another thing, Brother Musgrave says that his manuscript of Part I is ready for his committee, and yet the resolution passed at Estes Park Convention said that the Grand Prudential Committee, which was not the present Committee but the one previous to that composed of Darrah, Holden, and myself, should appoint a committee to cooperate with Brother Musgrave in the compilation of the History, suggesting changes and alterations, the Grand Prudential Committee to be the final authority to determine such disputed matters. I see no necessity for Brother Musgrave's Committee.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The attitude that Brother Jagocki is taking seems to assume that I am attempting to usurp the authority of the Grand Prudential Committee. That is not the facts. I had appointed this Reading Committee for the purpose of going over this long before that resolution

was passed. In fact I appointed this Committee before I left the meeting in Columbus in 1923.

This Committee is composed of men whom I appointed at that time for going over the manuscript and deciding questions as to the diction and things of that kind, sort of literary hacks, men connected with the fraternity. It was my purpose to have that Committee make its report and turn the whole thing over to the Prudential Committee and let it then appoint its committee and go ahead.

No effort whatever has been desired or made to usurp any of the powers of the Grand Prudential Committee nor to undermine its authority in the slightest degree. I have had considerable experience in the matter of undermining in years past and gone, and I have tried in every possible way to side step that sort of thing at the present time. I assure you, Gentlemen, that there is nothing whatever my Committee will attempt to do that will usurp those powers.

About this question of finance, it has been assumed for the last twenty odd years that the book would be sold in the manner I have already outlined. Our annual incoming class averages about 400 now. If \$5 were assessed them for this History, even if the fraternity does not increase its membership, and even if none of the alumni buy a volume, it should be taken care of in about twelve years. And it should be possible, out of the surplus fund provided,

to have an annual supplement that would bring the History down to date.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I have tried to find it in the minutes but I can't locate it now, a statement made by you which I construed to mean that you took the position that your compensation, as such, was to come from the fund accumulated from the sale of Histories and that it was to be paid to you from time to time as it was possible to take it out of that fund. In other words, you did not feel that it was any general obligation on the part of the fraternity.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: In this one respect: If the fraternity got behind the proposition as I understood they were willing to do, and made it compulsory for the History to be purchased by the incoming initiates, out of that fund there would be enough to entirely compensate me.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I took it that you were looking to the success of that thing for your compensation, and if it succeeded all right, and if it didn't — Personally, I don't see, in view of our financial condition, and especially if we want to spend \$1000 for visitation, how we, as a fraternity, could assume an obligation of \$15,000 or \$20,000 to come out of our General Fund.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I had no idea that it should.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The position of

the Grand Prudential Committee is this: That the fraternity, to be fair in this matter, should either go on record as indicating that they do not feel that this Syndicate money is a general obligation, and that they do not feel the money you are asking for as your compensation is a general obligation of the fraternity.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: If the legislation is enacted in accordance with the understanding that has been going all through these twenty years -- it was the idea from the beginning that this would be compulsory, and that a fund would be provided -- eventually you will be able to meet all obligations.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It was the idea, yes, but it is just like building a home by some of these chapters. They hope it will happen but it is not a sure thing.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: It would be a sure thing if you had 400 men.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Owing to our financial condition, the size of our chapter roll, the things we have to meet, these reports of difficulties in various institutions, we are not in a position where we could just have it assumed that Alpha Sigma Phi is going to obligate itself -- not out of a special fund but out of the General Fund -- to pay any deficit that may arise because

the scheme of the History didn't go over.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Again I say that the History Fund, if accumulated in the manner in which I have been led to believe it was going to be done, will produce that and there will be no question of doubt about it and the expense will not come out of the General Fund.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You are assuming that the fund is going to be accumulated. It might not go over.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: If it doesn't go over, here is the situation: For over twenty years that matter has been before me and I have been allowed to change my position, assuming that you were going to do what was said all throughout those years. Now then, if it is not important enough for you to have a History of the Fraternity that is available, that does give you detailed information concerning men of the chapters that you want, if you don't want that you have the right to say so. I admit all that.

But I say this, that it is a strange thing to come after the twenty years of agitation in favor of it, and say to the editor who has devoted his time and effort under tacit understanding that the fraternity wanted it and say, "We are very much obliged to you but your work is absolutely nothing. We are going to throw it out the window."

That is your privilege. If the attitude of

the fraternity is that that is what you want to do, all well and good. This would not be the first time in my life that I had failed in my efforts. It wouldn't be the first time I have perhaps not lived up to the anticipations I had in my fraternity. I will accept it. There doesn't seem very much else to do.

I am somewhat in the same position I was in in the Interfraternity Conference where, after I had completed my editorial work under domination of a Conference held three years before, and there was an effort made to throttle the whole thing -- but it didn't go over -- I said to them, "It is up to you. If a History is not important, although you have been agitating for it, if you don't want it, say so."

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI:

Brother Musgrave is misled as to how this matter was to be financed; misled as to the cry for a History. As I understand it the fraternity means the chapter in the final analysis, and when have the chapters said that he should be compensated? Has there ever been any resolution on that matter and who was it who misled him all these years?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to hear from the active members on this.

BROTHER BOBIER: I have been in Alpha Sigma Phi about eight years and I have run into many such cir-

cumstances as Brother Musgrave has. I have seen men with the interests of the fraternity at heart go ahead and assume things and go ahead and do more than they should have done; work that was beneficial for the fraternity but some of them got stuck and some of them came out all right.

I don't think there is any question but what the History is important. Both as an alumnus and as an active member of Pi Chapter I have constantly heard alumni and active members say, "Why hasn't Alpha Sigma Phi a History? We don't know how it developed. Other fraternities have a History that is of constant use and pleasure."

I don't think that any man could sit down and read it from cover to cover. It would take me fifteen years probably, but there are often times questions that arise as to things that happened in the fraternity, and that book is one method of finding out what you want to know and teaching other men what the fraternity means as they come in.

We seem to be going around in circles. As I understand the proposition, the understanding was that he would go ahead and publish the History and take his compensation from the receipts of the sale of the History, and that the chapters would get behind him and do all they could to sell the History.

I don't see any harm in making it compulsory

that every new man take a History. That is not a financial obligation that will break him, and certainly he will have a better knowledge of the fraternity if he gets that History. Some of them won't open it. Others will read bits of it from time to time and get a better idea of the workings of the fraternity.

It is something that should exist for reasons outside of the fraternity. People outside of Alpha Sigma Phi don't know anything about it and there are things that help to create respect for Alpha Sigma Phi. I have run into localities where little is known about this fraternity.

It is necessary; it is important; we should have it. Brother Musgrave has done his best to produce it and it is up to the chapters to get behind it and try to sell those volumes, and to buy them ourselves. I don't think we should sit down and write him a check for the amount of expense he has been put to, but I do think the chapters should do all they can to sell copies to pay this obligation.

Certainly there is one sure way of doing it and that is to make every man take a copy. It is not going to break him and \$5 is not an exorbitant price. I believe his payment should come out of the payments for copies. There will be a great many copies sold to alumni and active members. I want one and I know many others who have said they wished the copies would come out. I don't believe it is going to

take a life-time to sell 5000 copies.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I want to straighten out my argument. What I was trying to get straightened out was the fact that we were not assuming this as a general obligation, but it was to be paid out of receipts. I wasn't talking against the History.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I never assumed that this thing was to be paid out of the General Fund.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think this convention should clear that up. This, as I say, is only a preliminary discussion. I have a committee to go into this thing and report later and you will have a long time to discuss it.

BROTHER MAYES: Hasn't there been a subscription for this History taken up already?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We have about \$500 collected that way.

BROTHER COOGAN: I doubt the value and desirability of a History, but nevertheless, if we have been agitating for this History for twenty years, I don't believe that during those twenty years we realized at any time the financial outlay that the publication of this History would entail, and if we can come to an understanding that the plan isn't financially feasible, there is no reason why we should go through with it.

In the first place, I don't believe that those delegates who for twenty years agitated for this History realized that the editorship of it would entail an expense of \$100 a week, because it would have been foolhardy to have gone into it if they had realized that it would take 80 weeks to compose this History. You have there an expense of \$8000 without even considering the heavy publication costs.

I disagree that each pledge, when initiated, should be forced to take a History. This History, in a few years, will be old and it will suffice that each chapter have a new edition to keep up to date in the History, but each individual member would not want it and would not want to be forced to buy it. As for the actives and alumni we have now, I don't believe you could get even one third or one fourth of them to subscribe to the History.

We made this plea for subscriptions to the History three years ago in our chapter and I don't believe there were more than six actives who responded to the plea. I think the Committee should go into the matter thoroughly and if the plan to publish the History is not financially feasible, we will have to reject it. If it is at all possible to publish the History and finance it, we will accept it, because we at no time doubt the desirability and value of the History.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: De-



spite the apparent heat of my remarks, I do hope some plan will be evolved to publish the History. My method of presenting the matter was simply to stir up the convention if possible to a realization of the problem and come to some arrangement, both with the editor and with the chapters, and with the individuals.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH (Omicron Chapter): I believe if the book were here, if it were actually completed, and we knew what was in it everybody would be willing and more than anxious to have one and \$5 a copy for the book would probably be considered cheap. I believe we should have something concrete; let us have it completed and see what it is. We are talking about something up in the air so far as we are concerned.

Brother Musgrave has it almost ready for completion. The plan for financing is good, and I think that if we would set a definite time for it to be out, that everyone would be more interested.

BROTHER RICE: I would like to ask Brother Musgrave a series of questions and let me state the purpose of these questions. In the first place, they are to determine whether there is anything about the character of the book, what it contains that would in any way determine the price of publication.

In the second place, these questions are to

find out how much of the cost of preparation has been caused by certain things, whether the History itself, the listing of names, or something of that sort. That is the reason I am asking these particular questions.

You referred to Part I. How many parts are there to be altogether?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Two.

BROTHER RICE: What is the distinction?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Part I would include the general information, the preliminary like you have in any book, including the foreword, the introduction, the historical background of the induction of the fraternity itself, then a narrative, running, brief history of the fraternity from its inception down to date.

Then following that is the detailed report of the various chapters from Alpha down to the Dartmouth Chapter, every one of them giving the lists of men and the years they were initiated, and the activities of those men in college. I think you would find that a History without that detailed information would be almost worthless. Of course, if you want to get a narrative History, that is one thing, but a narrative History is provided in the preliminary.

I have endeavored to reduce repetition to a minimum by a series of cross references. For instance, an asterisk would refer to a foot note which would indicate

such and such a page where the detailed information might be given instead of repeating it.

BROTHER RICE: Referring to the Eta Chapter Publication which goes into detail of how some man happened to be stenographer to some member of the faculty and how Eta Chapter blossomed out, and all that sort of thing, they list all the officers, and some of the names are listed in about fifteen different places.

Are you planning to put in the lists of chapter officers, too?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: My plan is this: You will find that each year of each chapter will average about a page in the book.

BROTHER RICE: Do you not intend to include lists of officers for each year?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There are only two lists, and only six or eight names that will have to be put in in double column. The plan I had in view and the plan discussed at some past conventions was that the size of the page would be the same size as a page of The Tomahawk. In a general way, it will take a page for a year's history of a particular chapter, including the initiates and the officers, etc. on the bottom, which would include the activities of the men.

The list of the initiates, not of the dates, just merely their names in the double columns across the

page and their numbers. The names are not repeated, however, in any history. Where a man has been in college for two, three, or four consecutive years, his name is not repeated in the list of actives at the top, but you get in concise form, about two lines as a rule, the key that will give you every active man for that particular year.

BROTHER RICE: I think you will appreciate that in asking these questions I have no malice. I am trying to help everybody here. Perhaps you can answer as briefly as possible. I can make a speech too and I appreciate the arguments on those. Your twenty-two years of service are matched by mine, only I have no bill to put in.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Don't you think we are getting off on the wrong track? Are we interested in what the History contains?

BROTHER RICE: It was my opinion that the question of what is in the History is more important than anything else.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Remember this is a preliminary discussion.

BROTHER RICE: I can leave this for future discussion, but I thought if we got this information now it would save some time for the Committee.

I have simply explained, Brother Musgrave, that I am as much in favor of this as you are. I am trying to find

out for your benefit as well as mine, in making up the lists of members, do you agree with me that it is important to spend a lot of time and have a detailed account in the History of the members of the dead chapters to which you refer, and the early members of our chapters? But to me, it is not important to have in a History, a list of the entire active membership, such as you would have in a Directory. Is it your intention to include a full list of active members?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: If you will take into account and follow me, you will see that it does contain the name of every man in the fraternity. At the top of the page is the name of the chapter. The actives for this year were numbered so and so, and then the initiates, and that list would have perhaps twenty to twenty-five names, and the activities of the men in the chapter are given below, so one page, on an average, will be used for each year of each chapter.

I do believe it very important that those details connected with the men be included in the History.

BROTHER RICE: Would that mean very fine type?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: No, I don't think so. I looked over the September, 1928 issue of the Tomahawk which involved the setting of the Directory. This type of setting is very expensive, much more so than what I have in view, and this is approximately the same number of pages that I believe

the History will condense itself into, perhaps a little bit more including the Directory. I have done my best to keep it within 500 pages.

BROTHER RICE: What would Part II contain?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Part II would contain the activities of the fraternity, the Song Book, Tomahawk, etc.

BROTHER RICE: In giving a detailed account of the persons who have been of some note in the world, is it your intention that those be confined to people who have obtained real prominence, or would that include lesserr lights?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I would include only those men whose place in history has been fixed, real characters, really famous men, and that I would include in the last part of Part II in the Who's Who, or The Pinnacle of Fame, or whatever you want to call it. But I would make that concise and boiled down. I don't think we have more than 150 names that will go into that list.

BROTHER RICE: If you are figuring 500 pages for the total work, could you give an approximate idea of the set rating on these two parts, the historical part of each chapter and the administration in one part, and the other the list of famous names, the list of chapter officers, and the list of active members. Would that be the difference between 250 and 250?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I couldn't answer that because frankly I don't know.

BROTHER RICE: A rough guess.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I don't like to guess. When you are guessing at printers' operations, you are guessing at an enigma that may be away off. The list of initiates and the list of officers of a chapter are of historical importance. If you are going to have your History mean anything to your alumni, you will have to include the men who are doing things and who have done things.

You fellows who are now actives will look in the History and see that in 1929 certain men were in your chapter and in your fraternity. That will be just as important to you ten, twenty, thirty years from now as it is today. I think a detailed list containing the names of officers, where known, is very important.

BROTHER RICE: If this is initiated in 1930 and you are going to make the initiates buy it, their names will be the only ones not in the book.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: You apparently have overlooked what I said. Make the fund large enough so that you can have a condense supplement each year, a cumulative supplement so that at the end of 1930 you would have a little supplement showing the activities of the men in the chapter for the year 1929-1930, in 1931 for 1930-1931, etc., but

publish it in such a way that you could throw away the first supplement and include it in the second one, so that you are not dealing with a lot of pages.

BROTHER RICE: That would simply be duplicating if you publish a Directory every five years and publish the names in supplementary form every year. You would have the cost of a Directory every year plus a Directory every five years.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Assuming that we have thirty chapters, this year it would include 30 pages, the next year 30 more. It would increase your supplement, to be sure, in the course of ten years, but it keeps your fraternity history up to date. That is the important thing, and if you can finance it on the basis which we have planned, you can take care of that.

BROTHER RICE: Let me ask a few more questions on another line then I am through. My recollection of the Columbus Convention, among other things, was this matter about the Committee. I think I recall almost all the motions passed at the various conventions with regard to the History. The Committee appointed at that time included Brother Waterbury, the man from Cincinnati, Dr. Kelly --

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: (Interrupting) The other names are William Holden, Frank Harger, Walter Hertzog, and George MacDonald.

BROTHER RICE: Those last four names were appointed since the Columbus Convention.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: No they were not.' They were appointed on that Committee. I think one change was made since that time and that was to put Holden on. That Committee was for the purpose of looking over the literary diction of the History.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think we are getting off on a tangent. Do you have any more pertinent questions? I don't think those questions are pertinent at this time.

BROTHER RICE: My purpose in asking the question was to find out whether the Committee had so far read any of the manuscript.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I don't intend the Committee shall be charged with a page at a time. I want to get the entire thing ready to turn over to them at once, let them pass upon the literary quality, and if necessary make any editorial changes, then their report will be transmitted to the Grand Prudential Committee.

BROTHER RICE: They were not supposed to have done any productive work whatever?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: No, they were just for the purpose of going into literary styles, and so on that way.

BROTHER RICE: That was prior to the motion

passed in Washington which authorized you to go ahead and organize a Syndicate?

BROTHER COCHRAN: What we want here is not a discussion of what has happened in the past but suggestions for the future. It has been suggested that we want to entirely divorce the expense of this History from the General Expense of the fraternity. I would like to recommend that suggestion to whatever committee takes up this matter, that is that they divorce these statistics from the History and make more of a running narrative of it.

I think Brother Musgrave's work should be a matter of record. Possibly the Grand Prudential Committee might see fit to take that information and incorporate it into records for the chapters, but relieve the History of that burden of expense and reading.

The matter of the sale of your History is a problem because of its expense and because of the volume of reading there is in the History. If you reduced the statistics to a matter of record and made the History entirely a history, a narrative story of the fraternity, the expense would be less, and it could be sold for less.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I have attempted to quickly ascertain the number of pages required. As I understand, it was to be a page for each chapter for each year.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I have given that as an esti-

mate. I can't be bound by that, but it will be approximately that.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: That makes a total of 323 pages, giving a page a year to each chapter. We could cut 250 pages out of this and cut the price in half. Just before I left the National Office, we conducted this subscription campaign which netted the \$500 you spoke of. I do want to state that in those three months there were a good many subscriptions that were to be paid later. Nothing has been said about those and there were several hundred of them. Brother Bowen says there were at least 300. That is valueless now but it will give you some idea of sales possibilities.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think a very important thing that should be decided this morning is whether or not the question of compulsory sales would be acceptable to the chapters and if each man will indicate on the roll call, the Committee will have a basis for working out the finances.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I think too that if we were to reduce the amount of stuff in the History and thereby reduce the cost, that the chapters would be more inclined to be in favor of compulsory buying of the book.

BROTHER BOBIER: I don't know how the expense would be estimated. Once in a college man's life it doesn't matter whether it is \$3, \$4, or \$5. That is a very small

consideration when you are forcing him to buy one copy in a life time. Are we going to get behind it and get some way to finance it or are we going to lie down and say, "Sell your History if you can?"

BROTHER ENGDAHL: I believe you are putting the delegates in a position where they don't know what to do. We can't know the feeling of the chapter on this.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We are only asking for an expression on your part as to how you feel. You are not binding your chapter. We are just asking whether you feel your chapter would be willing to adopt a resolution whereby it required all incoming men to buy this volume, the price of which would not exceed \$5.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: You want the opinion of one man in the chapter?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You are here as their delegate and you should have an idea as to whether these things are something they absolutely refuse to have or whether they are willing to go along with it.

BROTHER REED (Iota Chapter): I wonder if I might ask Brother Musgrave how soon the History would be gotten out provided it were taken care of in a financial way. How soon would it be in the hands of the chapters?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I believe I can finish the editorial work within four weeks at the outside. It may take

six. I don't want to bind myself to the exact moment. I figure that when the work is sent out to the Committee, that inside of two weeks we should have a report from the first Reading Committee, and then it is ready to turn over to the Prudential Committee for the matter of publication. I think that a book of 500 pages or somewhere in that neighborhood would take about two months to get through the presses. So it seems to me that the History should be ready for distribution the first of January, 1930.

BROTHER REED: I feel, as one of the Brothers stated, that something that is a minus quantity is a great deal harder to sell. That is what made the other sale flounder. If he could promise them something within a fairly definite time, there would be a lot more subscriptions made.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will call the roll and each delegate indicate his feeling in the matter as to how his chapter would take the proposition of requiring each initiate to take a copy which would not exceed \$5.

BROTHER BANNER (Alpha Chapter): Our chapter would use it if it were about \$3, but I could not say we would spend more than that because we have to raise the initiation fee as it is.

BROTHER GREER (Beta Chapter): I feel sure my chapter would be very much opposed to the idea of forcing each

initiate to take a copy of the History.

BROTHER RILEY (Gamma Chapter): I feel the same way. If you put the National tax up \$5 and add \$5 to the initiation fee for a History, it is going to look pretty big to some of the freshmen.

BROTHER HOFELICH (Theta Chapter): We were informed that the History would be out by this time, and with that understanding almost every member subscribed to it, and those that didn't subscribe promised to pay in a certain time. We have about twenty men who have contributed to the History. We haven't asked each initiate to do so.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you feel your house would be willing to do that?

BROTHER HOFELICH: I am not sure.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Assuming that the History would go through, what do you feel the attitude of your house would be with respect to it? Would they be willing to tax each man?

BROTHER HOFELICH: Yes, I guess so.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Understand, this is not binding. It is only for the guidance of the Committee.

... The majority of the delegates voted in favor or requiring each initiate to take one copy of the History ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Before we

adjourn I want to name the committees.

AUDITING COMMITTEE:

Brother Archibald
Brother Griffith
Brother Fritz
Brother Mayes
Brother Rees

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

Brother Rice
Brother Hesselbarth
Brother Hofelich
Brother Engdahl
Brother Bartley
Brother Tollefson
Brother Canning
Brother Riley

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Brother Musgrave
Brother Cochran
Brother Toadvine
Brother Knapp
Brother Kakela
Brother Fox
Brother Larson
Brother Bekkedal

HISTORY COMMITTEE:

Brother Clarke
Brother Keith
Brother Rice
Brother Archibald
Brother O'Brien
Brother Kallal
Brother Bobier
Brother Conn
Brother Bowmen

I might state that these three next committees are committees whom I think we will wish to have. We will have a preliminary discussion on these matters this after-

noon and if we decide the committee is not needed they will be discharged.

ALUMNI VOICE IN EXPANSION:

Brother Cochran
 Brother Archibald
 Brother Wilson
 Brother Rees
 Brother Greer
 Brother C. Johnson
 Brother McCarthy
 Brother R. Johnson
 Brother Scott

ALUMNI COOPERATION:

Brother Hesselbarth
 Brother Toadvine
 Brother Bolton
 Brother Casey
 Brother Coogan
 Brother Wright
 Brother Bowen

ROUGH HOUSE INITIATION:

Brother Keith
 Brother Pomeroy
 Brother Newman
 Brother Warburton
 Brother Mathis
 Brother Roos
 Brother C. Johnson
 Brother Bogardus

The first man named on each committee will be the chairman of that committee.

... The meeting adjourned at twelve-twenty o'clock ...

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

September 10, 1929

The meeting convened at one-fifty o'clock, the Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will please call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and all delegates were present ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: As I said this morning, the first man named on each committee is the chairman of that committee. You will determine when you want to get together and notify all those who are on your committee. Some of you men ought to get busy pretty soon because I hope that by tomorrow morning we will be ready to take up something in connection with these things.

BROTHER RICE: Would it not be a good idea to explain to the actives why so many of the chairmen are alumni.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Well, the By-Laws say that only alumni shall serve on some of these committees, but we wanted actives working on them too, so we just put them on.

... Announcements ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It seems to me that the matters of initiation, alumni voice in expansion,

and alumni cooperation should not take a great deal of deliberation so we might start on one of those.

BROTHER RICE: May I make a motion that the matter of the History which we discussed this morning be referred to a committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Yes, I overlooked that. Is there a second to Brother Rice's motion?

... The motion was regularly seconded, put to a vote and carried ...

We have the matter of the amendment of the By-Laws to permit suspension of members for failure to take care of financial obligations. Do you want to discuss that or not?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I move that that matter be committed to Brother Rice's committee to draft some sort of a report about, either one way or the other, then bring it up for discussion at that time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right, we will do that. Then there is the question of the method of meeting convention expenses.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: That was incorporated in my report. The reason I had it in there is this: Everyone knows we have enough cash in the bank to cover the convention expenses, but we seem to build up for two years, and then cut down our cash balance at the time

of the convention,

If we are going to build for the future, there should be some discussion at least for either increasing the fees given to National Headquarters or some system of prorating convention expenses so we will have at National Headquarters in the future cash to carry on various projects as they arise without arranging for special financing.

BROTHER KALLOE (Chi Chapter): Is there any possibility of having some sort of a trust fund like we have for The Tomahawk. Would it take too long to accumulate such a fund? We might also put aside each half year a certain percentage in the bank and let that accumulate until the convention is held.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: As I view this matter, the convention comes along and we use up all our money. The amount originally fixed was fixed with the idea that we were going to have that convention expense. This isn't a business where we are trying to accumulate funds. In an organization of this kind it usually is the custom to collect funds for various projects rather than trying to accumulate money to put over projects that may come up. I have never felt that by using up our funds for convention expenses that we were depleting funds. The fund has been accumulated for that purpose.

BROTHER KALLOE: That is just the idea. You

are not depleting your funds only at that particular time. You should have enough funds to take care of what might come up and so at the time of the convention you would have enough money ready to take care of it.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Talking about finances, we have heard from two or three of the chapters who certainly have a long ways to go before they could be called financially secure. At the same time, we have the report of the National Office showing a cash balance of \$9000 and Accounts Receivable of \$2500 more. Your profit was about \$1400 last year, and even in the year in which a convention was held, the loss was only \$400.

It seems that in the two-year period, we are not only paying for the convention but we are making money and are building up considerable surplus funds in National Headquarters. I would say the National Headquarters is the strongest financial unit in the organization and as such it should be sufficiently able to carry the expenses of our convention, particularly since there is to be discussion later of postponing it and having the convention every third year instead of every two years. If that should go through, certainly they should have ample money.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't believe Brother Bowen's point is that we want more revenue. I think conventions are important, and just because it is a

big item of expense is no reason that we should consider cutting down or cutting out on it. If we need more revenue, in the National Headquarters, let's put it on the basis of increase of chapter assessment by reason of the necessity of more funds rather than convention expense.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I move we table this matter.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Alumni voice in expansion: This is in a committee's hands, but I think we should have just a brief discussion here if any of you fellows have any thoughts on the matter. I would like to hear from active men as to their reaction on that proposition. Do you men want this changed or would you like to see it go on as it is?

BROTHER ENGDAHL: I believe that the alumni should have a much larger say than they have now in the establishment of a new chapter. In active chapters it has been my experience that when a petition comes through, most of us or all of us know absolutely nothing of the school or the particular body, whereas an alumnus who has been out of school, perhaps traveled around and hit upon this school, would be in a better position to judge.

I think that when the status of a new chapter is taken more out of the hands of the actives and put in the hands of alumni, you will have a better situation. The big problem is to find some way of getting about the alumni so they will take a greater interest in it. Perhaps carried on through the alumni organization would be the only way and several sections of the country would be left out as the alumni in many sections are not organized. I believe it would be a very strong point in the establishment of a strong National Chapter if we let the alumni have the majority.

BROTHER KNAPP: Along with that, it will give the Alumni Council something to live for. Around Chicago, as you know, all their councils are for is to have a good time and they are looking for a purpose. That would give the various Alumni Council a darn good purpose in their work.

BROTHER COOGAN: I believe that until the alumni organization is more wide spread that they can meet the problems no better than the active chapters because our Councils are not strong except in a few instances nor are they very well represented throughout the country as comparable to the active chapters.

Then too there is the fact that alumni, I believe, are sometimes more prone to submit to outside pressure. If an alumni council member were moved by a friend, he would be more likely to submit to a prospective chapter than a

member of an active chapter in the fraternity.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: My suggestion was not a matter of the Council but it was a matter of selecting in various parts of the country a group of men, committees who would vote on petitioning chapters, and if it came to a show down and you wanted to tie up with active chapters, you would have the referendum of chapters. Personally, I think it would be better if it were eventually divorced entirely from the active chapters.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I would like to hear from some of the delegates as to whether or not they consult alumni in matters of expansion. I am thinking particularly of chapters on the West Coast. I believe they consult their alumni now.

BROTHER JOHNSON (Psi Chapter): We have a very weak Alumni Council. When these new chapters petition we usually bring it up with the alumni, but they are very weak and not very enthused over meeting with us concerning new chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Those are men of your own chapter. You never have alumni from outside the chapter, ^{or have} had the value of members of other chapters consulting with you? This way you are only getting your own men's views.

BROTHER JOHNSON (Alpha Alpha Chapter): We



have two Alumni Councils, one at Oklahoma City and one at Tulsa. The one in Tulsa is composed of men from Illinois, Marietta, and different places. This year in rush season they looked over our rushees and consulted with us and gave us their opinion on these men, and I think their help as far as expansion is concerned would be of great value to us.

BROTHER BANNER: You said something about eventually getting all the expansion matters out of the hands of actives into the hands of alumni. I believe that in the East none of the Alumni Councils are strong enough or near enough together to be able to really pass on a new chapter properly, and I don't believe it would be right at all to take the matter out of the hands of actives. They are the people most interested at the time, although I do think we should solicit the advise and help of the alumni as much as possible.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Just as a matter of argument, you said the actives were the most interested at the time. Just in what way do you mean? For instance, here is a man in college and in Alpha Sigma Phi two years on the East Coast, and a matter comes up with respect to a chapter out West. In what possible way can that affect him more during the two years he has to stay in college than after he gets out?

BROTHER BANNER: At New Haven we are pretty apt to have some one from the West Coast who has a friend there or who knows people in the chapter, and he can tell us about the situation there.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Nine times out of ten, don't you think he has only superficial knowledge of conditions, and as a matter of fact he hasn't been there for four or five years and the facts he gives you, while they may be true in a sense, are not to be relied upon.

BROTHER BANNER: I don't agree with you there. We will take the word of a person who is living near there as soon as we will listen to an alumnus, because he is in as good a position to know the situation as an alumnus would be.

BROTHER CASEY (Alpha Delta Chapter): I sometimes think that active men in chapters are prejudiced when it comes to taking in new chapters, and especially if they have five strong chapters in a certain part of the country, they are not likely to want a weak chapter near them.

Sometimes they vote down a petition from a local chapter because it is not as strong as some of the Nationals on that campus. They forget that every chapter starting out is not awfully strong. I don't think we are strong enough to pass up locals that have any protection at all. We seldom see Alpha Sigs around at all. I think whenever there is a chance for a good chapter any where, that active

men ought to put it in, but I feel and always have felt that active chapters are often prejudiced and that the alumni are more experienced and therefore should be given more of a voice in expansion.

BROTHER BANNER: I agree with you on that. I do think that the actives should take the advice of alumni who have studied the situation and are in a proper position for judging, but I think that the final word, as it is now, should come from the actives.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: When a new chapter comes up we never have consulted the alumni. It is taken up in our chapter meeting and if an alumnus happens to be there, which is very rare, he can say something about it, but otherwise the alumni of that chapter have nothing to say about which way the chapter shall vote on admittance of a new chapter.

In that way, the alumni is cut out; they don't know what is going on there. If a way could be established whereby the alumni could meet with the chapter, that would be the ideal situation.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I happen to know of something that happened recently in one of the chapters. They had about decided to vote down a petition entirely on the strength of a letter written to one of the members by a friend at this school under consideration. The entire chapter

had gone on the strength of this letter.

This letter did not openly condemn the local under consideration. It merely stated that they were not as strong as a good many nationals and a similar comparison. The night of the meeting came and there happened to be present an alumnus who, when asked his opinion, was in a fair position to tell the chapter what he knew about it.

This one man spoke only briefly and only when he was asked to do so by the Chairman, and then the chapter completely turned about face and voted for the local. Now I asked the other question thinking about this story at the time, because I am afraid a good many chapters are influenced by one man or by a letter or some other incident, or something that should not have any deciding weight.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: It has been my experience when we have voted on a petition for membership by a local fraternity in some other university, that we have never been really capable of investigating fairly on the matter at all. We know nothing about the various universities and colleges in the East other than by heresay, and I have noticed time and time again when petitions come up, we have voted for or against the petition on the strength of the opinion of one or two members, and those opinions have been obtained and formed through heresay.

For instance, they have heard that this par-

ticular university does not rate well with other large fraternities, and therefore we decide we do not want a chapter at that college. I feel that in 90 per cent or more of the instances when we have voted on petitions we have not been in a position to vote fairly on the matter.

The object of having the alumni have a vote in the matter seems to make it easier for Southern expansion, but rather than see the alumni have a voice in the matter, I would like to see the National Officers, the Grand Prudential Committee take the matter into their hands and settle the question of expansion or the question of acceptance or non-acceptance of a local group.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: My view is not that this will help us in getting more chapters. I am not suggesting that this is going to let us open up the door for anyone.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: That seems to be the impression prevailing, but as I say, rather than see the alumni have a voice in determining whom we shall take in, I would rather see it in the hands of the National organization. I would rather see it in the hands of a person like our Grand Junior President who makes it a point to go and visit fraternities at universities and colleges and look up data in full about these universities and particularly the chapter petitioning.

I would rather see the matter in the hands of a capable person like that rather than in the hands of alumni who know nothing about the situation. Our Alumni Association in Washington knows nothing about universities in the East, except what they get by heresay, and that is of little more value than what the active men in the chapter know.

BROTHER RICE: May I just outline this as I have it in my mind and see if it wouldn't meet with the suggestion made? It seems to me it would work and answer some of the objections made to your suggestion.

If you had a committee of five men from the Middlewest, five on the Pacific Coast, and five men on the East Coast, you might make this plan workable. To my mind, the first duty of that committee would be to receive the reports of the Grand Junior President with all information he had. They would have nothing to do with the matter until full information had been received by them.

I would suppose that at the time a petition was submitted to those three committees it should at the same time be submitted to all the chapters. Then the duty of these three committees would be to make such independent investigations as they thought necessary and their next duty would be to take it up with the chapters in that particular locality to get additional information.

They should visit the chapter petitioning and that could be arranged. A member of the committee residing in Hartford could make a trip to Middlebury. In that way, you get the benefit of not only what the actual chapter itself has, but the benefit of what the alumni committee has in that particular locality.

I can't quite conceive of any men in such a committee voting to turn down a chapter or to accept a chapter against the wishes of the active chapters in that particular locality. I rather imagine any alumni committee would come pretty near voting exactly the way the chapters in that particular district wanted them to vote.

However, you would eliminate the principle defect of insufficient evidence -- one man's idea sways the vote of fifty. By having this committee acting and looking up information, you have five people doing it instead of fifty, or whatever the number in your chapter may be.

I think you might also add to that scheme, as a correlative to that particular system, that if the petition came up at a time when a convention was going to be in session you might have the vote of the committee subject in some way to the vote of the convention, because a convention is a good opportunity to discuss the pros and cons of any petition. The convention would be the best possible place of all to bring up the question of submitting a petition. It seems to

me that the three committees as against thirty chapters would be a much better plan.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Your idea, Brother Tollefson, was that the Grand Council would be the ones to whom this should be referred?

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: Yes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I will entertain a motion at this time that this matter be referred to the Committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion:

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I so move.

BROTHER COOGAN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The next subject is the question of Southern expansion. I think in connection with that, the general subject of expansion with respect to particular institutions to which I have referred might also be taken up. It is two-thirty now and it seems to me if we could get rid of that subject this afternoon, we would be a long ways toward the end of the road.

I might first make a brief statement. A good many of you men don't know it, but this question has been up time and time again and at two or three different conventions there has been a resolution passed that the convention was in favor of Southern expansion, the one argument being

that we are a National fraternity, and yet without any South. We can't be in just part of the country and still say we are National.

Without intending to step on the toes of any man who may be from the South, I think we can say that probably up to the last ten or fifteen years the South has been lacking in institutions of the standing we want to go into. I think it will be conceded by the man from Kentucky that that is true.

BROTHER MAYES: To a certain extent it is, yes, but there are still places where you might put a chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The point is this: I am absolutely opposed to any proposition where we start out and maybe put a chapter at Alabama, and possibly one other school, then quit. If you do that you will have the trouble of Alabama saying, "We are down here all by ourselves and nobody near us and we ought to have some more chapters down here to help fill in."

That is not a good condition and we ought not have it. If we are going South, we ought to go with the idea of going in several places. I have not yet found many institutions. I don't think there is any question about Alabama. I told you the situation at Virginia and I think that information came from the President of Alabama, Benning

I believe his name was. I talked to him about Southern schools. He is an old Southern man and a graduate of Virginia. He told me that although Virginia was his own school, he thought a new group would have difficulty in getting started there.

I didn't get to Georgia, but in comparing that with Georgia Tech, I considered Georgia much better. We came to the conclusion that Georgia Tech is a technical school where students don't spend much time in a social way and it is in Atlanta with so many outside activities going on that we didn't consider it just the right kind of a place.

Mississippi was mentioned and I have told you the condition there. I don't believe we would want to jump in where they were not permitted to have fraternity houses for a few years. As for Tulane, anyone who has looked into that can appreciate that it is an impossible situation. The situation there is worse than your situation in Chicago. At the time I was down there, over 51 percent of the students of Tulane were from New Orleans proper, and nearly all of them lived at home.

It is in a large city with outside attractions, and they told me that it was difficult to find men in chapter houses at most any time and all the chapter houses were having trouble. My recollection is that six out of twenty-five fraternities at Tulane own their own houses. That

is a pretty weak proportion as compared with other institutions.

Texas has been considered but I don't know as that comes in Southern expansion. Florida I don't know anything about, but I would be rather skeptical about a place that has come up as fast as that one has. North Carolina and Duke are two places I haven't looked into to any extent. We know they have lots of money at Duke and are building a great many new buildings and I understand the school as an institution is really a first rate one. North Carolina has come along very fast and I understand it has a very good school. The only question about that is that North Carolina and Duke are a long ways from other schools and it is just a question of whether you have any connecting schools you want to tie up with.

I would like to hear from Brother Mayes about some of these schools.

BROTHER MAYES: I would like to ask what your objections are to Vanderbilt. Was it the fact that it is in a pretty large city?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: When I was at Vanderbilt I talked to a man who said that there were two or three locals there he wouldn't consider, and he thought that Vanderbilt had plenty of fraternities anyway. My own opinion is that it is in a big town, and from what he told

me, fellows do get out a great deal on outside matters rather than the institution's affairs. In addition to that, Vanderbilt is also tending a great deal toward a graduate school.

BROTHER MAYES: What we are after mostly now is Missouri, Alabama, and West Virginia.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you feel that Missouri is a connecting link with you?

BROTHER MAYES: Yes, I think so. We get fellows from down South and bring them in and show them around our Alpha Sigma Phi house. It is like pouring water on a duck's back. They don't know Alpha Sigma Phi from anything else. We have to sell them both nationally and locally. If we don't happen to have a pretty fine bunch of fellows, it is just too bad. Other fraternities have nice fellows too, and they are better known in the South, and consequently we have a pretty hard time down there. These three schools would help us out a lot. I had in mind Vanderbilt and Tennessee too.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think Tennessee stands up all right. My investigation was only superficial, however. I had their catalog and I talked with various people and I didn't think Tennessee ranked any where near your institution. It was more like our small Midwestern colleges.

BROTHER MAYES: I think Tennessee is a coming

school. I think that in four or five, or perhaps ten years it will rank along with some of the Eastern schools.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is it your idea that we should pick out coming schools that are now weak and grow up with them?

BROTHER MAYES: You have got to grow some way.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Aren't we strong enough to wait that long?

BROTHER MAYES: That is what I am asking you.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What do you think of my objections to Vanderbilt? You have conditions there that make it pretty hard for a chapter to get along. Another thing that I didn't mention, I was led to believe that it was an institution in which they didn't particularly welcome new fraternities. In other words, the same situation we have in Virginia. That was told me by Professor Benning.

BROTHER MAYES: I feel this way, that if you put in a chapter any place it is bound to grow. I don't think we have a chapter that hasn't improved since it was started, and when we get a little more organized and have a little more help, I think we will grow some anyway.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: But you see it is an institution which is tending toward a graduate school, it is pretty well loaded with fraternities now, and

it is in a large city where outside attractions will increase. Wouldn't you be stepping into a situation similar to that of a woman marrying a man to try to reform him? The situation might get worse and then where would you be?

BROTHER MAYES: I didn't understand that Vanderbilt was tending that way as much as you say it is.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I may be wrong.

BROTHER MAYES: I didn't think that it was at all. But we are after these three chapters, that is we want Missouri, Alabama, and West Virginia.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You feel that every one of them would be a real help to you.

BROTHER MAYES: I feel every one would be a real help to us. The South will come to know Alpha Sigma Phi and we will be able to get along all right. I think three chapters in the South will make us grow and the three chapters will help each other.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there much tie-up between North Carolina, Duke and West Virginia?

BROTHER MAYES: No. West Virginia has no relation to southern schools at all. It is a northern school. We met some fellows from West Virginia and around there and they didn't know anything about Alpha Sigma Phi and that is a big handicap to us. Of course, maybe the

chapters wouldn't grow down there. You say you have opposition, but you are going to have opposition anywhere you go.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I have a group coming along all right in West Virginia. I never have had any objections there. It is just a question of whether you want to go that way or not.

BROTHER MAYES: That is like every place else. I would like to have our chapters distributed over the United States as much as possible, not too far apart, but in almost every part of the United States. Why not really be national if you are going to call yourselves national? You don't realize like we do what it would mean to have chapters in the South.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We have heard that from every Kentucky delegate in the conventions.

BROTHER MAYES: We are not South either, but we never see an Alpha Sig around there, except some old alumnus that gets homesick and comes back.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Why wouldn't it be a good idea to hear from some of the fellows who are near West Virginia. The Kentucky man has spoken of West Virginia and maybe some of the men here know something about it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I haven't much question as to how they feel about West Virginia. They have been writing me letters about it.

BROTHER RICE: May I offer two or three suggestions I have? I daresay that more men visit Sigma Chapter than at Middlebury, for instance. If Vanderbilt is a possibility, you are in the best possible position for watching it because we have perhaps three Alpha Sigma Phi men at Vanderbilt and if a chance comes along to get in there, we would be in the best possible position.

There is an Eta Alumnus there and one from Alpha.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is news to me. I never was able to get information on that.

BROTHER RICE: Professor Pharr is at Vanderbilt. I think that the Universities of Georgia and North Carolina are both very fine and coming schools.

BROTHER BOBIER: I want to ask if it is ethical to state your own views on the matter if it is not in accordance with the views of your chapter?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think it perfectly proper, but I think you should state that it is not the chapter's views.

BROTHER BOBIER: I got up at Estes Park and made a strong speech for Southern expansion. The chapter is on the fence and a motion was made that I favor Southern expansion at this convention and the motion was defeated. That is the chapter's views.

When I was at Estes Park I had just gotten back from Florida where I had spent a couple of years. I stopped around down there from time to time with university boys from Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, Alabama, and Tennessee, and from information that I could gather, the same schools that have been mentioned here are considered good schools to go into.

I had an opportunity to be up at the University of Florida and it is a very fast growing university, or was at that time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Conditions there are such that it is pretty difficult to know what is going to happen.

BROTHER BOBIER: I thought the type of men there was very high, and there were many good fraternity men loose on the campus. I met many a good independent that looked like good fraternity material, so I think the campus cannot be over crowded with fraternities. The same is true of Georgia, Alabama and North Carolina. They said that North Carolina was coming strong.

I also want to say that I don't think it is a disadvantage to go into a university that is a coming university. If it is a sure, steady growing institution, I think the chances are a whole lot better for a chapter there than to wait until the school is pretty well established. In

addition, you would have many years of backing by the time the school is strong. These growing schools that are sure promise of being good universities are good places to go. I think you could place five or six chapters without hurting the standing of Alpha Sigma Phi, and you would help the chapters that are there.

BROTHER COOGAN: I think from the correspondence the chapters received from you that the delegates should be instructed on expansion, and particularly Southern expansion. I wonder if we couldn't have a roll call and get their votes on this.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If most of the chapters have discussed this, I think we might have a roll call. Try to answer yes or no, but if it is necessary to make an explanation it is all right to make it. This is something we want to get rid of today. Just express whether or not your chapters are interested in going South.

BROTHER RICE: I thought one of the purposes of having this discussion was to get it in some definite form. You don't accomplish much just by taking a roll call on expansion. I should think this was the proper time to take a roll call vote on a motion, which would be part of the convention legislation, to submit this matter of Southern Expansion to the chapters to vote on. Then the delegates could go back and tell them what was said here. That way you

will get a vote of the chapters on ratification of this particular motion, so that when the vote comes back to National Headquarters you will know whether the opinions expressed here are actually upheld by the chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We have had this thing up before every convention and they have favored it. I want, for my own personal information, to see whether the chapters still feel that way. I don't think there is much of a question to be determined by the chapters. Do you wish to have a resolution submitted to chapter?

BROTHER O'BRIEN: Doesn't this go to the Committee on Southern Expansion?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There isn't any such committee. I hadn't lined up a committee on that subject.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: I thought this matter was one of the most vital things this convention was called for.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is important, but whatever we may do here is just an expression of opinion. At the last convention, the delegates went on record as being in favor of this, that, and the other school, but when it came to voting, the ideas had all changed. I got any number of letters saying, "Well, the convention said they were in favor. Why don't the chapters vote it through?" The convention can't affect the action of the chapters.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: We know we have a direct method of appeal in what is called referendum of the chapters. In order to get this on the floor, I move you that it is the sense of the convention that Alpha Sigma Phi shall invade the South.

BROTHER MAYES: I second the motion.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: Are we going to do the same thing in the two years following this convention as we have in the years following other conventions?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I just haven't gotten anywhere with southern schools. It hasn't been the fault of the chapters.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: My opinion and the opinion of my chapter is that the question of Southern expansion is to get a chapter in the South. Instead of merely having the convention go on record as being in favor of Southern expansion, why don't we take action whereby it will be easier to get a chapter in the South? That would settle the question.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We have a chapter at Alabama and one at Missouri that are petitioning us now. And I count West Virginia as a connecting link. I simply wanted an expression of whether you are going to back it up. We can get the resolutions and motions through here but the only time it means anything is when we vote on the petition.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: Would it be proper for the Resolutions Committee to discuss a way whereby it would become easier to get chapters in the South?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That is along the same line with alumni cooperation.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They haven't turned down a southern chapter with the exception of West Virginia. This alumni cooperation is something that could be used along that line if it is worked out.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: Wouldn't it be in order for the Resolutions Committee to take up something like that?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We have a committee on alumni cooperation.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: Yes, but there may be a half dozen different methods rather than alumni voice in Southern expansion.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: A motion would be out of order right now unless you make an amendment to this motion. You could, if you wish, amend this motion to the effect that there be a committee appointed to report back ways and means by which they feel the Southern expansion can be carried out, although I don't see how they are going to report anything of value except suggestions they might report to me personally.

BROTHER RICE: He could make up a motion and

present it to the Resolutions Committee. Isn't it true that after this first informal vote, the vote which is now on the floor, if passed and ratified by the chapters, it will be in your mind that some definite steps might be taken in your own office, and that you might, in view of that very definite vote, go ahead and appoint a committee of southern men to look up schools, perhaps send out questionnaires.

Now we are actually in favor of Southern expansion and we want definite steps taken, something done to accomplish that purpose. I should think that would be all that was necessary now.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think Brother Tollefson means that it is now a question of getting the chapters through. We have a committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion. He thinks that places a restriction on the subject. What he would like would be to suggest some other way than by the vote of the chapters.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: In my personal opinion, the question of Southern expansion is tied up with the larger question of expansion itself. If it were a little easier for a chapter to get into our fold, the question of Southern expansion wouldn't come up at all.

BROTHER KALLOE: Why not give a Committee power to pass on these new chapters after consultation or

correspondence with the active chapters?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That will be considered by the Committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion. Your Committee will report a resolution on that. That is one of the suggestions the Committee should consider.

BROTHER KALLOE: I mean that the chapters wouldn't have the vote.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That has been suggested, that the Grand Council, as such, should have the entire say, or that three committees should have the authority on this. The Committee on this matter of alumni voice in expansion should bring in resolutions suggesting some means. Your idea is the same as mine. Brother Tollefson suggested that your Grand Council and Prudential Committee should have the sole voice in the question of granting charters. That should be considered by the Committee and a resolution drawn up to cover the situation.

BROTHER MAYES: I think that some of the chapters vote negative on this proposition, on these petitions, because they just don't know anything about the chapter. They think it would be a little trouble to find out a little something about them, so they just vote negative. I think it a good idea to put this into the hands of the Grand Prudential Committee or Grand Council or something like that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Did we vote on

Brother Musgrave's motion that we invade the South? (Laughter)

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

The only other things I would like to have discussed with respect to this work is the matter of the three institutions to which I referred that are now under consideration. Those are Missouri -- I don't know as we need to discuss that, I think we will get along all right there -- Alabama, and West Virginia. I would like to hear something about Alabama.

BROTHER ROOS (Zeta Chapter): Last year our H. S. P. visited Alabama and came back with glowing praise of Alabama. He was very much impressed, and he came back in favor of going South. Red Williams was down looking over the chapter at West Virginia and he was very much disappointed when we voted it down. The boys in West Virginia are intent on going Alpha Sigma Phi. They have petitioned two or three times and I think we are making a mistake if we turn down both of these chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I told you there were sixteen ballots in on that and they were all affirmative. I haven't any idea what the chapters are going to do, but I feel sure it is going to get by.

BROTHER MAYES: If we are going South Alabama is a good start because it is a well known and well rated

school in the South. It is a good start.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I believe it is about as progressive a school as there is in the South.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: I would like to report that Alpha Epsilon has gone on record as passing Missouri and Alabama, although we received the petition after school closed. I believe, too, that West Virginia was favorable the time it came up.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I have two copies here of the petition from the group at West Virginia. Maybe some of you men were in school when that was voted down. These men were voted down and it wasn't more than six months or a year after that they wanted to petition again. Last spring they wrote again and I suggested that they might wait until the present time.

Of course there isn't any objection to a group making a re-petition. In fact a good many fraternities let groups re-petition time and time again. I think if a group wants to come in we ought to be in a position where we can decide and not keep them waiting without any real intent to move one way or the other.

I have been down to West Virginia twice and I don't think there is much question about the institution. Sometimes we fellows think of West Virginia as being a mountainous country full of a lot of back-woods people. Well,

I don't think West Virginia is very much different from our midwestern schools and state institutions, and it looks to me to be the average state school you would find anywhere.

I have forgotten the name of the man who was President when I was there, but he was a very progressive man and their faculty is very high class. I think the percentage of Doctors' degrees was forty-five which I understand is a pretty high average for Doctors on faculties.

As for the group, their showing in activities is very good. I don't see very much argument against West Virginia myself, although it came up twice and was voted down twice. If there is anybody here who knows anything about it, I would like to hear from them.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: Wasn't it true that the negative votes came from chapters quite a distance from West Virginia?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I wouldn't be sure of that.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: The affirmative votes came from chapters near at hand.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't know what you mean. The Big Ten schools, I think voted against it.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I heard the report that the chapters near at hand all voted for it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think Alpha voted it down, didn't they?

BROTHER BANNER: I don't know.

BROTHER RICE: I think not.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think they did. That came through about the same time as Dartmouth.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I raised that question because it ties up with this idea of the chapters having the entire say in expansion.

BROTHER MAYES: Dr. Besse visited this bunch at West Virginia and he came back with a favorable report. He said they were a fine bunch of fellows, deserving and wide awake. He said anybody as good as they were should be taken in.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They want to go Alpha Sigma Phi. They will wait a long time if necessary. They want to come in. They aren't like that bunch in Texas.

BROTHER WILSON: We are extremely interested in this West Virginia chapter and we are very closely related to them. We did all we could. We wrote letters to all the chapters. I am personally acquainted with all the boys down there. There are several from my own home town down there and they have several boys from Sharon, Pennsylvania and we have quite a few boys from there.

It is surprising to find a local organization

of men as active as those on a campus the size of West Virginia. I think it is a mistake we didn't get that chapter down there and I think it would be a mighty good idea to have them seriously reconsidered.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You make those statements because you are in close contact with them. Now tell some of these men why we should go into West Virginia.

BROTHER WILSON: It is a state university and without a doubt it is classed as high as the institutions where we have the majority of our chapters. It is a mighty good school and they draw men from all over the country.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What type of men do they draw from within their own state -- a bunch of rough-necks?

BROTHER WILSON: No. We have quite a few boys from West Virginia and we get many from Parkersburg and Charleston and those places, and a lot of boys from there go to Morgantown, too.

BROTHER SIDELLS (Alpha Gamma Chapter): I was at the Estes Park Convention and as I remember it, Ohio State, Ohio Wesleyan, Marietta, Penn State and our own chapter, the delegate from each of those chapters, arose and voiced their sentiment in favor of West Virginia. I won't say positively, but it seems to me that the most of

the sentiment against it came from chapters up around Wisconsin, Minnesota, and out West. I don't know of any one particular reason that was given why West Virginia was not a good school. They seemed to think it was synonymous with moon-shine and various other things they had heard about West Virginia but knew nothing about.

But to get back to something definite, we play in various sports there. We play football there and we know some of the men there. We have been there and they have been at our place. I think you understand that we would not get up here and recommend a chapter if we thought it was not a good one and if we didn't like the men in it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is a point I want you other fellows to appreciate.

BROTHER SIDELLS: We didn't recommend West Virginia to the convention on our own opinion. Men like Hesselbarth and Keith had been down there and knew those men and they said it was a good local with good possibilities. That and our own experience we thought was enough that we could recommend them and get the chapters from farther away, that didn't know anything about them except by hearsay, to consider them. Naturally we didn't feel any too good when it didn't go through.

It seems foolish to stand up here and talk about southern expansion and say things about not wanting

isolated chapters, and then when one comes up that is recommended by everybody that is near it, it is turned down. Nobody wants to put a chapter in Florida and then quit. If you want chapters in the South, it is just as sensible to start with some of these schools and then get your connecting links afterward.

I think it is a good thing to pass legislation in favor of Southern expansion, but it is another thing to get every delegate here who has heard the sentiments for Southern expansion -- there was only one vote against it and that was doubtful--to go back to his chapter and use his influence there for it. Every delegate here is practically among the best men in his chapter or he wouldn't be here. He is the man who is heard in chapter meetings. Why can't he go back to his chapter and see what he can do about getting these chapters we want.

I don't think we should go on record as favoring Southern expansion and then turn down something which we have worked on. I think we should seriously consider chapters that want to come in and would make good chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If we are through with West Virginia, is there anybody who would like to make some remarks about Missouri?

BROTHER LARSON (Xi Chapter): I was one of the

members of the committee that inspected the local at Missouri and you will note from the report that we sent out and the report that the Alumni Committee sent out that we were strongly in favor of Missouri. It is the oldest school west of the Mississippi and I believe I could truthfully that Missouri and Nebraska would probably grade better than any other schools in that section of the country, and along with Mayes and a few of the other delegates, I can say that Xi Chapter is rather isolated.

Nebraska is somewhat alone since the two Iowa chapters went into another athletic conference and Oklahoma is quite a distance away. I was told specifically that I should emphasize that Xi Chapter was in favor of Missouri, and later on Kansas, when their petition comes up. With a chapter in those three schools, you would be in the best schools in that section of the country.

They are good fields for fraternities. There is no reason why any of you men would find any objections to this local. It is sound financially, in a good institution, there are not too many fraternities there, and the officials of the university were favorable to Alpha Sigma Phi coming on their campus.

I just mention those few things. If there are any questions you would like to ask about the local or the school, I am sure I could answer them.

BROTHER BANNER: Inasmuch as our chapter was the one that voted against Missouri, I would like to clear up one or two matters so I will have something to tell the chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I am going to ask you to take that up with your chapter and ask them to reverse their vote so we won't have to take a reballot.

BROTHER FOX: California's vote is the same as Yale's; in the negative. It hasn't been sent in officially but I just received a telegram.

BROTHER BANNER: What I wanted to say here is that the real reason we voted against it was that we had some reports on it from fellows who knew the condition slightly. I am sure they did not know it as well as the people from chapters near there. Our main objection was that it was like the situation at Virginia; everything was pretty well tied up with fraternities already and the ones in there had control of everything. Is that the case or isn't it?

BROTHER LARSON: It is not the case. This local was organized in 1924 and it is very strong now. I believe it is equally as strong as some that have been in there a long time. That local has as many activities right now as many of the nationals, and it is much stronger than any other local on the campus.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This fraternity has one of the leading jobs on the campus and rates as well as some half dozen other nationals on the campus, which to my mind is an indication that the old fraternities can't have things entirely sewed up.

We talked to the Dean of Men who has a kind of general supervision of the fraternity situation and his attitude is anything but letting any of these older groups sew the thing up. He was very, very strong for this group of men. He recommended them very highly.

BROTHER LARSON: To show you that the older fraternities don't have everything sewed up, this local has one of the political leaders on the campus. If you have a local on your campus that has one leader that has much to say about political conditions, you know that is a strong local. This man was Vice President of the Student Council and they had another representative on the Council and the editor of their humorous magazine, and several things that count quite a lot.

BROTHER BOBIER: I forget the man's name that was out to Colorado, but either the president or the retiring president of Chi Alpha Chi visited Pi Chapter this spring, and I will say he is one of the finest chaps I ever met. I was impressed with their petition and Pi Chapter, I know, is in favor of this local. They are so well represented

in activities and in control of things on the campus in many instances that I don't think they are likely to be frozen out.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is a long time since we have had a group with the representation in campus activities that this local has.

BROTHER WARBURTON (Phi Chapter): I would like to hear some real criticism of this chapter. I haven't heard anything bad about them. Last winter another Brother and I went down there for a week end -- it was a more or less *a* whoopee week end -- but we were very favorably impressed with the gang and everyone in our chapter feels the same way. I would like to hear some real outstanding reason for these "no" votes.

BROTHER CONN (Alpha Beta): This is rather indirect, but this summer I was talking to a man from Missouri who is quite a close friend of some Alpha Sigs and he told me that he knew Chi Alpha Chi was petitioning Alpha Sigma Phi and he hoped it wouldn't go through. He didn't say anything definite and I don't believe there were any sour grapes in it because he is a close friend of some Alpha Sigs. He simply said he hoped it wouldn't go through. He seemed to think the group wouldn't fit in.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Was he one of our men?

BROTHER CONN: No.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there anybody else from these chapters that voted negative? Do you feel that it would be better to go ahead and submit this again or do you think it would be possible to take it up with your chapter?

BROTHER FOX: Our vote is not formal yet. I simply received a telegram which said our vote is negative.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you think it wise to try to get a reconsideration, or do you think it would be useless.

BROTHER FOX: I don't know why the vote was "No" because I personally was in favor of it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will you bear this proposition in mind and let me know immediately when you get back so that I will know whether to go ahead with a second ballot.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I wonder, Brother Fox, whether you ever felt that California Chapter is the victim of too much alumni supervision. What was said about alumni voting on petitions is probably very true. When a man gets out of college he probably hears more hearsay, and he forms stronger prejudices, and he is apt to judge present conditions in the light of when he was in college. I wondered whether that is true in California.

BROTHER FOX: I don't think so. We do get a great deal of help from the alumni and I think most of the fellows appreciate it. I don't think that could be said to be true.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If there is no further discussion I will entertain a motion to the effect that it is the sense of the convention that I should resubmit, or rather submit this new petition by this group from West Virginia.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: I move that the Grand Junior President submit the petition by the group from West Virginia.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I take it there were no objections to the institutions I turned down. It has been my custom to submit a list of the institutions where chapters have expressed a desire to petition, but most of those institutions were so small that I felt perfectly justified in notifying those people I told you about that their petition would not receive favorable consideration.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I move you the action of the Grand Junior President be commended in this regard.

BROTHER COCHRAN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was

carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Our next question is alumni cooperation! I think we ought to have some discussion on that. This is only for the purpose of enlightening the committee which is to report later with a resolution.

BROTHER KNAPP: You spoke about legislation passed at the previous convention to the effect that the Alumni Council was supposed to report to the Grand Prudential Committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: No. The point is that the chapters were asked to advise the Grand Prudential Committee as to the committee they wanted to act in their chapter.

BROTHER KNAPP: With regards to the situation at Eta, although we have never reported to the National Headquarters as you so asked, our alumni are very active in helping us in any way we ask them to, and quite a few times in the last two years we have asked them for their aid and they have always been perfectly willing to give it. I don't know whether that is the case in other chapters or not.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: The idea was that this committee was to serve solely in an advisory capacity.

BROTHER CASEY: In a case like Syracuse or

some of the big colleges where they have resident alumni, they can come up to the house once in a while and see the chapter and help them out, but in a town of only about 1400 people where you have no resident alumni, you don't have any help or any advice or anyone to consult. I fully believe that if we could have a committee of three alumni in Middlebury to take an interest in the fraternity and the active chapter that it would go a long ways toward building up the fraternity.

BROTHER HOFELICH: I don't think a committee of three alumni would do much good. These three would make a report on the house but that doesn't interest the rest of the alumni. That doesn't get them to come around to the chapter. It is the same thing with trustees. If you have five trustees they probably will all come to the chapter, have their meeting every two or three months, but it is the only time any of the alumni come in contact with the chapter, and there is no way of getting the alumni any better organized and better connected with the chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That purpose is only incidental. The chief purpose is to tie up the National organization with the chapter.

BROTHER HOFELICH: I don't think it would interest the alumni. They will make a report and maybe they won't even come around the house to make their report.

I talked to one who said there was no fun coming around the house because no one spoke to him. It is his own fault. He doesn't know any of the fellows and he can't expect them to know him.

BROTHER CASEY: I think that three would be better than none at all. With us there is nobody. We took over the proposition of building a new house for the active chapter and we worked it all out and carried it through all right, but if we had had something like that we would have gotten started better and promotion toward a new house would be of great aid to us. Three might not tie it up to a sufficient extent but it would be a start toward something we don't have now.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BROTHER BOWEN: A number of our chapters at the present time ask the advice of their alumni. There are men to whom they go when they want help on anything that might come up. In Alpha Chapter there is Brother Rice, of course, and almost without exception there are men who do take a great interest in the fraternity. If we had the names of those men at the National office it would be a great help.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Those are the men you would select. You do have these men who are helping you out but if they were given official standing or rating, under that plan they would be required to make some sort of

a report, and you really would get a better line up on it.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: Let us take Ohio State for instance. If you had one graduate from there, and two other men who happened to be in Columbus, perhaps one a graduate of Columbia and one from Yale, and these men would attend a certain number of meetings, they would attend initiations and make a report. That report might be sent out regularly by the Executive Secretary with twenty or thirty questions on it. Have the fellows on this Advisory Committee answer those questions specifically.

It will tie up the chapter with National Headquarters. They will know what progress is being made and it will help the local chapter, particularly financially.

BROTHER KAKELA (Rho Chapter): We are in pretty close contact with our alumni.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Does your chapter seem to feel the need of any assistance of that kind? Do they feel a connection with the National organization that is ample or what is their attitude in that?

BROTHER KAKELA: I don't think we need any connection with the National organization. We have pretty close touch with our alumni and work things out that way.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: Alpha Epsilon has a group of alumni that acts as sort of a board of directors. They hold their regular meetings and take charge of certain things

in the house. They are all our own alumni, and I can speak for the chapter in saying that if a committee were sent in composed of alumni of other chapters, we would be antagonistic toward a group like that. I don't believe they could get cooperation from our chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They are not there to interfere.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: It seems they would be attempting to interfere. Why not leave it to local alumni who know the facts about the chapter, not someone who knows nothing of the chapter or its policies?

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I don't believe the idea is that the committee shall dictate any policies. They are just to check up with National Headquarters.

BROTHER ENGDAHL: How would they get information without coming in and checking up?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't see why there should be any objections to giving information to alumnus from anywhere. I don't think you would get a fair report when the committee members are alumni of your own chapter.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I believe your own alumni would be more critical than someone from outside.

BROTHER JOHNSON (Psi Chapter): We have

members who are on the faculty of the University. We have never had a committee of these men as an advisory board, but we have gotten into local difficulties and we have gone right to the President of the college and he has helped us quite a bit, and they do act as an advisory council although we have no special committee.

BROTHER LARSON: Just to correct what the delegate from Syracuse said, we find that some of our best alumni assistance comes from alumni of other schools. We have one from Rho and from Eta that I believe would do more for the chapter at Nebraska than any of our own alumni.

BROTHER CASEY: I would like to see this left optional. Just because Syracuse and a few other chapters don't want this committee appointed is no reason why the chapters that don't have the good fortune of having resident alumni should not receive this benefit.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: This is simply confirmation of the men you already have helping you, and making information they may send in official instead of depending on whispering campaigns. It eventually gets back to National Headquarters some way if you are having difficulties in your chapter, but this would make sure we got correct information.

You already have men helping you. Why not simply confirm those men as they are? There is no wish to

appoint men you don't want on the committee.

BROTHER COCHRAN: I move this matter be referred to the committee appointed for that purpose.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Next is the question of elimination of rough-house initiation. I think it would be well to discuss that here and get an expression of the sentiment of the delegates on it, then it can be referred to a committee.

BROTHER MAYES: I thought that was to come under the work of the Ritual Committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to hear an expression from some of the men. I think we ought to have a resolution as to whether or not this convention will go on record as not in favor of the informal portion of our initiation ceremony.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Does that change one and two, or only one?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would say it would include both.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: I would like to give the opinion of Washington in regard to rough week. When I mention rough week, the delegates know what I mean because

they use the same term in connection with part of initiation. We have a new President at the University of Washington and during the first quarter of last year he called a meeting of fraternity men only, and at that assembly he made the statement that if the fraternities themselves couldn't do away with rough week then he would take it upon himself to do away with rough week and the drinking question, and he did it under the club of putting the fraternity off the campus that did not comply with his desires along those lines.

BROTHER LARSON: The same thing happened at the University of Nebraska. Hell week was abolished and all fraternities are under the threat that if any rough stuff, any part of their hazing or initiation is carried on outside of the house at any time, day or night, that fraternity is liable to expulsion from Nebraska campus. This year we have had to confine everything to within the house. If we had done anything outside of the house and got caught we would have been expelled.

BROTHER McCARTHY: The University here said to the fraternities, "You shall have your rough house within your own walls and your own property, but under no circumstances shall it be outside of the house."

BROTHER REES: To those in touch with the colleges and universities throughout the country, it is apparent that sentiment is steadily gaining for abolishment

of Hell week, or rough week, or whatever your name is. The way I consider it from the fraternity viewpoint, the colleges and universities are prohibiting it and our fraternity can lead as well as follow.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: If any of you had attended the last Interfraternity Conference where there were Deans of Men from more Universities than ever attended before, you would have become convinced that the days of rough house initiation are fast disappearing and it seems to me we like to be in the fore van in all such matters, and that we should take definite action this year to abolish it.

At the last convention the vote on this proposition was seventeen in favor as against four noes, the others not voting. Most of the votes in favor of it came from the smaller colleges while the sentiment against it has been in the larger universities. Maybe that sentiment has changed and I think we could very definitely vote on such a proposition and dispose of it. If you vote that you are opposed to rough house initiation, the Ritualistic Committee could then take some action to change the Ritual.

BROTHER WILSON: We have one of the most unique, historical, and all the other adjectives you want to add, initiations down there and every man that has been initiation into Delta Chapter : from 1860 up to the present

time has gone over the same thing. It is one of our oldest traditions and it is always looked forward to. It is no pleasure. It is more work for the actives than for the pledges. But we hate the idea of tearing down one of our oldest traditions and we are absolutely against the abolishing of it. We think something ought to be drawn up whereby the individual chapters can take care of their own ideas in the form of initiation.

BROTHER WARBURTON: Does that mean cutting out Hell week altogether?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: My idea is to take it out of the Ritual. We can't say what the individual chapters will do outside of their Ritual. That doesn't concern us. All we want is to say that Alpha Sigma Phi is not putting out a Ritual that requires that.

BROTHER WARBURTON: In the past year we have been in favor of cutting out Hell week altogether, but I am not in favor of cutting out that part of the initiation. There is nothing harmful about it and it is really very impressive and I don't want to see that part taken out.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The attitude has been that a man is not as impressed by being paddled as he is by being put through a mental test or something of that kind that has some dignity to it. He will remember that more than if he were paddled. He will remember that he

was paddled, but he won't be impressed.

BROTHER WILSON: There is nothing like Hell week in the Ritual at present. Your idea is that if it is taken out of the Ritual, we can still carry it on. It doesn't make any difference then. It is incorporated in the By-Laws. What is the difference which way the legislation goes?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Alpha Sigma Phi goes on record as opposed to rough house initiation. If the individual chapters take it upon themselves to do it, that is something the National organization can't control so far as I can see. I think we ought to be in line with what I consider as a progressive attitude of the fraternities that are cutting it out. It is coming, and unless the fraternities take it upon themselves, it is just one more thing that will cause criticism of the fraternities.

BROTHER WILSON: You mean to take it out of the Ritual, but the individual chapters can carry it on all they wish?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The National Organization can't control what the chapters do. We can't pass anything that could prevent you from doing it.

BROTHER LARSON: If the National organization went on record as abolishing rough stuff and modifying the Ritual we would get a bigger raise than we have ever had

before. We went on having the outdoor scenes in our initiation against the University rulings because of pressure from our alumni. They didn't want to change. Xi Chapter would be strongly against modification of the Ritual to do away with that as it is now. We have had to modify it to come within the rules of the University. I imagine no matter what the National fraternity does, the chapters are going to continue with it.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Mr. President and Gentlemen: Here is one point where you certainly need a History. For the benefit of the gentleman from Delta Chapter, I would like to state that Delta has not carried on that form of initiation from 1860 on. Delta put that in in 1868 and not in 1860. I have facts backed up by records of the chapter itself. Previous to that time there had never been any outside initiation in Alpha Sigma Phi on any campus in this country -- from 1845 to 1860.

At Yale University every one of the sophomore fraternities confined their initiation work entirely to the fraternity house and they did the same on every other campus but Delta, and Delta did not depart from it until after Delta Chapter had become a local fraternity and not a chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi National. I have dug it out of Delta's own records.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: One fact that the fellows

in small towns might overlook, in Pittsburgh it is getting more and more difficult to do anything outdoors because of location. It is almost an impossibility. When they were instituted there was a little run under a slightly traveled bridge where they used to do their outside work. Within the last two years that has been widened and is now one of the heaviest traffic arteries in that part of the city. The little run has become a city park.

I was speaking to some of the boys and they said they couldn't hold it down there any more. That means a probably fifteen or twenty mile automobile trip out into the country, and a whole lot of outside stuff is being done that is not bringing credit to the University or to the fraternity.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I will entertain a motion that this be referred to the Committee on the Elimination of the Informal portion of our Ritual.

BROTHER WARBURTON: I can see no reason for cutting it out. In some schools it is impossible, but in lots of others it is perfectly O. K., and I don't see any reason why we should cut out the outside part because some other school is handicapped.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The question is whether the National organization, as such, wants to go on record as being opposed to that thing. Will someone make

a motion that it be referred to the Committee?

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I so move.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Next is the matter of a Pledge Manual. The suggestion has been made that this matter could be referred to the Resolution Committee and a resolution could be drawn to be passed on later without discussion. I don't think there is any need of discussing that until the resolution comes up. I will ask the Resolutions Committee to bring in a resolution which will provide that the Grand Prudential Committee prepare or have prepared a Pledge Manual.

It has been suggested that our Ritual needs revision, that there should be a permanent committee appointed for the revision of our Ritual. I presume that the proper body to appoint that Committee will be the Grand Prudential Committee, and I presume that it would be in order to have a motion that the Grand Prudential Committee be requested to appoint a committee to revise the Ritual.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: For your information, I have drawn such a resolution and presented it to the Resolutions Committee already and it will come up in their report.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Good, that takes



care of that. Now we have the matter of the convention being postponed for three years instead of two. That matter might be discussed right now. Is there anybody here who is opposed to putting the convention off that extra year? Then I think we will ask the Resolutions Committee to draw a resolution which will amend the By-Laws, providing that the Grand Prudential Committee call the next convention three years hence rather than two years as provided now.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: How about the season?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The way it ought to be done is to change it for the one time only. It would be a rather peculiar condition.

BROTHER RICE: The proper thing to do would be to eliminate the By-Laws for the time being.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: However you want to do it, it's all right. It is up to your Committee.

BROTHER BOBIER: Do I understand that you just postpone the next convention and that the next one would follow in one year, or would you shift the whole thing around one year?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Yes, shift back to the By-Laws.

There was a suggestion made by the Executive Secretary with respect to the separation of the National funds when they are collected so that they don't get into

chapter funds and used without being sent to National Headquarters.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: That was simply a recommendation to the chapters and needs no discussion here.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The only question I have left on my list is this very important question of the violation of the Constitution in respect to taking liquor into houses. That is something the convention ought to go on record on and the convention ought to put into the hands of the Grand Prudential Committee something which will permit them to act in case of violation, something which they don't have now.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: May I inform you that I have drawn an amendment to the By-Laws which will provide for that and have referred it to the Resolutions Committee. I am merely informing you so you won't mix the two together. You can go ahead and discuss this independently, but the other question will come up in the report of the Resolutions Committee.

BROTHER CASEY: Can we hear that amendment now so we will have an idea of what it is?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Wouldn't you rather discuss that later when the resolution comes up?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I may say that the resolution,

as I have drafted it, does not mention this particular attitude of violation. It simply gives the Prudential Committee the general powers that they do not have at the present time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We thought that when that resolution came up the whole question would be opened up. Do you want to discuss that question now? There isn't very much to discuss. It is something that should be carried out without any question. I don't see any excuse for its being violated. This is easy for me to say -- I am not in school now. I know conditions are different.

BROTHER RICE: I don't want to mention the liquor question specifically, but it is gradually coming into my mind the way in which the national fraternity is just a little delinquent -- not the National Headquarters but the fraternity as a whole.

This subject seems to be brought up on the theory that when something happens it is up to National Headquarters to straighten it out. To my mind a good deal of effort should be bent toward building up the chapter organization itself.

In the first place you have your active chapters; then you have your Board of Trustees or Alumni Secretary, and you will have this other Alumni Committee. There you have a pretty complete organization. But when you get too far

along that sort of organization you are doing away with self reliance on the part of the chapter itself.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Don't you believe that our National organization is weak? Don't you believe the Grand Prudential Committee, in case of violations, should be in a position where they can use their authority? I am not thinking of the liquor question only.

BROTHER RICE: Suppose that something very serious happens in a chapter; suppose there is a controversy between the chapter and National Headquarters; suppose the chapter gets into a fight with the faculty in its own institution; suppose you get into trouble over the liquor question; -- To me it is a sign of weakness in that particular chapter's organization if you have to depend on National Headquarters to correct it.

It ought to be possible for National Headquarters to write to an Alumni Secretary or Board of Trustees to take care of that particular question. Maybe all forms or organization of chapters are not as strong as Alpha Chapter. We have a fairly strong chapter to start with. We have an Alumni Secretary whom the National office knows keeps on the track.

In addition, we have a Board of Trustees, Right now our Board of Trustees is investigating the conduct of the dining hall in our house for the last two years, and

when the chapter comes back it is going to be told whether they can have their dining hall or not. It is my own opinion that they are going to notify them that they cannot use it unless certain definite changes are made.

That, perhaps, isn't an exact instance of the thing which comes up under the liquor question, but it does show that there you have an organization which can handle any particular situation.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER RICE: I think yours is an unusual situation.

BROTHER RICE: I think if you can build toward a stronger chapter there will be no question of suspension and expulsion, but what cannot be handled through the chapter itself can be taken care of by the National Headquarters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This is only giving them the power so that they may act where the other fellow falls down.

BROTHER RICE: That is the exact crisis or turning point between the autonomy of the chapters and the control of them by National Headquarters. We have the same thing in our state government, as to how far the United States Government is going to regulate the states.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: In our case, the things we are talking about are national violations. The thing you have in mind is where the federal government would attempt to regulate a matter that pertains

to the states only. These would be violations to the National Constitution.

BROTHER RICE: The way I take it is this: The reason we have provisions in our National Constitution is to make a uniform system to carry out. I don't believe that the National organization, ought of its own volition, to be able to step into a chapter and regulate its internal affairs. If you can't get the chapter to do it itself, the chapter is about on the rocks. You may as well get at it some other way; suspend the chapter if you want to.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is just it; they can't.

BROTHER RICE: I don't think they ought to have the power to suspend a man but they ought to have some power to suspend a chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is the whole thing.

BROTHER COCHRAN: It is no more than we have been going along with and it has come to an acid test in the prohibition question. There has been many violations of one of the cardinal principles of the fraternity in the last few years. The chapters have not acted upon it, and this violation is becoming more or less common. If the chapters refuse to prosecute such action, then it is time we put something in the power of somebody who can do that thing.

The chapter is a small family in itself and you hesitate to bring action against any brother of yours. You think that by talking to him this time he can overcome this weakness. That leads to lax prosecution of these things. If that has been in effect and has failed to give action when we wanted it, it is time that we do something that will give the National organization authority. The point is that the thing is not to be used if the chapter has acted.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The mere precedent of the power of the Executive Committee to do this will have a voluntary effect upon the chapters and upon the men. We do not want to bring the Prudential Committee into collision with the chapters over every little problem, but on the other hand, we want to provide that they may act when the chapter refuses to do so.

At the time our past treasurer defaulted with all the money of our fraternity, the only way we could get rid of him was that Delta Chapter was kind enough to begin proceedings to expell him from their chapter. There were proceedings instituted to have the man recalled from the position but they were never acted upon. It never got any further than charges for recall, when Delta Chapter, feeling the disgrace brought upon it, discharged him and that automatically forfeited his office in the National organization.

When we revised the Constituion, I thought



the Grand Prudential Committee had that authority but somewhere in the drafts it was left out. Now I have arranged an amendment which, if adopted, will give the concurrent power in those cases and also the jurisdiction of other matters where the laws of the fraternity are either violated by a chapter, an alumnus, or an alumni council, and the machinery of justice in the given chapter refuses or fails to act. But don't suppose that they are going to interfere at any time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is a resolution on that?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Yes, I have referred that to the Resolutions Committee.

... Announcements ...

BROTHER RICE: I would like to move that the session tomorrow morning be at ten o'clock instead of nine and that will give us more time for some of these committee meetings.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

...The meeting adjourned at four-twenty o'clock

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WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

September 11, 1929

The meeting convened at ten-fifteen o'clock, the Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will please call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and all were present but the delegate from Chi Chapter ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We will hear some more chapter reports this morning.

... Brother Mathis of Lambda Chapter, Brother Kakela of Rho Chapter, Brother Coogan of Upsilon Chapter, Brother Warburton of Phi Chapter, Brother Johnson of Psi Chapter, Brother Conn of Alpha Beta Chapter, Brother Canning of Alpha Gamma, Brother Wright of Alpha Epsilon, and Brother Fritz of Alpha Zeta presented the reports of their respective chapters ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We want a report from our baby chapter and I think we should all rise and give him a good hand.

... The delegates arose and applauded ...

We certainly want to welcome the Dartmouth delegate.

... Brother Newman presented the report of Alpha Eta Chapter ... (Applause)

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Just as a point of inquiry, Brother Newman, you stated that the title to your house was owned by Sigma Alpha. Has there been any thought on the part of anybody as to that proposition, as to whether or not that ought to be changed so there will be no possibility of old men of Sigma Alpha turning up and desiring to affect the right of Alpha Sigma Phi, as such, in that property? I am just calling that to your attention.

BROTHER NEWMAN: We have no alumni for more than four years ago. I am not familiar with the wording of that contract but I think there is no difficulty there.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think that is something you ought to bear in mind.

There are one or two things that have come into my mind that I would like to take up before we get into committee reports. I wonder, Brother Musgrave, in view of the statement of the Grand Prudential Committee with respect to the History, if it would not be proper at this time to ask for a report on your part as to the Syndicate Fund.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I haven't any special report to make because I had intended to make my final report on that when I turned everything over to the Prudential Committee. So all I can say is that the fund has been entirely expended for expenses of the compilation of the History.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I see. It has

all been expended then?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Yes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any committee that was appointed that is ready to report?

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: The Auditing Committee is ready with their report.

The Auditing Committee has examined the reports of the Auditors, Campbell and Carr, for the two years ending August 31, 1928 and August 31, 1929 and believe them to be correct. We would like to call attention to one or two things in these reports.

The first is from the report of the year ending August 31, 1928. In verifying the revenue from dues of \$4,872, it was noticed that two chapters had not been charged with dues in 1928, amounting to \$273. That was Tau which amounted to \$140 and Alpha Gamma which amounted to \$133.

From the 1929 report, the income earned on dues according to the ledger account was \$4,312. In verifying this amount by examining the chapter reports on membership it was noticed that 18 chapters were not charged on dues for 137 men, amounting to \$959. This omission on the part of the bookkeeper was due to the fact that members beginning in 1928 were not charged in October 1929 for annual dues for the year 1928-29.

Details of chapters and members affected are on file in your office. As far as those two points are concerned, we would just like to second the recommendation of the Auditors which read: "In general there has been a decided improvement in accounting activities, particularly in regards to chapter indebtedness and accuracy of cash book entries. Close supervision should be given to chapter charges for annual dues." This last part is what we are particularly interested in.

These two reports each contain a detailed account of the fraternity's finances, but the only one we deemed necessary to comment on here was the Accounts Receivable owed by the respective chapters. There seem to be about six chapters that are always a little slower than their fellow chapters in the payment of their dues.

Columbia has been very lax for a long time. We have just received a telegram, however, that their bill has been paid in entirety. The Washington chapter's balance has been carried for approximately three years and their balance today is the largest it has been in that period, \$334.
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Xi's balance is considerably too large although it is smaller than it has been for some time.

Stanford always manages to pay up everything but that current year's charges; just one year late usually. Chicago's balance has been accruing for the past few years

and we hope they will take some definite action on their Accounts Payable. Oklahoma's balance still contains a very large item from the time they were installed, approximately \$400. They have met their current payments but this old balance has never been wiped off the books. Middlebury's account still contains some past due bills, although their present year's dues have been met.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Mr. Chairman, I would like to speak to this because the keeping of the books is one of my duties. The error of not charging the chapters was one of those mistakes one will make. It was due to the fact that a subordinate charged those chapters and it is said a man is not charged for the year in which he is initiated. That means the school year in which he is initiated, so if initiated in May, 1928, he will be charged for the first part of 1929.

In this case, the fourteen charges of other chapters were made later and the Executive Secretary made those and they were correct. The recommendation that I made some time ago that the chapters keep the \$7 per active man dues in a separate fund would do away with errors of this sort.

Of all the chapters not so charged, not one reported that they had not been charged for enough men. Every chapter knows a man is charged \$7. If he is affiliated from another chapter he is charged. If he returns after an absence

of a semester, a year, two years, or more than that he is charged. It is very important that this revenue be collected. What was not assessed these eighteen chapters will be assessed this month before the regular dues are charged, just as the two chapters not charged last year were assessed at the beginning of the following year.

The telegram received from Lambda Chapter is very important. Lambda Chapter has owed dues since 1926. The bill was about \$700. Lambda Chapter saw no way of getting money through these years and the fact that they have paid off the entire bill at one time is miraculous, considering the funds they had at hand.

I think if Lambda Chapter can pay off her balance, some of these others can be paid. Exceptional effort was made in this one case and I think it can be done in other cases. It has always been the ambition at National Headquarters to get everything off the books at once and have the chapters pay as they go. This would do away with National Headquarters not having all funds in at one time and allowing chapters to run on money belonging to National Headquarters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think the delegates ought to feel it their duty to go back to their chapters with the idea that this money that you collect from an initiate, the portion that rightfully belongs to

National Headquarters, is not your money and should not be used for general purposes. It should be immediately segregated and forwarded to National Headquarters because it isn't your money. It belongs to National Headquarters and should not be confused with other funds.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I wish to commend Brother Fritz of Eta Chapter for paying off the debt of Alpha Zeta Chapter. He tried the proposition of sending \$25 every two weeks. Mu Chapter made a payment of \$200 this year and Alpha Alpha made a payment. Some effort has been made, but a greater effort could be made to get these all paid up.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will someone move that this report of the Auditing Committee be accepted and filed?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I move this report be accepted and filed.

BROTHER CONN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is the Committee on Initiation ready to report?

BROTHER KEATS: The Committee on Rough House Initiation recommends that the convention adopt the following resolution: Be it resolved, that Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity

go on record as being opposed to excesses of informal initiation; that any informal initiation which shall be carried on be done entirely at the discretion and responsibility of the local chapter, all of which shall completely conform to all regulations of the faculty and institution at which the chapter is located, and which shall be neither derogatory to the name of the Fraternity or bodily harmful to the individual initiated.

Be it further resolved, That the Committee on Ritual rewrite the Ritual so that the entire official initiation shall be performed within the walls of the fraternity.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is what the Committee recommends?

BROTHER KEATS: Yes. We have offered these resolutions for discussion and adoption.

BROTHER KALLOE: I think the walls of the fraternity should be defined as the grounds.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you intend that to mean within the house or within the premises.

BROTHER KEATS: The Committee discussed that and I believe the resolution at first read within the grounds.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You mean that they now intend it to be within the house.

BROTHER KEATS: Yes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You might make it more specific by making it within the walls of the house instead of just within the walls.

BROTHER KETAS: We had it within the grounds but we wished to make it more uniform so those without grounds could have the same type of initiation as those who could use their grounds. But we could substitute the word house.

BROTHER BOBIER: As I understand it now, that Ritual part is merely the part required by the fraternity. The part of initiation which the fraternity requires is confined inside the house and if the chapter so desires, it may have it outside, but it must conform to the laws of the university.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't think we can attempt to regulate what the chapters are going to do to freshmen.

BROTHER BOBIER: I wish to recommend that we adopt this resolution as it stands.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you men feel that this is a step far enough, that to eliminate initiation outside of the house is all that is necessary at this time? That is what it amounts to -- the elimination of all outside work as far as the official Ritual is concerned.

BROTHER KEATS: The resolution says, "all

excesses."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That doesn't mean a thing.

BROTHER BOBIER: That statement in there that "it shall do no bodily harm to the individual initiated or in any way violate the laws of the fraternity," will cover the excessive part.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any further discussion? Are you ready for the matter of adoption of this resolution?

BROTHER RICE: I was just reading the minutes of the last convention. There were one or two motions passed during the convention that never got sent out. I think our plan has been that the resolutions submitted by the Resolutions Committee, if adopted, are the ones that usually go out. I wonder if this should not be submitted to the Resolutions Committee for the sake of making sure that it gets sent out to the chapters for their verification.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This matter was submitted to a special committee, and as long as they have submitted a resolution, the simplest way seems to be to put it through now.

BROTHER RICE: But if it were submitted by the Resolutions Committee it would be surer of going out to the chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I thought the practice was to go through the minutes of the convention and those resolutions or motions requiring chapter action would be picked out and sent to the chapters.

BROTHER RICE: I think I found quite a few that should have been sent out that were not.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is the pleasure of the convention? Do you think these resolutions should be gathered together and submitted by the Resolutions Committee?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We read through the minutes and submitted those resolutions to the chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This resolution could be set aside as one to be sent out to the chapters, unless you feel it requires revision.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think it a very fine method to have these resolutions brought in by the Resolutions Committee. That boils it down to a final date and they are numbered properly and sent out that way.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We are ready to vote here now. Is there any advantage in referring this to the Resolutions Committee to be brought up later?

BROTHER COCHRAN: We have already discussed

matters that should be referred to the chapters that don't go to the Resolutions Committee or any other committee -- matters that we acted on the first afternoon.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Are you ready for the question? All those in favor of adopting this resolution signify by the usual sign.

... The resolution was voted on and adopted ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is it the sense of this body that in the future committee reports should be submitted to the Resolutions Committee? The primary purpose of the Resolutions Committee is to draw up resolutions to conform with reports of committees submitted to them if the committee has not already drawn up a resolution.

BROTHER RICE: I think you are right on that, but I think it would be helpful to have every motion which should be referred to the chapters so indicated.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What other committee is ready to report.

BROTHER BANNER: The History Committee has drawn up, or rather considered six points regarding the History and would like to mention these as suggestions and if there is any discussion we want to hear it now before we draw up a resolution.

In the first place it was the sense of the Committee that if in the 500 pages that Brother Musgrave has

been limited to he would include all the names of every member of the fraternity and the activities of each, it would be all right. If this is to make the History run very much over 500 pages, we want to cut out that detailed information and leave only a Who's Who.

In the second place it was decided that Brother Musgrave's compensation would cease on the first of November, this as I will point out later being feasible in the way that we have planned the completion of the History.

In the third place, Brother Musgrave's reimbursement shall come from the History Fund only. Brother Musgrave agrees to that. He did in the meeting yesterday and again last night to the Committee.

Fourth, the Syndicate money is to come only from the History Fund.

Fifth, on October 15, Part I of the History is to be given to the Prudential Committee for their consideration. Brother Musgrave will be finished with Part I by that date and his Reading Committee will also have read that part.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The understanding on that is that Brother Musgrave has agreed to turn Part I over to the Prudential Committee on October 15 irrespective of whether his Reading Committee has finished reading it or not. That is so we can have a fixed time when we know the

Prudential Committee is going to get it, and that is also true with respect to Part II.

Remember, Brother Musgrave has agreed that he will under any circumstances, whether this Committee has reported back or not, deliver to the Prudential Committee Part I on October 15 and Part II on November 15. So you men can go back to your chapters and tell them that there is a definite agreement and understanding as to when the Prudential Committee is going to get this manuscript.

BROTHER BANNER: We want that to be very plain. This agreement having been reached, the Committee feels quite certain that you fellows will be able to tell your chapters that the book will be ready by the first of March. Is that all right, Brother Jagocki?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you think it feasible that if you get the manuscript by the last of November that it would be ready by the first of March?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Yes, I think three and a half months would be long enough.

BROTHER BANNER: Finally, the Committee wants to suggest that two resolutions be drawn: One, to the effect that all initiates will be required to subscribe to the History; and Two, that all actives will be required to subscribe to it.

We discussed this matter at great length and put it in that form so that you can all consider them separately.

We were afraid that if we put them into one resolution that one might defeat the other. I think that covers it all.

BROTHER FOX: May I inquire what the History Fund is? You spoke of paying Brother Musgrave his compensation out of the History Fund.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The History Fund will be any fund accumulated from the sale of Histories. If this resolution is adopted assessing each active and each initiate \$5, that money accumulated will be the History Fund.

BROTHER FOX: Will that include the \$500 they have at present for subscriptions they got last year?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Has the Grand Prudential Committee \$500 in the History Fund?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: Yes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That will all be considered as History Fund then.

BROTHER KNAPP: Have you settled on the price of \$5 per copy?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Yes. There is this further proposition in connection with the active men that has been suggested here. It will probably sound a little bad for you fellows to go back with it because it is easy to tell an initiate that if he wants to be an Alpha Sigma Phi he will have to pay \$5 more. But the thought was that

there will be immediate need for this Fund.

In addition to printing, although it may be possible to get some credit from the printers, there is another matter which I will mention later that may require immediate funds. With a thousand active men that is going to create immediately a fund of \$5000 available for the History.

Now you have had it demonstrated by word of mouth of a number of men who have attended conventions that this has been a subject in Alpha Sigma Phi for years. Irrespective of whether a History is a good thing or not, there has been time and money spent on it, and certainly something ought to be done about it. To my mind, an active isn't affected a great deal by a \$5 donation. We ought to do it for the sake of getting this out of the conventions and deliberations of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Brother Musgrave does not know what his compensation is but I have talked it over with him and he is willing to compromise the proposition on the basis of \$8000 which is somewhat less than he actually figures it. That is provided he can be paid \$2000 in a year, \$3000 in two years, and the balance in three years.

If it is possible to get the active men to come across with the proposition of \$5, that would raise an immediate sum of \$5000. Then if you get 200 initiates to

subscribe \$5 apiece, that will make another \$2000. That would give you a fund of \$7000 out of which you would be able to pay Muzzy his first installment and still have a substantial sum to dicker with the printer. That should be used as an argument to the chapters, that you are in that way helping Alpha Sigma Phi save considerable on this proposition.

The sum is not large and if your views are contrary to this plan, I think you might change them just for the sake of eliminating a question which in the past, at times has been something that might cause a very serious situation in our organization because of personal feelings. If you feel the History isn't worth that, it certainly is worth something just to wipe it off the board and get it out of the way.

I think you should go back and use all the possible arguments you have heard here to put this thing over, if for no other reason then eliminating this question and getting some sort of History that can be used.

BROTHER KALLOE: I want to ask the convention if they are satisfied with the cost of this thing; if they can see that much in it. We also argued last night that Brother Musgrave was to receive his compensation out of the sale of Histories. How can you make a contract that he is going to get \$3000 or \$2000 the first year?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: By the sale of Histories we mean every active man taking one. You have a thousand active men and if they agree to take the History, you will have \$5000 this year.

BROTHER KALLOE: Are you going to get the \$5000 right away?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If this legislation goes through that \$5 will be an obligation the same as anything else. The assumption is that if it doesn't go through it is a dead issue. I don't see how you are going to put the thing through except on some such theory as that.

BROTHER KALLOE: Are you going to accept these expenses at their face value as they are stated?

BROTHER BOBIER: It is my understanding that the Prudential Committee will investigate, go over all these expenses when the final report is turned in to them, and certainly with Brother Jagocki on the Prudential Committee, I would be willing to take the Prudential Committee's decision as to whether or not these expenses are reasonable.

I feel as Brother Clarke and some of the others do, that it is worth almost anything within reason to get rid of this thing in a satisfactory manner and not create hard personal feelings within the fraternity. It is only an expense of \$5.

I certainly believe that the resolution will be

clear enough when it is presented that the money is to come out of the History Fund, created by the sale of Histories, and if the sale is not effected there is no History Fund and there is no fund to take money out of. I don't see how any argument or any question or any dispute can come up as to whether or not National Headquarters owes the money. The fact that the resolution states that the money is to come only from the History Fund settles the matter pretty conclusively.

BROTHER ROOS: If I understand you correctly, if this resolution is passed the \$5 is to be paid in advance so that you will have the money to carry on the work.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It would be paid by active men.

BROTHER ROOS: Would we have to tax a man this \$5 before we could initiate him?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is nothing that is going to affect the initiate very much, and it should make it no harder for you to get men unless you have the condition on your campus that all fraternities have the same initiation fee, and I don't believe that condition exists many places.

BROTHER CASEY: How long is this going to continue; until a certain number of copies are sold?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It will continue

ten years on the present basis or until 5000 copies are sold. It seems to me that is a matter to be left up to future legislation.

BROTHER CASEY: That \$5 will be added on the chapter's bill to National Headquarters?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Yes. It would work out the same way no matter how you did it.

BROTHER CASEY: If the chapters passed this and half of the actives refused to take it, it would still be put on the chapter's bill?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: When you have an assessment in your house, you don't permit half the members to say, "I won't pay it," do you?

BROTHER CASEY: There are a lot of men owing money to the chapter. What are you going to do?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If you can't collect it from your men, that is another matter. I don't know how you settle it. What do you do when you can't collect your annual dues?

BROTHER CASEY: We suspend them.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This is the same situation. It is not a question of whether or not the Prudential Committee would feel you were relieved of that obligation. It would be handled the same as annual dues.

BROTHER LARSON: How many chapters have to

pass the resolution to make it effective?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: A majority.

BROTHER MAYES: If it is going to cost more money to get out a yearly addition, how is that going to be taken care of?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: When these 5000 volumes are sold you are going to have close to \$25,000. Out of that you would have at least six or eight thousand which would take care of any supplements you want,

BROTHER COOGAN: Facing the opposition we do, fraternity competition, etc., \$5 is a stupendous figure. We must realize that we are at a state college. There is not a rich man there, nor his son. That \$5 added to our initiation fee places it higher than perhaps forty of the fifty-five fraternities there.

Now with our new house we assess each man \$50 per month and even at that, in a brand new home like ours, last year it was ten months of pinching. It simply means the men cannot afford it, nor would they consent to \$5 added to the initiation assessment. In our chapter we have considered the History very seriously and thoroughly and we have come to the conclusion that there was absolutely no hope for it there.

BROTHER BEKKEDALL (Kappa Chapter): I think to assess each active \$5 would be like putting the noose

around your own neck.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Remember these two propositions are separate.

BROTHER BEKKEDALL: If this is passed by the convention, I am sure that when it gets back to the chapters it will be voted down. If we go back to Kappa Chapter with the idea that each active will be assessed \$5 for this History, the whole thing will be voted down right there.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They can pass the one that the initiates be assessed without passing the resolution that the actives also be assessed this amount.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think the sensible thing to do is to pass both resolutions here and let them go to the chapter anyway. If we kill them here the chapters will have no voice in it. We should pass them here and let them go to the chapters and have every man do his best to put it across. The delegate is supposed to be the most influential man in the chapter. Let him put the facts before his own chapter. I don't see any reason why we should kill it here and not let the chapters discuss it. I don't think it is impossible to put it across.

BROTHER FOX: I think the Brother from Sigma raised a real question when he started talking about supple-

ments. As far as I am concerned, the financial plan is really the best we can get for the situation we are in, but why can't we have a History that is a narrative history, not a mass of detail which will require a supplement every year? A narrative history would give the original acts of the fraternity and we would have a book that was a real book and one that wouldn't get old in a few days.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is coming back to the time-worn issue that has always been the question.

BROTHER BANNER: In answer to Brother Fox, even if it is a narrative history, in ten years it is going to be old. You would have to have a supplement. We discussed this last night and agreed that if there is going to be a History, it will have to be complete. In other words, no matter what you are looking for and no matter what you want to know, you can find it in the History. That is the key to the purpose of a History.

However, I do believe it should be kept down to 500 pages, but we are going to try to put as much as possible in those 500 pages.

BROTHER FOX: As far as I am concerned, it is of no interest that Sam Jones belonged to Alpha Chapter in 1868. It is just of no important. Why have a long list of names; nothing but names and dates?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Brother Musgrave

explained how he is doing this listing. Here is a year's history of your chapter. Previously a number of men have been mentioned in the chapter. They are designated by number and then it says, "The following men were initiated this year: Bill Smith, John Jones"-- Of course you don't have such common names in California. (Laughter) Then he goes on and in a narrative form gives the history of the chapter for that year and he may mention their outstanding men in the activities of the chapter.

No man is ever mentioned again except in narrative form in the history of the chapter. He isn't saying that John Smith was on the glee club and so and so was on the football team -- showing a whole list of activities. Each year's officers are shown, and that is the only listing that he has in this History.

You men know better than I do the value of a History of activities. That sort of thing doesn't interest me a great deal. The only interest I have is to see it gotten out of the way. I don't mean killed. I think it is a thing we ought to issue, and I think we ought to issue the History that has been prepared, not throw it out and get up something else and go through the whole thing all over again. I have never been interested as to whether I had a copy of the facts surrounding my fraternity, except incidental affairs as time went on.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: In view of the fact that these two questions have been raised, the fact that \$5 is too much and that a detailed report is not necessary, I believe the chapters or delegates might be more favorable toward a History of half the size and half the price. By combining those two facts, possibly that would be a solution for both Brother Fox's and Brother Coogan's trouble.

BROTHER FOX: As far as the price is concerned, I think the way it is being handled is an excellent plan but you are going to have a lot of opposition, there is no doubt about that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you think the price would make any difference?

BROTHER FOX: You wouldn't have as much opposition.

BROTHER COCHRAN: I wonder if the Committee gave any thought to the suggestion made yesterday of having this information in regard to each initiate a matter of record and having the History itself a narrative history, thereby cutting publication costs and so cutting the amount you would have to assess each member.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It wasn't discussed. I would suggest that the Committee discuss that and make some further report on it. If there is no further discussion I will ask that somebody make a motion that this

report be accepted and referred to the Resolutions Committee for the proper resolutions to carry out the recommendations herein stated.

BROTHER RICE: I had it in mind that the Committee was going to draw up their own resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you want the Committee to draw up their own resolutions?

BROTHER RICE: I think they should.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will somebody make a motion that the recommendations of the History Committee be adopted and the Committee be directed to prepare resolutions and refer them to the Resolutions Committee for submission later on.

BROTHER FOX: I move the History Committee draw up resolutions after having further discussed the suggestion made by Brother Cochran, and present the resolutions to the Resolutions Committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you want to approve the recommendations of the Committee as now submitted?

BROTHER FOX: I will include that in my motion.

BROTHER BOBIER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any

other committee in a position to make their report?

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: The Committee on Alumni Cooperation has a report to make. We find that at Estes Park there was a Resolution Number 5 which was as follows:

"Each chapter shall annually designate a committee of three alumni and report the names of same to National Headquarters, said committee to serve solely in an advisory capacity and have no voice in matters pertaining to the National organization."

We find that no such committees have been appointed by any chapters in the last two years and we find that there hasn't been any report sent to National Headquarters about conditions. To aid in this work being carried out, the Executive Secretary has suggested that the delegates from the chapters in convention assembled suggest the name of one man whom they would like to have on that committee.

The chapters are to name these committees and we would like to have one name for ~~the~~ that committee right now so that the National Headquarters could tie in with this work with one man in each chapter and get the other later on. If we have thirty alumni to work with as key men we can very easily get the other members of the committees.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is your recommendation that this committee of three be men from the chapter itself?

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: We leave that up to the chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: My suggestion to the Committee would be this: It is the Prudential Committee, National Headquarters, that is desirous of cooperating with that committee and they are the men who should appoint the men whom they desire to have act.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: We discussed that. The only thing that came out of it was that some chapters didn't want Headquarters to say that So-and-so was going to be their alumni advisor this year.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is the recommendation of the Committee?

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: The Committee recommends that the resolution passed at Estes Park be carried out within this next school year. I wanted to hear more discussion on it before we adopted the final resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Committee wants some discussion as to the method of appointing these committees.

BROTHER SCOTT: Why not have two men appointed by the Grand Prudential Committee and one man appointed by the chapter?

BROTHER COOGAN: The sense of our discussion on this in Committee meeting was that in each case the chapter

could suggest these three men to National Headquarters and National Headquarters would then notify these men that they had been delegated by National Headquarters to act in this advisory capacity.

That was done because, in a number of cases, local alumni are preferable to outsiders.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The point I tried to make is that the appointment should come from National Headquarters rather than from the chapter. Then they will feel that they are an appointee of the National organization.

BROTHER CASEY: I think that the delegates of the active chapters could each give one name to National Headquarters here and then National Headquarters could write to this man and tell him he has been appointed to serve on this committee. By correspondence with this new appointee they should be able to select the other two men for this man would probably know other men who would be interested in the fraternity and willing to serve in this capacity.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think a good way to settle that would be to have each chapter recommend a number of names to National Headquarters from which National Headquarters could appoint these three men if they so wished.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will someone move that the report of the Committee on Alumni Cooperation

be accepted and that the Committee be instructed to prepare a resolution covering the recommendation made in their report, said resolution to be referred to the Resolutions Committee for further action.

BROTHER SCOTT: I so move.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't believe there are any more committees ready to report at this time so I would like to bring up the question of the University of Cincinnati. I came here with the intention of having the convention discuss the University of Cincinnati and go back to the chapters and let me have some idea as to what the feeling of the chapters might be with regard to this institution.

I have considerable literature and information with regard to the University of Cincinnati. As I told you, there are two locals there that are desirous of petitioning us. There are several alumni in Cincinnati who feel that it is an institution into which we might go.

I haven't looked it over personally, but I do know they have a large night school and are in a large city, and you know my ideas about a situation of that kind. There are good men in Cincinnati. There are George Siple

and two or three other very good men who have been interested in Alpha Sigma Phi for years and their opinions can't well be pushed aside as against mine when I know nothing about the facts.

I want any man who knows anything about Cincinnati to give an expression of his opinion here, and I want you to bear this in mind and when you go back to your chapters let me hear from you as to the attitude of your chapter with respect to Cincinnati.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I visited and had dinner with one of the locals I believe desirous of petitioning us, Iota Chi Epsilon. Isn't that one of them?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They are Sigma Phi Eta and Iota -- I'm not sure what the rest of the name is.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: The Iota local appeared to be a very good local, but from the reports of fraternity men in the village where I lived and around Cincinnati, that local petitioned you seven years ago. In the language of under classmen, it does not rank well on the campus of Cincinnati.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You are talking of the group and not the institution?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I

believe we had a local turned down at Cincinnati seven years ago.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Longer than that.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I had up for consideration when I was G. J. P. a petition from the University of Cincinnati. It was not turned down but we asked them to rescind their petition. As for the institution, it seems to me that there are many others in this country that are way ahead of the University of Cincinnati. It is very largely supported by the city and it is the universal experience with these so-called city supported universities that they do not maintain the scholastic standing, generally speaking, that many others acquire.

In addition to that, it is a consolidation of a number of small departments that have been gathered up here and there and the entire institution has been built up around them. There is an immense Jewish population in the University itself. In view of the fact that we have been extremely conservative, even to refusing to go into
(?)
Drake University, it seems to me that we might add the University of Cincinnati to our taboo list and keep it there.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I stated my personal opinion and I wanted to get an expression from the others. I would simply tell them there was no opportunity.

I don't want to take it on my shoulders to say we won't go in.

BROTHER KEATS: They have a rather unique system down there. They go to school three months and then they go out in the field three months, and then go back to school some more. It takes six or seven years to complete the full college course. Although the institution has a very good rating as an engineering school, I think the fraternity life there would be a sort of haphazard come and go thing.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I didn't know of that condition.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: The consensus of opinion seems to be that we are not at all interested in considering Cincinnati at the present time, so I suggest you forget it for a couple of years anyway.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I just wanted an expression of opinion and wanted the men to take it back with them to their chapters.

Now Bobier, I believe you had a special matter which you desired to put before the convention.

BROTHER BOBIER: I have a rather unusual case to bring up and I hope the convention will see fit to approve. Perhaps you heard that we had a pledge at Pi Chapter by the name of Lee Keifer who was killed last fall. The railroad tracks

of the Colorado Southern run across the campus of the University of Colorado, and this pledge of ours was cut in half by a train a very short time before he would have been up for initiation.

He was an ace-high man in every respect, an athlete, in good standing with the University, and there would have been no hitch in the initiation had he lived a little longer. His parents are strong for Pi Chapter. They help us out financially and they were very proud that Keifer was going to be an Alpha Sig.

His parents are very much broken up about it. Nobody knew how it happened and every theory from suicide to murder has been advanced. I have received letters from and talked with Mr. and Mrs. Keifer and they are anxious that Lee's name be put on the roll of Alpha Sigma Phi. Here are a couple of letters which I received from Mrs. Keifer.

... Reading letters ...

I haven't the heart to go back and tell her it can't be done. I have talked with the National Officers and several members here and they seem to feel that we could make a special provision in an unusual case of this kind. I will have Brother Rice draw up a resolution to be presented to the convention and I hope the convention will give Pi Chapter permission to place Lee's name on the roll as a member of Pi Chapter in Alpha Sigma Phi and his pin and shingle sent

to his parents.

It will be presented in the form of a resolution and all you men have to do is to vote on it and then it will be submitted to the chapters for their vote. I want to urge you men to do all you can to help put it through. His parents are two of the best alumni supporters we have. They are sincerely interested in Alpha Sigma Phi.

Lee Keifer would have made one of the finest of members. We battled several other fraternities to get him and were kept in hot water until the last minute. If we can grant this favor to his parents it will do a lot to alleviate the pain and grief they have suffered.

I am simply putting the facts before you here. You will be asked to vote on the resolution later and I believe this will not establish any serious precedent. It is an incident that may never happen again, and if it should it might be once again or something like that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There might be a question as to the constitutionality of the act, but if the chapters adopt it and we proceed there would be no harm done. It surely is an unusual circumstance and there is no harm to come from out placing this boy's name on the fraternity roll.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: May I say for the information of the delegates present that such things have been done in

sororities. I remember reading of a pathetic case of a girl who died just a short time before she was to have been initiated. As she lay in her coffin in the sorority house she was given what they called a post-mortem initiation and her pin and everything was pinned upon her.

I can see no opposition, either theoretical or practical, in a case like this.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I will instruct the Resolutions Committee to prepare such a resolution.

Is the Committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion ready to report?

BROTHER COCHRAN: We had one meeting this morning but we don't feel that we are ready to make a final report. We had another possibility suggested that we want to discuss before we make a final report. I am willing to explain it and have it discussed here if the convention wishes that now.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Are you almost ready to report? This is just an additional suggestion that was made?

BROTHER COCHRAN: I would be very glad to go over the thing and acquaint the convention with the details as far as we have gone.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right, let's go ahead with it.

BROTHER COCHRAN: The first suggestion that was made we worked out in this fashion: That there would be appointed by the chapters in convention assembled fifteen men who would have charge of the expansion program under the supervision of the Grand Junior President, these fifteen men to be selected as follows: Five in the eastern section of the country; five in the Middlewest, and five in the Pacific Coast section.

The petitions would come from the petitioning locals in exactly the same form as they do at the present time. They would be passed upon by the Grand Junior President and when they were ready for reference to the chapters, one copy would be sent to each one of the chapters and one copy of the petition would be sent to each member of the Committee, fifteen in total.

The action of accepting or rejecting this chapter would be in the hands of the committee of fifteen. Their votes would be cast individually rather than in groups and a certain proportion, which we have not figured out yet, would be necessary to pass a local chapter for membership in Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

The chapters themselves create this body of fifteen by their election in convention, then the chapters themselves also hold a whip hand over this body by a recall or referendum of the action of the Committee. As we have it

arranged at the present time, if any one chapter feels that the action of the Committee is not satisfactory or not to the best interest of the Fraternity as a whole, they can call for a referendum of the petition, at which time the petition will go to all chapters and a vote of two thirds of four fifths of the chapters will be sufficient to upset the action of the Committee.

In that way, while it puts the responsibility in the hands of an Alumni Committee, still it gives the chapters almost control of this thing because of the fact that they elect this Committee themselves and they have the final veto power of the action of the Committee.

The advantages of such a system are this: It still gives the actives the control of which I have spoken and we felt that by turning over the expansion policy more or less to alumni, we might be able to select alumni who are more or less familiar with different universities, who by their vocation in life possibly travel from one place to another and come in contact with these things, with the activities of the universities and possibly the chapters themselves that were petitioning.

We would get away, to some extent, from the possibility of heresay affecting the action of a chapter as it does today.

The second suggestion which was made at the end

of our meeting this morning was that petitions might be acted upon in conventions, and in convention only. In that way we could get all of the information and all of the angles of the situation before the chapters while they are here in convention.

If the action of the delegates in convention assembled in accepting a chapter was not satisfactory when they got back to the chapter, by notification within thirty or sixty days, that matter could or would be held in abeyance until they ratified the vote of the convention. The last portion of this is very hazy in our minds because Brother Jagocki suggested it just before we adjourned.

The idea is that if any chapter disapproved of the vote of the convention, by notification thirty or sixty days after the convention or after they had received the report of the convention, the admission of the local would be held in abeyance until the chapters had ratified it.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I didn't make that suggestion. I simply said, "Have you considered the proposition?"

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think that would make it less possible for proper deliberation than in a chapter meeting. In other words, there is less opportunity for these men who come from the chapters not knowing that a petition is coming up, not knowing what their chapters may

desire, to get knowledge about the local and the institution and immediately pass on the petition. I would think that scheme -- not because it is your suggestion, Bob (laughter) -- is not as desirable as our present situation.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: In reference to that last suggestion, there is another thought that I wish to inject and that is that it would require such a long time for petitions to be considered, whereas the first proposition would enable us to consider a petition at any time and act upon it. This way it would come up only at conventions and if the Committee happened to put it over for three or four years for some reason it would be almost impossible to hold a petition that long without acting on it.

Some of the larger fraternities do have that method but it has been a rather unsatisfactory way. I happen to know that Sigma Alpha Epsilon considers their petitions in that way and they will have as high as twenty petitions to consider at a given convention. Just think what a matter of twenty petitions would mean to this convention. You fellows would be deliberating on the problem and scrapping over them when it is really only a secondary proposition that could be worked out in another manner with much more intelligence and much more deliberative and much more considerate decisions.

You do not take power away from the chapters but

you do turn over the responsibility of deliberation that is so important to an alumni body that is created for that purpose.

BROTHER COCHRAN: If the convention seems to be against this thing the Committee is willing to drop it. I would like to ask for further suggestions.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Have you discussed the proposition that this be put in the hands of the Grand Council, subject to the referendum of the chapters?

BROTHER COCHRAN: No, not yet.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any discussion before the Committee goes ahead and prepares their resolution?

BROTHER RICE: I understand that there is some question as to what vote it would take to veto the question, whether the chapters by vote would uphold or not uphold the action of the Committee in accepting or not accepting the petitioning chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It was a question of whether it would be two thirds or four fifths, and whether the chapters could over-ride a negative or affirmative action of the Committee.

BROTHER RICE: It is just a matter of approving or disapproving the action of the Committee. On our present scheme, isn't it two thirds?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It takes four fifths on the second ballot to pass it. This would require four fifths to over-ride the action of the Committee.

BROTHER RICE: That is what I am getting at, whether you have to change it in any particular way.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think this thing could be worked out with the Alumni Council provided it could not be in the power of one chapter to call a referendum of the entire proposition. If a logical number of chapters called for a referendum, it would be a proper thing to place it before the chapters, but if you could eliminate the possibility of one chapter calling for a referendum, it would cut out a great deal of time.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: It takes one fifth now.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Yes, provided it takes a certain number of calls for referendum. Otherwise, it would go through on the first approval by this Alumni Committee.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: It now takes one fifth of the chapters to reject, so it would take the same percentage, one fifth, to call for a vote or acceptance or rejection.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to hear from some of the actives on this, or would you rather wait until the resolution comes up? This proposition has

been submitted but if any of you have any suggestions that the Committee can take and incorporate into that resolution, it would eliminate a lot of time later. If you have some definite objections they should be stated now.

BROTHER FOX: As I understand Brother Jagocki's point, if one chapter could require a referendum of the action of the Committee nearly every petition would be referred. I think that one is a little small but I don't think it should be as many as one third. I think around three would be better.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Why?

BROTHER FOX: Even with a referendum it would take a pretty large vote to change the action of the Committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It would and it ought to.

BROTHER FOX: I don't think it should take as many as two thirds to change their action.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is your recommendation?

BROTHER FOX: I think a majority would be plenty. If a majority of the chapters want to change the vote of the Committee, that should be a sufficient number.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: I wonder if the Committee would consider the proposition Brother Clarke mentioned

of putting the control of expansion in the hands of the Grand Council subject to chapter referendum.

BROTHER COCHRAN: We would be very glad to.

BROTHER COOGAN: I would like to ask how these fifteen men would be elected.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: By the convention.

BROTHER COOGAN: Would that be the best method?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Personally I doubt it but that is the Committee's recommendation. Furthermore, there is the question of whether this expansion committee shouldn't be a perpetuating body rather than new men at every convention. I think they should have experience and through past experience would be in a better position to act.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Elect five men each convention.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I agree with you there.

BROTHER COCHRAN: Where would you suggest they be elected if not in convention?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The principle objection I had was not that they would be elected by the convention but rather that a new group would be elected every convention. That is what I had in mind because I think it would be better if they were really National Officers.

BROTHER COCHRAN: It was the idea that this Committee be made to hold office as long as possible. We don't want them to hold over a period of years because we might want to change them. What we want is expansion specialists in whom we could have confidence in placing our expansion policy.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: It seems to me there are three methods in this matter of expansion. One is the matter of giving alumni a voice in the matter of expansion; another is to place it in the hands of the Grand Council, and the third is to have the convention take charge of the expansion policy.

Why not eliminate two of these and decide on one and have this Committee work out the details of that one plan? I am against an alumni committee having anything to say about expansion. I am against the convention having charge of expansion. If we could eliminate two and have the Committee work out the details of one plan we would save a lot of time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I suggest we have a roll call vote on this. We will number them Alumni Committee - 1; Grand Council - 2; and Convention - 3. The delegates here simply mention 1, 2, or 3 according to which-ever plan they favor.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Do you mean the Grand

Council as defined by the present Council?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That would have to be worked out.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: That would limit it to five men instead of fifteen.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is true and Brother Tollefson appreciates that fact.

This is simply for the benefit of the Committee. We want an expression from the delegates as to which of these plans they favor. You may not be whole-heartedly in favor of any of these plans as presented here, but indicate which you think preferable, an Alumni Committee to have authority in expansion, the Grand Council which at the present time comprises the G. S. P., the G. J. P., and the Grand Prudential Committee, or the convention to have control of expansion.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and the majority of the votes were in favor of Plan Number 2 ...

BROTHER COCHRAN: In view of the fact that the majority are in favor of Number 2, do you want the Committee to bring in suggestions on Numbers 1 and 3 or shall we confine our report to Number 2?

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: If the convention as a whole would rather have the policy of expansion placed in the

hands of the Grand Council subject to referendum of the chapters, I don't think it is necessary to discuss the other plans.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think they ought to be presented in separate resolutions so that they can be discussed separately.

Will somebody now move that the recommendations of the Committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion be accepted and that the Committee be instructed to draw up resolutions to carry out their recommendations, such resolutions to be presented to the Resolutions Committee for submission to the convention later?

BROTHER COOGAN: I so move.

BROTHER ROOS: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: May I make this announcement for the benefit of the Nominating Committee? Any Brother having any one for any office in mind, please put it in writing by mentioning the man and the office and hand it to me. We will have our meeting tomorrow morning and I would like to have suggestions from anyone.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I will entertain a motion that the convention adjourn until this evening at Rockledge.

BROTHER COOGAN: I so move.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was
carried ...

... The meeting adjourned at twelve forty-five
o'clock ...

WEDNESDAY EVENING SESSION

September 11, 1929

The Wednesday evening session, held at Rockledge, convened at ten o'clock, The Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will please call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and all delegates were present ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Brothers, there seems to be a little hitch in our program and perhaps our vacation this afternoon is what causes the hitch. At any rate, we are not at the point where I thought we might be.

There is one question that I am assuming is going to take considerable discussion and that is this proposition of the use of the houses for drinking. That is a question that has to be discussed. Brother Rice, have you something to offer?

BROTHER RICE: We expect to have a resolution on this ready to be read in the morning and passed without a great deal of discussion. The theory that I am going on is that we had better discuss questions that will take a little time. I am going to ask Brother Musgrave to give a résumé of the amendment he has presented in that regard because Kirk left the resolution in his room. It will probably take

some discussion.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The amendment suggested was to give the power to the Prudential Committee to have coexistent jurisdiction to prosecute offenses against the fraternity or against its laws and to become, if necessary, the prosecuting officers against chapters, alumni councils, or individuals, the same as is now enjoyed by the chapters, alumni councils, and individuals.

The purport of this is not to exclude the rights of the chapters or to take away anything they now have, but to make it possible for the Prudential Committee to prosecute anything that might happen either by an alumni council, an alumnus, a chapter, or an individual.

In other words, we propose to give the Prudential Committee the power and the duty to enforce these things if a chapter does not prosecute, or if a chapter or an individual does not care to become the prosecuting witness as it were. That is the purpose of this amendment. I gave it to the Resolutions Committee and they do not have it here tonight and I have forgotten the exact wording.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is not directed entirely to this question we want to discuss tonight. There are many things the Grand Prudential Committee might take up in connection with other violations, but I think the reason this is brought up is this proposition of some sug-

gested violations of taking intoxicating liquors into the houses.

As I told you in my report and as you were told in the report of the Grand Prudential Committee -- and by the way I hadn't talked to the Grand Prudential Committee about this matter, but you see our views are identical -- we feel that this is a vital question. I am not talking only of Alpha Sigma Phi but of fraternities generally. It is going to mean the extermination of fraternities.

Past experience has shown that. I believe that the Prudential Committee should be given some power whereby they can say to chapters, "We have this information or that information. We have investigated and we have found these facts. Now you fellows have got to do something and if you don't we are going to do something." They haven't that power now.

If for some reason in some chapter there is some particular man who may be in control or some group of men in control who think they will let the thing slide, certainly there ought to be some body or some organization that can enforce that proposition.

For that reason I would like to hear this evening a very exhaustive discussion of this question. I think you men, for the benefit of the other delegates here, ought to get up and indicate the conditions you find in your

own house and the condition you find on your own campus. That, I think, will indicate what conditions are and what is necessary to be guarded against.

You can't regulate the conduct of men on your campus. You can't vouch for the men you take in. We aren't, or at least I wouldn't be anxious to get men that wanted to do that sort of thing all the time. But that is beside the question. We can govern the conduct in our houses and every man that is a member has taken an oath that he will not use liquor in his fraternity house. To my mind it shouldn't be a problem.

There shouldn't be any excuse or reason for a house permitting that thing. It shouldn't be a problem but it apparently is. There are some chapters that do not agree with the Constitution, but that is a further indication that they don't realize we have a National organization. Therefore, I think the National organization should be given teeth so these chapters may be made to realize that fact.

I would like to have a man from every chapter get up and tell his views and tell us what his problems are in connection with that in his own chapter house. I know there are chapters that do have these problems and I think you men might well go on record as giving the Prudential Committee this authority we are talking about. I don't

believe this convention should close without Alpha Sigma Phi showing what her position is in this matter.

Now I would suggest, if it is agreeable, that we simply go down the roll and let each man state what he wants to state.

BROTHER BANNER (Alpha Chapter): Mr. Chairman, our chapter, I think, is right in line on this score with what you are saying. That is to say, it has been since I have been in the chapter which is three years, and in that time there has been no drinking whatsoever in the house. I realize that our situation is entirely different than the rest in as much as we are not living there, but I don't believe we are the kind that sit around and twiddle our thumbs.

But when we do our drinking we go out in small groups and have a general good time. Certainly the nights when we pledge new candidates there is plenty of drinking going on but it is recognized by the college. Every fraternity on the campus does it. The rest of the time our house is free from any such thing.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is your view on the matter as to what the ultimate result will be? Do you agree as to the necessity of the enforcement of that proposition?

BROTHER BANNER: I am very strongly in favor

of the suggestion. We have discussed the matter in small groups, talked about it around our rooms, and we have agreed that too much drinking in houses is eventually going to lead to the extermination of our fraternity and all others because obviously university presidents and corporations are not going to stand for it. I don't see any reason why we shouldn't go off and have a good time, but we cannot do it in our houses and get away with it.

BROTHER GREER (Beta Chapter): I cannot say so much for Beta, although up until last year there was almost no liquor at all in the house. Last year there was a certain crowd in there that didn't seem to take it the way the rest of us did and there was drinking in the house, I know.

The boys that did drink in the house were stepped on quite heavily several times and it seemed to have done very little good. I am glad to say that practically all of them graduated from college this year and next year we are starting out with no liquor in the house and anybody that brings it in there is going to be treated very drastically. I know that next year will bring the house back on the same basis that it was before with no liquor.

At our dances, none of the boys have ever come there particularly drunk. I don't mean drunk; I mean with drink inside of them, and they never will get that way.

The house, as a whole, is in favor of cutting it out altogether.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: When you had that situation -- and I don't believe your condition was different from many of the others -- did the men in the house feel that they ought, under the condition, to take action against those men?

BROTHER GREER: It never did get so serious. Only the officers talked it over. They talked to the boys and they cut it out for a while and then started in again.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think often in that sort of thing men are afraid to broach the subject. They class it along with prohibition and they think they will be classed as sissies and it puts them in an embarrassing position, but that is absolutely beside the question.

It isn't a question of prohibition at all. If you want to leave out the moral side of it and the desirability of a proper atmosphere around your house, wiping those things aside, it is purely a matter of self preservation.

BROTHER GREER: At first there was quite a bit of timidity about saying anything, but toward the end of the year they were told where to get off at and they pretty much got off there.

BROTHER RILEY (Gamma Chapter): We haven't been troubled until last fall with drinking because drinking was a flagrant offense. It only takes the word of one man

as proof to have a man kicked out of town. If he is seen in Northampton or Holyoke drunk the same thing applies.

Last fall four or five of the seniors did a lot of drinking and they didn't confine it to the outside of the house. It took about three months of considerable ragging to get rid of it and even at the end of that three months, about the middle of January, there was one pretty good party that I came in on about half past two. That was the only real offense I ever saw in the house and that wound it up.

Six or seven of us came in and found the bunch going strong. We cleaned things out and put some of them to bed and put the freshmen under the shelves and we told the seniors that things were going to go farther in the next meeting if it wasn't cut out. We gave them three weeks and told them if it wasn't cut out altogether they were going to be dealt with under the Constitution. After that we were not troubled with liquor in the house, and last year was the only year since I have been there that we have been troubled with it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You undoubtedly feel very strongly the same as the other men do.

BROTHER RILEY: I feel that the Constitution should be enforced.

BROTHER WILSON (Delta Chapter): We haven't

been troubled much. Being in a small school, we can't get away with it. It has shown up more in the last year than ever before. Most of it has been caused by alumni coming back. That has been taken care of and I think Delta can go on record as being highly in favor of giving the Prudential Committee this authority.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: How have you attempted to deal with it?

BROTHER WILSON: We haven't had trouble outside of alumni. They don't do it because if it gets out down there it is like putting it in a newspaper.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I appreciate that there are times when the chapter is rather reticent in saying anything to alumni about a proposition of that kind. They feel that they are being supported by them, but I think alumni ought to be jacked up and something done with them to make them realize and appreciate the fact that they are more of a detriment to the house than a benefit if they are going to violate the Constitution. A few dollars are not offset by an example they bring to the house that may result in trouble.

BROTHER REES (Epsilon Chapter): Several years ago several fellows were caught taking intoxicating liquor and were asked to resign as students. They did and nobody, to speak of, knew anything about it. They went home at the

regular time in June and in the fall returned to school, but it was quite a lesson and there was no more drinking in the town or in the house until last fall.

And to reiterate, it is alumni. It got rather bad at times. We had a Brother McLean on the faculty who kept in close touch with the chapter and with the faculty and he came up and told us we were going to get hit hard if things didn't change. The main trouble is with alumni. They come back for a dance or big game and convene in one of the old-timer's rooms and partake. (Laughter)

They don't get tight, but the fact is that they drink in the house. At our last chapter meeting before our commencement Brother McLean stated to us that if we saw any alumni bringing booze into the house we should report it to him and he would take care of it, and he didn't mean he would drink it either.

The trouble is that the boys who do drink in the house are really good fellows and it is hard for the chapter to act on it. In Epsilon, drinking in town or in the house is just a warning the first time, and the second time you are out of the house and you have to buy your own meals and pay your bills at the house too. So it is rather an expensive proposition besides buying your own booze.

Next year I believe we won't be troubled with

it. Those who wish may journey to Columbus and have their outing there. If they want to do that it is O. K. with us. I am H. E., and I have the privilege and the power to fine any men violating this rule and I go on record as saying that I am going to fine to the limit of my power to stamp out the liquor problem.

Personally, I don't go for it and especially in college. When I am at home maybe it is a different proposition, but at college too much depends upon it and I can say that I am going to fine and fine hard the fellows who bring liquor into the house.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: As for the matter of fines, don't you fellows feel that to enforce any obligation under the Constitution that it ought to be something more severe than a fine? Don't you ever take the position with the alumni that the chapter is going to take proceedings against them and prosecute them for violating the oath? They are under that obligation just as much now as when they were active members.

BROTHER REES: You can't make them believe that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right then, put a couple out.

BROTHER REES: I don't think it would work.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If you kicked

enough of them out it would work. The situation is the same as the Prohibition Act. The men that wanted the Prohibition Act amended wouldn't enforce it any better after it was amended. Now they have a worse situation than they ever thought of having.

If you are afraid to enforce it, which to my mind is the cardinal thing of the whole proposition, you would be too thin skinned to enforce anything. None of you men have indicated that at any time anybody ever thought of taking steps to kick somebody out.

BROTHER RICE: The Alpha man did mention that.

BROTHER REES: I might say that two years ago one of our pledges became a "good fellow" and went out with a couple of the actives and his pin was promptly lifted.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Yes, you picked on the poor pledge but you didn't do anything to the other men. The actives were probably told not be two naughty boys again. We are so afraid that because a man is a brother we will prick his skin.

BROTHER REES: I think they were dealt with. I am not sure how but I think they received some sort of punishment.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They were more guilty because they took the pledge out with them and the pledge got the worst of the deal. But if a man is a brother

we are afraid to do anything to him.

BROTHER GREER: I think you will find from what I said that this liquor situation has just arisen principally during the last year and it is a new problem to us and for that reason there haven't been any particularly drastic measures taken; just because it is such a new question.

BROTHER ROOS (Zeta Chapter): Being located in Columbus and in a school of 10,000 students, we are somewhat bothered with the liquor problem and last fall we were especially bothered with actives using it. But we put the clamp on and now we are not bothered in the active chapter.

I will say that we are bothered with alumni coming back. It seems that somehow or other they forget all the vows they have ever taken and it doesn't mean as much to them as when they were in school. As far as dealing with alumni is concerned, it seems a rather hard problem in this respect, that a good many of the boys who are in school at the time the alumni come back are not acquainted with them and it is more difficult to deal with men when you don't know them.

For myself, I will say that I am very much in favor of sticking very close to the oath that is taken. This fall we are starting right out and prohibiting the drinking of liquor in the house. That way we hope to nip it right in the bud before anything gets under way. I am very

much in favor of giving the power to the Grand Prudential Committee to enforce this part of the oath.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What would be your idea of circularizing alumni with letters to the effect that the chapter was going to enforce that part of the Constitution and that alumni must be subject to that also?

BROTHER ROOS: I think that would be a good idea. It might antagonize them in a way though.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is all very true but if they don't come to their senses they are going to do more harm than the good they may do with the financial support they give you.

BROTHER ROOS: I think a circular letter would do a lot of good.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I appreciate that you are up against a hard problem. I am not trying to make it look like a simple thing. I don't see why it should be a problem. I don't see where there should be any question. I don't think that if your active men really wanted to do something that you would find it a problem. If you got it into their heads that you were going to act you wouldn't have any trouble.

Your real problem is alumni. University men have told me that their big trouble was the problem of alumni coming back. And as you are not in a position to

handle the situation, they too are without authority to handle the situation. You are in a little better position for you can tell them they will cease to be members if they do not cease violating the oath which they took.

BROTHER KNAPP (Eta Chapter): At Eta Chapter the liquor situation for the past three years has been what may be termed as terrible. There has been liquor brought into the house and consumed in the house by various brothers. Why this was not taken care of up to last spring I do not know.

I was not in office previous to last year. It seems this year there were about two boys in the house who were habitual drinkers and every chance they had, and they had quite a few of them, they would bring liquor into house and drink it there. Things got to the state where something had to be done.

At one time one of these two boys was brought up for trial. Brother Archibald was with us at the time. This man was suspended for two weeks. It didn't seem to help any. There was no action taken against the other fellow because we couldn't pin him down, due to the fact that we had a minority in the house that was strong enough to block any majority at what might be termed a trial, and we required a two thirds vote to convict a man.

Finally these two men were threatened with expulsion from the fraternity. The trial was set and they

were given notice. The night before the trial they came to the H. S. P., the H. E. and me and got on their knees and said they were sorry and didn't realize what they were doing. That was all well and good but we didn't believe them. We thought when the scare wore off they would start in again.

To counteract this, these other two men and myself composed this following rule which we put through under the threat that if it wasn't passed these men would be expelled. The rule was that three officers and seven members would constitute a jury, this jury to have final decision in any trial of any man guilty of any offense. Hereafter a small minority cannot block any trial or any legislation.

That was only in effect two weeks before school closed. That will cure the situation. I can go on record here that Eta will be dry, and I am heartily in favor, if at any time Eta Chapter cannot enforce legislation on the liquor question, that the Grand Prudential Committee be given the power to do so.

We also had the problem of alumni. Some of these boys seem to say it is a small problem. In Eta Chapter it is a big problem and we are looking for help to handle it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is in connection with alumni?

BROTHER KNAPP: Yes.

BROTHER HOFELICH (Theta Chapter): I am in favor of seeing more power given to the Grand Prudential Committee in liquor affairs. In the course of action we took this spring at Michigan, there was no other thing to do because the two men openly confessed that they did do it and if it were not for that we probably would have had quite a time proving that these fellows were guilty. As it stands now, if it came up now, there are quite a few men in the house who would not vote against these men.

There has never been liquor in the house before that I can remember of. Very few of the alumni ever brought liquor into the house. This class that they did expell or suspend was the most suspicious class we ever had and this was the first instance that we could prove that they had brought liquor into the house.

Since it was the first instance we thought it was the proper time to set a precedent and we did it. As it was there, we took immediate action because if we had not, we would have gotten into serious difficulties. It was considered by the University to take our charter away from us so the only thing for us to do was to suspend these fellows. I think it is a good thing that that was the only thing we could do. It set a precedent which the other fellows can follow.

The day after that happened I know of ten

fraternity presidents in Michigan who went home and talked to their actives about it and they all put rules in force to keep liquor out of their houses. They were really scared. Soon after our house got it one other house was raided. Although there are lots of fraternity houses there that have liquor all the time, I think it has affected lots of the fraternities.

I don't believe any man will bring liquor into our house for the next five or ten years. It is the first time we have had proof of anybody bringing it in and this time we have given them all we could give. I have had letters from members of the senior class who were suspended and they are not angry at the house one bit for what we did. They are sorry they did it.

They see it was wrong and they have offered to write letters to actives to be read at the next chapter meeting telling what a lesson it taught them. This oath is taken when you are initiated and I don't see any reason why it can't be enforced in the house. The time to act is the first time you have any evidence of liquor in the house and then really take some action. I think the problem is settled for good in our house.

BROTHER McCARTHY (Iota Chapter): When the alumni come back, that is within the last two years, they have said, "What has happened to this house?" They can't

understand what has taken place with the new members. We did have a drinking crowd in my freshman year. We had two in my sophomore year and I know of two last year. Those boys were a hard proposition.

Our most trouble is at our social functions when boys from other places come in. It is a hard proposition but I think we are coming closer and closer every day to meeting this problem in Iota.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You feel your present group is in favor of enforcement of this proposition?

BROTHER McCARTHY: I do. The present officers are, to my knowledge. Even tonight, coming back from the corn roast, one of the boys who sat beside me said, "Next year we are going to have a banner year. There is not a drinking man in the house."

BROTHER BEKKEDALL (Kappa Chapter): We have a fine in our chapter for drinking liquor in the house and there are fines levied each semester. I think less fines were levied this last year, both semesters, then the year before, due to the simple fact that those levied this year were all collected. Before most of them were appealed and dropped.

I have been in the house only two years but the amount of drinking has been great in that time. Last year I think the situation was a whole lot better because

they let it be known that they really meant business. We have trouble with our alumni but I think that was better too this last year, a whole lot better than the year before. I don't know what we can do about it. Probably giving this power to the Grand Prudential Committee will help.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The proposition of giving power to the Grand Prudential Committee to enforce this proposition is not the thought of making them police officers to enforce these rules. The reason I am asking for this discussion is to try to impress on the men here just what the situation is so that they can go back to their chapters and see that this rule is carried out.

The amendment is incidental to this particular thing we are discussing because the amendment gives the Prudential Committee this authority provided, or in isolated cases where, the chapters or somebody else fails or refuses to carry it out. I don't believe the chapters feel they can forget about it and let the Prudential Committee do it because you won't get any Prudential Committee to assume that authority.

They are not going to spend their time in enforcing this proposition which you men who are in office should see is enforced. Of course the Prudential Committee or National organization might use their influence in connection with alumni and they might, if conditions got so they

thought it best, notify certain alumni that they, as a National organization, were going to take action against alumni for the purpose of showing alumni that they couldn't do as they pleased. But I don't believe that the chapters should ever feel that this is something that they can let alone on the theory that the Prudential Committee is going to take care of it.

BROTHER MATHIS (Lambda Chapter): We have an unusual situation at Columbia since we have a President who is not in favor of the Prohibition Amendment. Nevertheless, I don't think that situation is hurting our fraternity. There are a few exceptions of drinking in the house, but they are very few and you can enumerate them to one or two social events we have during the year.

Our greatest handicap comes from the fact that it is quite apparent that other fraternities on the campus do not have regulations about drinking and when there are open house functions they seem to flock in and disregard our rules, but the attitude among the members is strongly against it. If there were to be any serious violation of that rule of the fraternity I feel quite confident that action would be taken immediately.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you believe that we should wait until it gets to be a matter of excesses? If it happens only occasionally we will let it ride but if

it goes too far we will do something. Do you think that is a proper way to look at it? That is what I am trying to draw out in this discussion.

BROTHER MATHIS: I will say that that is not the right attitude because the person takes the oath that that offense will not be committed, then if it is committed, it should be attended it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It goes still further. It goes back again to the question of self preservation because if you permit a little of it here and there, now and then, it will just increase in volume and your institution may step in get your proposition before you do anything because they think it is excessive before you do and act.

BROTHER MATHIS: I don't think that would be the attitude of the institution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to see you go back with the thought that we should get after these incidental violations and not wait for a matter of excess. You can see that the National organization is stirred up about this question and I think something is going to be done about it. I am going to do all I can.

BROTHER MATHIS: I know one thing, that if we have an H. S. P. who will really exert his authority in speaking to the men, the situation is much better. But if

we have a lax one it is harder to enforce this.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That isn't a matter that should be laid entirely at the door of the H. S. P. Any individual man in the house who is strongly in favor of this proposition should take it upon himself to bring the matter up in chapter meetings and let the chapter act on it.

I would go farther and say that if I was a member of a chapter and I felt my chapter had the wrong slant on this thing and because of certain influences they were that way, I would report it to National Headquarters. That is the time the Prudential Committee might step in but I think the chapter ought of itself to go ahead and do something. I don't think it should be left to the H. S. P. Every member has the same rights and he should feel that it is his duty to see that this is enforced.

BROTHER MATHIS: What are you going to do in the case of a fellow who is quite active in the house; it is very unusual for him to drink; it isn't customary that there should be drinking in the house, but on one occasion he brings in a pint bottle? Is that man to be kicked out?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't say that a man should receive the extreme penalty the first time you happen to catch him. But I should say that that man should be warned that that was perhaps his first offense

but if he were caught again something serious would happen.

BROTHER MATHIS: That was what I was referring to with regard to the H. S. P.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Why rely on the H. S. P? You may have one who has a wrong slant on the situation and who does not appreciate what it may mean to the chapter.

BROTHER BANNER: I think that is a typical case, and it is a good example of why we ought to do something. Let's say that some man in the house, not the H. S. P., was caught with a pint or quart but he isn't drinking an awful lot. There should be a mild penalty, perhaps only a good warning, but if nothing can be done in the chapters that is just the time you should appeal to the Grand Prudential Committee.

Now very often the man is an active member, I mean active in outside thing around the college, not the kind of fellow you like to suspend or call down. Then that is just the time when you should appeal to the Prudential Committee and they can give a much better warning or punishment than you can who are close to him.

I think that is the best example you can have of the need for this amendment.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON (Mu Chapter): I don't think the liquor question at Washington is different from

that of other chapters. In most cases we are able to control the question but there are times when a little aid from the Grand Prudential Committee would be more than welcome.

There have been times in the history of Alpha Sigma Phi, Mu Chapter, when some particular individual, well liked by the group as a whole, very popular with the men, whose friends are in the majority, who has violated this oath, and it is very easy to see that we can do very little to him. In a situation like that we would more than welcome assistance from the Prudential Committee.

I have seen it in my own experience in the house, time and time again, especially when I was an under classman and could do very little. The upper classmen resent it so there is little the under classmen can do but they could do a great deal if the Grand Prudential Committee had the authority to initiate proceedings.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Any individual can take it upon himself to write to National Headquarters without authority from the chapter. There is no need to bring the thing up. I presume the Prudential Committee might very well be willing to help out in those particular instances. But they are not going to get into the proposition of trying to do the work the chapters should do. In a case such as you speak of where the chapter refuses to act I think the Prudential Committee would feel they wanted to help

you.

BROTHER FOX (Nu Chapter): I don't suppose I have as pretty a story as some of the others but I can assure you these are facts. There is drinking going on in Nu Chapter. There has been for three years and I could guess for seven more before that. I don't want you to get the impression that we are carrying a regular bar room there because we aren't.

The boys do their drinking quietly whenever they feel like it. Any action that has been taken has been during the time I was there. The first time it was brought up we decided we wouldn't have any drinking. The President was instructed to fine everyone \$5 who was caught with liquor in the house. The President did that and we had \$50 in fines on the books and they have never been paid.

We have tried every way I know of except suspension or expulsion and there is no way of stopping it. I suppose suspension or expulsion would be an answer to it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Don't you think it worth it?

BROTHER FOX: There you are up against the problem that a person hates to put a man out of the house because he knows him too well. When you have a majority in the house that aren't exactly in favor of drinking -- yes, I guess you would say they are in favor -- well, it is a hard

proposition.

We have found that the only and best way to cope with the problem was to say nothing and we are doing just that. The drinking is done quietly and by a certain crowd that doesn't go around bragging about it or anything like that. When there is any attempt at enforcement it goes on at a larger scale and when nothing is said it is done very quietly. We have tried that during the last year and it has been very satisfactory but I still admit there has been drinking.

As far as passing any such blanket resolution to allow the Prudential Committee to have the power to do anything it wanted in regard to any one of the rules, I am quite sure, although I would be in favor of it, that the chapter would not. I don't think it would ever pass in our house. I would even fear for a rule which would specifically cover drinking.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This isn't going to cover drinking alone. It is going to cover the entire situation and should have been in the Constitution long ago. There is no use of having a Committee if they have no authority. They are made the officers to carry out the discipline of the fraternity and through a mishap they were not given the means and methods of doing that. They certainly are in a peculiar position. This proposition is an incidental

matter in connection with that particular motion.

BROTHER FOX: That is what I say. As far as I am concerned, I would be in favor of voting for it but I feel very, very sure that such a motion would receive a no answer from Nu Chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You feel that under the condition it would be impossible to get started or put through any proceedings for expulsion or suspension for any cause?

BROTHER FOX: With the class we have in at the present time, I am quite sure it would be impossible. It may be that at a future date, if a majority were on the dry side, it wouldn't be, but I know positively that right now any such motion would be lost. The majority is always on the opposite side from what the Prudential Committee wants it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Just because they may be drinking men, I don't see why that should have anything to do with the proposition of fulfilling this obligation.

BROTHER FOX: It is an obligation but those are the facts.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: What is the attitude of the institution?

BROTHER FOX: They don't pay any attention to it.

In case of a brawl they expell the men but as a whole they never hear of it. It is a situation that prevails in Berkeley. It is a large city close to a larger one. San Francisco and the whole Pacific Coast is wet.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is wet all over. We all appreciate that fact.

BROTHER FOX: The alumni are another problem because it is the same as in any other chapter. They come around to the big games and dances and they are off again. I don't see how I could more frankly or plainly state the case.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Every man has been very frank about the proposition and I think that is the sort of discussion we ought to have at a meeting of this kind. I don't think any chapter ought to feel afraid to let the other chapters know how good or how rotten they may be. I think we are all in the same boat; all brothers in the same organization, and what is one member's and one chapter's business is the others' insofar as it affects Alpha Sigma Phi.

BROTHER FOX: I don't like that comparison of chapters; how good or how rotten they may be.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is a bad habit of mine. I wasn't referring to this matter that a chapter might be good or rotten with respect to anything that

might affect the chapters.

BROTHER FOX: The situation is a man's individual opinion. We have twenty-six inside men and twelve or fourteen outside men. To those twenty-six inside men the fraternity house is their home. They have no other place to go to drink unless they go to a speak-easy and when they see the other fourteen men going to their homes or places like that and doing their drinking whenever they want to, they feel why shouldn't they have the right to go to their home, which is the fraternity house, and have their little party?

As I say, they do it very quietly. There is no rough stuff but the fact remains that there is drinking.

BROTHER COOGAN (Upsilon Chapter): I believe Nu represents the typical chapter. Each man before him stated the case in exactly the same way and I think you too must agree, must recognize, that you cannot create a spirit within the chapter wherein there will be that spirit of cooperation so that each man will cooperate with the administration in enforcing this oath.

Within the chapter you build up friendships regardless of your habits, whether they be drinking or otherwise and a boy who is ardently dry wouldn't report a brother whom he sees drinking in the house. He is whole-heartedly in favor of enforcing this oath but he has been living with

this boy and they are very good friends. He likes him and wants him for a friend and thinks too much of him to report him. You are going to meet that situation in every chapter and it is practically impossible to overcome it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I should think if this man were a close friend of yours you might feel that he was a man who ought to be brought before the officers of the chapter because somebody that didn't like him might report him and insist upon his being brought up in real trial.

BROTHER COOGAN: You would no doubt plead with him yourself. But I agree with one brother that you must have a strong local administration. You must have a strong H. S. P. and it must go on his shoulders. I will give you the story of our chapter. Drinking broke out last fall more than in any previous year. It went along until a football game week end when alumni came back and brought liquor with them.

Alumni drank in the house and brothers drank in the house and I saw it as others did. We had our first meeting right after that week end. Most of them wanted to hush it. Our H. S. P., unimpeachable in every other way, hadn't the guts to go through with it. He didn't want to push his case. I championed the cause of enforcing the oath and penalizing both the alumni and the actives who were

guilty. I worked for two days prior to the meeting and worked up the resolution and even the letter to circularize among the alumni.

You have met the case that the majority are dry and want this sort of thing cut out. It is only a minority that drink and will retain liquor or continue to drink it in the house. Now in a meeting, if there is a man there to head the majority and lead them he can get them to vote against the wets in the chapter, but if you have no one to lead, the case stays there because of friendships existing between members. Your minority is small and the majority can crush them in every chapter with the right kind of leadership.

In our particular case, I championed the cause of the drys and got this majority of drys behind me. The actives, who were first offenders, were fined \$25 each with the added provision that on second offense they would be suspended or expelled according to the will of the chapter. An alumnus, as my motion read and passed, was expelled. The president, however, was lax in that particular feature of his administration.

The fines were collected and the actives penalized, and some pledges were brought into the meeting and told the entire case and a few pledges among them who were guilty were told that on second offense they wouldn't

be initiated.

It was the H. S. P's. business to see that these instructions were carried out. I was too busy. It was near an election that I sought and I was around the chapter house very little. That thing passed over. Three months passed and National Headquarters hadn't been notified that this man was expelled and neither had the individual member.

Then election time came along and I was elected H. S. P. By that time the case was so old that it was dropped, but only after I had notified National Headquarters. No action was gone ahead with because it wasn't under my administration and I didn't think I should go ahead with it.

With me in the chair, they knew I was dry. I informed them the night I was installed that all the authority I had in the case and the severest penalties would be meted out to every one guilty of violating this oath. Our chapter took a new trend. I knew I had the majority behind me. The small minority knew I had it. They knew they were squelched, and Junior Prom Week, the wettest Junior Prom the college ever had, our dance was the driest we have ever had and the driest in the college.

It was dry because they knew that had an H. S. P. who had the guts to go ahead and penalize any man

who violated the oath. Now I believe you will recognize that in every chapter the case is the same. You have got to have a strong local administration to push the case. You must recognize too, that as the administration changes from year to year that your local administration will be weak, lax like ours was in that one case.

That is when you need that provision that has been suggested, because you will have a man among the membership who will want the case pushed but who will not have the administration behind him. He will drop a letter to National Headquarters and they will step in and take the case. The way it now stands you have to depend on the local administration.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think you are right. There is no question but what that is true of the enforcement of ordinary laws. If the officers refuse to enforce them you are up against it. Your statement of that case is certainly true.

BROTHER WILSON: This discussion reminds me of a case we had. In reading the Constitution on expulsion, it calls for a trial by jury and the active chapter is to act as a jury. Now Brother Knapp's plan of Eta is wrong according to the Constitution because you cannot suspend a man by a Council as he says.

The Constitution says that a man cannot be

suspended without this trial by jury and it takes a two thirds vote of the quorum present to convict a man so you can easily see that if a man is brought up in chapter meeting for violating these provisions on liquor, if he has a few friends he is not going to be convicted.

You can put in your local Constitution that he will be fined for the first offense but you have to prove him guilty before you can suspend him. Something like this plan of having this council consisting of the chapter officers may be a better way of enforcing this, but the way the law reads now on suspension and expulsion, there are too many loop holes and it is too easy to get around the law.

We had a man literally steal \$300 from us and I had to chop a few heads off before we could convict him of that. If you can't convict a brother for stealing money from you, how are you going to get conviction for a man taking liquor into the house. I think the legislation on expulsion could be improved a lot.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think myself if you fellows want this further discussion we had better get along to each man. If you would rather have the matters mentioned by the other men discussed further, I am willing to do that, but we want to get through with this question tonight.

BROTHER LARSON (Xi Chapter): The same situation

exists in Nebraska as in other schools of say 10,000 students or more. Drinking is a good old Dutch custom and everybody seems to stick to it. Contrary to Harvard and other schools where the question has come in the last year or two, in Nebraska it has just been done away with since last April. Before that it was bad and not only the rules on drinking were broken but one of the other cardinal principles was broken sometime ago.

I well remember about two weeks after I was initiated, two other men were in my room having a little session and we went into one of the other fellow's room and we found one of the prominent seniors, prominent in the fraternity and on the campus, just taking a pint bottle out of his trunk. Of course we had memorized the oath. Well, the next Monday night we brought it up in chapter meeting. It was just passed over and the H. S. P. said we had a lot of nerve to bring that up in meeting against one of the prominent seniors.

The majority were wet, absolutely, and they believed in the old custom. In a case like that, if we had had an appeal to the Grand Prudential Committee, something might have been done. But it is mighty hard to cope with cases like that.

We have three new men in the three highest offices and times have changed. There is still liquor in the

house and we have tried to find it but they seem to get it out ahead of us. We even went so far as to search rooms and trunks and dressers and everything and we have scared them out by threatening suspension.

The alumni gave us considerable trouble before and we found the best way to handle the situation when they came back was to tell them they could not drink in the house. They have been cooperating with us in this and if they want to drink they get a hotel room and do their drinking there.

If you have a strong administration you can control the drinking situation. But three years from now, when they get a new crowd, they may have a wet majority. That is the time when we need a higher power to appeal to, the power of the Grand Prudential Committee to step in and take care of it for us.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI:

Brother Scott is not here so I will give you the report of Omicron Chapter. So far as I know, the problem of drinking has never arisen at Omicron. Because it is a large city, there is no drinking in the house. The fellows can drink other places. There are plenty of speak-easies in Philadelphia and there are plenty of hotels and parties held in various parts of the city so it is not necessary to drink in the house.

For that reason, I don't believe the problem

arisen. The alumni have that part of the oath so firmly fixed in their minds that I believe any violation would lead to a trial and be backed by the entire chapter.

BROTHER BOBIER (Pi Chapter): Pi Chapter didn't have any trouble the past year or a short time previous to that. Drinking had never been heard of inside of the house up until 1923 or 1924. In 1922 one of the brothers took it upon himself to disregard the chapter's rules and regulations and told them they could do nothing about it but he was expelled. That is the only expulsion I know of ever going through in Pi Chapter and it was all that was necessary to let the others know the officers meant business.

About 1924 and 1925 there began to be drinking about the house and it got to be pretty bad and the chapter suffered from it. About the spring of 1928 we had trouble with two or three men gambling and drinking in the house so we finally laid down the law that the first man caught at it was going to be seriously dealt with. We fined three men for gambling -- \$15 with thirty days to pay it or expulsion proceedings would be taken.

We had only one man who violated the liquor rule. We brought him up for expulsion last fall. He was not expelled, failing by one vote to have a two thirds majority for conviction, but it seemed to be all that was necessary to completely stop any violations. We had the

chapter thoroughly scared.

That is the way to deal with this thing. There isn't any question about it, but I can see where in some chapters, if the balance of power is the other way, it is hard to do anything about it. I think, therefore, that the Grand Prudential Committee should be given power to step in and do something. You will seldom find an instance where there is not one man who has nerve enough to write to National Headquarters and tell them the facts.

I wouldn't hesitate to bring my best friend up for expulsion if he violated this oath. I would tell him first and if he insisted on violating it, I would bring him up. Our officers are drastic. We have been criticized for being too drastic but it is showing results.

We have had some trouble with alumni. Shortly after we built the new house we went to the Alumni Association and told them the success of our new house depended upon our reputation in Boulder and we were not going to tolerate drinking in the house and they have helped us. I have no doubt but that some of them have brought liquor in and I have no doubt but that actives have brought liquor in once or twice during the year. But I knew nothing about it and nobody else did. If they did, they took it in quietly and let nobody know about it because they are thoroughly scared. They know that about the first time it is found out there will

be trouble.

That is the way to deal with the situation if possible in the chapter. I am not in favor of fines or suspension. I think the man should be warned the first time and if he violates the oath again he should be expelled. Expell him and that will stop ten or fifteen other cases.

BROTHER KAKELA (Rho Chapter): Minnesota Campus has always been pretty damp and there has always been drinking going on in all the fraternities there. There is plenty in our house and always has been. I came on the campus in 1923 and I know there was plenty of drinking going on at our house then and there has been ever since until this year.

Last fall we had lots of it after the football games and during the fall parties, but the Alumni Association brought pressure to bear on the chapter because they own the house and they threatened to throw the chapter out of the house.

We cut out drinking after Christmas and there was no drinking in the house from that time on and this spring we got a new administration. The H. S. P. is on the dry side and he has brought pressure to bear so there is very little drinking. There is some but not much. Nothing definite has been done about it but I think Rho, the majority at least, are in favor of some action being taken.

BROTHER MAYES (Sigma Chapter): This seems to be quite different from the reports we have heard but there is absolutely no drinking in the house at Sigma Chapter. (Applause) I am not trying to paint Sigma as a bunch of goodies but when we have drinking to do we go to the Kappa Sig house or something like that. They never have any rules and they invite us over and there is no use in not making good use of a good proposition. (Laughter)

This seems to be quite a humorous speech but that is the situation and the way we handle the situation when there is drinking done. At Sigma everybody was drinking and we thought we would have to hold our sessions out in somebody's barn but we finally secured a secluded spot a couple of miles from town and we can do all the drinking we want to there. Kentucky is a good place to get good corn liquor and we drink plenty. (Laughter)

I am just trying to tell you that you can get around this drinking in the houses if you will just use your heads a little. (Laughter) I don't know why you won't bear me out in my statements. No matter how drunk a man gets he remembers that when he got his pledge button he was warned that there was to be no drinking or gambling in the house and nobody wants to walk over the rules.

Ever since we have been a member of Alpha Sigma Phi we have ranked as one of the three driest fraternities on

the campus. We have no liquor in the house while others have absolutely no rules to keep from it. That is the situation with us and when any of the fellows want to drink they go to some speak-easy or hotel. I have known fellows to go to hotels for their parties and whenever we have a dance, the fellows put a ban on liquor at our dances.

We go to anybody else's dances and drink all we want to but absolutely there is a ban on it at our dances and there is no drinking by members of our fraternity. When we invite other fellows it is not a chapter bid. We send out individual bids and it is known at the University of Kentucky that there will be no drinking at Alpha Sig dances. At our formal there was one man drunk and he was an A. T. O. and we got rid of him before the dance was well under way, and I don't recall another man who had had a drink at the formal.

It is like bringing fire into Alpha Sig house to bring liquor into the house. We are not a bunch of fellows that do not drink at all. We drink plenty but we do it outside of the house. (Laughter)

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We appreciate that the men from Kentucky have guts at least.

BROTHER O'BRIEN (Tau Chapter): We have an entirely different situation in Tau Chapter. Although our President is entirely against fraternities as a whole, he

feels that in due time the fraternities will do away with themselves anyway. During the past year, and this is true of every year, we have a Men's Council that takes care of drinking unbecoming to Stanford gentlemen, and during these last years it has averaged about five men expelled from the University per year.

Although Senator Borah is from the West, we don't include him on the Pacific Coast. We always seem to have liquor around and if we were to start expelling, well, we have sixteen men in the house and we soon wouldn't have any left, and to fine them is just adding to our bad debts.

However, since Hoover has been elected and since Hoover lived on Stanford Campus, all violations have been closed pretty tight. This last year we have been going north to San Francisco and south to San Jose, a distance of about thirty-two miles one way and sixteen miles the other, and the fellows seem to have consumed the liquor on the way or there, and so it is not a question of drinking in the house. It is a question of having liquor inside of you in the house.

Any time we want to drink we sort of get around the question of the National Fraternity rules because we have a flat roof and a fire escape and we don't drink within the walls. (Laughter)

As for our alumni, I think during the last year

there were three alumni around the house. One is a professor and the other two live in Palo Alto. We are not troubled with alumni to any degree. They have all moved to Los Angeles. We have no liquor in the house during our dances. As a matter of fact, we don't have any dances. (Laughter) It seems that due to some unfortunate situation some two years ago we were put on social probation. Although we are due to come off social probation we have no desire to do so.

One house has been put off temporarily for drinking but it is now back on. Whenever we feel it is our duty to give a dance we generally go up to the St. Francis Yacht Club or the Country Club.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I just wonder what the apparent attitude of your chapter is, if they didn't feel that there was any particular necessity for the enforcement of that oath.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: It seems to be a strong tradition at Stanford that the men go out and drink once a month. We have a system there that all freshmen are corralled and there they get the democratic spirit. They start out on the wrong foot and there is no way of crushing them to start with.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We have the report from Brother Coogan of Upsilon so we will go on to

Phi's report.

BROTHER Warburton (Phi Chapter): We are pretty dry at Phi Chapter. I have seen only one pint of liquor in the house in three years. We don't go up on the roof because it is too steep but we can go out in the back yard. In the past years the H. S. P's. have been very strict with us and the gang has been back of them.

There has been only one man drunk at our house dances so far as I know. He was called plenty for it so we don't have any trouble at all and there is no need for worry for this coming year although our campus is becoming more democratic. I think we can keep away from it all right with the gang we have at present.

BROTHER Kalløe (Chi Chapter): The actives of Chi Chapter have been dry for the past two years. The only one who isn't is a man who is an Alpha Sig from the West Coast who makes his home in Chicago. We need his support and therefore we let him drink in peace. (Laughter)

BROTHER Johnson (Psi Chapter): The question of drinking is an old one at Psi but last year we got rid of the drinking element. Last year we had one man that was one of the old gang and he was getting the chapter into hot water all the time so the chapter took upon itself to set a precedent and he was expelled. There are ten men on the faculty who are dry and they keep the contact with the chapter

so the chapter is dry itself.

I think that Psi Chapter would recommend that the Prudential Committee be given this power. At the present time we are dry and very strong for enforcement of the oath.

BROTHER CONN (Alpha Beta Chapter): This liquor situation has given Alpha Beta some concern for a considerable number of years previous to last fall. At that time a couple of brothers created enough disturbance that the chapter was reported to the Dean of the University. He immediately called in the H. S. P. and they had quite a talk.

The situation at Iowa is such that the Dean cooperates with the various fraternity houses on matters of that kind. He is a strong enough Dean that if any man is requested to come in and see him, he can generally sell himself to the man so that the man will go out and behave himself from then on. He won't do anything to occasion being called in again. That is how the situation is handled now.

The chapter Prudential Committee is authorized to report any man in the chapter seen having liquor in the house or creating a disturbance because he has been drinking. Any man who does that is immediately reported to the Dean through the Prudential Committee by the President. As I say,

the Dean is strong enough that he can sell the man the idea that he should check up on himself and be careful in the future.

As to the local house rules on the matter, we have a fine of \$15 but we have never had occasion to apply that fine to any man because of our Prudential Committee handling the situation and the Dean of Men. But I would certainly like to see this convention authorize the Grand Prudential Committee to back up the action of the chapters because then the chapters would really have something to back up their action with.

It might be possible for a chapter to be about to expell a man but the man might not take it very seriously. If the officials of the chapter could say that the Grand Prudential Committee was backing up every move they made and if he didn't abide by their decision they would take steps, then the man would know they meant business. I would like to see them given the power to back up the action the chapter takes.

BROTHER CANNING (Alpha Gamma Chapter): The fellows in our chapter pretty well observe the law. I have seen very little drinking in the house. The alumni bring in most of the liquor but as a rule when they want to drink they do it outside and come in drunk. It is a kind of psychological movement. If they are not allowed to slide I believe

it will be all right but to do that we have to keep after the alumni and keep the administration up strong enough.

If we had something to back us up, something like power in the National Organization, it would probably help us out.

BROTHER CASEY (Alpha Delta Chapter): We are pretty close to Montreal and they run excursion up there week ends and the fellows bring liquor back with them. If we get caught drinking we are put out of school so that means no drinking outside.

Personally, I don't believe the oath should be in the Constitution. I think it is unfair to ask a man to take an oath he never intends to keep. But seeing it is there, it ought to be enforced. During the past three years most of our H. S. P's. lived up in the dormitories and there was no one in the house to have any charge, and things ran wild. Next year I will enforce the law as far as it goes, not because I believe in it, but from a business standpoint and I think it will give the fraternity a longer life and a better name.

BROTHER WRIGHT (Alpha Epsilon Chapter): During the time that I have been in Alpha Epsilon Chapter the liquor question hasn't presented any serious problem, that is drinking inside the house. There was one time about a year ago that there was quite a serious offense and it was brought

up in meeting and the cards were laid right down on the table and the fellows who had committed the offense were told what was thought of their action.

There wasn't any threat of suspension or expulsion but there was more of an appeal made to their honor as men and as brothers in Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity and the fact that they had taken the oath ought to mean something to them. Since that time I don't know of any instance where drinking within the house has presented any trouble.

Whenever the fellows want to fill up they do the same as the fellows at Sigma. They go outside the house and when they come back, that is a different matter, but drinking within the house is nothing to worry about at Syracuse.

BROTHER FRITZ (Alpha Zeta Chapter): Our case is somewhat similar to that at Nu Chapter. There has been some drinking in the house and it got worse the middle of last year. We had it brought up in meeting but we couldn't get a definite rule passed. The majority don't drink in the house but they don't think that they should start making rules to stop drinking.

They think it should be stopped and it was stopped to a considerable extent last year and very little drinking was done in the house. But the fellows wouldn't pass any rule. Several of the fellows suggested fines but

that was voted down..

I think that if some National rule were put into effect, and the Grand Prudential Committee were given power to take action, that I could go back and put it up to them and that they would pass some rules and back up your rules. Unless something is done I believe drinking will go one, to a less degree perhaps, and not get serious.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Why do you think we need any rules? You have your charter and your constitution. You have provisions for penalties for offenses and for expulsion and suspension.

BROTHER FRITZ: It might put the fear of God into their hearts. That is all. It hasn't presented such a serious problem that the majority wouldn't stick by it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is one thing that has been mentioned that is bound to come. In some of the institutions where you have anti-fraternity men on the faculty, there are many houses that some time are going to be raided and closed up under injunction act and that means a lot of money tied up. The fellows ought to bear that in mind because it would only take the matter of a pint of liquor in the house to result in that sort of action's being taken.

BROTHER NEWMAN (Alpha Eta Chapter): Maybe you boys know that Dartmouth is sort of wet, but Alpha Eta

is rather dry. I personally believe that there will be no difficulty in putting the legislation through that Brother Musgrave suggested this evening, at least as far as the drinking proposition goes.

The college regulations are present but not very seriously enforced. The state officials seem to be rather active and the fact that the town's main bootlegger has had a free vacation for six months has rather cramped the style there. As to alumni, they are too scarce to be troublesome. As to the actives, I do not live at the house but during my visits there I have seen only two men under the influence of liquor and I have seen only two flasks and they were seen at the time of the Winter Carnival.

We have another problem which is more serious than the drinking proposition. I don't know whether you boys realize what the gambling situation is there. It is perfectly obvious and it is open and quite common. But we have had so little trouble with the drinking proposition that the boys would very readily come around if this matter of legislation were mentioned to them.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: This is the most remarkable experience meeting I have ever attended. In a general way I am rather amazed at the universal confessions on the part of our boys. I really believed that my fraternity was dry. I know now it is wet. Not in sentiment, no; in practice yes.

Now fellows, I have worked for you and with you for twenty-two years. I want you men to go back to your chapters and say to your active members and to your alumni members that it isn't the question of drinking alone that is involved when you bring liquor into the house. It is a question of your own honor as a man. Think it over seriously; your honor as a man.

You take an oath in a court of law to tell the truth and you go upon the witness stand and tell a lie and be caught at it and you are forthwith considered a perjurer because you are adjudicated such, but you are just as much a perjurer when you take an oath in your fraternity and fail to keep that oath. Men are not by nature or desire perjurers.

I do not drink nor I do not gamble or carouse, but I don't believe I have the right to say other men shall not do it, but I do believe my fraternity seals my lips and my fraternity is right and I am wrong if I do it. I want to tell you this is a serious matter.

For four years I have been on the Interfraternity Conference Executive Committee in New York and we have had that problem brought to us over and over again. We have had it brought to us by presidents of universities and colleges and by the presidents of fraternities and the presidents of individual chapters of fraternities and we know the problem

is serious and is growing more serious.

We know that there is an attempt to throttle our government to subvert the liberties of America and to make a football of the Constitution of the United States under which we as men and as citizens enjoy our liberties and have our rights protected, and we know that the men who are doing that are in a very large number of cases American citizens. A great many of them are natural born, and a great many more of them are foreign born, but they took the oath that they would support and protect the Constitution of the United States which they are violating the very element of to ham-string our Government and our President and our law enforcing officers. But I want to tell you gentlemen it is not going to succeed.

America is going to be protected from itself. The men who are trying to ham-string the Constitution and undermine our liberties are going to fail in their efforts. They are going to fail when the collegians of the United States, the men and women with brains and with ability and fearlessness stand behind the law and our Government.

Let me tell you this: If you have no sentiment in favor of protecting those things you ought to have sentiment in favor of protecting yourself. I don't believe there is a man within the sound of my voice who does not love his fraternity as I love it, and I don't believe any of you would

deliberately go out and try to subvert the best principles of morality and decency, of honor and wisdom and truth and brotherly love. But you are making one mistake. You are looking upon a very serious problem in the light of levity.

For goodness sakes pass this resolution that has been propounded. There isn't any doubt but what you will. Go back to the fellows who are attempting to subvert the very principles upon which our fraternity is founded and say to them, "Boys, you are wrong. You have got to back up upon this and stop it and if you don't stop it the National Fraternity is going to step in and be bold and brave enough to settle it for you."

And as for those fellows who come back as alumni -- I remember Dean Clark coming to us in New York and saying how he had settled a problem he had on the University of Illinois Campus. A lot of alumni had brought bottles and everything of that kind. They had a great University Day there. Not our men but fraternity men had taken those bottles up into the big stadium and actives and they had gotten pretty well soused and then they went to a fraternity house and kept it up.

Dean Clark said he looked over the bunch and he knew he had the evidence and he selected seven men. Four of them happened to belong to one fraternity. The other three were scattered through three other fraternities and this is

what he told us he did: "I sent every one of the seven home but I couldn't reach the alumni who had caused the trouble. I simply called in the Presidents of those fraternities and I laid the proposition down to them and I said, 'Gentlemen, I can't reach these men. The University of Illinois hasn't any influence whatever over your alumni members but you have and if you are going to stand for those men subverting the principles of your fraternity and getting their friends and brothers into trouble with the college authorities, bringing disgrace upon you and the college, upon themselves and upon their families, that is up to you, but if you don't stand for it, and I don't believe you will, you will deal with those men accordingly'."

It is for that reason I want this resolution passed in order that the Grand Prudential Committee may make a few examples of fellows who do come in and violate their oaths and bring disrepute to you, and I want you fellows to not forget the part of the oath which is: "I will not bring it into the house nor will I permit it to be brought in if it is within my power to prevent it."

It will be in your power to prevent it if you will come forward and inform against these men. It is your duty, under your oath, to do it. Have sentiment about it. Brotherly love doesn't mean you shall stand beside a man who has violated his oath and made a perjurer of himself. If

your oath and obligation mean anything they mean that we stand together side by side and are going to protect ourselves.

One other thought as emphasis of what our G. J. P. has told us. It is a matter of self protection and a matter of protection of your home, your college home I mean. All of you fellows have all the way from \$40,000 to \$100,000 invested in college homes. They are mortgaged. What are you going to do about it and what are you going to say to your mortgagees in whatever village or city you happen to live if you wake up and find they have put a year's padlock on your home?

What would you do about it? You are under obligation and you know what it means if you are going to lose your home, your property. You are also going to lose your self respect. There isn't any doubt but what the Michigan incident has been routed through the newspapers of this country from one end to the other. Nobody regrets it more than I do.

I remember the splendid tribute passed upon that chapter in "College Humor," and that was that they did not permit liquor to be brought within their college home. I remember that distinctly and then to think that your seniors should so far forget themselves as to be the guilty ones. It seems almost incredible to me.

I have worked with you for twenty-two years.

I have done my level best to help you in every way I could. I have given the best I had of myself and I want to say to you as men: Go back to your chapters wherever you are and preach self protection to our fraternity and protect its good name because it has been and certainly is being dragged in the mire by men who have taken oaths and broken them blatantly.

BROTHER MAYES: I know exactly what it is for fraternities to be wide open and have absolutely no rules and all kinds of permission to bring anything into the house. It is just this: It is like a crook starting out with a small deed and then he keeps on and on until he is finally caught. If you keep on and do this drinking in the house, you are going to get bolder each time and the Universities are not going to stand for it. The fraternities on our campus were raided but they were warned by a man on the faculty and put out the liquor before they got there.

Personally, it would hurt me terribly to have a chapter of my fraternity kicked off any campus. If it keeps on it is going to grow worse and worse. The time to stop is now when you have a chance, before it is too late, and before anything happens. I hope we authorize the Grand Prudential Committee to do anything in the world they want to. I would much rather the Grand Prudential Committee jerked a charter than to see the chapter kicked off a campus.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It seems to be assumed by some of the men that perhaps I am old fashioned because I don't drink. I have never had any aversion to drinking. At home we had it whenever we wanted it but I never cared for it.

But I don't think anybody has touched on the proposition that the fraternity, as a fraternity, is in existence primarily for the purpose of assisting its members. Now there isn't any question in my mind but what young men coming into the house as freshmen are certainly affected. Their character is affected by the example set them by the men who are in the house. Anybody who knows human nature knows that is a fact.

If the fraternity is going to do everything within its power to demonstrate to these men the things which primarily are considered detrimental to character, if a man gets started too soon and his character is such that he can't, when he gets further along, give up that proposition, then the fraternity has done him harm. Nobody has touched on that side of the proposition and it is a thing that ought to be considered.

I would like to see you go on record that it is the sense of the convention that Alpha Sigma Phi should look into the matter of liquor enforcement in their houses from two standpoints: One, from the standpoint that under

ideals set forth by Alpha Sigma Phi, it is beneficial to members and to initiates that that rule be enforced; and two, from the standpoint of self preservation.

I would like to see such a resolution prepared and passed at this convention, that in addition to this legislation now under consideration.

BROTHER RICE: I have made a note of that particular question. I don't quite understand the purpose of this proposed amendment in this respect. Is it proposed that the Grand Prudential Committee shall be allowed to step in and actually prosecute an individual man in a chapter under the present system of suspension and expulsion, or is it the intention that if a chapter fails to take the action which it should and upon a report of that thing set before the National Headquarters, they shall have the power to suspend the chapter itself for failing to carry out the rules and regulations? To me that last is a much stronger proposition than the former.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think the whole proposition was that the Prudential Committee was to be given authority to act provided the proper parties didn't act.

BROTHER RICE: I think something should be said on the question of prosecuting individual members. You may have a situation which the chapter should meet within its own

province. The Grand Prudential Committee may send a man out to investigate and if it finds the chapter did not prosecute, then it should suspend the chapter itself. You will find that as soon as you turn over police power of this kind to the Grand Prudential Committee that you are thereby giving the chapters an excuse to not do that particular thing which they otherwise would do.

Whether the H. S. P. is a good man or simply lax it is up to the chapter to see that this particular thing is carried out. Even the weakest man in the chapter should feel that the laws of the fraternity should be enforced.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You believe then that this legislation should give the Grand Prudential Committee authority to suspend a chapter for failure to carry out or enforce the liquor or any provisions of our laws that should be carried out, but that they should not be permitted to institute proceedings against any individual.

BROTHER RICE: They should be permitted to have charge of seeing that it is carried out without actually starting proceedings itself against any individual man. In hearing the reports of chapters and hearing the things that have been said on general questions, I have come very earnestly to this conclusion, that on matters of scholarship and on matters of upholding the fraternity standards, the chapters



that have done the most have been those that have kept strongly to those rules.

You can go back over the history of the Fraternity and find that is so. I would be willing to bet right now that a chapter like Dartmouth, starting out with a particularly good scholarship standing, is going to prove one of the strongest chapters. You might remember that for five years and see if it doesn't happen. I am willing to gamble on that proposition simply on the record of Dartmouth to date.

I can't over-emphasize that fact as illustrated by the reports of Omicron and by Alpha. There is your oldest chapter. It started out with the strictest kind of rules laid down by Brother Musgrave. He is responsible for this particular proposition. I have never known a case where liquor has been brought into Alpha Chapter's hall. There is absolutely no thought on the part of any member that he should bring liquor into the hall. I have seen men pause at the door and take a bottle out of their pocket and put it back in the car or dispose of it some other way.

This last year a man came into the hall very drunk and broke another oath. We did not consider his being drunk a violation but he violated another oath because he was drunk. He was suspended at the very next meeting..

You have the same situation at the University

of Pennsylvania. You can drink all you want to, but the fellows drink little as compared to a number of years ago, partly because the stuff isn't worth drinking now days. But I am sure that if you start out on that proposition with the thing ingrained in each member, no matter what happens it is a matter of violation of the oath and nothing else. It is no liquor question at all. It is a matter of the oath.

Something about that particular quality of scholarship makes those chapters pretty high standing chapters. There must be some connection between those two things. I don't believe it is simply a matter of chance, especially when you take such chapters as Alpha and Omicron. They are going along strong and have kept close to those things. I do know there is no liquor question at all at Alpha. There must be some connection.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is a further point that I think all the reports we have heard have demonstrated. If you remember the reports, you will recall that the chapters that found themselves in a hole and the last year have brought themselves out of that hole have put their foot down and said, "This thing has got to stop." That demonstrates that it is essential that that rule be enforced in order to keep your chapter in good shape.

BROTHER FRITZ: I agree with Brother Rice that if a chapter itself did not take action the Grand Prudential

Committee should take action against the chapter and not against the man. If the Committee said, "You take action against the man or we will take action against you," there is no doubt but that the chapter would take action and it wouldn't be necessary for the Grand Prudential Committee to do so. If the Grand Prudential Committee tries to take action against the man, the chapter will probably resent this and hide the facts and cause antagonism between the chapter and National Headquarters.

BROTHER KALLOE: I am afraid if the chapter knew the Grand Prudential Committee would take action against one of their members they would fail to report the case.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: In this one connection I would like to bring forth the facts of the machinery in effect now for suspension or expulsion of chapters. During the past two years there have been several resolutions passed by the chapters, defining what the Grand Prudential Committee can do in regard to suspending a chapter.

It is a very cumbersome piece of legislation. As I remember, it would take a year or two years before they could take action on anything of this sort and in the meantime the chapter is under the ban, so to speak, but has all the rights of an active chapter. It is a very long piece of legislation and would have to be gone into very carefully before such a resolution could be passed.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This is only an amendment.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: The point is that everybody in the Fraternity, with the exception of the Grand Prudential Committee, has this right. In other words, a chapter, an individual, an alumni council, or any such body except the Grand Prudential Committee is empowered to bring action against any individual or chapter. The Committee that is the governing body of the Fraternity has been excluded from that right. It seems that they should have that regardless of this other proposition inasmuch as these other units in our organization have that right.

BROTHER NEWMAN: I would like to know what you mean by "The Grand Prudential Committee shall take action." Isn't it possible for the local chapter to take action and find the man innocent in spite of the fact that he is guilty?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That is absolutely true. Under the system as proposed, as I understand it, the Grand Prudential Committee would be the complainant. It would appoint the judges but the chapter is the jury. It would be very easy, after they had heard all the evidence, to find the man innocent and the matter would be closed.

I think that by any suggestion of any proceed-

ings by the Grand Prudential Committee, you are just loading that Committee down, making it step into a hornets' nest. Some other method of convicting a man should certainly be instituted. As you have it now, the chapter is the jury and finds the facts. The judges simply apply them. If the jury finds the man innocent, he is discharged and we go on as we have gone on before despite all the new machinery.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Brother Jagocki is wrong as to the present laws governing the fraternity. The chapters are not the jury. The charges have to be preferred and heard before a trial commissioner who must be appointed by the Grand Prudential Committee in the event of a grand officer or chapter or alumni council or something of that sort, and in the event the chapter is the complainant, he is appointed by the H. S. P. of the chapter.

The evidence is then taken before this trial commissioner, reduced to writing, made formal, and sent to National Headquarters where it is then tried before three judges as appointed by the Grand Prudential Committee, each of which shall be from a chapter different than the ones that are in the controversy, and those judges then find evidence, whether the man is guilty or otherwise, and fix the penalty.

If either side is dissatisfied, they may appeal and then there must be a new supreme court appointed composed

of five judges, none of which shall be from chapters of the complaining parties nor the chapters of the three trial judges. The idea in that was to throw around every element of protection from every element of prejudice or sentiment in the matter. The supreme court then passes again upon the subject and either affirms, increases, reduces, or reverses the judgment of the lower court.

If it is the desire of the chapters to grant this other power that has been suggested by Brother Rice, I think an entirely different amendment will be necessary instead of the one that is now pending.

BROTHER RICE: I have no interest in the matter except to find the best possible way of handling this. As to Brother Jagocki's advice with regard to the standing of the Grand Prudential Committee, my own personal feeling is that the Grand Prudential Committee is the executive and administrative body of this organization. It is bound to look out for us with respect to violations of people selling jewelry; it takes care of internal administration; it is most effective in its work if it keeps out of all controversies, and goodness knows it has enough ordinary work without this.

Therefore, it is most effective if it can pass the buck in that particular case along to the chapter who after all should take care of that matter. If the

chapter fails to do it, the Grand Prudential Committee should then say, "You must perform your duty or you must get out." It seems that is placing a great deal upon the Committee to oblige them to look up individual cases and get them into numerous controversies.

If you are going to bring this up, you ought to have a roll call to get the opinion of the delegates on the question of suspension of chapters by the Grand Prudential Committee, or the question of the Grand Prudential Committee stepping in as prosecutors. They are separate questions.

BROTHER TOADVINE: I don't believe there is any effort on the part of anyone to confuse this with Volsteadism. That is an entirely different problem. We cannot stop brothers from drinking and, As Brother Musgrave remarked, we don't want to.

But this is a matter of self preservation. The time is coming, I feel, when certain universities which are not as liberal as others are going to make examples of the first fraternity they can lay their hands on. I believe if one of our chapters was thrown off a campus that other university faculties would take that as a cue to watch Alpha Sigma Phi particularly closely and if conditions were at the worst, one or two other chapters might go the same way very quickly and it might spread like wild fire.

Looking at it from the standpoint of self

preservation in addition to the important fact that there has been an oath taken, I feel we must arrive at some proper solution of this problem which will tend to clear up a situation which undoubtedly exists.

We all have the greatest faith in the present Grand Prudential Committee. I think it is the best one that has been at the head of the fraternity in the comparatively short time that I have been a member. I haven't any doubt but that the present Chairman, Brother Jagocki, will be returned. I know he feels exactly the same in this situation as do Brothers Clarke, Musgrave, and others.

Therefore, I would suggest that Brother Jagocki, inasmuch as he is more or less charged at the present time and undoubtedly fully charged in the future with the solution of this problem, get up and tell the convention what he believes he needs to clear up the situation which exists today. Therefore, I request that the Chairman ask Brother Jagocki to give his opinion as to what power the Grand Prudential Committee needs.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I had that very thought in mind. I was going to ask him which plan he was interested in, the one that is proposed by Brother Musgrave's resolution or the one suggested by Brother Rice.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think that we should have both. I think the Grand Prudential

Committee needs both. In the past whenever any situation of this kind has been called to the attention of the Committee, it has immediately recommended to the chapter that it take proceedings and then until a request comes for appointment of judges we have been through with the proposition.

I can very well conceive of a case where the chapter would take no action and in that case the Prudential Committee should be in a position of saying to that chapter, "This is a flagrant case of insubordination. We may take proceedings against you to suspend you," or in such a flagrant case we could proceed to the appointment of a court and be the complainants ourselves.

In the case of Theta Chapter, we have at the present time sufficient evidence to convict those men in any court. We have their admission in writing, and if Theta Chapter, just for example, refused to proceed against these men, we are in a position then to proceed against them. Since that case received so much publicity I believe we should proceed against them. They have been suspended but not expelled. They have been suspended on their own plea of guilty where no proceedings were necessary.

They have come into the chapter and pleaded guilty and the chapter has immediately suspended them without going through the machinery, which was perfectly proper, but I think the case merits even more drastic action

and that is expulsion, and with the publicity that would be given that, I think we would take a long step toward solving the problem in other chapters.

I do think that whatever officer has charge of this work, he should be in a position to have every club that might be given to him if the matter is considered by the fraternity to be so important.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: In this proposition the Grand Prudential Committee is in the same situation as the United States Government. The violation is not only a violation of the chapter Constitution but it is a violation of the National Constitution. They should be in a position to institute proceedings as prosecutors against anybody that violates the National Constitution.

BROTHER HOFELICH: I wonder if there is any reason for making an example of the men at Michigan by expelling them from the fraternity. They have been suspended and as you have heard there has been drinking by men in almost every chapter in the fraternity. These men have been suspended and that is something that hasn't been done in any other chapter. So why should you go to the extreme of expelling these men? They have been suspended for not even drinking the beer in the house but for putting it there to be taken out before it was drank. I think suspension is stiff enough.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is my own chapter but I don't agree with you.

BROTHER TOADVINE: Only two men put that liquor in the house, as I understand it. The other eight were suspended because they purchased. That was not a violation against the rules of the fraternity.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Brother Jagocki hasn't gone into the question of how many should be expelled. But it is a situation that should be drastically acted upon.

BROTHER COCHRAN: Brother Jagocki has given the action that he desires-both this and Brother Rice's scheme. Might it not be a good suggestion to ask Brother Musgrave if he approves, and if so to draw up a new resolution incorporating these things in the resolution?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Resolutions Committee can report either or both as they see fit.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I am perfectly willing to assist in any way but I simply did not know what was desired. I would suggest that Brother Jagocki draw up the second resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think it will need consideration on the part of all of you. This thing will need a lot of consideration. You have got to find out what your Constitution provides. A great deal of legislation goes through. You may pass an act that is already

provided for.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I might suggest that last year our California Chapter succeeded in getting some legislation through that ham-strung the power of the Executive Committee to suspend a chapter and gave the chapter power, even though suspended, to flagrantly go ahead and operate, notwithstanding that there was an attempt to punish it. I shall certainly provide for a repeal of that legislation.

BROTHER FOX: Why can't we keep down to things that are really practical? You are going to have an awfully hard time if you try to put both those laws through. I am not a mind reader and I cannot tell what the other chapters are going to do, nor do I want to appear radical on the subject, but if you get through this one piece of legislation which will grant the Grand Prudential Committee the power to suspend a chapter, that would be a good stroke of business, but I don't believe you could put both through.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They can be put through but they should not be tied up together so that one can kill the other. If the chapter wants one but not the other they can pass that one.

BROTHER RICE: There is no power there to suspend the chapter. It ought to be there.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: That was repealed after the

last convention.

BROTHER RICE: That may have to go under the form of a Constitutional amendment.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think it is time for the chapters to get over the childish habit of always feeling that they have got to hold National Headquarters down. They don't want them to be able to dictate to them. That is the real strength of our organization. If we haven't any body in our organization that can see that the National rules are enforced, I don't see where the fraternity has any strength at all.

Each chapter can run its own chapter to suit itself. I cannot see any reason for either one of these resolutions being voted down. I don't think it would be a master stroke to get them across. They are for the protection of the fraternity. Why should the chapter take the attitude that the Grand Prudential Committee is trying to override them and run them?

Certainly the Grand Prudential Committee will always be composed of at least a majority of men that will try to handle things in the right manner. If the chapter enforces its own rules it will not come under the jurisdiction of the Prudential Committee. Our chapter will welcome any chance to get some stronger force behind us to discipline men we have trouble disciplining ourselves.

Many chapters have admitted that they were helpless. If they don't want to remain helpless they should turn to the National Officers and appeal for help rather than stand by and say, "We don't want your help and it is none of your business."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You have the matter in mind, then Cleve. Now what other Committees are there to hear from yet?

BROTHER RICE: Is there going to be any sort of informal vote on that?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would draw up the resolutions as requested and let the thing come up that way. I believe it will go through without much further discussion.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Can't we get the resolutions as concrete entities before us? I drew the first one this morning in a definite form but unfortunately it was not brought down to the meeting tonight and I cannot recall the exact phraseology.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We don't need that tonight.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: My idea is that so far as discussion of this matter is concerned, we have had enough. It is a matter now of the Committee attempting to give us the machinery we are trying to get here as a concrete problem

and perhaps we won't have much discussion tomorrow.

... Announcements ...

... The meeting adjourned at twelve-thirty
o'clock ...

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

September 12, 1929

The meeting convened at nine forty-five o'clock, the Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will please call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and all delegates were present but Delta and Alpha Alpha...

We will now hear a partial report of the Resolutions Committee.

BROTHER RICE: We have a few ready and I believe we can keep up.

RESOLUTION No. 1: Resolved, That this convention shall be known as the Fourteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: In reference to that, I want to make a suggestion as to a correction. In reality this is the Fifteenth National Convention, not the Fourteenth. I want to explain how that happened. There was a special convention called at Marietta in the fall of 1909. That was a special convention at which every National Officer except the G. S. P. was in attendance, at which every chapter in the organization was represented, and it was duly and regularly called at that time.

At that time we were holding annual conventions



and the first had been called the Annual Convention of 1908, the next the Annual Convention of 1909. This was the Special Convention of 1909, and then the next one came as the Third Annual Convention.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Does anybody see any objections to making this correction?

BROTHER RICE: I investigated that matter a number of years ago and came to the conclusion that each convention ought to label itself. The last convention was called the Thirteenth National Convention. Now if we skip one what are we going to do?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: We may amend that by asking that all be corrected back. That is what I had in mind, and calling this one what it really is. There is a notation in the last Tomahawk to the effect that that was regarded as an unofficial convention. I presided at it; I called it; every chapter was represented and it was as much official as any convention.

BROTHER RICE: This is the fourteenth of which we have any record or minutes in the records of the fraternity.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There are minutes of that convention. They were on file in the National Office but were loaned to me. I didn't bring them here because I didn't think it necessary. They were duly recorded by the Grand Secretary who was present at the meeting and reported it. For

some unknown reason we have always ignored that convention. We have numbered the others consecutively. We skipped the 1917 convention but we didn't number it. We passed that number on to the next one. Now I suggest that we go back and number these correctly and make this the fifteenth and amend this resolution.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We are simply opening the door for a long explanation in some history of why this happened. We have such a great deal to explain now that it seems to me this is immaterial. Let's go along with these numbers as we have been, and if it was a special convention throw it out of the numbers and continue as we have been going along without an explanation on this point to the outside world.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think that is something that possibly, if looked into, might be corrected but it is a thing that this convention isn't in a position to handle. It might be worked out between conventions and a proper renumbering lined up but it can't be taken care of here.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I have no objections. I was simply calling your attention to the omission.

BROTHER RICE: Wouldn't it answer your purpose if it was given a special label by itself?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Yes, but the mere statement



that it was unofficial is incorrect.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will somebody move that this resolution be adopted?

BROTHER COOGAN: I move we adopt this resolution.

BROTHER MATHIS: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: This is not a resolution but we were directed to draw up a resolution with regard to the Directory. This is in our Consolidated Laws.

"The G. P. C. shall issue every five years a complete directory of the Fraternity containing the names of all initiates arranged alphabetically and geographically. as to surname only and shall issue a supplement in such form as may be advisable."

That resolution is already in there and we deemed it good enough for the time being. It provides that there shall be no Directory issued for five more years. It has been a law of the Fraternity for some time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It was a misapprehension that it was every two years. Are you satisfied with that, Brother Jagocki?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Yes but I would suggest that that be printed. No one seems to know what they are or how to get them.

BROTHER RICE: We have a resolution to that effect.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I received a copy but I can't find it. But this is my own fault. That takes care of that proposition.

BROTHER RICE: This is a resolution which amends the Consolidated Laws under the heading "Chapters," and is

RESOLUTION No.2: "Resolved, That the Grand Prudential Committee shall, with the aid of such advice from respective chapters as it may obtain, appoint annually a Visiting Committee of three members from each chapter composed of alumni of that chapter or any chapter. The duties of the Committee shall be to visit the chapter from time to time, to visit the chapter whenever so requested by the chapter, and to investigate such matters pertaining to the chapter as may be suggested by the G. P. C. The G. P. C. shall not request said Committee to investigate matters for which the chapter might be criticized or disciplined without having first referred such matters to the Chapter Alumni Secretary, the Board of Trustees, or other corporate body."

There are two points in that I would like to call attention to. This is particularly labeled a Visiting Committee because that seems to be the best name, rather than to imply that the National Organization is trying to exert



any jurisdiction which some other officer might have. The second thing to be borne in mind is that it seemed wise not to allow this Committee to make an independent investigation if it could be done first by the chapters which already have an alumni secretary and a board of trustees who could do the job much better.

Therefore it seemed better to confine this idea to make it appear certain to chapters that it is designed for help and that the National Organization is taking an interest in the chapters rather than any other function. That is the thing we tried to make plain in that particular resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is there any discussion on that resolution? I think it is a step toward what we are after. I can appreciate the same condition here as we have in connection with the matter we discussed last night, that the chapters should be given an opportunity to do the things it should do before anybody else takes steps.

BROTHER FOX: May we have that read again?

... Rereading of Resolution No. 2 ...

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: May I ask for a point of information? Does that mean that if the Grand Prudential Committee hears that a certain chapter is in financial difficulty that it must first request the chapter for a full report on the matter, and then if the

chapter fails to submit such a report the Committee may then request this body to go in there and make the investigation and report?

BROTHER RICE: If you don't hear anything from the chapter the natural thing to do would be to ask the Board of Trustees of the chapter if they have any information. If the Board of Trustees and Alumni Secretary fail to give satisfactory results, then you can ask the Committee to do it.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: What kind of a report could we ask the Committee to give without first submitting it to the chapter or the board of trustees or alumni secretary?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Cleve has in mind a matter of difficulty rather than investigation of general matters. We aren't attempting to limit the Prudential Committee from suggesting that this Visiting Committee go to the house and observe chapter meetings and what is going on, look over finances, etc., and report. You wouldn't object to that. It is a peculiar situation that would require chapter action that he has in mind.

BROTHER RICE: A chapter might have a whole bunch of athletes and refuse to divulge that information and the National Headquarters think they should have publicity on that matter. It might be something the chapter was doing which should be written up in the Tomahawk but which

they were not reporting.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That wasn't what you had in mind, was it Bob?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: It seems to me that almost any investigation or any visit that you might request this Committee to make would be such an investigation as might possibly lead to some disciplinary action and that could not be requested unless you first submitted it to the board of trustees or to the chapters or requested such an investigation from them. Therefore, I don't see the purpose of this thing at all. There is nothing to it.

As for asking them what they think their house is worth, we get that information without an Alumni Committee. We know all those things and it is only in matters which might lead to disciplinary action that you would want such a committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: As a matter of fact, they haven't the authority to act on matters.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We can't even ask them to make a report unless we first ask the chapter or the board of trustees to make such a report.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I don't believe that it is intended that this committee of alumni shall go spying around to see what is wrong. I think the intent of this

Committee is to have three alumni near the chapter to whom the fellows could turn for any advice they needed. Or have this Committee line up other alumni in the section. For instance, have the alumni of Ohio State have three key men to whom the actives could turn and line up other alumni in Columbus and the surrounding section so that any time you want anything done by the whole body, you will have active, interested alumni and have key men to tie into.

All the chapters have those men. All we want is their names. They do help you materially in rushing. They help you during your initiation work. They do a lot of things. But we want to have official recognition of those men so that Headquarters itself, any time they need a man to do work in Columbus, California, Kentucky, or anywhere, they know to whom to write to have it done in a hurry.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I would eliminate that phrase, "The Grand Prudential Committee shall not request said Committee to investigate matters for which the chapter might be criticized or disciplined without having first referred such matters to the chapter alumni secretary, the board of trustees, or other corporate body." That is the thing that ties our hands.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Do you think it necessary to put limitations on it? Don't you think they would voluntarily do it?



BROTHER RICE: I have no personal ideas on the subject myself. I simply tried to put down what seemed to be the consensus of opinion.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: It seems to me our difficulty there is that they are attempting limitations and whenever we have injected limitations in we have generally rejected the vote. Now I think that if that resolution was reported out without that limitation we would have just about what we want.

Assume that the Visiting Committee had found things that needed disciplinary action. I believe the next thing the Prudential Committee would do, without limitations upon its own action and entirely upon its own volition, would be to do the things we have requested to be done.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There isn't any reason why the Prudential Committee can't appoint three men to investigate anything they want to.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: It strikes me that that should be cut out.

BROTHER RICE: Let me understand what you want. Would it now seem advisable to cut out the whole phrase about investigating and not mention it at all.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think myself there is no need of mentioning investigations.

BROTHER HESSELBARTH: I think that is a good

idea.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is just a proposition of trying to create in our By-Laws the suggestions of the organization which may go into something of strength. This is my idea of making a start.

BROTHER RICE: The trouble now is that you have nothing in there except that you have a committee composed of three alumni to visit the chapter from time to time and to advise the chapter whenever so requested.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: And to make such reports as the Prudential Committee is inclined to request.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The difficulty seems to be that you are trying to define the duties of this Committee. Merely provide for the appointment of the Committee. The Grand Prudential Committee has the power under the Constitution to make its own rules and let the Grand Prudential Committee make the rules instead of tying ourselves up with a lot of stuff here.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: They want suggestions as to what the Committee should do.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Don't you think it just as well to appoint such a Committee and let the Prudential Committee decide that?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will you read the resolution with that taken out.

BROTHER RICE: Resolution No. 2 would then read:
"Resolved, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title 'Chapters' the following:

'The Grand Prudential Committee shall, with the aid of such advice from the respective chapters as it may obtain, appoint annually a visiting Committee of three members for each chapter, comprised of alumni of that chapter and/or of any chapter. The duties of such Committee shall be to visit the chapter from time to time, to advise the chapter whenever so requested by the chapter, and to make such reports to the Grand Prudential Committee as it shall from time to time request.'"

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is an indication of what the idea is. That doesn't limit them. They can ask for anything they want.

You have heard this resolution. Do you want to move its adoption?

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the resolution be adopted.

BROTHER McCARTHY: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I don't know whether this is in order now or not, but another member of the Grand Prudential Committee has arrived this morning and I would like to have him stand up so the fellows can see him. Brother Cleworth! (Applause)

I received this telegram from Brother Young.

"Impossible to come to Ithica. Very sorry to miss convention. Please give my regards to Clarke, Archibald and any others I know and tell them I am sorry not to see them. Everybody have best time possible."

BROTHER RICE: This will be resolution No. 3, if passed. In reading this through, be kind enough to bear in mind that there are some things that are left indefinite on purpose. I think no other comment is necessary.

RESOLUTION No. 3: "RESOLVED, That Lee Keefer, who was duly elected as an active member of Pi Chapter, but who died before the completion of his initiation into said chapter, be recognized as having been a regular active member of Pi Chapter, upon appropriate action by Pi Chapter. With respect to his Tomahawk Life Subscription, the same shall be continued to his mother as a gift from this fraternity."

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: The following is Resolution No. 4 if adopted. It is an amendment to the Consolidated Laws by adding under the section entitled "Ritual" the following:

"The Grand Prudential Committee shall appoint a standing Ritual Committee composed of three members and shall make such changes in membership from time to time as it may deem wise."

I have purposely put no provision in there with respect to duties or what powers this Committee shall have because it didn't seem wise to do so. If the Ritual Committee finds anything to be done they should do it.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Does that mean we appoint the Ritual Committee? They are to make a survey of the situation, and then what happens?

BROTHER RICE: Any question you wish to submit to this Committee between conventions, you may do so.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That wouldn't change the ritual.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: How would you amend the present Ritual?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: It would have to be by resolution submitted to the chapters.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That Committee is appointed by the Prudential Committee. Wouldn't it have the power to amend the Ritual?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Name some time when this Committee should report. Would it be the next convention, or when?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is left to your discretion.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: We should submit it when we submit the next legislation then?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The way it is now, it is up to you folks to do as you see fit. Do you want something else?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: If I am to be on the Committee, I prefer not to be put in a position where anyone can say we have been officious and instigated things we had no business to mix in. If specific directions are given to do certain things, it places us where we can go ahead and mix in there.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Why not add that a revision of the Ritual be made at an early date and submitted to the chapters for action. That would indicate that it is the desire of the chapters that there be a revision and that it be done at an early date.

BROTHER RICE: Would it effect the same purpose to say the Ritual Committee shall report at each convention?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: We have had in the past a Ritualistic Committee for years, and I want to call attention to their inaction. It seems to me, with all due respect to Brother Jagocki, that if we place him in a position where his Committee appoints this Ritual Committee, with power to change

the personnel thereof if they don't do anything, that that is better than if we attempt to tie his hands by saying that this Committee shall report such and such.

That is up to the Prudential Committee to get a report from the Ritual Committee, then if the Committee fails to act it is up to the Prudential Committee to send out reports to the chapter. It has the power to initiate legislation at interims between conventions.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I believe what Brother Jagocki wants is for this convention to go on record that it is the sense of the Fraternity that it is desired that a revision of the Ritual be gotten out at an early date.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Why not make that as a secondary resolution?

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That is absolutely what I am after.

BROTHER FOX: May I inquire if this is the resolution that was taken up under rough house initiation?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is a resolution to be presented to the effect that it is the sense of the convention that it should be cut down. It is outside of the scope of this.

BROTHER FOX: I would suggest that the Ritual Committee read the Ritual once a year and submit a report on it and if any changes are necessary, they would catch them

each time.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't get just what you have in mind.

BROTHER FOX: Brother Jagocki wanted to be relieved of the responsibility with regard to requiring this Committee to change the Ritual.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It has been suggested that a complete revision be made and he wanted the Fraternity to know the Prudential Committee wasn't doing that of its own volition.

BROTHER FOX: I should think that would make it more permanent. It wouldn't necessarily mean a complete revision each year but they could look into the Ritual and read it over once a year and if any changes were necessary or desirable, they could submit a report and such proper legislation as necessary.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't believe you want that in the By-Laws and that is where it is going.

BROTHER RICE: As I understand it, the present resolution may stand to be voted on as an amendment to the Consolidated Laws, to be followed later by a resolution with another number, asking that a revision of the Ritual be made at an early date. In other words, one resolution is temporary and the other is permanent. As it stands now, there is submitted for adoption

RESOLUTION No. 4: "The Grand Prudential Committee shall appoint a standing Ritual Committee composed of three members and shall make such changes in membership from time to time as it may deem wise."

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of that resolution.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: This resolution will be known as Resolution No. 5 if passed. This is not an amendment to the Consolidated Laws but is simply a transitory resolution.

"Resolved, That the Ritual Committee is hereby requested to submit a revision of the Ritual at or before the next convention."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't think that is the point we are trying to make. The idea is that this Committee is under the jurisdiction of the Grand Prudential Committee and they are not reporting to the convention but to the Grand Prudential Committee.

There should be a resolution that it is the sense of the convention that the present Ritual should be revised at an early date and the Grand Prudential Committee take steps, under their power, to carry that out.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I

think Brother Fox's suggestion very good that the Ritual Committee make a report at least once a year and that they report once a year any necessary changes in the Ritual. That way we would be keeping up to date all the time.

BROTHER FOX: It seems to me you have the resolutions reversed from what we were thinking of. The first seems to be the permanent one and the second one seems to be the temporary one. In the second one you have required that immediate revision be made only some time within the next three years and I think that time should be shortened so that the revision takes place sooner.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I don't believe it was the sense of this convention that that report should be made to the next convention. If that is corrected that will take care of that point.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: I think your resolution should be that within one year the Grand Prudential Committee shall submit to the chapters any changes in the Ritual which might be proposed by the Ritualistic Committee, and every year thereafter the Grand Prudential Committee shall submit to the chapters the findings of the Ritualistic Committee for any action the chapters may deem proper.

BROTHER RICE: That would be permanent then and would be under the title "Ritual." In addition to having

a Ritual Committee it is requested that this Committee make a report to the Grand Prudential Committee at least once a year and the Grand Prudential Committee in turn to submit any suggestions to the chapters every year.

As long as that is going to be an amendment to the Consolidated Laws, may I pass that by now with the understanding that it will be submitted later under a different number, and this following resolution, if adopted, will be known as Resolution No. 5. This is also an amendment to the Consolidated Laws with respect to putting in a new section entitled "Song Book."

RESOLUTION NO. 5: "RESOLVED, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto a new title "Song Books" as follows: The Grand Prudential Committee shall appoint a standing Song Book and Singing Committee composed of three members, and may make such changes in its membership from time to time as it may deem wise. Song Books and Songs shall be published by the Grand Prudential Committee whenever in its opinion they are needed, or whenever it is expressly authorized or directed to do so by a convention."

This is my own resolution. Therefore, I may be permitted to explain it from my personal viewpoint. Not enough is made of singing. Anything that is done to encourage singing is worth while. It has been our experience in the past that a Song Book Committee may function or may not. I present this

in the hope that you might find some one, or more than one person, on such a committee who would actually do some constructive work. If such work is done and the very onerous task of getting songs out of the chapters can be done, that is a good thing. I think we ought to have a permanent committee on that subject. It is not with the thought that anything should be done as with the Ritual. It is simply with the hope that some enthusiasm might be spread abroad and something worth while accomplished.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: I would like to say there will be fifty song books at the banquet tonight and it is the wish of the Grand Prudential Committee that each delegate have a copy of the songs. We discovered last night that the tune used in singing of the Ritualistic songs varies greatly in different chapters. Brother Mayes has agreed to write down the score for that song and as soon as he completes it he will send it to National Headquarters and I shall prepare mimeograph stencils, or some way of publishing that music and it will be sent to the chapters so the music will be uniform.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I suggest that be done in your own house and not in the A. T. O. house.
(Laughter)

Is there any further discussion about this resolution?

BROTHER COOGAN: I move we adopt this resolution.

BROTHER WARBURTON: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 6: "Resolved, That the Grand Prudential Committee shall distribute copies of the Consolidated Laws to the chapters."

That is a matter which I think is very necessary. It can be left to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee as to whether it shall be printed or multigraphed or duplicated in some other way. I suppose no one here has any idea of the number of things covered by these laws: Alumni Secretary, Chapters, Committees, Convention, Directory, General, Grand Prudential Committee, Jewelry and Insignia, Resolutions, Stationery, Tomahawk, Whistle, and a number of other things.

There are a good many things in there which should be eliminated. On the other hand, there is a very large mass of information in there which the chapters should possess. We have no very consistent plan as to what goes into the Consolidated Laws and what goes into the Constitution. Most of us never read these. The best way is to have this printed with the By-Laws.

BROTHER FOX: I would like to inquire if it is

the sense of the Resolutions Committee that this be done immediately or with the revisions that will come from this convention.

BROTHER RICE: I should think after the revisions have been made.

BROTHER FOX: I think that should be included in the resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You can add that if you want to, but these resolutions will all go through at the same time and this won't be effective until the others are through so they will almost have to be incorporated.

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: This is to be known as Resolution No. 7 if passed and is also an amendment to the Consolidated Laws under a new title, the subject being "Visitation."

"Resolved, That the Grand Prudential Committee shall, at its discretion, carry out systematic visitation of the chapters whenever the funds of the Fraternity shall warrant the expense. It shall also, at its discretion, carry out visitation of the chapters from time to time as it shall deem beneficial."

That was put in the Consolidated Laws instead of the Constitution because it is one of the provisions which can be changed by a majority vote. In drawing this resolution, the idea has been to build around the fact that there has been a definite stand taken in favor of visitation, provided it can be done, but if systematic visitation cannot be accomplished, our provision of visiting such chapters as the Grand Prudential Committee thinks wise may be carried out.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI:
Does that automatically repeal the resolution which was passed at the last convention which provides it shall be made each year.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Any new legislation passed which is inconsistent with old legislation repeals that old legislation.

BROTHER RICE: The Preamble to our Consolidated Laws states this: "... and that laws, not transitory resolutions, enacted in the past in confirmation of and instead of all transitory resolutions, and upon following inconsistent resolutions being adopted ..." (Continuing reading). So you see the Preamble automatically takes care of anything which is inconsistent.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think what Brother Jagocki is getting at is that there is a very strong

feeling on the subject and it would be better if they had definite directions to disregard this previous resolution. I think you could add that to this resolution.

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 7 would then read:

"RESOLVED, That all prior legislation concerning Visitation be repealed, and that the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto a new section 'Visitation' as follows:

'The Grand Prudential Committee shall, at its discretion, carry out systematic visitation of the chapters whenever the funds of the fraternity warrant the expense. It may also, in its discretion, carry out visitation of such chapters from time to time as it shall deem beneficial.'"

BROTHER MATHIS: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER FRITZ: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION NO. 8: "RESOLVED, That actions of the Grand Junior President, as stated in his report to the Fourteenth National Convention, with respect to discouraging certain prospective petitions, be and they are hereby confirmed."

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this

resolution.

BROTHER FRITZ: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 9: "RESOLVED, That the Fourteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity extend a vote of thanks to Cornell University for the excellent facilities and liberal privileges furnished to this convention."

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER KALLOE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 10: "RESOLVED, That the Fourteenth National Convention extend a vote of appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the chapters of Iota and Alpha Epsilon for their thoughtful and courteous treatment of delegates during the Convention."

BROTHER CANNING: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 11: "Resolved,

That the Fourteenth National Convention extend a vote of commendation and appreciation to the Convention Committee for their excellent work and discriminating judgment in providing such an unusually fine series of entertainments and such extraordinarily convenient facilities."

BROTHER REES: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 12: "RESOLVED, That the Grand Prudential Committee prepare and issue a Pledge Manual."

... Upon motion regularly made and carried Resolution No. 12 was adopted ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Is the Chairman of the Committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion here?

BROTHER REES: They are downstairs working on that now.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will someone please find Brother Cochran so we can go on with that Committee report?

BROTHER RICE: I have here the resolution submitted by the History Committee. It was my understanding that the Resolutions Committee was under no responsibility

with regard to that particular thing.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That was only submitted to you in view of your experience and knowledge and for you to revise if you deem it advisable to do so. That was the instruction given to all Committees whose reports were approved, that they draw up a resolution and submit it to the Resolutions Committee for such revision as they saw fit.

BROTHER RICE: But the History Committee was to submit their resolution in the form in which they wished it passed.

BROTHER BOBIER: I believe Brother Rice is correct on that. He was told that the History Committee would work out those resolutions as they wanted them read.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would add to that if Brother Rice has any suggestions to make we ought to accept them because he has had so much more experience in this resolutions business than the rest of us.

BROTHER RICE: I will read it as the History Committee has presented it to me. "Resolved, That the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall consist of all material desired by Brother Musgrave, said material to be confined within a volume of approximately 500 pages. If this cannot be done, the list of individual members and their activities shall be cut down or eliminated to such an extent that the volume

shall contain 500 pages."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We had better take those one at a time.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think it better to read the complete list of resolutions now and then take them separately afterwards.

BROTHER RICE: "Whereas Brother Musgrave has agreed to deliver Part I of the History to the Grand Prudential Committee by October 15 whether completed or not, and has agreed to turn over Part II by November 15 whether completed or not, and by doing this comprise the complete History,

"Resolved, therefore, that it is the sense of the Committee that it is essential that the History be published at the earliest possible date, that date to be not later than March 1, 1930.

"Resolved, that Brother Musgrave's compensation shall cease on November 1, 1929.

"Resolved, that Article 15, 'Fees, Dues, etc.,' be amended to include section 11 as follows: \$5 shall be collected from the chapters for each initiate for his subscription to the History of Alpha Sigma Phi, this amount to be paid to National Headquarters with initiation fees, and this amount in turn to be paid to the History Fund.

"Resolved, That each active member shall be

assessed \$5 for which he will receive a copy of the History, and that said money shall be sent to National Headquarters and said money paid to the History Fund.

"Resolved, That all liabilities incurred in the compilation, publication, distribution, and so forth be met only by a fund collected through the sale of said History or by a fund saved or collected solely for that purpose."

I should say that it might be shortened. They will be voted on separately.

BROTHER BANNER: I think certainly the wording could be improved, but I don't believe it could be shortened to the extent of cutting out any of these different parts.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to insert in that last part that all liabilities incurred in the compilation, publication, distribution, and so forth shall at no time be considered a general obligation of the fraternity and shall be paid for out of the History Fund.

BROTHER CLEWORTH: Unfortunately I haven't heard the discussion but I would like to make a comment or two. It is my understanding that each initiate, until such time as we have disposed of enough copies, is to be charged automatically \$5 for his copy. It may take considerable time to put over the proposition and get enough copies sold and the men who pay \$5 a year from now aren't going to have the interest in the History we are.

The men they all know will have preceded them in three or four classes and won't be mentioned in the History. I think it more economical to get the History printed up as far as we go, but not have all the copies bound. We can get the requirement for a year or two bound and store the rest of the material to go inside of these. Then in two or three years get an additional copy of material to bring it up to date.

That would make it more interesting to new initiates coming along. In that way we could eliminate the expense of binding a good many of the copies that would have to be incurred if we bind them all at once. We could then save the interest on that investment. Some provision might be made for bringing it up to date periodically.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Don't you think that is up to future conventions after you have it out. It is discretionary with the Prudential Committee as to how many they have bound.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: We did discuss as one of the details of this the matter of having annual supplements to bring and keep it up to date. That, of course, may be included in the resolution or not as you deem best.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Prudential Committee's powers are very broad. They are given the authority to publish this. Whether they have it all bound

now or later is discretionary with them.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The provision of the \$5 fee was to put it at that price to provide funds enough for whatever supplements should be issued.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There isn't any reason why it shouldn't be included in the resolution.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: The general resolution of the past said that the Prudential Committee should publish it. It seems to me that is inherent in the resolution. It is up to you if you want it.

BROTHER KALLOE: Shouldn't these resolutions be read separately?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I just wanted to find out if anyone wanted to discuss these resolutions. We will go right down the line. Does anyone want to discuss the first part of this?

BROTHER CLEWORTH: If the material exceeds 500 pages is that cutting to be done by the Prudential Committee?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Under the present resolution the History is turned over to the Prudential Committee to handle as they see fit. That counteracts the resolution passed at Colorado which gave you authority to have it revised if you thought best. You now have authority to do as you please with it.

BROTHER KALLOE: I think these should be read again before we vote on them.

BROTHER BANNER: Brother Rice didn't read "It will be paid by June 1, 1930." It is a little above the line and perhaps you didn't see it.

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 13: "Resolved, that the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall consist of all material as desired by Brother Musgrave provided said material can be confined in a volume of approximately 500 pages. If this cannot be done, be it further Resolved, That the list of members and their activities be cut down or eliminated to such an extent that the volume will contain 500 pages."

The first part gives him permission to put in what he wants to provided it be not more than 500 pages.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The point Bill was making was that the Prudential Committee can do that cutting.

BROTHER RICE: They can do anything they want to with it.

BROTHER KALLOE: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER BANNER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Is

this to be in connection with Resolution No. 13 of the last convention or is it to repeal that? If, as Brother Rice read in the preamble, we automatically repeal all previous legislation, we want to be careful.

BROTHER RICE: This is temporary legislation.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: Resolution No. 13 is still in effect and this is to clear up doubtful points as to that.

THE G. J. P. BROTHER CLARKE: Why not add that?

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 14: "Whereas Brother Musgrave has agreed to deliver Part I of the History of the Grand Prudential Committee by October 15, 1929, whether completed or not, and has agreed to turn over Part II of said History to the Grand Prudential Committee by November 15, 1929, whether completed or not, which together shall comprise the completed History, be it, therefore,

"RESOLVED, That it is the sense of the Convention that it is essential that the History be published at the earliest possible date and that this date be not later than March 1, 1930."

BROTHER BOBIER: I believe that should be turned over to the publishers by March 1.

BROTHER BANNER: It is to be completed by March 1.

BROTHER COOGAN: Shouldn't it be completed

before it is turned over?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If he hasn't it completed we want it anyway.

BROTHER KALLOE: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 15: "Resolved, That Article XV, 'Fees, Dues, etc.,' be amended to include Section 11 as follows: \$5 shall be collected by the chapters for each initiate for his subscription to the History of Alpha Sigma Phi, this amount to be paid to National Headquarters with the initiation fees and this amount to be paid over to the History Fund."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Don't you think it would be better to say "paid over to a fund known as the History Fund?" We haven't created such a fund as yet.

BROTHER RICE: All right, "This amount to be paid over to a fund known as the History Fund."

BROTHER KALLOE: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER BANNER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 16: "RESOLVED, That all present active members shall be assessed \$5 for which they shall receive a copy of the History, and that said money shall be sent to National Headquarters before June 1, 1930, and that said money shall be paid to a fund to be known as the History Fund."

BROTHER FOX: Just as a point of information, is this History to be entirely completed by the first of March? What I want to know is whether or not we will have copies in our hands by the first of May so that the men graduating then will receive a history before school closes.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is the purpose of these resolutions, to make sure it will be completed before then.

BROTHER KNAPP: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 17: "RESOLVED, That all liabilities incurred in the compilation, publication, distribution, and so forth of the History be met only by funds collected through the sale of said History and by funds saved or collected solely for that purpose."

Did you contemplate that the resolution about Brother Musgrave's compensation should be a separate one?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I wanted to make it clear that the obligation we were talking about included that compensation because that is the biggest item of all.

BROTHER RICE: I will make that a separate resolution. This one is ready for action.

BROTHER CLEWORTH: Who is to contract with the printers? Are we to assume the liability for the printing bill? It would be inferred from that resolution that the Fraternity assumes no responsibility, that the Grand Prudential Committee is the publisher.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If this resolution goes through that every chapter must pay \$5 for every initiate, then you are safe in feeling sure that that fund is going to accumulate, and if the resolution goes through that the actives also pay \$5, you will have about \$4000 right off the bat and the proposition of dealing with the publisher whereby he will give credit on that basis will be assured. The Fraternity cannot assume that as a personal obligation.

BROTHER CLEWORTH: We would have to assume a contract.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Sure you would,

but on the basis that this plan is going to work out. Will someone move the adoption of this resolution?

BROTHER NEWMAN: I move we adopt this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 18: "Resolved, That Brother Musgrave's compensation for the compilation of the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall cease on November 1, 1929"

BROTHER BANNER: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER KALLOE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 19: "Resolved, That nothing contained in resolutions No. 13 to 18 inclusive shall invalidate the provisions of Resolution No. 13 of the Thirteenth National Convention."

BROTHER KALLOE: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER GREER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER KALLOE: If the resolutions for

financing this History fail to pass in the chapters, the History had better be dropped entirely. I propose such a resolution.

BROTHER COOGAN: I second the motion.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You have heard this motion or resolution, "Resolved, That if the present scheme of financing the History is not passed by the chapters, that the matter of the History shall be considered a closed issue."

But any future convention can take it up again. You can't limit them. They can take this up and put it through the next convention.

BROTHER KALLOE: I think we could put this idea across anyway.

BROTHER BOBIER: I think that resolution should not be in there. It has no effect in the first place and looks bad in the second place. That would mean that if this present plan for financing the History fails we would attempt to get out of the liability already incurred. That is an attempt of the chapters to side step the possibility and responsibility of financing the History and paying the liabilities already incurred.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That will be the ultimate result if this doesn't go over. It has been assumed by everybody, including Brother Musgrave, that these

obligations must be met out of a History Fund. If a History Fund can't be raised, it is a closed issue, but a resolution to that effect isn't going to carry much weight with the next convention or any other time.

BROTHER BOBIER: The History question is going to remain a bugbear in this Fraternity until some method is found of settling it. If this plan fails it is simply a matter of finding another method.

BROTHER ROOS: The chapters may pass one or two of these resolutions but not all of them. They may pass the legislation to assess the initiates but not the actives of the chapter. So I think you are going to run into difficulty if you pass this last resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This can't affect the other resolution. It is simply a statement that it is the sense of this convention that it should be done.

BROTHER KALLOE: I withdraw my resolution.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Closed.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: There should be some provision made, in case the Grand Prudential Committee is unable to make suitable arrangements with the publisher, Despite what has been said that it may be done, when we get down to brass tacks, we may find that no publisher wants to extend us credit, and in that case, despite any resolutions, we will not go ahead with it.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We cannot devise some method as to how it is going to be done. The History Committee indicated that was the only feasible method and if it failed they didn't know of any other.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: If the active men don't pay the \$5 apiece, it is going to take two or three years to get the original printing cost and that would mean the publishing costs would have to wait three years and they would charge us interest. Six per cent on \$5000 is \$300 and for three years you are adding another \$900 onto this. We are not going to sign any contract practically making ourselves personally liable for the thing.

As you said before, it is like building a chapter house without any money. We have been through it and we don't want to go through it at this stage of our life. I think there should be some provision that we shall make every effort to carry out this plan, but if we are unable to do so, we may then fix the publication date or date when it shall be issued at some date later than March 1, 1930.

BROTHER CLEWORTH: I think this can be put over if this resolution is passed as drawn here. I think there will be ample finance to put it across but if this provision fails we probably can't do it. Now I think that a resolution should be drawn to the effect that in case each one of these provisions is not passed by the chapters that

the Grand Prudential Committee can draft a new plan to protect the chapters. Then if this plan doesn't work we will have an opportunity of arranging some other way to finance it, or at that time we could propose that we drop the proposition entirely.

BROTHER CONN: I so move.

BROTHER MATHIS: I second the motion.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I think that a substitute for the wording of this resolution would be very much better on the part of the Fraternity at large. I am not attempting to argue from the standpoint of personal interest in the matter but to consider that the entire proposition was a dropped and closed matter just because the present plan of financing failed is altogether wrong. It should be left to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee to do what it might find necessary under given and changed conditions.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is nothing before the house so far as resolutions are concerned.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Then I withdraw my remarks. I simply mean that if we are going to approach the matter in a sympathetic, fair and honest way -- and I know we are -- that we are going to get together and put it over somehow.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It has been suggested that there might go out with these resolutions a

brief report of the History Committee to the effect that they feel, in order to put this over, all these resolutions must be passed. That might be a method used to try to make the chapters understand that this must be put over some way.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There is no doubt but that the Prudential Committee would do that but I agree that there ought to be some provision in these resolutions, whether put in and attached to this or not, whereby the Prudential Committee would not find itself bound by March 1 to do an impossible thing. I don't want them to be put into the position where if they fail to bring the book out somebody is going to say, "The dickens with it."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The resolution passed with respect to March 1 was this: That it was the sense of this convention that it should not be later than March 1, but that doesn't mean that the Grand Prudential Committee must get it out then.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I don't want them to be rapped over the fingers for something they are not responsible for.

BROTHER RICE: Speaking from a technical standpoint, this resolution should not be current with any argument. Any resolution passed by this convention is subject to referendum. You cannot make effective a motion that is subject to referendum, which would have to be done. But I would be

willing to take a chance that all the delegates will unanimously consent that Brother Clarke be allowed, as Chairman of that Committee, to write a statement to send out with the resolutions. To me, that would solve all the difficulties, because even those who are familiar with the thing do not understand the purpose of this resolution except for the background of its real purpose. This might be a precedent in our history where such a statement should go out emphasizing the reason for a resolution and also emphasizing the fact that unless it is passed there are practical difficulties in carrying on this scheme.

I therefore move that the delegates to this convention, on behalf of their chapters, unanimously consent that an exception be made to this rule, and that the History Committee send out through the Grand Prudential Committee with these resolutions, a statement with respect to the resolutions concerning the History.

BROTHER COOGAN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was unanimously carried ...

BROTHER KALLOE: I thought we were going to close this matter and as far as I can see it is not going to be closed. If this plan fails it will come up at the next convention. I am almost sure that a resolution would carry out our idea in bringing the History matter to a close

at this convention, that is if any part of these resolutions fail to pass. If the Grand Prudential Committee cannot get the publishers to advance credit it will fail. If the chapters fail to pass both of these resolutions as to initiates and actives buying this History, it will also fail, and as far as its not being a general obligation is concerned, I believe the printer could hold the Fraternity liable regardless of any resolutions we might pass.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If this scheme is carried out it will be all right and we can rest assured that the Grand Prudential Committee isn't going to get the Fraternity into hot water with respect to this proposition.

BROTHER RICE: As a parliamentary matter, it is not possible to pass a motion closing an issue. A motion like that could be turned down by the presiding officer on that ground alone. If you passed a resolution that the National fee should never be more than \$7 there is nothing to prevent the next convention from increasing it to \$700.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The proposition is that it doesn't mean anything. Any future convention wouldn't pay any attention to it.

Have you any more resolutions ready to present?

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 20: "Resolved, That a section entitled 'Large Badge' shall be incorporated in the By-Laws as Section 6(a) under Article XII to read as follows:

"The Grand Prudential Committee shall be authorized to sell the larger badge to the respective chapters to be presented, if they so desire, to the retiring H. S. P. as a mark of appreciation of his work."

Is there a description of that large badge?

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: "The larger badge as specified by the Grand Prudential Committee" might be added to that.

BROTHER GOOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: If the chapters vote this down Delta Chapter would do away with the badge they have been using.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: No.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: That is a tradition of theirs.

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BROTHER BOWEN: That badge has been used over twenty-five years and is not one of the original large size badges. It is one of the smaller badges worn by the men initiated in 1844. Because of that, you would have a very hard time to try to discontinue the practice.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That isn't an official badge. Are you ready for the question?

... The motion was put to a vote and was

carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 21: "Resolved, that Southern expansion is hereby approved and the Grand Junior President is requested to lay special stress on investigation of conditions in colleges and universities in the South."

The reason it is expressed in that particular language is that we wish to avoid any expression that we are seeking expansion in the South.

BROTHER REES: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER KALLOE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: While we are waiting for Brother Cochran to make his report of the Committee on Alumni Voice in Expansion Brother Bowen has some announcements he wishes to make.

... Announcements ...

BROTHER COCHRAN: Our report is in the form of two resolutions.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Give them both and we will see what discussion develops.

BROTHER COCHRAN: In order to make the changes requested or required by the Committee it is necessary to

change Article 3, Section 7 of the By-Laws. Taking up the question which the majority of the delegates approved, that was that the Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee act as a committee ex officio, under Section 7 of Article 3 we insert, "The Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee shall ex officio constitute the Grand Extension Committee."

The rest of that section is essentially the same as Section 7 as it reads here. "Immediately upon completion of the preparation of the petitions, reports, and recommendations, as provided in the last preceding section, the Grand Junior President shall cause a copy of such petitions to be distributed to chapters and to the members of the Extension Committee." Such petitions shall lay on the table for ten days."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Brother Bowen has a number of copies of the Constitution which he would like to place in the hands of the delegates. I believe that will help you to follow Brother Cochran.

BROTHER COCHRAN: If you have any questions I want you to bring them up here.

I started by inserting an article in Section 7 defining what the Extension Committee is. That is we insert an entirely new phrase, "The Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee shall ex officio constitute the Expansion Committee."

Then going on down, we start as Section 7 does here: "Immediately upon completion of the preparations of the petitions, reports, and recommendations as provided in the last preceding section, the Grand Junior President shall cause to be distributed a copy of such petition to the chapter and to the members of the Extension Committee. Such petition shall lay on the table for ten days. Copies shall be distributed to alumni councils whose good and regular standing are certified to him by the Grand Prudential Committee."

The last sentence starting with "Copies shall be distributed ..." is the same as it exists here. It just provides for sending copies to the alumni councils.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There is a previous provision that this be sent to the chapters.

BROTHER COCHRAN: Our change in that Section 7 merely calls for our sending a copy of the petition to the Expansion Committee and to the alumni councils.

Section 8 we leave exactly the same with the exception of in line 4 where it starts, "immediately notify..." I will begin with the sentence "Upon receipt of such protests, he shall immediately notify all members of the Expansion Committee and direct that no vote be taken until further notice." The rest of the section remains the same with the exception that we eliminate the last sentence which says, "Directions shall accompany these reports as to how to take and

report the chapters' votes." The change there is only negligible in changing from "Chapter" to "Extension Committee."

Under Section 9, "If no protest is received within ten days from the receipt of a petition, or immediately following the receipt of a protest and its answers and further recommendations, the Extension Committee shall proceed to vote upon the petition and report at once to the Grand Junior President. The action of the Committee shall be communicated to the chapters immediately in all cases. A unanimous ballot of the Committee shall be necessary for the issuing of the charter.

"By appealing to the Grand Junior President in writing within thirty days from the mailing of notice of the action of the Extension Committee to the chapters, three or more chapters so appealing may cause the action of the Committee to be referred to a vote of the chapters in referendum."

"If the action of the Committee shall have been favorable to the granting of the petition, a majority vote of all of the chapters shall reverse the action of the Committee."

In other words, if the Extension Committee has granted a charter, three or more chapters feeling that it should not be granted, a majority can reverse that action.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You don't mean reverse. Nullify is a better word.



We meant by that, if a man from the California chapter was residing in New York he could, and we thought possibly it would be desirable for him to represent the Eastern section. If a man is on the Eastern Group it doesn't mean he has come from an eastern university.

"Each group shall be selected from alumni living near enough to each other so they may easily meet in conference for discussion and action.

"At the convention following the passage of this resolution, three members of each group shall be elected to serve until the next convention. Two members shall be elected to serve until the second succeeding convention. Thereafter, all shall be elected to serve until the second succeeding convention from the time of their election.

"The Grand Junior President shall be empowered to fill vacancies of unexpired terms by appointment."

Now from there on this things goes on exactly the same as the other provision with the exception that "when these groups vote they vote as individuals rather than by groups, and a two thirds vote of the total of the members of this Expansion Committee is necessary to pass a charter."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Have you anything to the effect that they may pass such rules and regulations with respect to the method and means of sending out reports?

BROTHER COCHRAN: That is incorporated in the other provision.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: They notify you and the Grand Junior President immediately send out notice of the action of this Committee.

BROTHER COCHRAN: The difference is in the machinery we have set up to do the job in each case. In one case, the chapters, through their delegates, elect the members of the Committee and in the other case the Grand Prudential Committee and the Grand Junior President are the Expansion Committee ex officio. Referendum and repeal remain the same no matter which is selected.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You didn't indicate the territory from which any particular group should come.

BROTHER COCHRAN: We only designated that generally as the East, Middlewest, and Western.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The only thing is whether you are going to have men selected that will get together as often as possible.

BROTHER COCHRAN: The members should live near enough together to get together for action.

BROTHER CLEWORTH: Couldn't you take New York, Chicago, and San Francisco?

BROTHER COCHRAN: That would be the way to do it.



BROTHER MUSGRAVE: With reference to this latter plan, it heartily appeals to me for sentimental reasons as well as justice, inasmuch as it provides for representation upon the Pacific Coast by having a committee out there that would be co-equal with other parts of our National Fraternity. We have six chapters on that Coast today. That number has gradually grown from one.

Those boys have been isolated and it is my reaction to the situation that there has grown up among the California men -- and that also includes the other chapters -- a sort of attitude that they are so far away that it doesn't make much difference what they do one way or the other. They are sort of like Pat -- they have gotten out of step. It is with no evil intention and I believe that in this matter in giving them something to do, we will show them we are a national fraternity in every sense of the word, and that we want the cooperation of the Pacific Coast chapters just as much as the others.

I don't mean to throw any brick bats at the Pacific Coast chapters. I am simply stating this from the viewpoint of things grown up in the past. I believe in giving those Pacific Coast chapters the opportunity of being heard, that we are extending justice as well as sentiment, and as a result those chapters will get greater enthusiasm than they possibly can under the present system.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: May I answer the question about defining the three groups? We felt that we could hardly set up three points today that would enable the Committee to fairly represent our alumni. But by setting up the general section and then saying that the members of the Committees must be near enough together so they can easily meet, it might be possible to arrange it.

If the Eastern Group had members in New Haven and New York City, they would be near enough to get together, and the Pacific Group could possibly have members from both San Francisco and Los Angeles. That was our thought in not setting any definite point for this. We thought if we left it rather vague, but still made it that they were to be near enough to get together for discussion, that the thing would work out better in the end.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I want to ask the man from Oregon how they think a representative from San Francisco or Los Angeles would help them.

BROTHER JOHNSON: We have practically no men from Psi Chapter in Los Angeles and it would be a long ways for men to go down there from Oregon or Washington.

BROTHER COOGAN: Of the two plans, I would say the first was the better because I believe our Grand Council, as it now exists, is our strongest body for this expansion group. If we must empower some group to take care

of our expansion policy, the most capable men would be the Grand Prudential Committee and the Grand Junior President, because it is now obligatory on the part of the chapters to elect to positions on the Grand Prudential Committee men in whom they have confidence, men whom they trust, and men whom they believe will carry out the policies of the Fraternity in the most capable and efficient manner.

Then there is the added fact as mentioned by the brother from Pi Chapter, that if our National organization is to become stronger which it must if our Fraternity is to become stronger, we must increase our central power. We must get over the childish idea that in giving such powers as this to the Grand Prudential Committee that our Fraternity is being weakened. On the contrary, it is becoming much stronger.

As it is now with our central organization, our Fraternity is national in name only for we don't have the national spirit a National Fraternity should have. In answer to Brother Musgrave, I don't believe sentiment should sway us. If we have the best interest of the Fraternity at heart, we shouldn't need alumni representatives on the Pacific Coast or anywhere else to arouse enthusiasm.

I believe you will all agree that we elect to the offices of Grand Prudential Committee and Grand Junior President men we have confidence in, and if we have confidence



in them we should entrust our expansion policy to them.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I would like to ask these men from California about it. It is impossible to have men in Frisco go down to Los Angeles if you had Committee members in both cities. It is a night's run down and a night's run back. Would there be a feeling at Stanford and California that if Los Angeles was picked you wouldn't be represented, and if Frisco were picked that the big representation would be in Los Angeles?

BROTHER FOX: We have a great many alumni in Los Angeles and Los Angeles has a great many alumni in San Francisco. So I feel that from the viewpoint of considering the three schools, it wouldn't make much difference. But with regard to Mu and Psi, I am not very well acquainted with their alumni. I do not know whether or not they have many alumni in our vicinity.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: I know of no prominent alumni in either Chicago, New York, or anywhere in California.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Your chapters would feel there was no chance of representation?

BROTHER FOX: Might I suggest that you present both of these plans as resolutions to the chapters and let the chapters vote on them?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Suppose they passed both of them.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: That isn't possible.

BROTHER FOX: Give each chapter one vote on one scheme and the plan receiving the majority of votes would be the one adopted.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That would hardly be constitutional.

BROTHER BANNER: I should like to ask if it would be possible to do something like this: Have the Grand Prudential Committee be the important one in this, taking the first resolution as the most important one, and then instruct the Committee to write to representative alumni and get their opinions and use such opinions or suggestions as they deem wise.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I think that follows as a matter of course, especially if you have these alumni out helping the chapters.

BROTHER BANNER: I am afraid the other plan is too hard to work out properly. It would be difficult to get ahold of men who would really be representative of all the chapters.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: In answer to Brother Banner, I can't find it now but the Constitution already provides for the G. J. P. to get in touch with alumni and I know it has been the practice to consult a committee of

alumni before anything was done.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There isn't any question in my mind but what this first suggested plan of the Grand Committee would be the most feasible from the standpoint of mode of procedure. It would be the easiest, but the question is whether the chapters are ready for that thing.

There are plenty of fraternities that have that method of extension. It is placed in the hands of a committee of four or five men and they grant their charters. This other method, under the present Constitution, would be rather cumbersome, and the first method, if it is possible to get it by the chapters, might be the better method. It is a question of whether we can go that far right now.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: This plan of having the Grand Expansion Council doesn't alter the vote of the chapters very much from what it is now. By that I mean, according to the thread of the plan it takes a four fifths vote for the chapters to get a new chapter in. According to the new plan it would take the same amount, a four fifths vote, to get in a new chapter.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If the Committee agreed to put in a new chapter it would take, instead of one fifth, a majority to over-ride that action. They would still have the right to put in one by a four fifths action

as they have now.

BROTHER TOLLEFSON: That simply means the chapter situation is not altered by the new law and I believe if the delegates would present that phase of the thing there would not be much difficulty in getting the plan by. If they would point out that the situation of the chapters has not been altered, the difficulty in getting this by would not be so great.

If it is in order, I would like to move that the first plan be adopted and sent to the chapters for their vote.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I wonder if we could go at that a little differently and decide which plan we think is the best and submit that plan first. I believe the Grand Prudential Committee can initiate legislation and consequently they could initiate the second plan provided the first one failed.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: He made a motion that the first plan be adopted. If that is passed then the resolutions necessary to carry it out are also passed.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

Have you prepared the necessary resolutions to

carry out plan Number 1? In other words, the matter as read will be put into proper form as amendments to the By-Laws.

BROTHER COCHRAN: They were made up so they could be inserted rather than as resolutions.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: We will have to assume that we are passing resolutions to amend the By-Laws.

BROTHER FOX: When a petition is sent out, as you know, a great many of the chapters will vote "No" because they don't know the school thoroughly enough. That means that one fifth is much more easily gotten than it would be if the chapters knew that a competent body has voted "Yes." One fifth of the votes in the negative is comparatively easy to get on a second rate school.

But if a competent body such as the Grand Prudential Committee had said a school was very favorable, those chapters which did not want to take the trouble to look into the matter would merely vote as the Grand Prudential Committee had voted. In that way, your majority necessary to exclude a chapter which has been passed by the Grand Prudential Committee amounts to about twice as much as it does under the present plan. So I would be in favor of reducing that majority. Say if six or seven chapters did not want --

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: (Interrupting) You had better use percentages in case our membership increases.

BROTHER FOX: If one fifth of the chapters did not agree with the Grand Prudential Committee when they has passed a chapter, that one fifth would nullify the action of the Grand Prudential Committee.

BROTHER BOBIER: It seems to me the purpose of this resolution is to cut out a lot of red tape and needless research by chapters that can't find out what they want to know anyway. The Grand Prudential Committee, by this resolution, is empowered to thoroughly search out the facts in any situation.

I don't think that any petitioning local that would easily receive the one fifth vote necessary to black-ball it is going to receive the indorsement of the Grand Prudential Committee. In general, the chapters recommended by the Grand Prudential Committee would go through on the first ballot.

This resolution provides that three chapters can call for a referendum and that gives them plenty of chance to point out any objections they have to the other chapters and if there is any real reason why the chapter should not be brought in, they would have plenty of time to line up the chapters and tell them what reasons they have for not wanting the chapter.

This resolution is eliminating the difficulty that accompanies every petition that comes in now by giving

the Grand Prudential Committee the power to bring in these chapters and eliminate the unnecessary wrangling and fooling around that doesn't mean anything.

I think the present plan suggested is just exactly what we need and I think now is the time when the chapters are ready to have things in the hands of the Grand Prudential Committee. Heretofore the delegates have come to conventions, with the chapters back of them, with the suspicion that the Grand Prudential Committee was trying to run them. This convention has loosened up and given them strength and I think that is one of the biggest things we have accomplished. I think it is a large stride forward.

BROTHER FOX: My point is this: I will grant you three chapters can instigate a referendum, but as you fellows know, quite often you write a letter to all the chapters involving a point on which you don't agree. Many are disregarded and maybe no action will be taken. A letter from a sister chapter doesn't carry a great deal of weight with other chapters. I personally believe that a majority is much too great.

BROTHER HOFELICH: If you have one fifth, there is no use in bringing the Prudential Committee into it at all because now a chapter can be kept out by one fifth. It takes four fifths to admit a new chapter and if you had the Grand Prudential Committee act on this local first and

then if they passed it, send it to the chapters and if one fifth of the chapters could vote this chapter down it would be exactly the same as sending a petition to the chapters because four fifths refused to pass it. If a one fifth vote can nullify the action of the Grand Prudential Committee there is no use of even having the Grand Prudential Committee in there at all.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The only addition is that they would have before them something in the way of a report by a greater number of representative men which had passed the petition. But I don't believe that we are stepping very far by just putting that into the proposition.

BROTHER COCHRAN: This proposition of a half or more or less was considered by the Committee and we felt that if the Expansion Committee had gone far enough to approve the chapter, that anybody who wanted to appeal that and who wanted to vote against the action of the Grand Prudential Committee after they had carefully considered it, would have a very good reason for doing that and if their reason for wanting to reverse the action of the Grand Prudential Committee was enough, they should have no difficulty in enlisting a majority of the chapters to their viewpoint.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: In reference to what has been said here, we are all members of a fraternity, and I myself

have never had any sympathy with the idea of allowing a minority of one fifth of the fraternity to tyrannize over the rest in the question of expansion. I do believe that was the most pernicious piece of legislation ever injected into our whole plan. We used to have it two thirds under our government as I instituted it in Washington.

Now we tie ourselves down and allow a minority of one fifth to tyrannize over four fifths. It is all wrong in principle and I am thoroughly in favor of allowing the matter to stand, a majority in favor of the proposition, and then if it becomes necessary we can still fall back on the present plan. But I do think before we continue that the present plan of allowing only one fifth to dictate should be cut out.

BROTHER FOX: I want to say one more thing to go on record. In practice, the way this is being worked out, the Grand Prudential Committee will either install a chapter or will not install a chapter and it will be impossible unless the Grand Prudential Committee has made a very radical mistake, to change that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is the theory of this legislation, that unless there is some real serious objection to a chapter, some few chapters shouldn't be permitted to block a proposition because, for some reason that didn't amount to a great deal, they didn't want to

accept the chapter. That is the theory all the way through. If the chapters don't agree, they will vote the thing down.

If you are ready for the question I will put it in the form of a resolution which will be

RESOLUTION No. 22: "RESOLVED, That Title V "Miscellaneous", Article I "Miscellaneous", Section 2, of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

"Petitions for charters shall be prepared, received, investigated, reported and distributed in the manner provided in the By-Laws. Charters shall be granted by a unanimous vote of the Extension Committee or upon referendum by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the chapters, and be it further

"RESOLVED, That Article III, "The Extension Work, Sections 7, 8, and 9, of the By-Laws, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 7 (a): The Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee shall ex officio constitute the Grand Extension Committee.

"Section 7 (b): Immediately upon the completion of the preparations of the petitions, reports, and recommendations as provided in the last preceding section, the Grand Junior President shall cause a copy of such petition to be distributed to the chapters and to the members of the Extension Committee. Such petition shall lay on the table

of the Committee for ten days. Copies of the petition shall also be distributed to all alumni councils whose good and regular standing are certified to him by the Grand Prudential Committee.

"Section 8: Protests against granting the petition shall be in writing and filed with the Grand Junior President within ten days by any chapter or alumni council, stating the grounds of objection. Upon receipt of such protests he shall immediately notify all members of the Extension Committee thereof and direct that no vote be taken or reported until further notice. He shall immediately appoint an additional investigating committee to visit the petitioners to obtain facts with which to answer the protests or to justify the same, or to add the reasons why the petition should be granted. These reports and recommendations together with the protests shall be printed on paper uniform in size with the petition, punched, and distributed in the same manner with directions to be added thereto. Thirty (30) days shall be allowed in which to make these additional reports from the time of the receipt of a protest. If more than one protest is received, the proceedings for further investigation shall be consolidated.

"Section 9: If no protest is received within ten days from the receipt of a petition or immediately following the receipt of a protest and its answers and further

recommendations, the Extension Committee shall proceed to vote upon the petition. The action of the committee shall be communicated to the chapters immediately in all cases. A unanimous ballot of the Committee shall be necessary for the issuing of the charter. By appealing to the Grand Junior President, in writing within thirty (30) days from the mailing of notice of the action of the Extension Committee to the chapters, three or more chapters so appealing may cause the action of the committee to be referred to the vote of the chapters in referendum. Upon such referendum vote,

- (a) If the action of the Committee shall have been favorable to the granting of the petition, a majority vote of all the chapters shall nullify the action of the Committee in approving the petition;
- (b) If the action of the committee shall have been unfavorable to the granting of the petition, and four-fifths ($4/5$) of the chapters shall vote in favor of granting a charter, then a charter shall be granted forthwith.

"If no appeal from the action of the committee shall be received by the Grand Junior President, within thirty (30) days from the date of notice to the chapters of the Committee's action upon a petition, the action of the Committee shall be final. In referendum, the chapters failing to vote shall be counted as agreeing with the action of the Extension Committee, if within thirty (30) days after notification of the

referendum they have failed to record their decisions."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: That is the resolution as it will be presented to the chapters. Does someone want to move its adoption?

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER COCHRAN: If this thing should happen to be voted down by the chapters, do you want the report of the Committee to be read into the minutes with instructions that the second plan be submitted to the chapters? Do you want instructions that the Grand Prudential Committee present this other plan to the chapters in case the first plan is voted down?

BROTHER FOX: It seems to me if this is not adopted we will go back to the old plan of the chapters voting.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Things remain as they are until these resolutions are gotten out. Brother Cochran is asking if the convention desires, at this time, to ask the Grand Prudential Committee, if this amendment does not take place, to prepare and submit to the chapters this other scheme.

BROTHER FOX: I move that be done.

BROTHER RILEY: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: Is that to be reported as a resolution?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: No. That is simply a request to the Prudential Committee that they do that.

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 23: "RESOLVED, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Ritual" the following:

"The standing Ritual Committee shall report each year to the Grand Prudential Committee, and the Grand Prudential Committee shall transmit to the chapters, with its own recommendation, such parts and material of the Committee's report as it may deem wise, for such action as the Chapters may take."

BROTHER KALLOE: I move we adopt this resolution.

BROTHER COOGAN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 24: "RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this convention that the Grand Junior President should submit to the Chapters the new petition from the group at West Virginia."

BROTHER RILEY: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 25: "RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this convention, with respect to the liquor question, that (a) our oath shall be enforced for the reasons which originated it long before the Eighteenth Amendment, (b) upholding the oath is of proved and direct benefit to each chapter and its members, and (c) the enforcement of the oath is necessary for chapter preservation."

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was unanimously carried ... (Applause)

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 26: "Resolved, That the time and place of the next convention be left to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee, subject only to a plurality referendum of the chapters."

There are two points to be considered there. We could find nothing in the By-Laws and nothing in the Consolidated laws which says a convention shall be held biennially. It is in the original Constitution and Brother Musgrave left it out in the last compilation.

The second thing, I inserted the plurality referendum to protect the Grand Prudential Committee.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Has your Committee considered that it might need a revision of the By-Laws?

BROTHER RICE: The only thing in the By-Laws is that the call shall be made in September.

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: We still have one or two propositions to work out. One is the power to suspend a member

for failure to meet his financial obligations. The other question is about the power to suspend members and the Grand Prudential Committee to take part in the suspension and expulsion of members and in the suspension of chapters. I will try to work those out and present them after the election.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Did you take up the matter of the Pledge Manual?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There is one resolution there that has not been reported out.

BROTHER RICE: Do you refer to the one about disciplinary powers?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: There is another one in reference to reinstatement of expelled and suspended members.

BROTHER REES: There was a resolution presented here yesterday. Shouldn't that be passed here?

BROTHER KEATS: We passed a resolution yesterday that Alpha Sigma Phi go on record as being opposed to informal initiation. The Committee on that ingored the Resolutions Committee and put it through yesterday.

BROTHER RICE: It should be repassed now to go through with the other resolutions.

RESOLUTION No. 27: "RESOLVED, That Alpha Sigma Phi go on record as being opposed to the excesses of informal initiation; and be it further

"RESOLVED, That any informal



initiation which shall be used shall be entirely at the discretion and responsibility of the local chapter, all of which shall completely conform to all regulations of the faculty and institution at which the chapter is located, and which shall be neither derogatory to the name of the fraternity nor bodily harmful to the individual initiate, and be it further

"RESOLVED, That the Committee on Rituals be requested to revise the Ritual so that the entire official initiation shall be entirely performed within the houses of the Fraternity."

BROTHER COOGAN: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

... The meeting adjourned at twelve-twenty o'clock ...

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

September 12, 1929

The Thursday Afternoon session, held in the Hotel Syracuse, Syracuse, New York, convened at four-thirty o'clock, the Grand Junior President, Brother Clarke presiding.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Secretary will please call the roll.

... The Executive Secretary called the roll and all delegates were present but those from Alpha, Xi, Omicron, and Alpha Alpha ...

BROTHER RICE: Brother Banner had to leave and he appointed me as his alternate. I suppose that is subject to the vote of the convention.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Will the convention approve the representation of Brother Rice in place of Brother Banner who had to leave for home?

BROTHER COOGAN: I move Brother Rice be permitted to serve as Brother Banner's Alternate for Alpha Chapter.

BROTHER GREER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Brother Scott of Omicron is absent. I will entertain a motion that Brother Jagocki represent Omicron Chapter at this session.

BROTHER RILEY: I so move.

... The motion was seconded and carried ...

BROTHER RICE: RESOLUTION No. 28: "RESOLVED, That Section 1 of Article VIII "Penal Code" of the Codes of Procedure be amended to read as follows:

"Any active, faculty or alumnus member who shall violate any of the provisions of his obligations, including his financial obligation, shall be brought to trial and upon conviction therefor shall be fined, suspended, or expelled as the trial court shall determine."

That is drawn in accordance with the requirements and that is the only place we could find that it would fit in. Personally, I don't believe that makes very good sense in there. You might not want to expell a member for failure to take care of his financial obligation and the requirement is that he shall be brought to trial.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It gives you the right to suspend or fine him.

BROTHER RICE: Suppose you don't want to do anything.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You wouldn't bring him to trial then.

BROTHER RICE: It says, "He shall be brought to trial." Perhaps we could make that read, "May be brought to trial."

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Your opinion is that a chapter has the right to do or not to do, as they

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see fit in this thing. The other way it is a requirement. I don't see why that couldn't be put into another paragraph.

BROTHER RICE: It says here, "Nothing in the Constitution contained shall prevent a chapter from suspending or expelling a man.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: Couldn't you propose that as another paragraph?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Make it Section 1-A and put it in as a separate paragraph.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: Put it, "A man may be fine, suspended, or expelled on account of his financial difficulties.

BROTHER RICE: I will put it through if you insist but I think it is a bad proposition. I will therefore move that we adopt this resolution that Article VIII, Section 1 of the Penal Code be amended by adding thereto "Any active, faculty, or alumnus member, owing financial obligations to his chapter may be brought to trial in the same manner."

BROTHER RILEY: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: This has reference to Article II of the By-Laws which was changed by a resolution amendment proposed by the California Chapter and is now reinstated

in the same language with little addition. This will be

RESOLUTION No. 29: "RESOLVED, That Section 4 of Article XI of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

"Suspended and expelled members may be reinstated for good cause shown to the Grand Prudential Committee and on its recommendation to the chapter followed by a three-fourths vote in favor thereof. If such member has been expelled for breaking his obligations, or any of them, he shall be again given the obligation he broke in due and regular form." All previous legislation inconsistent with this resolution will be and is hereby repealed."

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I so move, but I wish to make a statement in reference to that.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: If it is going through, is it necessary to make any statement?

BROTHER RICE: At the same time this was changed others were changed by the amendments offered by the California Chapter, one of which I think applies here. Section 8 was also amended to read, "Petitions for reinstatement of chapters suffering suspension or expulsion shall be directed to the chapter through the Grand Prudential Committee and this Committee is directed to submit it to the chapter thirty days after the receipt of same." Is there anything there that is inconsistent, Brother Musgrave?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: No, I think not.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: There has been



a motion to adopt this resolution. Is there a second to that motion?

BROTHER GREER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: This is an amendment which seems to be the simplest and best way for the time being of making the changes in connection with the discussion last evening. It refers to page 11 of the By-Laws, referring to the powers of the Grand Prudential Committee. The present Section 23 reads: "It shall perform the duties of disciplinary officers as provided in the code." The resolution made is this:

RESOLUTION No. 30: "RESOLVED, That Section 23 of Article II of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

"It shall be charged with the duty of prosecuting any chapter, alumni council, officer of the fraternity, officer of a chapter, and active, faculty or alumnus member in all proceedings where the fraternity is interested or its laws violated; it shall perform the duties of disciplinary officers as provided in the codes; and it shall have coordinate jurisdiction with chapters, alumni councils, and individuals in all other cases of discipline."

As far as I can see, this particular section of the Constitution or By-Laws is a little bit difficult to understand unless you read it carefully and it is very

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difficult to make these changes. I can point out a dozen inconsistencies that may be all right. I hesitate to put anything in here that may give us more trouble and be harder to keep track of.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: This puts the National organization in the same position as any member or any chapter with respect to discipline.

BROTHER RILEY: I move the adoption of this resolution.

BROTHER REES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: It is usual, about this time in the convention, to call for a report from the Convention Committee as to whether they are going into the hole in regard to finances connected with the convention. I have spoken to the Chairman of the Convention Committee and it appears that the Committee may be in the hole about \$200. They have about \$50 in favors left which they believe they can sell to some chapter for some dance or banquet, and if they succeed in selling these the deficit would be reduced to approximately \$100.

It is also a general rule to pass a resolution that the general funds of the Fraternity be used to cover any deficit which may arise up to and including the amount

approximated, which in this case is \$200. I think such a resolution should be drawn, simply to give the authority to draw such a check. Later on the Convention Committee will report the actual deficit and in no case can it exceed \$200.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I move the Grand Prudential Committee be empowered to pay any deficit arising from this convention, not to exceed \$200.

BROTHER KALLOE: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER RICE: That reminds me that the Grand Prudential Committee is authorized to spend a sum not exceeding \$500 between National conventions to give suitable publicity.

THE EXECUTIVE PRESIDENT, BROTHER JAGOCKI: This is not publicity.

BROTHER RICE: I just wondered if you realized that was in there. If you go to California, they will be anxious to give the convention plenty of publicity.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Brother Rice is mistaken. That is not in there. We repealed that when this was put through. The appropriation of \$500 was forbidden.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: By what process?

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: By an amendment to the Constitution adopted in 1927. It prohibits that \$500 but it

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has nothing to do with the motion just passed.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: It is news to us that it prohibits it.

I think the next thing is the matter of nominations and elections. The Nominating Committee is now ready to report.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Mr. Chairman, I may say there are a number of positions to be filled. I suppose you want to act upon each position as I read it, or do you want to have the entire thing read at once?

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: The Committee had better make their entire report.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: I really wanted to save time, and it would save a great deal of time if we act on each nomination as it is read.

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: All right.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Mr. Chairman and Brothers of the Fraternity: The Committee met this morning and in accordance with our promise, any suggestions that were made will be reported out. We do not, however, thereby indorse those reports. There was only one name for one position, I may say, handed to me.

For Grand Senior President we report out the name of John Henry Roemer of Chicago, and by request, the name of John S. Hogan of New York City. In this connection,

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I wish to say in reference to Reomer, he was formerly railroad commissioner of the state of Wisconsin. At the time we went in at Wisconsin, he was a tower of strength in the new chapter. They came back with only four men at the time, and they succeeded in having this very strong man and his charming wife come to their rescue and put them on the map socially by bringing in a large number of their important men.

Now in accordance with our scheme of government, we have always felt that this office should be held by men of affairs of the world. We have always gone down the line pretty well as to age. That is the reason why we took those remarkable men from Harvard, now all dead, and since supplemented that with men from Delta. I believe Roemer is the last of the old Delta crowd to fill this job. He is a man of about sixty-five years of age and is a very interested member of this Fraternity.

Brother Hogan is a man, I should say, about thirty-five years of age. There is still lots of time to compliment him, when in the course of events, this older brother has passed away. So it is the sense of the Committee that we should recommend Roemer as preferable to Hogan for that reason and that only.

BROTHER RICE: I was the one who suggested Jack Hogan's name and if that is the opinion of the Committee I simply recall his name.



THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: You withdraw the nomination then?

BROTHER RICE: Yes.

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: I move you the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention in favor of Brother Roemer.

BROTHER GREER: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: We were unanimous in our choice of the man for Grand Junior President, a man who stands out pre-eminently in the Fraternity, a man who has served us faithfully and well in the past, and who by reason thereof is entitled to remain in his post, and that is our Brother Clarke. (Applause)

BROTHER CLEWORTH: I move the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous vote of the convention in favor of Brother Clarke.

BROTHER MAYES: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

... The delegates arose and applauded ...

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: I appreciate this very much, I assure you.

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: For the members of the Grand

12 Prudential Committee once again our Committee was unanimous. We felt that the men who had served us well in the past, who had devoted of their time and interest to the supervision of the office in New York, were entitled to the compliment of being returned. Therefore, as no other nominations were handed to us, we unanimously report to you the names of Brother Jagocki, Brother Cleworth, and Brother Young. (A pplause)

BROTHER ARCHIBALD: It was my privilege to work under these men for part of the last two years and I deem it a pleasure to move the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention for these three men.

... The motion was seconded by several of the delegates, was put to a vote and carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: With reference to the position of Grand Exactor, we took advantage of one of the members of the Committee while his back was turned -- it may have been an unfraternal act to act in that sort of way -- but nevertheless it was unanimously decided that we would report for Grand Exactor the name of Lloyd S. Cochran of Omicron Chapter.

BROTHER FOX: I move the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention in favor of Brother Cochran.

BROTHER KALLOE: I second the motion.



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... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: For the office of Grand Secretary, we had no suggestions and we were unanimous in reporting the name of Thomas J. Ledwich of Oakland, California, a member of Nu Chapter.

BROTHER FOX: I move the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention in favor of Brother Ledwich.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: For the Grand Corresponding Secretary we were unanimous in the selection of Lawrence Clark of Rho Chapter.

BROTHER BOBIER: I move the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention in favor of Brother Clark.

BROTHER RILEY: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: Last but not least we wish to report for the office of Grand Marshall Professor Clarence L. Echel of Pi Chapter, a member of the faculty at the University of Colorado and a very strong supporter of

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Pi Chapter.

BROTHER MAYES: I move the nominations be closed and the Executive Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention in favor of Brother Echels.

BROTHER O'BRIEN: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

BROTHER MUSGRAVE: That completes our list, Mr. Chairman.

I want to offer a general resolution that I think perhaps has been overlooked and that is that this Fraternity extend its grateful thanks for the splendid service rendered by the Grand Senior President, the Grand Junior President, the Grand Prudential Committee, and the other Officers of the Fraternity. The Executive Secretary should also be included in that list.

BROTHER KNAPP: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ... (Applause)

THE G. J. P., BROTHER CLARKE: A motion for adjournment is now in order.

BROTHER COOGAN: I move we adjourn.

BROTHER RILEY: I second the motion.

... The motion was put to a vote and was carried ...

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... The meeting adjourned at five-five o'clock

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November 30, 1929

FINAL ACTION ON RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Chapter calling for referendum is Alpha Eta Chapter.

No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

RESOLVED, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Chapters" the following:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall, with the aid of such advice from the respective chapters as it may obtain, appoint annually a Visiting Committee of three members for each chapter, comprised of alumni of that chapter and or any chapter. The duties of such Committee shall be to visit the chapter from time to time, to advise the chapter whenever so requested by the chapter, and to make such reports to the Grand Prudential Committee as it shall from time to time request.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 2
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Chapter calling for referendum is Theta Chapter.

No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 4

RESOLVED, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Ritual" the following:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall appoint a standing Ritual Committee composed of three members and it may make such changes in its membership from time to time, as it may deem wise.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 4
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 7

Chapter calling for referendum is Tau Chapter.

No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 7

RESOLVED, That all prior legislation concerning Visitation be repealed, and that the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto a new section "Visitation" as follows:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall, at its discretion, carry out systematic visitation of the chapters whenever the funds of the fraternity warrant the expense. It may also, in its discretion, carry out visitation of such chapters from time to time as it shall deem beneficial.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 7
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Chapter calling for referendum is Theta Chapter.

No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 8

RESOLVED, That actions of the Grand Junior President, as stated in his report to the Fourteenth National Convention, with respect to discouraging certain prospective petitions, be and they are thereby confirmed.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 8
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 9

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 10

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 11

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 12

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 13

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: We believe that at present the fraternity is not financially ready for such a History as set forth by the editor.
Chi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Zeta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 13

RESOLVED, That the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall consist of all material as desired by Brother Musgrave, provided that said material can be contained within a volume of approximately 500 pages, and be it further

RESOLVED, That if it cannot be so contained, the lists of individual members and their activities be cut or eliminated to such an extent that the volume will contain approximately 500 pages.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 13
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 14

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: If the History is not finished by November 1, we do not feel that another editor can be secured to successfully complete the volume.
Chi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 14

WHEREAS Brother Musgrave has agreed to deliver Part I of the History to the Grand Prudential Committee by October 15, 1929, whether completed or not, and has agreed to turn over Part II of said History to the Grand Prudential Committee by November 15, 1929, whether completed or not, which together shall comprise the completed History, be it RESOLVED, Therefore, That it is the sense of the Convention that it is essential that the History be published at the earliest possible date and that this date be not later than March 1, 1930.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 14
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 15

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Gamma Chapter -	No reason filed.
Epsilon Chapter -	No reason filed.
Theta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Kappa Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: It would not be advisable to add \$5.00 more to the initiation fee of new members.
Upsilon Chapter -	No reason filed.
Chi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Gamma Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Eta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 15

RESOLVED, That Article XV "Fees, Dues, Etc." of the By-Laws be amended by adding Section II as follows: \$5.00 shall be collected by the chapters from each initiate for a subscription to the History of Alpha Sigma Phi, this amount to be paid to National Headquarters with the initiation fee, and this amount to be paid over to a fund to be known as the History Fund.

Accepts
 _____ Chapter Resolution No. 15
 Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 16

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Gamma Chapter -	No reason filed.
Delta Chapter -	Reason: We are as yet uncertain about the publishing of the History.
Epsilon Chapter -	No reason filed.
Theta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Kappa Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: The actives cannot afford the \$5.00 assessment.
Sigma Chapter -	No reason filed.
Upsilon Chapter -	No reason filed.
Chi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Gamma Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Eta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 16

RESOLVED, That all present active members be assessed \$5.00, for which they shall receive a copy of the History, that said moneys shall be sent to National Headquarters before June 1, 1930, and that said moneys be paid over to the History Fund.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 16
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 17

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: The fraternity cannot afford the expense of the History.
Chi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 17

RESOLVED, That all liabilities incurred in the compilation, publication, distribution, etc. of the History be met only by funds collected through the sale of said History and by funds saved or collected solely for that purpose.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 17
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 18

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: It is not to our knowledge that any compensation has ever been voted to the editor.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 18

RESOLVED, That Brother Musgrave's Compensation for the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall cease on November 1, 1929.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 18
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 19

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Lambda Chapter -	Reason: We have no information concerning this resolution. Its meaning is not clear.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 19

RESOLVED, That nothing in Resolutions Nos. 13 to 18 inclusive, of the Fourteenth National Convention shall invalidate the provisions of Resolutions No. 13 of the Thirteenth National Convention.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 19
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 20

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Delta Chapter -	Reason: We suggest that Resolution 20 be changed so it will read, "that each chapter buy only one special pin for the H.S.P. which shall be given to his successor in recognition of his position as H.S.P."
Theta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: We believe in one badge for all.
Nu Chapter -	No reason filed.
Tau Chapter -	No reason filed.
Phi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Alpha Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Delta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Zeta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Eta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 20

RESOLVED, That a section entitled "Large Badge" shall be incorporated in the By-Laws as Section 6 (a) under Article XII to read as follows:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall be authorized to sell the larger badge, as specified by the Grand Prudential Committee, to the respective chapters to be presented, if they so desire, to their retiring H.S.P. as a mark of appreciation of his work.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 20
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 21

Chapter calling for referendum is Alpha Zeta Chapter.

No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 21

RESOLVED, That Southern expansion is hereby approved, and the Grand Junior President is requested to lay special stress on investigation of conditions in colleges and universities in the South.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 21
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 22

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Nu Chapter -	No reason filed.
Pi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Tau Chapter -	No reason filed.
Chi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Zeta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 22

RESOLVED, That Title V "Miscellaneous", Article I "Miscellaneous", Section 2, of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Petitions for charters shall be prepared, received, investigated, reported and distributed in the manner provided in the By-Laws. Charters shall be granted by a unanimous vote of the Extension Committee or upon referendum by a four-fifths (4 5) vote of the chapters.

and be it further RESOLVED, That Article III "The Extension Work", Section 7, 8, and 9, of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

Section 7 (a). The Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee shall ex-officio constitute the Grand Extension Committee.

Section 7 (b). Immediately upon the completion of the preparations of the petitions, reports, and recommendations as provided in the last preceding section, the Grand Junior President shall cause a copy of such petition to be distributed to the chapters and to the members of the Extension Committee. Such petitions shall lay on the table of the Committee for ten days. Copies of the petition shall also be distributed to all alumni councils whose good and regular standing are certified to him by the Grand Prudential Committee.

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the petition, punched and distributed in the same manner with directions to be added thereto. Thirty (30) days shall be allowed in which to make these additional reports from the time of the receipt of a protest. If more than one protest is received, the proceedings for further investigation shall be consolidated.

Section 9. If no protest is received within ten days from the receipt of a petition or immediately following the receipt of a protest and its answers and further recommendations, the Extension Committee shall proceed to vote upon the petition. The action of the Committee shall be communicated to the chapters immediately in all cases. A unanimous ballot of the Committee shall be necessary for the issuing of the charter. By appealing to the Grand Junior President, in writing within thirty (30) days from the mailing of the notice of the action of the Extension Committee to the chapters, three or more chapters so appealing may cause the action of the Committee to be referred to the vote of the chapters in referendum. Upon such referendum vote,

- (a) If the action of the committee shall have been favorable to the granting of the petition, a majority vote of all the chapters shall nullify the action of the Committee in approving the petition;
- (b) If the action of the Committee shall have been unfavorable to the granting of the petition, and four-fifths (4 5) of the chapters shall vote in favor of granting a charter, then a charter shall be granted forthwith.

If no appeal from the action of the Committee shall be received by the Grand Junior President, within thirty (30) days from the date of notice to the chapters of the Committee's action upon a petition, the action of the Committee shall be final. In referendum, the chapters failing to vote shall be counted as agreeing with the action of the Extension Committee, if within thirty (30) days after notification of the referendum they have failed

to record their decisions.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 22
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 23

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Theta Chapter - No reason filed.
Nu Chapter - No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 23

RESOLVED, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Ritual" the following:

The standing Ritual Committee shall report each year to the Grand Prudential Committee, and the Grand Prudential Committee shall transmit to the chapters, with its own recommendation, such parts and material of the Committee's report as it may deem wise, for such action as the chapters may take.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 23
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 24

Chapter calling for referendum is Alpha Zeta Chapter.

No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 24

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of this Convention that the Grand Junior President should submit to the chapters the new petition from the group at West Virginia.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 24
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 25

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 26

Unanimously accepted on first ballot.

RESOLUTION NO. 27

Chapter calling for referendum is Alpha Gamma Chapter.

RESOLUTION NO. 27

RESOLVED, That Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity go on record as being opposed to the excesses of informal initiation; and be it further RESOLVED, That any informal initiation which shall be used shall be entirely at the discretion and responsibility of the local chapter, all of which shall completely conform to all regulations of the faculty and institution at which the chapter is located, and which shall be neither derogatory to the name of the fraternity nor bodily harmful to the individual initiate;

	Accepts	
_____ Chapter		Resolution No. 27
	Rejects	

RESOLUTION NO. 28

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Eta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Kappa Chapter -	No reason filed.
Nu Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 28

RESOLVED, That Section 1 of Article VIII "Penal Code" of the Codes of Procedure be amended to read as follows:

Any active, faculty or alumnus member who shall violate any of the provisions of his obligations, including his financial obligation, shall be brought to trial and upon conviction therefor shall be fined, suspended, or expelled as the trial court shall determine.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 28
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 29

Chapters calling for referendum are:

Delta Chapter -	Reason: We feel that this resolution would give the Grand Prudential Committee too much authority and work more harm than good.
Eta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Theta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: We believe that the active chapter should be sole judge of those who shall compose the chapter roll.
Nu Chapter -	No reason filed.
Xi Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Alpha Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Zeta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Alpha Eta Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 29

RESOLVED, That Section 23 of Article II of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall be charged with the duty of prosecuting any chapter, alumni council, officer of the fraternity, officer of a chapter, and active faculty or alumnus member in all proceedings where the fraternity is interested or its laws violated; it shall perform the duties of disciplinary officers as provided in the codes; and it shall have coordinate jurisdiction with chapters, alumni councils, and individuals in all other cases of discipline.

Accepts
Chapter Resolution No. 29
Rejects

RESOLUTION NO. 30

Chapter calling for referendum are:

Beta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Delta Chapter -	Reason: Same as for Resolution No. 29.
Theta Chapter -	No reason filed.
Lambda Chapter -	Reason: Same as for Resolution No. 29.
Nu Chapter -	No reason filed.

RESOLUTION NO. 30

RESOLVED, That Section 4 of Article XI of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

Suspended and expelled members may be reinstated for good cause shown to the Grand Prudential Committee and on its recommendation to the chapter followed by a three-fourths vote in favor thereof. If such member has been expelled for breaking his obligations, or any of them, he shall be again given the obligation he broke in due and regular form.

Accepts

Chapter Resolution No. 30
Rejects

OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION BLANK

This is to certify that _____ Chapter
in regular meeting assembled, has acted upon
each of the foregoing resolutions as shown in
the space provided for such action.

Done in the City of _____
State of _____ on the _____ day
of _____ 1929.

Fraternally,

H. S. P.

Attest: _____
H. S.

TO :- The Chapters of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.
FROM :- Robert L. Jagocki, Executive President.
SUBJECT :- Convention Legislation - Proposed History.

Enclosed herewith you will find blank form for reporting the result of your final action upon the resolutions of the Fourteenth National Convention requiring a second ballot. A referendum has been called by one or more chapters upon each of the propositions herewith resubmitted to you for further consideration.

Kindly vote upon these resolutions as speedily as possible and return one of the enclosed blanks, properly completed and authenticated on the last page, to National Headquarters. Retain the other copy for your files.

Your attention is specifically called to Section 1, Article II of the Constitution. According to this section, the legislation passed by the Convention shall become the law of the Fraternity unless voted down by a MAJORITY vote of the chapters.

The history problem has confused and bothered our organization for many years, and the last Convention had presented to it certain questions with regard to that problem which, when answered, would tend to settle the matter once and for all time. The Convention took the action embodied in the resolutions numbered 13 to 19, both inclusive. The Convention considered the matter of such importance that it authorized the officers of the fraternity to disregard established precedent in not commenting upon any of the propositions submitted to you for your action and stated that Brother Benjamin Clarke,

Grand Junior President, who served as chairman of the History Committee, should write and submit with the resolutions, a report on the subject, setting forth the reasons for each resolution and recording the sense of the history committee and the convention upon each proposition.

Due to pressure of other fraternity business, including the installation of Alpha Theta Chapter at the University of Missouri, which happy event took place on November 23rd and 24th, of this year, Brother Clarke has been unable to write the said report. Consequently, the Grand Prudential Committee instructed the undersigned to write such a report and transmit it with the second ballot. The Committee considered its chairman qualified to write such a report for the reasons that he had attended the Estes Park Convention, where this subject was discussed at great length, and had attended all the deliberations of the last Convention's History Committee and also the sessions of the Convention itself devoted to that subject.

The Grand Prudential Committee's report to the Convention contained the following section :-

"7. HISTORY

The Estes Park Convention devoted much of its time to a discussion of this matter, and formulated the resolution set forth in the early part of this report, which was later ratified by the chapters. The history has not been published, however.

A review of this subject is in order. The fraternity must take soundings and arrive at a definite conclusion. We have reached a crisis, and seriousness of the crisis must be appreciated before a solution can be evolved. The matter of publishing a

history of our organization has occupied the attention of the chapters for upwards of twenty years, and we are no nearer a solution than we were then.

At the Washington Convention, held four years ago, Brother Wayne M. Musgrave, former Grand Junior President, was authorized to form a syndicate within the fraternity to publish this book, he to be its editor. The resolution was in the following form :- "Resolved, That Brother Wayne M. Musgrave be and he hereby is authorized to form a publication syndicate within the Fraternity to raise the funds to issue the History of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity." No details, no restraints, no further authority was given. Brother Musgrave immediately circularized the members and collected approximately \$2800., from approximately 140 men who each paid \$20., and were to receive as interest, a copy of the book, when published, and a return of their investment after the cost of production had been paid for and out of profits to be realized. The response was inadequate, and the matter held in abeyance until September, 1927.

At the Estes Park Convention we were confronted with the fact that Brother Musgrave had expended about \$2000. of his syndicate fund for research and preliminary expenses. Not a word of the manuscript, however, had apparently been written.

The Convention then evolved its resolution number thirteen. This resolution makes no mention of the \$2000. which was expended, it makes no provision for the fraternity assuming the debt of \$2000, and merely institutes other financing methods, as though this obligation were outlawed or none of its concern. Following the passage of the resolution, the Committee attempted to sell voluntary subscriptions. The response was negligible. The Executive Secretary's report, attached hereto, sets forth the figures. The alternative method, provided for in the resolution

was not put into operation for the reason that the manuscript was and is, not ready, and for the added cogent reason that the Committee believes publishing a history would mean financial ruin for the fraternity in any event.

What the Estes Park Convention quietly ignored was the claim of Brother Wayne M. Musgrave for compensation in connection with his work upon the history. In his report to that Convention he stated that he was charging the Fraternity \$100. a week for his work. A Query was then made as to how much the fraternity owed him at that time, based upon his alleged claim. He stated approximately \$6000.

The present Committee has failed to find any basis for Brother Musgrave's claim. No legislation or resolution passed at any time during the past twenty years authorizes any compensation whatsoever. Instead of either repudiating Brother Musgrave's claim or accepting it, the last Convention sidestepped the problem just as it sidestepped the problem of repaying the \$2800. collected by Brother Musgrave through his syndicate plan.

Two years have since elapsed since the resolution in question was passed, and the Committee is informed that Brother Musgrave's claim of \$100. per week for time expended in this work has continued for an approximate total of \$8000. at this time. The balance of the syndicate money, about \$800., during this time, remained with Brother Musgrave, whether or not it remains intact, Brother Musgrave must answer. (He informed the Ithaca-Syracuse Convention that it had been expended).

The Committee has had an estimate made of the probable cost of publishing a history of 500 pages - 5000 copies. The least possible estimate is \$5000., and would probably be \$6000. The total cost must be reckoned as follows :-

1. Assumption of Syndicate Obligations	\$2,800.00
2. Musgrave's Claim	8,000.00
3. Cost of Publication	<u>5,000.00</u>

Total \$15,800.00

This seems ridiculous, but it is true. Each book would cost a trifle more than \$3. to publish, and could not therefore be sold to the chapters for \$3.50 as provided for in the resolution. The alumni, through subscription, have shown they will not buy the book at \$5. Moreover, at least \$5000. would have to be expended immediately to pay for the cost of actual publication -- the fraternity has no such fund. All Grand Prudential Committees of the past have steadfastly maintained that they will not pledge the fraternity to such a financial obligation until and unless the actual cost of publication has been collected and is in the possession of the fraternity. As to the other \$10,800., probable liability in this connection, the time of repayment must be of necessity, spread over a great many years.

After much consideration of this problem, the Committee comes before the Convention with these questions.

a. Is it the sense of this fraternity that a history should be published?

The answer in the past has always been yes, and all the arguments in favor of it are well known. The Committee agrees that it would be a very fine thing to have such a book, but not at the cost for which it must be published.

b. Will the Fraternity assume the burden of repaying those members who subscribed to Brother Musgrave's syndicate, and if so, will it at this time evolve an adequate system of finance to meet the obligations? And if not will it go on record as repudiating any liability therefore?

c. Will the Fraternity recognize Brother Musgrave's

claim for compensation at \$100. a week, and if so, will it at this time likewise evolve an adequate system for the payment of same? And if not, will it repudiate such claim as unjustifiable and unauthorized?

d. Will it reconsider the resolution of the Estes Park Convention and repeal the same, and in its place will it evolve another plan for financing the history?

e. "In the evolution of another resolution on this subject, will it take into consideration the material which is to make up the history, and inquire into Brother Musgrave's present plans with regard to that material, ascertaining, if possible, when the manuscript will be ready for a Committee to read and analyze?"

The Ithaca-Syracuse Convention promptly appointed a History Committee to confer with Brother Musgrave and report to the Convention. Meetings were held and the matter thoroughly thrashed out.

The Committee thus appointed then discovered that although Resolution Thirteen of the Estes Park Convention provided that no effort was to be made by Brother Musgrave to incorporate into the history lists of names, Part I of his history, which had been written, did include such lists. This created a discussion with regard to his charging \$100. per week for work which was specifically decided should not be done. Brother Musgrave stated that he did not so understand the Estes Park resolution, and later admitted that he had not read it. He also stated that even with his lists, the book would not be greater in volume than 500 pages. As a result, Ithaca-Syracuse resolution No. 13 was evolved as a compromise.

Since the Convention, Part I of the proposed history has been delivered to the Grand Prudential Committee, contains lists, and is quite voluminous. The Committee is reasonably certain that Part I, if published in its present form, would be well over 500 pages, but since the Estes Park Resolution Thirteen was not repealed, it provides for a method of abridging the history, if found to be necessary.

Resolution No. 13, upon which you are to vote again, therefore, is a compromise between those elements of the fraternity which disapprove of lists of names, and those who do not, and provided the book can be kept down to 500 pages, will be satisfactorily worked out.

Resolution No. 14 was passed for the purpose of fixing a definite time for the manuscript to be delivered. Parts I and II have been received, a reading committee has been appointed, and that committee is now functioning. Due to the delay in bringing this book out heretofore, the Convention hoped by this resolution to expedite its publication.

Resolution No. 15 appeared to be the only method left for publishing the book. It is about the same as the alternative plan set forth in Resolution Thirteen of the Estes Park Convention, and it is generally conceded that if this resolution is defeated, there can be no history published. The crux of the whole problem lies in this resolution. Please, therefore, in voting on this resolution, remember that in voting down this resolution, all the others must crash with it, as passing the others, and not providing for the compulsory sale of the book, is merely an idle gesture. There can be no history unless this resolution passes.

Resolution 16 was formulated with the idea that if it passed, a fund for the payment of immediate publication costs would be created, but it was not included with No. 15 for the reason that if No. 15 passes, and No. 16 does not pass, the history might still be published. If No. 15 is defeated, and No. 16 is passed, there can be no history, for the funds realized from the assessment of active members \$5. would not be sufficient.

Brother Musgrave objected strenuously to the use of the words "repudiation", "alleged claim", and others of like character in the Grand Prudential Committee's report. It was then pointed out to him that the first indication the Fraternity had of a charge being made was at the Estes Park Convention and that no one connected officially with the Fraternity had ever known until that moment that a charge was being made or contemplated, that the weekly fee of \$100. had never been agreed to, and that if such a proposition had been offered prior to his working on this book, other arrangements might possibly have been made. Brother Musgrave considered his charges reasonable and much below an adequate fee. He agreed, however, that his claim rested entirely upon funds to be raised if and when a history was published. His claim is not a claim against the general funds of the fraternity, as he stated, and Resolution 17 was evolved for the purpose of definitely fixing that proposition. What worried fraternity officials was that in case a history was not published, a claim might be made against the general funds. Brother Musgrave made it very clear that he contemplated no such action - he was and is willing to wait for his money until the history has been

published. The Convention thought it wise to incorporate this idea in its Resolution 17.

Resolution 18 merely fixed a date when compensation was to cease.

Because Resolution Thirteen contained certain provisions with regard to the make-up of this history, the method of editing, reading, and settling possible differences of opinion, and other matters, the Convention deemed it best to retain that Estes Park resolution, and to consider the resolutions passed by it at Ithaca, merely amendatory and to be read in conjunction with that earlier resolution. For that reason, Resolution No. 19 was passed.

If it is the sense of the Fraternity that it wants the history, Resolution No. 15 must be passed, at the added cost to each initiate of course, and Resolution No. 16 should be passed to insure speedy publication. In any event, Resolution No. 17 should be passed, so that this proposition is definitely settled.

I have tried to be definite and fair in this report, and to present the problem to you in its entirety, without trying to express an opinion either way. My attitude as expressed in the quoted part of the Grand Prudential Committee's report to the Convention should be disregarded and it was couched in that language for the purpose of forcibly presenting to the Convention the seriousness of the problem.

Please vote at once and forward the result of your deliberations, as votes not received are counted in the affirmative - and would uphold the legislation. Consider this in voting.

I apologize for the length of this report, but I think you will agree with me, the subject is worthy of considerable thought.

Fraternally yours,

Executive President.

New York, N.Y.
November 30, 1929.

RESOLVED, that Article 3, Section 7 of the By-Laws of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity be amended to read as follows:

Section 7-A. The Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee shall ex officio constitute the Grand Extension Committee.

(B) Immediately upon the completion of the preparations of the petitions, reports, and recommendations as provided in the last preceding section, the Grand Junior President shall cause a copy of such petition to be distributed to the chapters and to the members of the Extension Committee. Such petition shall lay on the table of the committee for ten days. Copies of the petition shall also be distributed to all alumni councils whose good and regular standing are certified to him by the Grand Prudential Committee.

Section 8. Protests against granting the petition shall be in writing and filed with the Grand Junior President within ten days by any chapter or alumni council, stating the grounds of objection. Upon receipt of such protests he shall immediately notify all members of the Extension Committee thereof and direct that no vote be taken or reported until further notice. He shall immediately appoint an additional investigating committee to visit the petitioners to obtain facts with which to answer the protests or to justify the same, or to add the reasons why the petition should be granted. These reports and recommendations together with the protests shall be printed on paper uniform in size, with the petition punched and distributed in the same manner with directions to be added thereto. Thirty (30) days shall be allowed in which to make these additional reports from the time of the receipt of a protest. If more than one protest is received, the proceedings for further investigation shall be consolidated.

Section 9. If no protest is received within ten days from the receipt of a petition or immediately following the receipt of a protest and its answers and further recommendations, the Extension Committee shall proceed to vote upon the petition. The action of the committee shall be communicated to the chapters immediately in all cases. A unanimous ballot of the committee shall be necessary for the issuing of the charter. By appealing to the Grand Junior President in writing within (30) days from the mailing of notice of the action of the Extension Committee to the chapters, three or more chapters so appealing may cause the action of the committee to be referred to the vote of the chapters in referendum. - Upon such referendum vote

(a) If the action of the committee shall have been favorable to the granting of the petition, a majority vote of all the chapters shall nullify the action of the committee in approving the petition.

(b) If the action of the committee shall have been unfavorable to the granting of the petition, and four-fifths ($\frac{4}{5}$) of the chapters shall vote in favor of granting a charter, then a charter shall be granted forthwith.

If no appeal from the action of the committee shall be received by the Grand Junior President within thirty days from the date of notice to the chapters of the committee's action upon a petition, the action of the committee shall be final. In referendum, the chapters failing to vote shall be counted as agreeing with the action of the Extension Committee, if within thirty days after notification of the referendum they have failed to record their decision.

RESOLVED, that Title 5 Miscellaneous Article I Miscellaneous Section 2 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Petitions for charters shall be prepared, received, investigated, reported and distributed in the manner provided in the By-Laws. Charter shall be granted by a unanimous vote of the Extension Committee or upon referendum by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the chapters.

1. Resolved, That this Convention shall be known as the Fourteenth National Convention of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity,

2. Resolved, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Chapters" the following:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall, with the aid of such advice from the respective chapters as it may obtain, appoint annually a Visiting Committee of three members for each chapter, comprised of alumni of that chapter and/or of any chapter. The duties of such Committee shall be to visit the chapter from time to time, to advise the chapter whenever so requested by the chapter, and to make such reports to the Grand Prudential Committee as it shall from time to time request.

3. Resolved, That Lee Keefer, who was duly elected as an active member of Pi Chapter, but who died before the completion of his initiation into said chapter, be recognized as having been a regular active member of Pi Chapter, upon appropriate action by Pi Chapter. With respect to his Tomahawk Life Subscription, the same shall be continued to his mother as a gift from this fraternity.

4. Resolved, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Ritual" the following:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall appoint a standing Ritual Committee composed of three members, and may make such changes in its Membership from time to time as it may deem wise.

5. Resolved, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto a new title "Song Books" as follows:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall appoint a standing Song Book and Singing Committee composed of three members, and may make such changes in its membership from time to time as it may deem wise. Song Books and Songs shall be published by the Grand Prudential Committee whenever in its opinion they are needed,

or whenever it is expressly authorized or directed to do so by a Convention.

6. Resolved, That the Grand Prudential Committee shall distribute copies of the Consolidated Laws to the Chapters.

7. Resolved, That all prior legislation concerning Visitation be repealed, and that the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto a new section "Visitation" as follows:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall, at its discretion, carry out systematic visitation of the chapters whenever the funds of the fraternity warrant the expense. It may also, in its discretion, carry out visitation of such chapters from time to time as it shall deem beneficial.

8. Resolved, That actions of the Grand Junior President, as stated in his report to the Fourteenth National Convention, with respect to discouraging certain prospective petitions, be and they are hereby confirmed.

9. Resolved, That the Fourteenth National Convention extend a vote of thanks to Cornell University for the excellent facilities and liberal privileges furnished to this Convention.

10. Resolved, That the Fourteenth National Convention extend a vote of appreciation and heartfelt thanks to the chapters of Iota and Alpha Epsilon for their thoughtful and courteous treatment of delegates during the Convention.

11. Resolved, That the Fourteenth National Convention extend a vote of commendation and appreciation to the Convention Committee for their excellent work and discriminating judgment in providing such an unusually fine series of entertainments and such extraordinarily convenient facilities.

12. Resolved, That the Grand Prudential Committee prepare and issue a Pledge Manual.

13. Resolved, That the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall consist of all material as desired by Brother Musgrave, provided that said material can be contained within a volume of approximately 500 pages, and

be it further Resolved, That, if it cannot be so contained, the lists of individual members and their activities be cut or eliminated to such an extent that the volume will contain approximately 500 pages.

14. Whereas Brother Musgrave has agreed to deliver part I of the History to the Grand Prudential Committee by October 15, 1929, whether completed or not, and has agreed to turn over Part II of said History to the Grand Prudential Committee by November 15, 1929, whether completed or not, which together shall comprise the completed History, be it Resolved, Therefore, That it is the sense of the Convention that it is essential that the History be published at the earliest possible date and that this date be not later than March 1, 1930.

15. Resolved, That Article XV "Fees", Dues, Etc." of the By-Laws be amended by adding Section 11 as follows: \$5.00 shall be collected by the chapters from each initiate for a subscription to the History of Alpha Sigma Phi, this amount to be paid to National Headquarters with the initiation fee, and this amount to be paid over to a fund to be known as the History Fund.

16. Resolved, That all present active members be assessed \$5.00, for which they shall receive a copy of the History, that said moneys shall be sent to National Headquarters before June 1, 1930, and that said moneys be paid over to the History Fund.

17. Resolved, That all liabilities incurred in the compilation, publication, distribution, etc. of the History be met only by funds collected through the sale of said History and by funds saved or collected solely for that purpose.

18. Resolved, That Brother Musgrave's compensation for the History of Alpha Sigma Phi shall cease on November 1, 1929.

19. Resolved, That nothing in Resolutions Nos. 13 to 18 inclusive of the Fourteenth National Convention shall invalidate the provisions of Resolution No. 13 of the Thirteenth National Convention.

20. Resolved, That a section entitled "Large Badge" shall be

incorporated in the By-Laws as Section 6 (a) under Article XII to read as follows:

The Grand Prudential Committee shall be authorized to sell the larger badge, as specified by the Grand Prudential Committee, to the respective chapters to be presented, if they so desire, to their retiring H.S.P. as a mark of appreciation of his work.

21. Resolved, That Southern expansion is hereby approved, and the Grand Junior President is requested to lay special stress on investigation of conditions in colleges and universities in the South.

22. Resolved, That Title V "Miscellaneous", Article I "Miscellaneous", Section 2, of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Petitions for charters shall be prepared, received, investigated, reported and distributed in the manner provided in the By-Laws. Charters shall be granted by a unanimous vote of the Extension Committee or upon referendum by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the chapters.

and be it further Resolved, That Article III "The Extension Work", Sections 7, 8 and 9, ^{of the By-Laws} be amended to read as follows:

Section 7 (a). The Grand Junior President and the Grand Prudential Committee shall ex officio constitute the Grand Extension Committee.

Section 7 (b). Immediately upon the completion of the preparations of the petitions, reports, and recommendations as provided in the last preceding section, the Grand Junior President shall cause a copy of such petition to be distributed to the chapters and to the members of the Extension Committee. Such petition shall lay on the table of the Committee for ten days. Copies of the petition shall also be distributed to all alumni councils whose good and regular standing are certified to him by the Grand Prudential Committee.

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If no appeal from the action of the committee shall be received by the Grand Junior President, within thirty⁽³⁰⁾ days from the date of notice to the chapters of the Committee's action upon a petition, the action of the Committee shall be final. In referendum, the chapters failing to vote shall be counted as agreeing with the action of the Extension Committee, if within thirty⁽³⁰⁾ days after notification of the referendum they have failed to record their decisions.

23. Resolved, That the Consolidated Laws be amended by adding thereto under the title "Ritual" the following:

The standing Ritual Committee shall report each year to the Grand Prudential Committee, and the Grand Prudential Committee shall transmit to the chapters, with its own recommendation, such parts and material of the Committee's report as it may deem wise, for such action as the Chapters may take.

24. Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the Grand Junior President should submit to the Chapters the new petition from the group at West Virginia.

25. Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention, with respect to the liquor question, that (a) our oath should be enforced for the reasons which originated it long before the Eighteenth Amendment, (b) upholding the oath is of proved and direct benefit to each chapter and its members, and (c) the enforcement of the oath is necessary for chapter preservation.

26. Resolved, That the time and place for the next Convention be left to the discretion of the Grand Prudential Committee, subject only to a plurality referendum of the chapters.

27. Resolved, That Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity go on record as being opposed to the excesses of informal initiation; and be it further Resolved, That any informal initiation which shall be used shall be entirely at the discretion and responsibility of the local chapter, all of which shall completely conform to all regulations of the faculty and institution at which the chapter

is located, and which shall be neither derogatory to the name of the fraternity nor bodily harmful to the individual initiate; and be it further

28. Resolved, That Section 1 of Article VIII "Penal Code" of the Codes of Procedure be amended to read as follows:

Any active, faculty or alumnus member who shall violate any of the provisions of his obligations, including his financial obligation, shall be brought to trial and upon conviction therefor shall be fined, suspended, or expelled as the trial court shall determine.

29. Resolved, That Section 23 of Article II of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

It shall be charged with the duty of prosecuting any chapter, alumni council, officer of the fraternity, officer of a chapter, and active, faculty or alumnus member in all proceedings where the fraternity is interested or its laws violated; it shall perform the duties of disciplinary officers as provided in the codes; and it shall have coordinate jurisdiction with chapters, alumni councils, and individuals in all other cases of discipline.

30. Resolved, That Section 4 of Article XI of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

Suspended and expelled members may be reinstated for good cause shown to the Grand Prudential Committee and on its recommendation to the chapter followed by a three-fourths vote in favor thereof. If such member has been expelled for breaking his obligations, or any of them, he shall be again given the obligation he broke in due and regular form.