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Second Row: P. H. Engstrom, R. H. Henry, R. H. Schmidt, P. G. Musser, E. G. Richardson, R. N. Evans, D. J. Hickey, C. F. Campbell.

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# PETITION

OF

THE VIKING CLUB

NAME OF PETITIONING BODY

OF

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE

NAME OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

TO

Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO PETITIONERS

Petitions are prepared on paper furnished at cost by Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. to bodies desiring to make application to it for a Charter.

In preparing the following petition observe the directions carefully.

- 1. Make up one petition for each of our Chapters, one for our Grand Corresponding Secretary one for our Grand Secretary, one for our Grand Junior President. Send all to our Grand Junior President.
- 2. Have all the data furnished filled in on the typewriter, with black record ribbon. These directions must be followed very carefully. Do not use carbon or different colored ribbons.
- 3. Bind with silk cord or tape in order that they may be opened, reports inserted, and recommendations attached.
  - 4. Individual statements should be on original, not carbon copies.
  - 5. Arrange every copy of the petition in the same manner.
- 6. Alumni members of the petitioning body should be set forth in that part of the petition reserved for such in the form of a "Who's Who," giving the surname first and Christian and middle name, together with all information as to what he did in college, when he graduated, degrees, honors, and positions held since leaving college.
  - 7. Assemble the petition in the following order:

A short history of the educational institution.

A history of the organization petitioning.

Individual statements.

Alumni lists.

A petition signed by every member of the petitioning body with his full name.

Pictures of the campus, house, group, etc. in their proper places.

#### FUNDS

The following sums should accompany the petitions when sent in:

Charter fees	-	-	-	-	-	\$40.00,
Pins for members	-	-	-	-	-	4.25 each,
Plaques for members, -	-	-	-	-	- 1/1	3.15 each,
Paraphernalia for members,-	-	-	-	-		2.00 each,
Paraphernalia for chapter,	-	-	-	-	-	48.00,
Initiation fees for members,	-	1111	-,	-	-	10.00 each,
Investigation expenses, -	-1	-	-	-	-	50.00, indemnity

The investigation expenses may be larger than is actualy required, but in any event it will not exceed the actual traveling and hotel expenses of the investigating committee and any sum in excess thereof will be refunded.

If the charter is not granted all sums in excess of actual expenses of investigation will be refunded.

To the Chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity.

Gentlemen and Brethren:

I present to you the petition of the Viking Club of Penn State College for your approval. Investigation shows that it is entitled to our favorable action.

For the same reason I could not get the formal approval of the Grand Prudential for the Alvarado Club, I am giving regarding this one. They have informally and personally approved this petition. I know of no reason why favorable action should not be forthcoming, and with your approval I shall proceed to install this Club as a new Chaoter. The general concession of opinion seems to be, that both Stanford University and Penn State College should be on the roster of Alpha Sigma Phi, and from my personal knowledge of the conditions applying in both instances as well as the information concerning the men who make up both petitions, I unhesitatingly recommend them for your favorable consideration.

Please, fellows, give me a prompt reply. Do not keep me waiting as to your very existence as did Xi Chapter for seven weeks. Iknow it is war times, but I cannot help but feel that the co-operation of my boys in that case was not obtained.

Remember we are conducting Alpha Sigma Phi under war conditions, and the boys at the front who are doing their bit for their country expect us to keep the lamps well trimmed and the lights burning until they return.

With kindest wishes I remain,
Fraternally yours in A.Σ.φ.,

Wayne M. Misgrave.

Alpha Sigma Phi, Omicron Chapter, 2617- Locust St. University of Penn, Philadelphia, Pa.

June 2d. 1917

Dear Brother Musgrave:

As you requested, I spent the past week end with the Viking Club of Pennsylvania State College. Five of the members of that Club met me at the station early Saturday morning and they insisted on my staying until Monday noon at their house.

During my stay at State College, I had talks with not only our petitioners, but with other members of the college, some of whom were and some of whom were not fraternity men. From what I have learned, I could not but believe that the fraternity conditions at Penn State, and the calibre of the members of the Viking Club, are such that we may feel assured of doing the right thing in placing a charter at that college. In the first place, when Dr.E.E.Sparks, at D.K.E. Man, took the presidency of Penn State, he immediately got into touch with every fraternity on the campus. He believes, as do I, that his college could not exist without fraternities. To have the fraternities kicked out of school is the last thing he would want to see done. He realizes that Pennsylvania State College and fraternities are as inseparable as the States of our own United States. One could not get along without the other. Any good times the students have, are had in conjunction with the fraternities.

State College is a town of approximately 1500 persons exclusive of students and other than two moving picture theatres, and the several athletic contests, there is absolutely no form of amusement, which means that, were the fraternities taken out of college, the men would begin to Deglect their studies to loaf on the street corners. The college authorities realize this and therefore, cooperate with the fraternities.

There are at present in Penn State College, 27 National social and scientific fraterntiies, while the Inter-Mural Council is composed of 7 local fraternities, making a total of 34, the average membership of which is 30. This comprises approximately 1/2 of the male student body, eligible for fraternity membership, having still a lot of fraternity material in the remaining half.

The feeling of the fraternities to each other is, as near as possible, Ideal. Perhaps the best example of this may be found in the fact that at this coming commencement, due to a general exodus on account of the war, several of the fraternities are giving their final house dance together. The fraternities take turns giving inter-fraternity smokers and, "get together stag" parties. To be sure the Pan-Hellenic Council is composed of none other than National fraternities, and the local clubs have their own inter-Murial Council, but as soon as a local has been granted a

national charter, it is voted into the Pan-Hellenic and there is no trouble about the other Nationals recognizing it. It understand that the Pioneer Club has been recently notified that it would be duly installed and a charter given it next year by Alpha Chi Rho.

When the Viking Club petitioned Alpha Sigma Phi, they could boast of only 21 active members, but since that time, they have increased their number to over 30. This alone shows that it is a live and active bunch. Altho I met only about 20 of these men, the others being out of school in some branch of government work, I think I am in a position to vouch for their character. I was with them for approximately three days, living and eating in their house.

During that time, every one of them was a perfect ggntleman, gentlemen of whom Alpha Sigma Phi might be proud to own as
brothers. There is not one man in the bunch who I would feel
ashamed to call my brother. They have men in nearly every
branch of college activities. Socially they are not only well
known, but are well liked by everyone. Not one word did I
hear spoken against them. They are at present living in a
\$15,000 house, built two years ago for them. It has eleven
large double bed rooms, each one of which is exceptionally well
lighted and well furnished. Scholastically they are up to the
average. I understand that each month, they get from the college
authorities, the standing of each man in school and they see to
it that they study and pass.

In closing, I would say that after meeting the fellows up there that I did, I most heartily recommend them as being worthy of the honor they are asking of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Fraternally yours in Alpha Sigma, Phi.

H. WALTER GRAVES.

L. D. FYE, General Merchandise, 300-4 Vest College Avenue,

State College, Pa. 2-5-1917.

TO THE IT MAY CONCERN:

As to the financial standing of the Viking Club I can say for them their business relations with me have been very pleasant and as to meeting their obligations they have been very groupt.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) L. D. FYE

THE PENHSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE STATE COLLEGE, Pa. 2-5-1917.

Offics of the President

The local fraternity known as the "Vixing Club" has been in existence in this college for several years. I have been in close touch with the membership and have visited the house at least once a year. The members are loyal young men of good families and having an earnest purpose in life. I commend then to any national fraternity desiring to establish a representative chapter.

(Signed) ED"IN E. SPARKS
President.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BAN OF STATE COLLEGE STATE COLLEGE, PA.

W. L. Foster, President C. H. Foster, 1st Vice Pres A. F. Markle, 3nd Vice Pres,

David F. Knapp, Cashier N. E. Robb, Asst. Cashier

State College, Pa. February 7, 1917.

Mr. Wayne M.Musgrave, New York City.

Dear Sir:

One of the members of the Viking Club called upon me for a testimonial as to their methods of conducting their

financial afrairs as related to our institution.

I take pleasure in stating that for several years they have carried an account with us which has been handled in a business like manner, and any service which they have called for we have been pleased to grant by reason of our appreciation of the business which they have placed with us. As far as I am advised their business relations with the merchants of this town are satisfactory. I believe that I warranted in saying that in Club and Fraternity circles they are well regarded.

Trusting that this may be of service, I am,

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) TAVID F. MMAPP Cashier.

THE PERMSYNVANIA STATE COLLEGE STATE COLLEGE, PA.

Dean of the General Faculty

February 18, 1917.

Mr. Mayne M. Musgrave, 51 Chambers Street, New York City.

My dear sir:

I understand that the Viking Club of our college is applying to the Alpha Signa Phi national fraternity for a charter.

The Viking Club was organized here in 1912 and has lived since 1913 in its own rented house. It is one of our most prominent and most prominent students who have always been interested and helpful in our best college activities, in religious work, athletics, students organizations, students publications, and in class organizations. I can recommend this club very highly for the sterling character of its members and for its universally progressive spirit. I believe that it would do an honor to a national fraternity that would admit it to membership.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) A. HOLMES

#### HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTION.

This should give the name, date of founding, location, endowment, method of support, names of departments maintained and degrees conferred, and if located at different places this fact should be noted, number of students, male and female, equipment of the institution, names of fraternities represented, prospects for a new chapter if located there as your petitioners see it, etc.

History of The Pennsylvania State College

The Pennsylvania State College was formally established under an act of Congress passed July 2nd, 1862, together with a corresponding act of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania passed April 1st, 1863. However, action looking to such an institution had been taken as early as 1855, when several public spirited citizens of the Commonwealth, encouraged by the State Board of Agriculture, secured a charter from the Legislature of Pennsylvania for a Farmers' High School. The minutes of the first meeting of the trustees under the charter are as follows:-

"Office of the Permsylvania State Agricultural Society, Harrisburg, June 14th, 1855; in pursuance of the provisions of the Act to incorporate the Farmers' High School of Pennsylvania approved February 22nd, 1855, the Trustees met this day, the second Thursday of June.

"Trustees present: Messrs James Pollock, Governor, and Andrew Curten, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Frederick Watts, A. O. Hiester, H. N. McAllister, John Strohm, James Miles, A. L. Elwyn and Robert C. Walker. On motion of Frederick Watts, James Pollock was called to the chair.

"On motion of A. L. Elwyn, Robert C. Walker was elected Secretary... On motion of H. N. McAllister it was resolved; 'That Governor Pollock, Frederick Watts, and Alfred L. Elwyn be appointed a committee whose duty it shall be, with as little delay as possible, to view the lands offered the Farmers' High School by General James Irvin of Centre County and Hon. James Miles of Erie County with such other situations as to them shall seem advisable and report to the Trustees at their next meeting in reference to the location of the institution and as to the funds, etcetra, necessary for its establishment; and that as many of the Trustees as can make it convenient are hereby especially requested to accompany the committee.'

"On motion of Frederick Watts, it was resolved; 'That the committee to view the said lands will start from this place on next Monday, the 25th instant, at 12 o'clock M.'"

After considering a number of sites, the Irvin farm in Centre County was selected, one wing of a building (now Old Main) was begun, and school was opened in February 1859, offering a course of study leading only to the occupation of farming. A class of eleven was graduated in December 1861, being probably the first class graduated in the United

States from a purely agricultural institution. In May following, upon application of the Trustees, the Court of Centre County changed the name of the institution to "The Agricultural College of Pennsylvania."

Meanwhile petitions to Congress for National aid to higher education through gifts of public land led Congress in 1862 to pass the so-called "Land Grant" Act, offering to each state and territory under certain conditions a gift of public land varying in amount according to the population. From the proceeds of the sales of these lands, one state college or university has been established in each state of the Union. Their scope cannot be better described than in the comprehensive terms of the Act.

"The leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such a manner as the Legislatures of the States may prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions of life." The Act forbade the use of any portion of the aforesaid fund, or the interest thereon, for the purchase, erection, or maintenance of any building or buildings; but the several states claiming and taking the benefit of the provisions of the Act were required, by legislative assent previously given, " to provide within five years at least, not less than one college" for carrying out the purposes of the Act. This offer was accepted by the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania in 1863 "with all its provisions and conditions and the faith of the State \*\*\*\* pledged to carry the same into effect," and the Agricultural College of Pennsylvania was made the recipient of the gift. In 1874 the name of the institution was changed to "The Pennsylvania State College."

Upon this broad foundation, aided by later Federal gifts and state appropriations, The Pennsylvania State College has developed and now maintains five individual schools of liberal and practical education. The oldest of these is the School of Agriculture, both instructional and experimental, which includes departments of agricultural chemistry, agricultural education, agronomy, animal husbandry, bacteriology, botany, dairy husbandry, experimental pomology, forestry, horticulture, and meteorology; and the Institute of Animal Nutrition. Influenced by the present industrial era, which was unforeseen when Congress took action, the "mechanic arts" gradually grew into the science of engineering. Under this requirement the college provides a School of Engineering, with departments of civil, sanitary, electrical, industrial and mechanical engineering. In accord with the same provision a separate School of Mines and Metallurgy is established. The Federal requirement of "other

scientific \*\*\*\* studies" is fulfilled by providing a School of Natural Science, having departments of chemistry, physics, and zoology; that of "other \*\*\*\* classical studies" by the maintenance of a School of the Liberal Arts, including departments of English, Greek, German, Latin, French and Spanish, history, mathematics and philosophy; and the requirement of "military tactics" by a department of physical and military education. Thus the purposes of the founders and terms of the original charter and the requirements of the Act of Congress are fulfilled by providing a "liberal and practical education" to prepare young men and young women of the state for "the several pursuits and professions of life." The interest of "the industrial classes" are further served by providing this education free of cost of tuition.

LOCATION In order to render the college accessible to residents of all parts of the Commonwealth, the founders chose a commanding site in Center County, almost in the exact geographical center of the state. The college is located in "State College" two hundred and twenty-five miles from Philadelphia, one hundred and sixty-five miles from Pittsburg, one hundred fifty miles from Scranton, two hundred seventy miles from Erie, one hundred twenty-five miles from Harrisburg, seventy miles from Williamsport and seventy miles from Altoona.

BUILDINGS The college buildings used for instructional, experimental and dormitory purposes are thirty-four in number. In this number is included, the Agricultural Group, the Engineering Group, the Liberal Arts Group, the Mining Group, the Natural Science Group, each of which is adequately equipped. McAllister Hall and the Women's Building are used as dormitories for women while Old Main is used for administration purposes and as a men's dormitory.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT The college is supported by the income from certain grants made by the National Government and by public taxation through appropriations of the State Legislature. The original Land Grant Act of 1862 brings the college an income of \$30,000.00 annually, to which is added under later Acts of Congress the permanent sum of \$50,000.00 annually.

Appropriations varying in amount are made at each session of the State Legislature. By means of private gifts two buildings have been erected and a number of scholarships established, but no endowment funds for general maintenance or expense have been given.

NULBER OF STUDENTS The student enrollment for the year 1916-1917 is as follows:-

Regular Special two work Acri	Male 1982	Female 182
Special two year Agri- culture Course	185	3
Winter Course	<u> 125</u>	4
TOTAL	2292	189

All courses in the School of Liberal Arts DEGREES lead to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Courses in all other schools lead to the degree of Bachelor of Science. Students completing three years in the courses preparatory to Law and Medicine receive a college degree on completing satisfactorily the first year in the professional school.

Oraduates in one of the regular courses of this college or in equivalent courses elsewhere are remitted to register for instruction in advanced work under regulations prescribed by a Faculty Committee, and to take such studies as may be assigned by the school entered. Upon satisfactorily completing such a course, the student may receive one of the following advanced degrees:

- 1.
- The degree of Master of Arts The degree of Master of Science
- The degree of Civil Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, Flectrical Engineer, and Mining Engineer.

FRATERNITIES Chapters of the following honor societies are maintained at The Pennsylvania State College: - Phi Kappa Phi; Tau Beta Pi, Engineering; Phi Lambda Upsilon, Chemical; Alpha Teta, Agricultural; Eta Kappa Nu, Electrical: Gamma Sigma Delta, Agricultural; and Delta Theta Sigma, Agricultural:

The following is a list of national, social and scientific fraterrities: Phi Gamma Delta, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Sigma Kappa, Phi Delta Theta, Theta Xi, Sigma Nu, Acacia, Phi Chi Delta, Delta Upsilon, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Pi, Lambda Chi Alpha, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Epsilon Pi, Beta Samach, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Chi Sigma, Scabbard and Blade, Iota Chi Delta, Scarab.

The following comprises the list of local fraternities: Alpha Delta Sigma, Pioneer Club, Viking Club, Omega Epsilon, Zeta Theta. Northeast Club and Cuheco Club.

Since our fraternity has prospered as a local, we feel sure that with a national charter we would have greater opportunity for expansion, we would be brought into closer contact with the national fraternities existing here as well as those of other colleges wherein the Alpha Sigma Phi is established and through this contact would without a doubt become worthy members of Alpha Sigma Phi. Out of the 2292 male students enrolled in The Pennsylvania State College, there are approximately 750 mem affiliated with national fraternities. Therefore out of the remaining students who are non-fraternity men there is ample opportunity for expansion.

#### HISTORY OF PETITIONING BODY.

This should give a full history of the petitioning body from its foundation, with names of officers, number of alumni, social status of the organization, its economic situation, i. e. its property, such as a house, furnishings, etc. and all information that will show the collective results of the associated efforts of the individuals composing the unit.

A group of eight men, who were students in The Tennsylvania State College, discovered that they had the same ideas in regards to many things. Naturally as is the way of all men, they become bonded more and more by this common point of view and in the fall of 1912 decided to organize a club. A few furnished rooms wer-rented and thus the club, in a measure, was officially organized November 35th, 1912.

The following were the charter members: Brothers
Raymond Schruers, President; Rolland W. Phillips, Vice-President;
Raymond R. Robinson, Secretary; William E. Ives, Treasurer;
Lewrence Robinson, Howard H. Ashman and Edward R. Reed.

The choosing of a name and the designing of a badge and handshake were problems which required a great deal of thought and discussion. However after much deliberation the name Viking was finally chosen and a handshake and a badge adopted. These have stood some buffeting, but are to this day practically unaltered. A constitution and a set of by-laws were drawn up and plans for the future laid. At regular intervals meetings were held, the membership was increased and with the coming of spring arrangements for a house were made. This house was leased for two years and was furnished by the Club. At the close of the same year, officers were elected for the ensuing year. These officers comprised Brothers Harold G. Jennings, President; Edward Lucking, Vice-President; John Merion, Secretary; Edward Reed, Treasurer; and Howard N. Ashman, Caterer.

Let us here digress and make a few statements regarding the organization, its men and ideals at this, the formative stage of our fraternity.

In the first place the organization was crude. The bylaws and constitution enacted for use in the furnished rooms
were found inadequate to cover the requirements of our new home,
consequently revisions and additions were made as thought advisable. At this time the men were all sophomores and upperclassmen of average standing in college. Yet at this stage
there was lacking a common binding and compelling interest.
The lack of organization, a ritual and a common goal hindered
there being a coherent working body. The transition to fraternalism was slow and tedious. In the beginning the house and
furniture contracts were expensive and had to be met monthly.
The number of men was small. This diminutive group of men so on
found their treasury to be without funds and at this stage they

realized that they were members of a body banded together for a purpose. Men were gradually chosen and secured, who brought ideas as well as currency into the group. As a result a ritual containing several vows was drawn up. In the latter part of that school year a motto was adopted and a challenge and password were woven around the insignia. During the first year in the first Viking House the number of members was more than doubled, being increased from eight to twenty men.

In May 1914 new officers were elected, and duly installed, according to the new constitution. These consisted of Brothers Paul B. Fehl, President; Walter L. Baker, Vice-President; W. H. Lucking, Secretary; R. R. Foster, Treasurer; Donald J. Lehman, Assistant Treasurer; and Claude D. Dietrich, Caterer. They assumed their offices in May and one of the first things to be discovered was that the fraternity was over \$400.00 in debt in the catering end of the house. So the first year was ended with the realization that something had been accomplished and that much more would have to be accomplished in order to win success.

The fall of 1914 marked the turning point in the career of the Vikings. The members started in with a will and filled all the vacant ranks. Again the membership was doubled. More system was established in both the financial and legislative ends and success for the future was assured. The unity of purpose and fraternal spirit began to be realities instead of goals and progress was the inevitable result. In the spring of 1915 the problem of new quarters made itself evident. A committee was appointed and through the efforts of its chairman, Brother Goodling, a five year lease was obtained to a new house to be erected on the plans desired by the Club. New furniture was purchased at this time in order to equip the new and larger house, which was to be completed by the beginning of the 1915-1916 term.

In May 1915 new officers were elected and duly installed. These officers consisted of Brothers Read R. Foster, President; Donald E. Goodling, Vice-President; J. Maurice Rowland, Secretary; Donald J. Lehman, Treasurer; Harry E. Kaley, Assistant Treasurer; and John S. Maloy, Caterer. Nine of our brethren graduated in June 1915. On our return to college of the term 1915-1916 our house was to have been finished, but due to a shortage of material and labor the house was not completed until November 5th, 1915. When it was finished it was an inspiration to even better work.

The year of 1915-1916 was a year of realization for many of the Viking veterans. It witnessed the final

realization of a fraternity successful on the three sides necessary to make the perfect fraternal triangle - fraternal spirit, social success, and financial success.

At this time, we reclined our inability to enter into business negotiations and hence steps were taken to throw the burden of our business affairs from a few men onto the entire group. A charter of incorporation was applied for under the laws of the State of Pernsylvania, which was cranted December 18th. 1915.

In May 1916, the following brothers were elected and installed as officers for the ensuing year: Paul P. Merkel, President; Augustus S. Wertz, Vice-President; William I. Potteiger, Secretary; Parry Hoffman, Treasurer; Harry E. Davis, Assistant Treasurer; and John Maloy, Osterer.

At the beginning of the year 1916-17 thirteen men became inactive, seven having been graduated and six unable to return to college on account of financial or scholastic troubles. These vacancies were rapidly filled and thus far we have had a very successful year scholastically, financially, and socially.

The following is a correct statement of the assets and liabilities of The Viking Club:

# ASSETS

Furniture valuation less 20% depre-	
cia tion	\$1,350.00
Prope Assets to Feb. 1st	165.00
	350.00
TOTAL	.31,865.00

# LIABILITIES

Furniture Bills On Note \$100.00	
Instal.	
Pay 'ts 136.50	\$ 236.50
House Bills to Feb. 1st	93.50
Caterer's Bills to Feb. 1st	425.00
Notes to three alumni of \$100 each	
time indefinite	300.00
TOTAL	. 31,055.00

The following is a brief recapitulation of the history of The Viking Club:

It has grown from a small unrecognized body to a healthy, progressive fraterrity.

It has climbed from financial failure to financial success.

It has moved from a suite of three furnished rooms to a \$15,000.00 house.



It is at present a member of the Local Fratemity Council.

At no time in the history of the organization has it received financial aid from any outside source.

It has members in the following honorary fraternities:- Phi Kappa Phi, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Mu, Scabbard and Blade, and the University Landscape Architectural Society.

Finally, it has grown from a crude organization to one with a system and purpose.

The Club motto - Scholarship through Fellowship.

Name Walter Lee Baker

(Christian, middle, surname.

Do not use initials only)

College address, 406 Allen Street

Home address, Birmingham, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, John Lee Baker Mother, Sarah May Trimble (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Altoona, Pa. When? December 27th, 1892

Height, 5' 11" Weight, 150 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Dark Eyes, Grey

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Tyrone High School

Preparatory school honors. Pres. Demos thenian Literary Society (1,2,3,4) 3rd in Class Standing - Vice-Pres. Junior & Senior Class - Pres. Junior Senior Reception Committee - Base Ball (1,2) Class Donor Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Chemistry

Class.
Enrolled as a candidate for Master of Science degree
Honors taken
Glee Club (1,2,3)
College Choir (1,2,3,4)

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Chemical Society (For the promotion of the study of current Chemical Topics)
Blair County Club







Name Donald Jennings Lehman
(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 627 Commerce Street, Shamokin, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, Daniel Milton Mother, Alberta Jennings (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Mt. Carmel, Pa.When?october 19th, 1895

Height, 5' 4" Weight, 125 Complexion Medium

Color of hair, Dark Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Shamokin High School

Preparatory school honors. Literary Editor of school paper - Football (4) Class Football (1,2,3)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

Class. 1917

Honors taken Member of Intra Mural Council (3,4) Equivalent to the local Pan Hellenic Council

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Electrical Engineering Society Northumberland County Club

John Sharpless Maloy Name

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

The Viking House College address,

Home address, Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania. (Street and Number)

Name of FatherThompson Franklin Mother, Mary Gilbert Maloy (Maiden Name)

Where were you born Scranton, Pa. When? February 9th, 1896

Weight, Height, 5' 5" 135 Complexion Fair

Color of hair, Light Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Mifflinburg High School

Class Salutatorian Preparatory school honors. Vice-President of Class Baseball and Football (3.4)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

1917 Class.

Honors taken Class Lacrosse (1,2,3,4) Varsity Lacrosse (3)

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Electrical Engineering Society

Name Paul Peter Merkel
(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 210 W. Oley Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, James Jerad Merkel Mother, Hannah Peter (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Kutztown, Pa. When? April 14th, 1895

Height, 5' 11" Weight, 143 Complexion Light

Color of hair, Brown Eyes, Gray

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Reading High School

Preparatory school honors. Certificate of award for work done - Philomathean Literary Society

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Agricultural Chemistry

Class. 1917

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Liebig Chemical Society
Americus Club, Reading, Pa. (Democratic Club)
Berks County Club
Sworn Deputy Sheriff, Berks County, Pennsylvania.

Name John William Nicklas

(Christian, middle, surname.

Do not use initials only)

College address, 115 West Nittany Ave.

Home address, 242 South Third Street, Lehighton, Pennsylvania. (Street and Number)

Name of Father, John M. Nicklas Mother, Mary Elizabeth Moore (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? New York City When? March 21st, 1893

Height, 5' 8" Weight, 130 Complexion Fair

Color of hair, Light Eyes, Gray

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Slatington High School

Preparatory school honors.

Senior Class President
Junior Oratorical Contest
Class Donor

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

Class. 1917

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

E. E. Society (Advancement of Elec. Science)

Mathematical Society (Discussion of Important Problems)

Eta Kappa Nu (National) (Honorary Elec.Eng.Fraternity)

Name Lester Rahn Schucker

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, Daniel Guenther Mother, Kathryn Elizabeth Rahn Schucker (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Reading, Pa. When? August 12th, 1896

Height, 5' 10" Weight, 145 Complexion Light

Color of hair, Light Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Selinsgrove High School (two years)
Susquehanna University Prep. 12 years

Preparatory school honors. Class Secretary (Susquehanna Univ. Prep.)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

Class. 1917

Honors taken Class Lacrosse (3) - Varsity Lacrosse (3) - 1st ass't. Lacrosse Manager (3) - Varsity Lacrosse Manager (4) - Y. M. C. A. Hand-Book Committee (2)

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Electrical Engineering Society Modern Woodmen of America

Name Robert William Smith

(Christian, middle, surname.

Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 842 No. 2nd Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, William Hoffa Smith Mother, Susanna Rhoades Bechtel (Maiden Name) (deceased)

Where were you born? Reading, Pa. When? March 24, 1895

Height, 5' 8" Weight, 150 Complexion Light

Color of hair, Blonde Eyes, Grey

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Reading High School

Preparatory school honors. Glee Club - Class Basketball (4) - Varsity Baseball (4) - Philomathean Literary Society - Certificate of award for work done, scholarship for two years having a grade Other colleges attended.

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

Class. 1917

Honors taken Class Lacrosse (1,2,3,4) - Varsity Lacrosse (2) Student Volunteer Fire Department - Assistant Instructor in Physics (3,4)

Member of clubs fraternities etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity

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what is its character.

Tau Beta Pi Honorary Engineering Fraternity Electrical Engineering Society (3,4), Berks County Club

Name Homer Lansing Van Aken

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 6 Phillips Street, Amsterdam, New York.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, DeBaun Van Aken Mother, Jessie Schermerhorn (Maiden Name)

Where were you born Malden-on-Hudson When? September 18th, 1895 New York

Height, 5' 9" Weight, 155 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Dark Eyes, Green

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Amsterdam High School

Preparatory school honors. Scientific Honor - Football & Basketball (4) Senior Class Play - Horton Debating Club

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution.Liberal Arts - Commerce and Finance Class.

Honors taken Cadet 1st Lieutenant (3) - Cadet Captain (4) Chief - Penn State Volunteer Fire Department

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Deutscher Verein
Rifle Club
Centro Cervantes (Spanish Club)

Commerce & Finance Club
Officers' Club

Name Augustus Samuel Wertz.

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

The Viking House College address,

Wyomissing, Reading, Pennsylvania. Home address, (Street and Number)

Name of Father, Augustus C. Wertz Mother, Eleanor Glaser deceased deceased (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Reading, Pa. When? March 27th, 1896

Height, 6' 1" Weight, 185 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Light Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Reading High School

Glee Club (3,4) Preparatory school honors.

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

Class.

1917

Honors taken

College Choir (1) Assistant Instructor in Physics

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character. Electrical Engineering Society Deutscher Verein

Berks County Club

Harry Hoffman

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

5551 Haverford Ave., West Philadelphia. Penna. Home address, (Street and Number)

Name of Father, Louis Berthold Mother, Minnie Fuchs Hof fman (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Buffalo, N.Y.When? July 14th, 1897

Height, 5' 10" Weight, Complexion 150 Light

Color of hair, Eyes, Auburn Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. German-American

Where prepared for college? Central Manual Training High School, Phila. West Philadelphia High School

Preparatory school honors.

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Mechanical Engineering

Class. 1918

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Deutscher Verein West Philadelphia.Club Philadelphia Club

Name Harry Embich Kaley
(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 121 No. 8th Street, Lebanon, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, John Michael KaleyMother, Laura Biecher Embich (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Lebanon, Pa. When? November 8th, 1896

Height, 5' 11" Weight, 170 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Dark Eyes, Brown

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Lebanon High School

Preparatory school honors. Basketball (4)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Mechanical Engineering

Class. 1918

Honors taken Member of Intra-Mural Council (3) - equivalent to our local Pan Hellenic Council

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Lebanon County Club Mechanical Engineering Society

Name William Robins Young

(Christian, middle, surname.

Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Chestnut Street, Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania Home address, (Street and Number)

Mother, Margaret Eloise Robins (Maiden Name) (deceased) Name of Father, Harry Berryhill Young

Where were you born? Mifflinburg When? April 16th, 1896

2" Height, Weight, 159 Complexion Medium

Color of hair, Brown Eyes, Gray

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Williamsport Dickinson Seminary Class Football (1,2,3,4) capt. (4)-Class Basketball (3.4)

Preparatory school honors. Belles Letters Union Literary Society(1,2,3,4)

Pres.(4)-Author of the Will of class upon leaving school

Theta Pi Pi Fraternity (social, national)

Y. M. C. A. - Senior Class Play

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Mechanical Engineering

Class.

Editorial Staff Froth (College Comic)-Editor of Humorous Dept. of Lavie (Year Book issued by the Junior Class)

Honors taken Color Sergeant Cadet Regiment (2)-Second Lieutenant(3)Officers Club - Mechanical Eng. Society, Vice Pres/(3) - Editor
Class Poster (Sophomore Proclamation) - Student Volunteer Fire Co.

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Name Gustaf Arthur Danielson

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, Sheffield, Pennsylvania.

(Street and Number)

Name of Father, Andrew Danielson Mother, Charlotte Young (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Sheffield, Pa. When? October 9th, 1897

Height, 5' 8" Weight, 133 Complexion Medium

Color of hair, Brown Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. Swedish

Where prepared for college? Sheffield High School

Preparatory school honors.

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Industrial Chemistry

Class. 1919

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Name Harry Edward Davis

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 1504 Jackson Street, Scranton, Pennsylvania. (Street and Number)

Name of Father, Frank William Dawisther, Hannah Archbold (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Scranton When? August 9th, 1896

Height, 5' 7" Weight, 125 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Black Eyes, Brown

Nationality, i. e. descent. Welsh-American

Where prepared for college? Scranton Central High School

Preparatory school honors. Pres. Senior Class; Treas. Junior Class; Vice-Pres. German Club (4); High School Paper "Impressions" (3,4); Honorary Scientific Society (3,4); Chairman Junior Dance; Senior Other colleges attended.

Play.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Agricultural Chemistry

Class. 1919

Honors taken Senatorial Bcholarship

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Lackawanna County Club

Name Harold Milton Lehman

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 627 Commerce Street, Shamokin, Pennsylvania.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, Daniel Milton Mother, Alberta Jennings Lehman (Maiden Name)

Where were you bornMt. Carmel, Pa. When? April 1st, 1897

Height, 5' 4" Weight, 125 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Black Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Shamokin High School

Preparatory school honorsClass Treas. (3) - Athletic Editor of school paper (4) - Varsity Football (4) - Varsity Baseball (3,4) - Varsity Baseball (3,4) - Varsity Basketball (4)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Chemistry

Class. 1919

Honors taken Class Lacrosse (1,2)

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Northumberland County Club Chemical Society

Name John William Livingo od

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, Robesonia, Pennsylvania.

(Street and Number)

Name of Father, Paul Livingo od Mother, Laura Smith (deceased)
(Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Allentown, Pa. When? October 21st, 1895

Height, 5' 2" Weight, 133 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Brown Eyes, Brown

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Reading High School

Preparatory school honors. Athletic Editor "Red and Black"

Student Manager Basketball team

Other colleges attended. Varsity Tennis (3,4)
Presenter of Gifts at Commencement

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Agricultural Chemis try

Class. 1919

Honors taken Editorial Staff of Froth (College Comic)

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

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Berks County Club
Agricultural Society

Name Paul Gray Musser
(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 418 E. Ross Street, Lancaster, Penna. (Street and Number)

Name of FatherBenjamin E. Musser Mother, Elizabeth Gray
(Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Lancaster, Pa. When? March 23, 1896

Height, 5' 10" Weight, 138 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Dark Eyes, Light Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Lancaster High School

Preparatory school honors. Class Track Manager (1); Secretary (2); Class Treasurer (3); Vice-President (4); Class Prophet at Graduation.
Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Mechanical Engineering.

Class. 1919

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Lancaster County Club

Name Charles Stewart Farrell, Jr.

(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, Woodbridge, New Jersey.

(Street and Number)

Name of Father, Charles Stewart Mother, Josephine Berton Farrell, Sr. (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Pert Reading When? October 25th, 1896 New Jersey

Height, 5' 11" Weight, 145 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Brown Eyes, Brown

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Woodbridge High School

Preparatory school honors. Baseball Manager - Varsity Baseball two years - Business Manager of High School paper "Dial"

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering

Class. 1920

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Name Harry Edward.Fla Havhan

(Christian, middle, surname.

Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 3739 Hiawatha Street, North Side, Pittsburg, Pa. (Street and Number)

Name of Father Harry E. FlaHavhan Mother, Kathryn N. Fletcher (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Allegheny, Pa.When?

February 24, 1899

Height, 6'

Weight,

140

Complexion

Light

Color of hair,

Brown

Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Allegheny High School, North Side, Pittsburg, Pa.

Preparatory school honors. Business Manager school paper "Wah Hoo"

Business Manager Year Book "Tower"

Varsity Track (4) and Soccer (4)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution.Pre-legal

Class.

1920

Honors taken Y. M. C. A. Member of Freshmen Inner Circle

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character. Duquesne Club

Name Richard Francis Holland
(Christian, middle, surname. Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 10 North Rock Street, Shamokin, Penna.
(Street and Number)

Name of Father, James Joseph Mother, Clara Wean Holland (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Shamokin, Pa. When? July 19th, 1896

Height, 5' 6" Weight, 129 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Brown Eyes, Blue

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Shamokin High School

Preparatory school honors. Class Football (4)

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Electrical Engineering Class.

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

Name.

Norman David Hughes

(Christian, middle, surname.

Do not use initials only)

College address, The Viking House

Home address, 1525 North 29th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (Street and Number)

Name of Father, David N. Hughes Mother, Nora Fidler (Maiden Name)

Where were you born? Philadelphia When? June 3rd, 1896

Height, 5'7" Weight, 152 Complexion Dark

Color of hair, Dark Brown Eyes, Gray

Nationality, i. e. descent. American

Where prepared for college? Central High School, Philadelphia, Penna.

Preparatory school honors.

Degree Distinguished Student
B. S. in E.

Other colleges attended.

Honors there.

Degrees taken and year.

Department in this institution. Mining School

Class.

1920

Honors taken

Member of clubs, fraternities, etc. with names of each, and if a fraternity what is its character.

## ALUMNI LIST

Brennecke, Harold Jeffrey 1215 - 16th Street Altoona, Pennsylvania.

Class 1916 Degree B.S.

Pres. Occupation - Chemist for the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Honors - College Football (1)
Organizer and Chief of the Penn State
Volunteer Fire Department.
Class Football.

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Dietrich, Claude Dans 1988 North Front Street,
Reading, Pennsylvania.

Class 1915
Degree B.S.
Pres. Occupation - Wholesale Liquor Dealer

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Fehl, Paul B. Ling 1946.
725 Walnut Street.
Reading, Pennsylvania.

Class 1915 Degree B.S.

Fres. Occupation - Chemist in Color Dep't for the Wilhelm Paint Company.

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Forster, Read Return 30 Eagle Avenue, Greenville, Pennsylvania.

Class 1916 Degree A.B.

Pres. Occupation - Accountant for B. & L. E. Railroad Company.

Honors - Scabbard and Blade Glee Club College Choir Mandolin Club Recipient of Gen. Beaver Sabre in competitive drill on Pennsylvania Day 1915.

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Jennings, Harold Galbraith
47 South 12th Street,
Newark, New Jersey.

Class 1914 Degree B.S.

Pres. Occupation - Conduit Inspector of I.R.T. & Co., New York.

Phillips, Rolland William
541 North Hyde Park Avenue,
Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Class 1915 Degree B.S.

Pres. Occupation - Proprietor of furniture store. Ponors - Tau Beta Pi Phi Kappa Phi

Assistant Instructor in gymnastics Glee Club Mandolin Club College Choir

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Reed, Edward Reed; Guy's Mills, Pennsylvania.
Class 1912-14
Degree Two Year Certificate
Pres. Occupation - Farmer

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Rowland, John Maurice
3 East 2nd Street,
Media, Pennsylvania.
Class 1914-16
Degree Two Year Certificate.
Pres. Occupation - Manager of Farm
Honors - Secretary of Class (1)

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Schruers, Homer Holland
401 Wyllis Street,
Cil City, Pennsylvania.
Class 1911-13
Degree Two Year Certificate
Pres. Occupation - Horticulturist.

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Schruers, Raymond Earl
401 Wyllis Street,
0il City, Pennsylvania.
Class 1913
Degree B.S.
Pres. Occupation - Forticulturist.

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Sutherland, Glen Foster
429 Market Street,
Steubenville, Chio.
Class 1915
Degree B.S.
Pres. Occupation - Milk Dealer

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	PETITION.
	We, the undersigned, students in good standing in the College located at State College
	having hereunto attached our individual and class records, a history of our alma mater, and our organization, do hereby petition Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity to grant to us and to our successors a Charter for a Chapter of the Fraternity at this institution and to assign us a Chapter Letter.
	Should this Charter be granted we agree to support the Constitution and By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, Customs, Laws and Traditions of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, to perform its rituals, and to perform our part in the government and support of the Fraternity as such, and, under its laws govern ourselves as a Chapter in harmony and good fellowship, and that we and our successors shall work for the best interests and advancement of the Fraternity wherever and whenever we may, it being understood that nothing in this pledge shall in any way conflict with our religious or political scruples, or our duties and obligations to our college, our family, ourselves, our country, or our God.  IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals the first day of February 19 17
	Paul P. Merkel Harry Stoffwan Harry Er alen Gobert William Swith
	Hallos Baker
	augustus J. West
	Donald J. Thuran
	John S. Maloy.
	Homer of Van Aklu
	Harold M. Lehman
	G. Luthur Danielson
	John W. Michelas
	John W. Livingood.
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	Richard F. Holland.
	Chas. S. Farrell Jr.
	Harry E. Davis.
	Harry E. Ha Havhan
	Laul & Musser



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Merkel D.Lehman

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