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*Amicitia nisi inter bonos esse
non potest. —CICERO.*



*"May no cloud obscure the Crescent
Of our good old Delta Tau."*

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FRATERNITY JOURNALISM.

During the period from 1830 to 1860 when the college Fraternities were laying the foundation of their present prosperity and taking possession quietly of the college world, the project then generally entertained among the college men to found a periodical to be devoted to college interests, supported entirely by college subscribers and to contain only the writings of college thinkers, found a partial utterance in attempts to have the Fraternities issue and support such periodicals.

The idea was introduced at an early date in the conventions of at least the Sigma Phi, Alpha Delta Phi and Beta Theta Pi, and probably the early records of other Fraternity conventions will show similar resolutions. These schemes all failed, from lack of subscribers principally, and the scheme was finally abandoned by all, though Mu, of Beta Theta Pi at Cumberland University, Tenn., had one member adventurous enough to try his luck and publish the *Beta Theta Pi Magazine* in 1856. Two brief numbers show the extent of his courage and failure. From that time until 1868, the Fraternities made no move in the matter. Then some ardent and enthusiastic members of Theta Delta Chi residing in New York endeavored to start a journal to be called *The Shield* devoted to the interests of

all the colleges and Fraternities. This, too, was a failure.

In 1872 the Pennsylvania Chapters of the Chi Phi Fraternity issued an eight-page paper three columns wide called the *Chi Phi Chackett*. This was merged into the *Chi Phi Quarterly* in 1874 upon the union of the Northern and Southern orders.

The first Fraternity journal, however, devoted to an entire organization and which had the features and aims of the current Fraternity periodical, was the *Beta Theta Pi*. This was founded in December, 1872, by Rev. Charles D. Walker, professor at the Virginia Military Institute. A member of the Beta Theta Pi, he had been made its General Secretary at the convention held in the preceding September. He chafed at the amount of time which the duties of his position demanded, and determined to found a journal that should do part of his work for him and relieve him of so much writing.

The paper was named after the Fraternity. It was a four-page monthly of the size known as "small quarto," and was filled with Chapter news, reports, constitutional discussions and personals. In 1874 it was made the official organ of the Fraternity, its size reduced and the number of pages increased. During 1875 it was discontinued, but its issue was again begun in 1876,

Since then it has continually added improvements. It is now edited at Cincinnati as a twenty-eight (average) page monthly. Its editorial department is especially good and contains articles of benefit to other Greeks as well as to Beta Theta Pi. The editorial staff is composed of W. O. Robb, W. C. Sprague, C. M. Hepburn and W. R. Baird.

As we remarked above the Chi Phi *Quarterly* was established in January, 1874. The journal was printed at Carlisle, Pa., and so little was known of the Fraternity field at that time that the editor stated in the first number that he knew of no similar journal. Until 1880, the *Quarterly* was a magazine in form. Each issue contained about seventy pages and about one-half of its space was devoted to general literary articles. It was not very successful and was reorganized in 1880. Under its present form, it is a magazine of some fifty-six pages, beautifully printed, bound in a laid paper cover printed in the fraternity colors and brimful of items of interest to all good Chi Phis. It is under the editorial management of Rev. M. L. Zweizig, E. H. Reninger and J. H. Cromwell.

Chronologically the next periodical of this kind which appeared was issued by the Phi Kappa Psi. This was called the Phi Kappa Psi *Monthly*, and the first number bears the date of January, 1875. It was not successful and in 1877 became a quarterly. In 1878 it suspended for lack of support. In November, 1879, some of the alumni of New York and Philadelphia began to publish a Fraternity newspaper anonymously, calling it *The Shield*. It was in form of a large quarto and was a lively and interesting paper. In 1881 its third volume assumed the popular octavo form but suspended in April, 1882. At the convention held in Pittsburgh, February 21, 22, 23, the *Shield* was re-established and is to be edited by Prof. Young, of Wittenberg, as chief and Charles Van Cleve, of Ohio Alpha, as associate. Upon its third event it will, no doubt, be more successful than in the past, as a constitutional

amendment makes subscription, on the part of the active members, compulsory.

In 1877, J. P. L. Weems, of the Pi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, started a periodical for his Fraternity termed the *CRESCENT*. The name was a happy omen. It was a fourteen-page double-column monthly. The convention of 1878 made it official and entrusted its management to the Alpha Chapter which has since controlled it. In 1880 a blue cover was added and in 1881, a cover lithographed in the fraternity colors—purple and gray. It presents a neat appearance and has powerfully assisted the Fraternity in many ways. It has published a history of Delta Tau Delta. Its special feature is its full and reliable items of information concerning other fraternities. It is published at Meadville, Pa., and is edited by H. W. Plummer, an undergraduate.

Until 1878 this new feature of Fraternity administration had been monopolized by the Western Fraternities. Now, an Eastern organization entered the arena and the Cornell Chapter of Psi Upsilon began the publication of *The Diamond*. It was sometimes an eight and sometimes a four-page monthly and was mainly filled with items and statistics derived from the Fraternity catalogue. It was not well supported by Psi Upsilon and soon suspended. It was revived in June, 1882, by the Union Chapter but is not a success, being frowned upon by several strong Chapters of that Fraternity.

In 1879 Phi Gamma Delta came forward with an official journal of the same name. It was published by the Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan and has since continued under the same direction. It was a double-column, twelve-page monthly. It has now nearly doubled the number of its pages and seems to be very successful. Its historical sketches have been very interesting. It is edited by S. M. Black and D. S. Craig, at Delaware, O.

The same year the Southern Fraternity of Kappa Alpha originated the Kappa Alpha *Journal*. It is a quarterly of octavo magazine style. It is strictly *sub-rosa*, and we are thus prevented

from further mentioning it. An agricultural society called the "D. G. K.," likewise began the issue of a journal called the *Cycle*, from their one Chapter at the Massachusetts Agricultural College in 1879. It was designed to be issued yearly but we have seen but this one number.

1880 was prolific in this class of journals. J. L. Mead, '77, Cornell, assisted by some of his Fraternity brothers at Amherst, issued the first number of a periodical for Alpha Delta Phi called the *Star and Crescent*. It makes a handsome appearance typographically. It is imperial quarto in form, printed in double columns. Each number contains eighty pages. It has a cover printed in the Fraternity color—green. It is not very newsy and has not yet developed beyond the quarterly form. It is probably very interesting to Alpha Delta Phis.

A second Southern Fraternity now appears on the journalistic field with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record* issued under the supervision of the Grand Chapter at the Kentucky Military Institute at Farmdale, Ky. In 1881 it was suspended for a short time, but is now again on its feet and if pluck and fair dealing will make a journal a success it has a bright future before it. It is ably edited by Major J. H. Young.

In December, 1880, another Southern Fraternity began to show its face to the world in the handsome features of the Alpha Tau Omega *Palm*. It is in magazine form of a fluctuating number of pages and is issued from four to five times a year. It has been very successful, having been conducted with rare vim. It is published at Richmond, Va., under the management and energy of Rev. O. A. Glazebrook, one of the founders of Alpha Tau Omega. The alumni department is especially to be commended.

In March, 1881, the Delta Beta Phi *Quarterly* was issued by the youngest of the college Fraternities, from Ithaca, N. Y. It was a quarto of thirteen pages and had a startling red and black cover. It was the first and last number.

In April, 1881, a more successful enterprise was inaugurated by the publication of the first

number of the *Sigma Chi* by the Fraternity of that name. It is issued bi-monthly and is in magazine form, each number containing from twenty to forty pages. Two volumes have been conducted to a successful issue.

In May, 1882, the young ladies' Fraternity, called the Kappa Kappa Gamma began the issue of an enterprising little magazine called the *Golden Key*, after their visible symbol. Two numbers have been issued. The *Key* is well edited by Miss Minnetta T. Taylor, of Greencastle, and its contributors are ladies of talent.

1883, though just begun seems to be preparing for a series of new journals whose advent will no doubt make it memorable.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly*, published under the supervision of the Grand Council of that Fraternity, is the first of the year. It is a handsome magazine of ninety pages, of much the size and style of the *Century*, but of course without illustrations. If the future numbers of the *Quarterly* are equal to the one just issued, it is destined from its birth to occupy a position in the front ranks of Fraternity journalism. The first number is excellent—excellent in every department. It contains good editorials, good Chapter reports, good contributions and good—yes, actually a *good* poem. Though it is nominally edited by the council it is probable that the greater part of the work is done by Messrs. J. De W. Warner and C. H. Beckett. An edition of three thousand was gotten out in January and in the future it will be placed on the news stands in the East, for the convenience of D. K. E.'s and others who desire it. The Zeta Psi *Monthly* and the Delta Upsilon *Quarterly* are both announced though not yet issued.

In 1879 the exchange system was begun we think by the Delta Tau Delta *Crescent*, and has now extended to all the periodicals except the organ of Southern Kappa Alpha. The *Crescent*, the *Palm*, the *Record*, and the D. K. E. *Quarterly* all receive outside subscriptions. The other journals do not.—*The Phi Delta Theta Scroll*.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the $\Delta T \Delta$ Fraternity:

GENTLEMEN:

The Secretary of the Inter-Fraternity Press Association calls your attention to the minutes of Fraternity Editors Convention, held at the Colonnade Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa., Feb'y 22, 1883. (If not enclosed they have been sent to the editors of your Journal, the $\Delta T \Delta$ CRESCENT, through the kindness of Mr. Baird, the Secretary of the meeting, and Mr. Black, the Recorder of the editors' meeting.)

Among other important enactments the following proposition was unanimously adopted at said Convention: "That a Pan-Hellenic Conference be held at New York City, to begin July 4, 1884, *provided that* ten fraternities shall signify their intention to participate on before January 1, 1884." The Convention of fraternity editors carefully discussed the arrangements for the proposed conference, which are detailed in the minutes of the meeting.

I take this opportunity of calling the same to your attention as a member of your fraternity, and would request you to present the same, or to see that it is presented to your fraternity, in convention, or in any other proper manner, according to the procedure of your order. And I would respectfully urge you to request your fraternity to take some definite and immediate action, so that the Secretary of the Association may know whether to report you affirmatively or negatively in this matter.

Please acknowledge the receipt of this communication as soon as is conveniently possible, and inform us of the action of your fraternity at the earliest moment that you can consistently with a careful consideration of the matter. The Secretary wishes to report the action of the fraternities to the Association at an early date, and he will likewise inform you of the final determination of the fraternities as a whole.

Any further information, as to this matter, which the Secretary may be able to give will be

gladly furnished. Trusting to hear from you forthwith, I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully yours,

CHAS. H. BECKETT,

Secretary of the Inter-Fraternity Press Association, 52 William st., New York, N. Y.

NECROLOGY.

WILLIAM ALLEN TROTTER, PHI, '84.

Bro. Trotter entered Hanover College Sept. 1879, and soon became a member of $\Delta T \Delta$. After attending College one year he decided to return to Texas, and go into the cattle business, at which occupation he continued till the time of his death. Dec. 24, 1882. Realizing the fact that $\Delta T \Delta$ has lost a noble member in the death of Bro. Trotter, and in consideration of our loss, Chapter Phi has adopted the following:

WHEREAS, God, in the course of his Divine Providence, has seen fit to call from our number our worthy brother William Allen Trotter, who while with us, was loved and honored by all his fraters, and

WHEREAS, Feeling that in Bro. Trotter's death Chapter Phi, Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, has sustained a loss which will ever be felt by those of us who knew him while in college, therefore be it

Resolved, That as a token of regard and fraternal feeling toward our dead brother, Chapter Phi will for thirty days from date go into mourning.

Resolved, That as a testimony of our sincere sympathy, a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family.

Resolved, That to inform each member of our glorious order of our loss, a copy of these resolutions be sent for publication to the CRESCENT.

Resolved, That a copy also be placed upon the minutes of Chapter Phi.

Signed,

R. H. OLMSTEAD,

J. H. HAMILTON,

A. L. ADAMS,

Committee.

RAY W. LABERTEW, XI '86.

Bro. Labertew was born near Indianola, Iowa, Nov. 15, 1860. He entered Simpson in September, 1880, as a classical student. Soon after his entrance he was initiated into the Delta fraternity, being very highly recommended by the fraters who had long been acquainted with him. At the beginning of his second term he was at-

tacked by scrofula and left school. From that time until his death, March 6, 1883, he suffered severely from this disease. Throughout his sickness he maintained his love for the fraternity and was always glad to do what he could for Deltaism. His remains were interred in the Indianola cemetery on the 8th of March, the Deltas being present and acting as pall-bearers. At the next meeting of the chapter a committee was appointed who prepared the following resolutions:

Since in the course of events all that is mortal of Bro. Ray W. Labertew has been consigned to the grave,

Resolved, That Xi chapter of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity has heard with profound sorrow the announcement of the death of Bro. Ray W. Labertew.

Resolved, That we recognize in the life of Bro. Labertew an earnest, steadfast and Christian character; charitable in friendship and patient in suffering.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished for publication in the *CRESCENT* and *Stimpsonian*.

N. B. ASHLEY,
E. W. O'NEAL, } Com.
A. V. PROUDFOOT,

GREEK WORLD.

ΣX has entered Hillsdale.

Senator Ben. Harrison, of Indiana, is a $\Phi \Delta \theta$.

Hon. J. W. Foster, Minister to Spain, is a $\Phi \Delta \theta$.

$\Phi \Delta \theta$ is desirous of entering Adelbert and Harvard.

Hon. W. C. DePauw, Asbury's generous friend, is an ΣX .

One man is all that is left of Beta Theta Pi's old chapter at Butler.

Congressmen DeMotte, Pierce and Matson, of Indiana, are members of $B \theta \Pi$.

In the late Indiana Oratorical Contest, both the first and second positions were won by members of ΣX .

The National Convention of $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ will be held at the Bates House, Indianapolis, September 6 and 7, 1883.

The historian of Phi Kappa Psi has completed his labors and awaits an appropriation of the lucre necessary for publication.

A charter from Phi Beta Kappa has been issued to Cornell. President White and ten professors are the charter members.

The men at Lehigh, who expect to get a charter from Psi Upsilon, number twenty-two, and possess a chapter house said to have cost \$25,000.

$Z \Psi$ has extended her borders into Canada, having established chapters at University College, Toronto, O., and at McGill University, Montreal.

The Indiana State Association of $B \theta \Pi$ held a session at the New Denison Hotel, Indianapolis, April 11, during the Indiana State Oratorical Contest.

The Epsilon Province of $\Phi \Delta \theta$, consisting of the chapters in Indiana and Michigan, held its second convention at the Grand Hotel, Indianapolis, April 11, 1883.

The annual re-union of the Harvard, Boston University and Brown chapters of $B \theta \Pi$, was held at Providence, March 8. Schuyler Colfax delivered the oration.

The graduate associations of Psi Upsilon number ten, situated at Detroit, San Francisco, Washington, Philadelphia, Chicago, Portland, Me., Rochester, N. Y., Cincinnati, Boston and Buffalo.

President Arthur recently entertained the members of Psi Upsilon now serving in Congress. Senators Hawley and Frye, Congressmen Hutchins and Robinson, of New York, Rice, of Mass., and Buck, of Conn., were present.

The chapters of the various Greek fraternities at Ohio-Wesleyan, recently held a Pan-Hellenic council of their own. Something of the same sort exists at Kentucky Military Institute, and is said to work excellently. The meetings are worthy of note as showing forth the development of the fraternal spirit among the different societies. May they increase in number.

The correspondent of the Beta Theta Pi, at Kenyon, remarks in his letter "that $\Psi \Gamma$ and $\Delta T \Delta$ have threatened to withdraw their Kenyon

chapters." This can be taken as a fair example of those unreliable statements which will creep into chapter letters and for which the editors cannot be held responsible. In behalf of *Δ T Δ* we will say that the quoted remarks are false and unauthorized.

President White, of Purdue, has resigned since the Indiana Legislature compelled him to allow the admission of fraternity men. By that action he shows himself to a degree consistent in his opposition to the Greek societies. It is certainly a matter of regret that a man of so much real culture and ability should be undone by his unreasonable hostility to the Greeks.

Z Ψ has recently published her catalogue. It consists of 218 pages with 28 steel engravings. 185 pages are devoted to the roll of chapters, with the honors conferred on the members; the second part is a geographical index of members with business of each; the third part is an index of names with the chapter and year of initiation. The volume is bound in paper, cloth or morocco, the price being \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$5.50.

Congressmen Sumner, Dingley, G. D. Robinson and Budd, are members of Zeta Psi.

A duel between two students of the college of the city of New York, one an *Α Δ Φ* and the other a *Θ Δ Χ*, was lately the cause of a sensation in college circles in New York. The affair which would have been a bloodless one, as the seconds had inserted blank cartridges in the weapons, was nipped in the bud by the police. When Alpha Delta Phi meets Theta Delta Chi in an unfraternal spirit, there must be blood, cold blood, very cold blood.

The convention of *Φ K Ψ* at Pittsburgh, Feb. 21, 22 and 23, was notable for the great amount of business transacted. But three chapters were unrepresented by delegates. A college charter was granted the University of Georgia; Carleton College, Minnesota, and Westminster College, Pa., being given the cold shoulder. Alumni chapters have been chartered at Kansas City, Mo., Columbus, O., and Washington, D. C. The

grand chapter was removed to Pennsylvania Epsilon, at Franklin and Marshall College. The *Shield* has been resuscitated, placed under the patronage of the fraternity, and will hereafter be regularly issued by the Ohio Beta chapter at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

K Α Θ now numbers thirteen chapters. The last convention held at Greencastle, Ind., Feb. 22, was very successful, eight States and eleven chapters being represented by over thirty delegates. Its deliberations were eminently satisfactory and several projects were placed on foot which promise to have an important and lasting effect on the fraternity.

"The Ohio representative in the next inter-State oratorical contest will be a *Δ T Δ*, Krichbaum, of Wooster. That two chapters as young as those at Delaware and Wooster should have successively furnished the Deltas with a State orator is no small credit to the chapters and the fraternity alike."—*Beta Theta Pi*.

Reverend Jonathan Blanchard, President of Wheaton College, who will be remembered as the leader of an organization for the suppression of secret societies, has again been exhibiting himself in his own truly peculiar and original way. Recently while preaching a funeral sermon over the remains of a young man who had been a prominent member of several secret societies which were present in a body, the minister denounced secret societies and was ordered by the relatives to desist. A sister of the dead man fainted away and the minister left the church. After some delay another minister was secured and the services concluded.

OUR EXCHANGES.

The first number of the Delta Kappa Epsilon *Quarterly* fully meets our expectations and is certainly worthy the great and powerful fraternity whose interests it represents. It resembles the *Century* in form and typographical appearance, and contains 82 pages of well selected matter. A vignette of the fraternity coat of arms forms the frontispiece. Whitelaw Reid contrib-

utes an article, following which is an account of the last convention. The pages devoted to chapter letters are especially interesting. The above with several poems and comments on the fraternity journals forms a valuable contribution to current fraternity literature.

The *Beta Theta Pi* for March continues its article on the Colleges, in which the fraternity is represented, Denison University, Ohio, being written up in an illustrated paper of several pages. Baird traces the constitutional development of *B Θ Π* as shown by the action of Conventions of '39 to '69. The Philadelphia Conference, the Chapter, letters, and Greek notes, form the make up of an unusually good number. The editorial contributions to the *Beta Theta Pi* are remarkable for their good sense and mature judgment. We would like to give copious extracts, but must content ourselves with the following, taken from an article on the Philadelphia Conference:

"The Greek letter world has taken a step in advance, and the bright things the future has in store for it are more clearly discernable now than ever before. The fraternity system is destined to weed out the evil that yet cumbered it in spots, and to assume a commanding influence for good in the national life, educational, political and moral. We expect to live to see this movement far advanced; and we shall be pretty sure in a quarter of a century to feel even more satisfaction than we now do in recalling the fact that we were present, in this year of grace, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, at that informal Washington's Birthday caucus of fraternity men in the City of Brotherly Love."

The *Zeta Psi Monthly* is one of the latest additions to fraternity journalism. Number 4 Volume 1 is before us. It is a double column, sixteen page Magazine, the size of the pages being slightly smaller than those of the CRESCENT. The paper is now under the editorial control of J. Bruen Miller, Newark, N. J., the previous numbers having been issued from Toronto, Ont. It is a private venture, the

editor conducting it for the interests of his fraternity, but at his own expense and responsibility. We sincerely trust that his expectations may be realized in a substantial manner, but such experiments are apt to prove hazardous. The contents consist of the usual assortment of matter, editorials, personals, chapter letters, etc. The editor has our best wishes for his success.

The March number of the *Psi Upsilon Diamond* has been received. It appears to be gaining ground in its own society, as each chapter is represented on the board of editors. The leading article is a review of the comparative merits of the catalogue of *Ψ Υ* and *Α Δ Φ*. A writer after recounting the various phases of society life peculiar to Harvard, decides that the chances for re-establishing the Alpha of *Ψ Υ* are decidedly frail, or if founded the chapter could have but a precarious existence. The editor expresses himself as favorable to the chartering of the Lehigh applicants. Ten of seventeen chapters are represented by letters, indicating an increased interest in the fortunes of their Journal.

The *Phi Delta Theta Scroll* for March opens up with a portrait of Hon. J. W. Foster. Baird's first chapter on "American Fraternities," is printed in full. An article on fraternity Journalism is readable and interesting. The editor having covered himself with glory in the previous number by having communication from all of his fifty or more chapters, this month rests on his oars, and offers not a chapter letter. A treatise on the everlasting Purdue case, the minutes of the Philadelphia meeting, plenty of Greek world and alumni notes, and several pages of editorials fill the columns of a Journal that under its present management is winning an enviable rank in the Greek Press.

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K K K, a sophomore society, having chapters in many of the leading colleges of the country, it is said, will soon become a full-fledged fraternity. A chapter of this society is in process of formation at Michigan University.

The Crescent.

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COULD the chapter secretaries conceive how weary we are of continually drumming up the Term Reports, we are sure that they would in mercy relieve us of our disagreeable duty. In spite of our almost incessant calls in the CRESCENT, and demands from the General Secretary equally urgent, several chapters have seen fit to pursue the even tenor of their way, and let the Winter Term Report take care of itself. That course may seem highly proper to such chapters, but it is not business, and it does not aid the officers in the performance of their duties. We earnestly hope that the delinquent chapters will awake to their duty, and render another repetition of our words unnecessary.

ALL Deltas will mourn the loss of General Thomas F. Wildes, who died at his home in Akron, O., on Wednesday, March 28. His decease removes from the circle of Delta Tau Delta one of her most honored and active members. He was a most loyal knight of the Crescent, and could ever be found in the front rank of the fray nobly battling for the principles, which in him found a truly noble exponent. Intimately connected with the early struggles of the fraternity for a firm foothold among the Greek Societies, he left by his counsel and active labors an indelible impression upon the legislation of that period when it seemed uncertain whether the fraternity would perish or live. General Wildes acted as presiding officer in several of our National Conventions, and in several other ways has officially served the fraternity with honor to himself and Delta Tau. Bro. Wildes was a prominent member of the Akron bar, and also had extensive business connections in that city. We hope next month to publish a full biographical sketch of our deceased brother.

MR. A. P. JACOBS, a prominent member of Psi Upsilon, in a review of the recent catalogues of Psi Upsilon and Alpha Beta Phi, published in the March *Diamond*, closes his article with the following words:

"One cannot close this imperfect review without expressing the hope—already in some measure justified by events—that these two societies whose positions are so well assured and whose futures are so brilliant, will join hands in the advancement of certain interests common to both. It is in their power to create a healthy public sentiment against the useless multiplication of societies, and against the introduction into the old colleges of such fraternities as Delta Tau Delta, Chi Phi, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, etc., etc., which, being necessarily destined to be short-lived, or at least to a precarious existence, serve only to make society institutions appear less permanent."

Mr. Jacobs has been closely associated with several of the enterprises of his society during late years, and no doubt knows whereof he speaketh. Do his remarks foreshadow the formation of a Holy Alliance whose aim shall be to meet the premeditated encroachments of such societies as Delta Tau Delta, Chi Phi and Beta Theta Pi upon territory which Psi Upsilon has so long regarded as her own peculiar right? And it is possible that Psi Upsilon, with all her numbers and wealth, her power and influence, must needs seek alliance with Alpha Delta Phi, in order to receive protection against the attacks of Delta Tau Delta, Chi Phi and Beta Theta Pi, whose existence unfortunately will be so short and precarious. In the meantime what are Delta Tau Delta, Chi Phi, Beta Theta Pi, etc., etc., going to do about it? That is a question for the future to solve. We believe that the future can be trusted to solve it in a decidedly interesting manner.

"How to keep our alumni interested," is, and always will be a live question with every chapter of our fraternity. The inauguration of chap-

ter papers similar to the *Chronicles* of Rho and Iota have supplied a long felt want, and as a means of establishing more intimate relations between the actives and the alumni, have proved themselves eminently satisfactory. Several of our larger chapters have established such papers, and in the course of time no doubt each chapter possessing a moderately long alumni list will boast the possession of a printed paper. But at the present time the majority of our chapters are too small in numbers to justify the financial outlay necessary for publication and must avail themselves of some other method. Several ideas have been advanced and followed with varied success. Perhaps the course which has been pursued by the Alpha for several years past will be found interesting and suggestive. Each Spring Term the chapter secretary prepares a fraternal letter in which the condition and prospects of the chapter are stated; the history of the year is related, embodying its successes and reverses, giving the honors gained by the brothers, while the various literary, fraternity and social affairs are by no means passed by in silence. In short, such a warm, spirited, and enthusiastic letter is prepared as will most surely awake the dormant attachment of each graduate brother, and again inspire in him a lively interest in his chapter. This letter is neatly printed, enclosed in the banquet invitation, and forwarded to each non-active member of the chapter. The Alpha has always found this to be a most happy way of keeping her interests fresh in the minds of her sons. We bespeak for it a trial by those chapters who publish no regular paper. The benefit resulting from such a trial will amply repay the slight expense necessary.

DURING the remainder of the College year the Indianapolis Convention should be a source of constant discussion in the chapter meetings. That many important questions will come up for final adjudication before the Convention is known to every Delta who has been a reader of the CRESCENT this year, and each chapter should carefully

instruct its delegates in order that their votes may be consistent with the views expressed by their immediate constituency. It gives us great pleasure to announce that under the vigorous supervision of Zeta Beta the arrangements for the Twenty-fifth Convention are already far advanced. The New Denison House, the best hotel in the city, has been procured, where we assure the brothers the accommodations will give entire satisfaction. As will be seen by the letter of Zeta Beta, reduced rates will be procured over the various railroads centering in Indianapolis. No doubt many brothers can be persuaded to take advantage of this and allow their presence at the Convention. Let all the chapters go to work at once and give the twenty-fifth a good rousing boom from now until the twenty-second day of August next. Let this be done, and the far-famed Cleveland meeting will be eclipsed. We confidently expect that the coming Convention will be the most brilliant in every respect which Delta Tau has held. Delta energy, Delta vim, Delta enthusiasm can more than realize the hopes of the most ardent enthusiast in the fraternity. We throw open the columns of the CRESCENT for a free discussion of the Convention, and hope that the brothers will early take advantage of the offer.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

ALPHA—ALLEGHENY.

Bro. Best was elected valedictorian of Allegheny society by a vote of 29 to 21. A rather unexpected and for some years past an unusual majority.

At a meeting of Trustees and Board of Control April 4th, Rev. D. W. H. Wheeler, formerly connected with the Northwestern University, but now of New York City, was chosen president of the college. The past year has been an unfortunate one for Allegheny, but we hope to see with the inauguration of the new president the beginning of a new era of prosperity.

The following brothers have promptly re-

sponded to Alpha's circular: Jameson, Lamey, Ensign, Decker, Gill, Walker, Delamater and Whistler. Don't put the matter off boys until it escapes your memory.

Bro. Frank Koester, '85, has received an appointment to West Point.

Bro. S. M. Decker, '81, stopped off to see us while en-route for Washington, where as one of the league umpires he goes to report previous to the opening of the base ball season.

On the Allegheny select performance Bro. Guthrie as orator, and Bro. Plummer as one of the debaters, hold two out of the five positions, while Bro. Blair is the declaimer in Philo's select.

If we have not already done so by letter we wish to acknowledge the receipt of the following annuals: *The Epitome*, from Pi; *The Palladium*, from Delta, and *The Reserve*, from Zeta. Our publication will be out about the first of June when we will forward copies to all the chapters having sent or who may send annuals to us.

ETA—BUCHTEL.

Bro.'s Botzum and Ewell have temporally severed their active membership with the chapter, having withdrawn from college for the term.

Bro. Chisnell, at present traveling with Salvini, has been engaged by Abbey for an English tour.

Bro. McLane, of Zeta, paid Eta a flying visit recently.

Bro. O. C. Beatty is discharging the duties of clerk in the Cleveland Circuit Court.

The $\Delta \Gamma$ fraternity will hold her convention May 24, 25 and 26 under the auspices of Eta Chapter, located at Buchtel.

The sad duty devolves upon me of inscribing an obituary notice of an old and honored Delta, Gen. T. F. Wildes. Though a member of Beta, his recent connections with Eta have probably been more intimate than with his own chapter, having for many years been a citizen of Akron. The local papers published eulogies on the deceased, praising him for his many noble qualities, extolling his ability as a lawyer, his gallantry as

a soldier, his influence as a citizen, his deeds as a benefactor. The city officials, secret societies and Eta Chapter attended the funeral in a body.

DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Again we desire the attention of the fraternity a moment while we introduce a new brother, Mr. Louis A. Springer, '86, of Fultonham, Ohio. Bro. Springer is a nephew of Col. Axline who is well known to most of us, by name at least.

The Law and Dental departments have closed for the year, their term being only six months. Owing to this we have lost several active workers who have aided us greatly during the year. In the Law department we had Bro.'s Moss, Mac-Millan and Robson, while the Dental department held Bro. Byron Palmer for us.

Fraternity news is not plenty here at present. The time of year has come when the Freshmen and Soph's, are out to rush, and class suppers are claiming attention. Some of the fraternities have already begun to rush and pledge men for '87, but the season is not yet fairly open. No new fraternity has made its appearance since Christmas but rumor has it that one is organized with thirteen members who will swing pins soon.

BETA BETA—ASBURY.

Our chapter has at last realized one of her ideals—a chapter paper. The first number of the *Beta Beta Reporter* has been issued, and a copy sent to each of the sister chapters, our alumni, and most of the prominent general fraternity workers. With the writer in the last CRESCENT we agree that many of our chapter letters are not what they should be, and perhaps the S. A. of our own chapter deserves as much criticism as any, but heretofore we have had no other place to mention the personal and college news that is of such interest to the active and alumni of our own chapter, but now all this can be put in the chapter paper, and the letters to the CRESCENT can be devoted to what will interest the fraternity in general.

A great deal has been written regarding the

"Prep Question," but as yet Beta Beta has said nothing. Most of us are disciples of Prof. Study and believe that all fraternities should abandon the initiation of Preps, yet when our rivals can take them we should have the same privilege. At Asbury there are six gentleman fraternities besides our own, and two of these take no Preps. One of our rivals has nearly half its membership Preps., but such a chapter can not exert much influence in the college. The greater part of the best college men at Asbury do not come from the Preparatory Department but enter Freshmen. Yet there are good Preps., who would be taken by our rivals, had we a law against it, because in most cases they prefer joining right away, to pledging themselves for two or three years. Our own chapter has been very scrupulous about initiating Preps. and have taken in but one this year and we would not have taken him had he not been an extra man, and one who intends to complete his college course. Since most of our rivals can initiate Preps. we want to have the *privilege* of doing the same, altho' we do not intend using the privilege to any great extent. Hasten the day when all fraternities will have for their membership college men alone, then our chapters will be more dignified and more highly respected.

We have a regular correspondence with more than half of our sister chapters, and find it a great benefit as well as pleasure to our own chapter, for in them can be told the chapter traditions, her true standing in the college, the relative strength of rival chapters, and such other news that is of great interest yet hardly proper for publication.

IOTA—MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL.

The active campaign at the M. A. C. has passed and Iota comes out of the contest with two more of the best men in the new class as trophies. I will now present them to the fraternity: Bro's Lyman A. Ross, '86, Oxford, Ohio, and E. A. Brown, '86, Adrian, Mich.

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pily surprised us some time ago and we heartily welcomed it as an effort in the right direction. In fact we would recommend the plan to all the chapters that have not already tried it. It is a sure way of reaching the chapters alumni and of securing their interest in the welfare of the chapter and thus an interest in the general fraternity matters. It is not a substitute for the CRESCENT but it is an accessory to it.

Bro. Jno. I. Breck, who was to graduate with '83, will not be back until next year. Europe has strong attractions for him at present and we must confess that the temptation is a strong one and we do not wonder that he yields.

The Iota boys of '83 hold their share of honors in the next commencement. The faculty recently elected eight orators for that occasion and four of them are Delts. There are three other societies here besides the "nons." The other two Delts who graduate are represented in the class day programme. One as poet the other as prophet.

Four of Epsilon's enthusiastic men and three of our alumni gave us an agreeable surprise a short time since. They were full of the spirit and we gladly welcomed them at our chapter meeting.

Bro. W. L. Hoyt, '82, for the past nine months engaged in the topographical survey of the Mississippi River, dropped in upon us a few days since and will remain to attend our next chapter meeting.

PHI—HANOVER.

Some time has elapsed since Phi was heard from through your columns, but notwithstanding our silence, we are still jubilant in the Delta world.

The "Prep." question has been thoroughly discussed by several chapters and prominent members of the fraternity. As Phi has had some experience in this matter, we think it would be well to inform the fraternity of our success. One year ago the faculty of Hanover College laid a

plan before the fraternities here, viz: $B \theta \Pi$, $\Phi \Delta \theta$, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, ΣX , and $\Delta T \Delta$, and the two ladies fraternities $K A \theta$ and $\Delta \Gamma$, for the exclusion of Preps. from the fraternities, and requested that each fraternity appoint a committee to confer with the faculty concerning the suggestion. The fraternities at once complied with the wish of the faculty, and at a meeting of the committees of the fraternities it was unanimously agreed that no fraternity in Hanover College should admit Preps. At a meeting of the Board of Trustees last Commencement, the matter was brought up and confirmed by action of the Board. Almost one year has elapsed since this rule was adopted and the fraternities are beginning to realize good results. Men who appeared favorable at the beginning of the year, and would have been members of some fraternity had not this rule been enforced, at present would not be admitted under any consideration. Hence the fraternities are being freed from the poor material which formerly helped to fill up their ranks. However it was unavoidable, as each fraternity had to admit men at the beginning of the year, and stand their chances for bringing them out; otherwise they would be deprived of many good men. We also think it is better for a student to remain in college a year or two before joining a fraternity and by the time he enters the collegiate department he has fully decided which fraternity he is best suited for. Frequently students attend college during the preparatory years and then leave, thus they do not acquire the good results that are to be derived from a fraternity. There are in our preparatory department at present several very desirable men, but all parties are willing to wait till they become collegiates before admitting them.

We do not think it advisable for any chapter to adopt the rule of excluding Preps. unless all the fraternities of that college would agree to the same rule. Otherwise it would prove disastrous to that chapter, as the other fraternities would procure all the good men before they would reach the Freshman class. We are glad to say

that Phi endorses the present ruling of the college in regard to fraternities, and profits by it.

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ZETA BETA—BUTLER.

The Indiana oratorical contest was held on the evening of the eleventh. Mr. Asher, of the State University, taking first honors. Mr. Asher had been accused of plagiarism by some of his fellow students, who made a very ugly case against him. The judges exonerated him, and at the same time struck out several complete sentences as not being original. Clearing Mr. Asher and at the same time condemning a part of his manuscript made their action simply ridiculous. After it was pared down, Mr. Asher's oration was a very fine production.

A combination of ΣX , $\Phi \Delta \theta$ and $\Phi K \Psi$ elected the officers and delegates.

$\Delta T \Delta$ was badly defeated in the election for the first time since the association was organized. She came out, however, without any lies on her record, or without going back on any other fraternity to whom she had made fair promises.

Bro. Hamilton was appointed one of a committee to arrange a State Oratorical Contest, to be held at the Acton camp-meeting, for which a prize of \$50 is offered by Prof. Ridpath of Asbury.

Bro. E. I. Phillips and R. A. Brown were appointed a committee to investigate the accounts of W. L. Fisher, of Hanover College, who, last year obtained possession of the funds of the association, and after holding them a year failed to give an account of them. Mr. Fisher is Grand Treasurer of the ΣX fraternity.

Bro. Hamilton from Hanover, several of the $B B$ boys, some resident members and all of $Z B$ were present.

We have arranged to get excursion rates to the Convention from nearly all parts of the country. We will be ready to report next month more in detail. All of the eastern chapters are requested to send in lists of their members, as it will be necessary to send certificates to all who come over the

Pennsylvania road to enable them to get reduced rates.

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IOTA BETA—ADRIAN.

For some time we had been wishing for a chance to visit Kappa chapter, Hillsdale, Mich., and on February 12th we were in luck. Bros. Fleming, Lucas and I received a true Delta grip at the depot, and a royal welcome to all that makes Kappa chapter pleasant.

This chapter was the means of bringing Delta Tau Delta to Adrian, and since our visit we are more than proud to call her our mother. We found her members enthusiastic in the cause and working to keep her reputation where it rightfully belongs. She has lately received an impetus from the founding of a rival chapter of Phi Delta Theta and we are glad of it, since a generous rivalry can but be of great benefit to her. Kappa has a very strong supporter in the chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at that place. One of the most pleasing features of our visit was the informal gathering of Delts and Kappas at the home of Miss Hattie Knight. We wish to assure our brethren in other chapters less fortunate that Kappa Kappa Gamma in an ally worthy of their acceptance; and should they ever visit Hillsdale or Adrian they will find not only brothers but sisters ready to give them a welcome.

The fraternity spirit never was higher than it is at present in these two colleges, and we think it is on a basis that must bring continued prosperity.

O. L. PALMER.

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XI—SIMPSON.

Since our last communication we have initiated one new member, Thomas D. Murphy, '86, of Monroe, Ia. Tommy aspires to poesy and has frequent interviews with the Muses.

On the night of Friday, Feb. 16th, the Hon. Henry Clay Dean lectured here, at the invitation of chapter Xi. The lecture was interesting and profitable.

We are now making arrangements to celebrate

our approaching Decennial, which occurs May 8, 1883. The invitations will soon be out, and in the meantime extend a fraternal invitation to all Deltas to be present and participate in the festivities of the occasion.

Bros. Proudfoot '87 and Smith '86 are not in school this term. Bros. Lee '86, Thompson '86 and Ashby '85, are again with us, making our active membership 16.

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PI—LEHIGH.

It has been some time since Pi has been heard from through your columns, and the only excuse that we can offer for our seeming negligence is that there has been absolutely nothing to write about.

Since our last letter Pi has lost one her resident and two of her active members. Bro. Griffith, '76, who was on the engineer corps of the Lehigh Valley Railroad has resigned his position and has left town. Bro. J. D. Ruff has accepted a position under the Bethlehem Iron Company, and will go to Cuba, where he will be employed in the Iron mines of the company. Bro. Butler has accepted a position in the First National Bank of Mauch Chunk, Pa., but he will return to the University in June to graduate and take his degree.

Lehigh is at last the proud and happy possessor of Gymnasium, and one that she has good reason to be proud of, as it is the finest one in the United States excepting the one at Harvard. It was formally opened by a hop on the 30th of March. If Lehigh does not make a good record at the inter-collegiate games next month it will not be the fault of the University Trustees.

In June Pi will lose by graduation three of her best members, Bros. Goodwin, Butler, and Dalrymple. Their departure will be a severe blow to us, as they are all loyal Delts and hard workers, and men that any chapter might be proud to claim as members. This will leave us seven active and two resident members with which to commence the new collegiate year in September next.

KAPPA—HILLSDALE.

Our annual college catalogue, just issued, shows an annual attendance of 751 students.

Sigma Chi has entered the phalanx of Greek letter fraternities here, and we now have chapters of the Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi fraternities aside from five flourishing literary societies.

Since the last letter to the "CRESCENT" Kappa's ranks have been recruited by the initiation of four promising students, viz: Messrs. Charles E. Root, '84, Frank Malaby, '84, Stephen B. Harvey, '86, and William H. Wagner, '86.

"Our boys" are anticipating a huge time at the $\Delta T \Delta$ State Convention to be held at Albion, with "Epsilon," the 18th prox.

Charles Pierce, '83, and Jas. Cummings, '84, two of the brightest stars of Kappa constellation in the $\Delta T \Delta$ firmament, (how's that for an extemporaneous effort?) have gone west "to the land of the Dakotas, to the land of handsome women," to take up a claim.

Three of our fraters were royally entertained by the "Iota Beta" boys while on a recent visit to Adrian college.

The class of '83 is composed of six $\Delta T \Delta$'s, two $\Phi \Delta \Theta$'s, and six $K K \Gamma$'s, the remainder of a senior class of twenty-six members being made up of non-fraternity men. $\Delta T \Delta$ was given all the honors for class-day speakers among the gentlemen at the late class elections.

Judge O. A. Janes '68, a zealous Delta, was lately made State Commander of the G. A. R.

Capt. Terwilleger, of the famous "Hillsdale Four," a former Delt, occasionally drops in at our meetings, and displays as much zeal as in '80.

Sam. Norton, '82, was lately elected Justice. He wears the ermine and purple with fitting judicial dignity.

Sig. Mauck, '74, and Fred. Williams, '75, both old time Delts were visiting here lately. The former was present at the banquet tendered the $\Delta T \Delta$ delegates from Iota Beta Chapter to the State Convention of the Y. M. C. A. held here.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma girls ably seconded our chapter in the duties and pleasures pertaining thereto.

LAMBDA—LOMBARD.

Lambda "Sons" celebrated her sixteenth anniversary on Saturday night, the 10th of February, with an "old time" oyster supper. Besides the actives, there were present to participate in the enjoyment of the occasion, Bros. Prof. John W. Grubb, Henry Livingston, Will Parker and Irving J. Case. We were glad to see the "old" Brothers back, and hope they will come again. Bro. Case is farming near Peoria, Ill., and is very successful.

About two weeks ago the Bros. were agreeably surprised by visits from Bros. Bower and West of '82. A special meeting was held for the benefit of the visiting Bros., at which they delivered themselves of some excellent advice, which we hope to profit by. Brother Bower is teaching successfully near his home in Barry, Illinois. Bro. West was on his way home from the Law School at Ann Arbor. Elmer is now a full fledged Michigan lawyer, having been admitted to both the Supreme and Circuit Courts of that State. Considering that this was his first year at the law school it shows that he has not been idle. The Bro. has our heartiest congratulations upon his success.

At the exercises held by the students in commemoration of the birth of Washington Bro. C. L. Edwards responded in excellent style to the toast "Mount Vernon." Bro. W. F. Small also declaimed a poetical selection of his own writing which was well received.

On account of ill health I have been compelled to resign the office of S. A. for Lambda. My successor is C. L. Edwards, Box 115, who is a royal Delta, and who will conduct the affairs of the 4th Div. in a business-like manner. Before I sever my connection with the CRESCENT, I wish to express through its columns my thanks to the S. A.'s of the 4th grand division for the prompt

and cheerful assistance they have always rendered me in the discharge of my duties. Now as I take my departure I will say that the Delta Tau Delta has my best wishes for enduring success north and south, east and west. I trust, too, that no Delta will try to make our grand old fraternity a LOCAL organization. With a long farewell, I am,

Fraternally,

C. E. BREWSTER.

MU—OHIO WESLEYAN.

The Spring Term has opened with us. There are but few new students, and one of our boys is out for this term—Bro. Alpheus Austin, a Sophomore, considerably ahead of his class, who can afford to take this vacation, and yet keep his rank in the school. We are still eleven strong. Bro. English is with us again and makes our number still complete.

Our little paper, *The Mu Times*, the publication of which began so unpretentiously at the beginning of last term, has been improved with each issue. The efficient management of the business manager and the corps of editors has, we are glad to report, brought prompt and hearty commendations from our alumni everywhere. We are much encouraged, and the business manager tells me that the fifth number will be the finest of them all. If we see that this sheet is accomplishing the work given it to do, and if it receives the continued encouragement and support of our actives and alumni, with the length of its days shall all be satisfied, and its presence among us shall prove a continuing and increasing blessing.

In this little chronicle our fraters will find a list of the college honors taken and being taken by the boys of Mu. Modesty forbids that they should be published in so public a journal as this. But I think I may with perfect propriety, since the words quoted do not refer to ourselves, give a few words of a conversation I overheard on the

street last week. There was a Senior from Wooster visiting our college, a stranger to every one here. One of our boys, whose badge was hidden under his coat, met him and was asking him about Yarnell, and Krichbaum, and Johnson, and Sharp, and others of the Delta boys of Psi, with whom he was personally acquainted. Finally the stranger asked him, "Are you a Delta Tau? I notice you ask about those boys." The answer was yes. Then the Wooster man, of his own accord, congratulated our man on the spot, and said that the Deltas at Wooster were by far the finest set of fellows there, and if the Deltas at the O. W. U. equaled them his congratulations were well deserved. The estimate of our boys at Psi coming from an outsider and unsolicited, and seemingly from an unbiased and honest judgment, I am sure deserves full credence and should be received as of greater weight than any commendation of our own. We have plenty of chapters in this Second Division, commanding like respect in their respective colleges; and Mu will join hands with them all for one still continued effort in this spring term to prove worthy of the esteem we have hitherto held, and to put the standard one notch higher before the term shall close.

TAU—FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

Again the time has rolled around for Tau to be represented in the CRESCENT. We are at present busy with chapter work, the minutes of the Conference and the Song Book being in the chapter's hands for publication. Of the former we can speak with surety as regards the publication, for we expect to place them in the hands of the printer in a short time; but as regards the latter, its success will only depend upon each individual chapter. We have again issued letters to the chapters upon this matter. They know our wants, therefore it is useless to say any more concerning it, than to give it a push, fraters, and let the matter have some attention.

Our alumni correspondence has increased more

this year than ever before. We are glad our alumni take such an interest in our welfare, for we believe it is one of the mediums through which the tie of friendship is ever held tight.

Rev. A. F. Dreisbach, '77, writes us that he is serving a charge in York county with much success.

A. B. Reiser, '80, has settled into his new home, "and will be pleased to see any of the boys passing through Reading."

H. S. Coblentz, '82, has changed his address to Piqua, Kansas, having entered into partnership in the real estate business. He kindly sent us a pamphlet concerning "Facts about Kansas," and offers farms or building lots *cheap* to all emigrating Deltas.

O. R. Snyder, '82, has passed a very creditable preliminary examination, and is now registered as a law student at the Westmoreland county bar.

T. N. Reiber, '82, has finished teaching in Westmoreland county, and has changed his address to Shirleyburg, Pa., but is undecided as to what he will do.

The beaming smiles of Levan and Butler (4) are often seen at our club room.

GAMMA—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON.

We find ourselves again assembled together to resume our studies, which we had laid aside for a short vacation of two weeks. This I regret to say will be the last time at college for a portion of our number, four Deltas, who have enjoyed the honor of being united together in the bonds of Deltaism for several years, will leave her ranks as active members. However in spirit we shall always remain with her. These are Bros. Stevenson, Clark, Baird and Frasher.

The past year has been an exceptional one respecting the actions and doings of the different fraternities of our college. The aggregate number of men initiated into the fraternities is com-

paratively small. Some few fraternities, in fact, have not made one addition to this membership. This may be explained by the fact that the men who have entered college this year, as a class, differ in many respects from those of previous years, and do not seem to be desirable, generally, as fraternity men. I may also state that the best of feeling exists between the various fraternities here. Their members inter-associate more at present than at any time for a number of years back. In respect to our individual chapter, I may say that Gamma has few enemies, and, as between her members, there surely never was a time in her history that union and harmony existed to a greater extent than at present. We hope these few words will serve to check the seemingly growing impression that things are not altogether right in our chapter.

We were glad to welcome Bro. Clark back among us, after being laid up a term with typhoid fever.

Bro. Will McFarland, '84, paid us a short visit this week. He, at present, holds a position in the office of the Pennsylvania R. R., Pittsburgh, Penn'a.

Bro. Jos. Bausman, '80, of the Western Theological Seminary, Allegheny, Pa., was in town a short time since looking for old friends. Bro. Bausman graduates at the Seminary this year.

Bro. Will N. Taylor, of Pittsburgh, spent last Sunday with his parents at this place. Will always manifested great interest in the fraternity, and we understand he is rising rapidly in the iron business. Success be with you Will.

Gamma wishes to extend her thanks to Rho for the "Chronicle," which we receive regularly every month. It is a very neat and sprightly little paper, and reflects credit upon the members of chapter Rho.

All debtors to the CRESCENT are earnestly requested to settle without farther delay.

E. E. BLAIR.
Business Manager,

