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RAINBOW (W. W. W.) HISTORY.

II.

But to return to the history proper of the fraternity, or, in other words, to the history of its chapters. We have already noted how the "S. A." chapter, at Oxford, Miss., was founded, so we proceed to the "A" chapter, at La Grange College, La Grange, Tenn. The first work of the founders of the Rainbow fraternity outside of their own chapter was to establish a chapter at the college from which they came. This was accomplished in March, 1858, and it was named the "A" chapter. The chapter flourished as the 'very best' there, until its disbandment in 1861 on account of the war. It is from this chapter that we have the oldest Rainbow minutes extant, and for curiosity they are quoted here.

"La Grange College, March 11, 1858.

"The society of the Rainbow met for the first time for the discharge of the duties enjoined on them by the constitution. After the initiation of a member in the society, the house went into a discussion of the subject proposed. After the discussion ——— was appointed to write an essay, to be presented at the next meeting. He was also instructed to procure candles and paper for the use of the society."

As handed down to us, the total number of members of this chapter was fifteen. The charter members were, J. H. Cheairs, of Lamar, Miss.; R. J. McKinney, of La Grange, Tenn. (killed in Confederate service); R. F. Lanier, and W. E. Lanier (killed in Confederate service) of La Grange, Tenn.; L. S. Harper, of Charleston, Miss. (killed in Confederate service); C. C. Frierson, of College Hill, Miss. (killed in Confederate service); Judge J. G. Frierson, now residing in Arkansas; Chas. V. Thompson, now a prominent educator in Pensacola, Fla. These eight Rainbows afterwards initiated the seven other

members of this chapter. Of these seven, only two survive, Rev. Dr. S. M. Neel, of Kansas City, Mo., and J. J. Steger, a well known attorney of Moscow, Tenn. The remaining five lost their lives in the Confederate cause. With regard to this chapter, Dr. Neel writes: "I was a member of the 'A' chapter of the Rainbow, at La Grange College, before the war." Here he mentions the above members, and facts relating to them, and then proceeds: "C V. Thompson can give you more information than any one living. He was a charter member. * * * I am sorry that I cannot give you more information. Chapter 'A' was a noble band of young men who, without a single exception, stood well at college." Mr. J. J. Steger, among numerous other things, writes: "I was the only sophomore who joined our chapter. I think the rule was that only juniors and seniors were eligible to membership." Such is the history of the "A" chapter, the only branch chapter of W. W. W. founded before the war. The chapter was never revived after its disbandment in 1861, owing to the fact that so many of its members lost their lives in the Confederate service. Right here should be corrected a statement recently made in an article in the Phi Delta Theta "Scroll," that "this chapter was founded in 1861 and disbanded in 1861." The Delta Tau Delta fraternity has now among its archives minutes of this chapter, dating from March 11, 1858, and running regularly along until January 26, 1861, thus proving the incorrectness of the above statement. Other errors in the same article will be taken up and corrected in the proper place.

At the breaking out of the war, the chapter at Oxford, Miss., was also completely scattered, and for eight years it did not initiate a single man, or hold a single meeting. Brighter days, however, were in store for W. W. W., for, with members so zealous and enthusiastic, an organization of this character could not long remain disunited, without the entire extermination of its membership. We know authoritatively that many of those old Rainbows of the primary "S. A." chapter also fell in the Confederate cause, but when or where they met their sad

fate is a matter unknown. The following account of the re-organization was kindly furnished by T. J. Simms and D. S. Switzer, of Weatherford, Texas, where Mr. Switzer is president of Weatherford College.

"In January, 1866, through the influence of Col. Jno. B. Herring, one of the founders of the Rainbows, David Seille Switzer entered the University of Mississippi. When he left home for college, his friend requested him, without a reason, that he would not attach himself to any secret organization before the opening of another session. Col. Herring's request was faithfully kept notwithstanding the solicitations of influential societies. In the meantime Col. Herring was in correspondence in regard to re-organization, with Capt. William Handy of Canton, Miss., in whose hands the books of Constitution and By-Laws were kept during the war, and they had agreed to meet at the opening of the University in 1867 and re-organize. Col. Herring was on hand by agreement, but Capt. Handy failed to come. Nevertheless he sent the archives to the institution by Mr. T. J. Simms, of Canton, and recommended him as a suitable person to be initiated into the order. Mr. Henry Sutherland, of Madison county, was also recommended as being the relative of a worthy member of the society. Col. Herring thought that W. M. Swindoll, of Pontotoc, would also make a worthy member. So with the assistance of Capt. J. M. McKie, of Oxford, an old W. W. W., the Colonel proceeded to initiate D. S. Switzer, of Pontotoc county, Miss., W. M. Swindoll of Pontotoc county, Miss., T. J. Simms, of Madison county, Miss., and Henry Sutherland, of Madison county, Miss., into the mysteries of W. W. W., and then left them to conduct the society with the assistance of Capt. McKie, according to the usages of the ancient order. D. S. Switzer was elected president, and this office he held until graduation in 1870. So careful were these men, knowing their number was limited, that they did not make a single addition during the whole session.

"It may be noted here, that by a change in the original con-

stitution, the limit of membership was increased to fourteen, a multiple of seven.

"In the fall of 1868, there were added J. K. P. Newton of Maysfield, Texas; S. M. Ball and D. C. M. Bigham, of Pontotoc; Greenwood Ligon, of Okolona; Wm. Morgan McKie and others. Until this time, the society was hardly recognized as a feature of the University. Mr. Switzer, the acknowledged head of the Rainbow, began to distinguish himself as not only one of the leaders of his class, but of the University, it being his junior year. Bigham, Newton, Ligon and others began also to attract notice, and by the close of 1869 all the colors of the primary and secondary bow had their counterparts in the W. W. W's, there being fourteen, and all had badges to represent their station and office. In 1870, Mr. Switzer graduated with distinction, leading the class for the whole senior year, though previously standing fourth in class during the four years course. He was the second graduate of the secondary Rainbow's—Mr. Sutherland having graduated in 1868."

Seldom is there found such loyalty and enthusiasm as that displayed by Col. Herring, Capt. Handy and Capt. McKie. Here were three men who for eight years had not held a reunion and who had cast their lots with the hardships and vicissitudes of a long and vexatious war. By every force of circumstances their thoughts must have been foreign to the college and college associations. For the love they bore her, they recognized their old fraternity. What nobler example of true Roman enthusiasm could any one set!

During the session of 1868 and 1869 there were nine members who struggled hard to put the "club" on a fine footing, for, says W. H. Calhoun of Verona, Miss., "no club suffered more by the war than Rainbow, and these men being the right sort were successful." The next year six men were initiated, and it is from that year that the prosperity of W. W. W. dates. This is not to be wondered at, for reading the minutes of this session any one can see what vigorous efforts they made to have themselves known to the fraternity world. During the session of

1870 and 1871, Greenwood Ligon was "S. A." and only three men were initiated, but they all made their mark before leaving college. Between 1871 and 1874 eleven men were initiated, among them W. H. Maybry, since Lt. Governor of Florida, and F. W. Stockard who made the best record in the college since the war. Nothing of particular note, outside of the initiation of a large number of very prominent students, happened during the next few years save that in 1874 Rainbow changed her badge, though the move was strongly opposed by most of the older members. The fraternity was then fast becoming the peer of any of the older fraternities, and in 1877 she began a career that has never been equalled by any fraternity in the University of Mississippi. It was during this session, that the chapter took the lead in the university, and initiated every desirable man who entered the institution. The total number of initiates for that year was twenty-two. It was also in this session that the chapter captured nearly every honor offered by the institution. The session of 1877 and '78 will always be looked upon with true admiration by members of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

The rejoicing for success was however cut short during the summer of 1878 by the yellow fever epidemic. Death with its relentless hand removed five brothers of this chapter who were without exception shining lights at the institution. At the beginning of the next session the chapter set diligently to work, and soon found five men worthy of Rainbow membership. At the end of this session, the chapter took its full quota of honors. And so the prosperity of the chapter continued with increasing, decreasing, and again increasing success until the union with Delta Tau Delta.

On the 11th of April, 1871, Messrs. T. J. Simms and J. T. Leavall, of "S. A." chapter, established a chapter at Furman University, Greenville, S. C. This chapter was called the "L. K. S.", and continued to exist for about three years. The names of its charter members are unknown, but it is known that there

were twenty-three men initiated into the chapter, and of this number seven received degrees from the university.

The next chapter of W. W. W. was founded at Erskine College, Due West, S. C., May 15th, 1872. The following sketch of this chapter has been furnished by one of its most prominent members, Mr. J. W. Thompson, of Abbeville, S. C., and will also disprove another statement of the Phi Delta Theta article that "a chapter was established at Erskine College in 1872, and died in 1873".

"The Rainbow was established at Erskine College, Due West, S. C., by Bro. H. P. McGee (formerly a member at Greenville, S. C.), on the 15th of May, 1872. It was named the 'L. T.' chapter. The society labored under many disadvantages, as the by-laws of Erskine College did not tolerate secret societies. As nearly as can be learned, the charter members were Rev. D. G. Caldwell, of Statesville, N. C.; D. M. George of Camden, Ala.; Dr. L. W. Hunter, of Sardis, S. C.; S. P. Matthews, of Edgefield, S. C.; W. H. Montgomery, of La Vernia, S. C.; Dr. R. A. Reid, of Anderson, S. C.; and I. A. White, of Louisville, Ga.

"Between the date of founding and the end of the session of 1876 and '77, there were forty members initiated. As this closed the roll practically for some time, it may be best to give here the reasons which brought about a period of non-existence for a few years. From its inception, it had been the aim of the Rainbows to bring into its circle only men of the first order. Coupled with this limitation, they insisted that all who entered should be of close companionship with the other members. These two restrictions brought about the rejection of a number of students who failed, some in one and some in the other particular, and of course created a number of 'sore heads.' The aims of the Rainbows had been the benefit of the members, as well as pleasure. It was with great regret, therefore, that they saw the formation of another society, known as the 'Flax,' whose sole aim seemed to be hostility to the Rainbow. Of course the feeling between the two waxed hot, and at last to be a Rainbow was to be opposed by every Flax. There could be little good accomplished in this condition, and

a majority of the members of the Rainbow determined to disband and to report this fact to the faculty. The report to the faculty was one which we are sure did honor to those who made it. There was no vituperation, no allegation of hostility from the Flax, no reference to anything unpleasant, but a bare statement that they had been in existence, and, while there was nothing inimical to the good of the college or their own interest in the objects of their society, that they were satisfied that their existence was detrimental to the interest of both; no allusion whatever was made to the existence of the Flax. Having received this the faculty insisted that the Flax should do likewise. They did so, and their report, strikingly different from that of the Rainbow, was read just after ours. After unbounded expression of good will towards the college, the report of the Flax went on to say that they had been forced to organize in order to counteract the pernicious influence of the Rainbow, with much more of a like nature. After the reading of the reports, the Rainbows were more than ever satisfied that they had acted wisely and well, for the members of the Flax, it was thought, looked embarrassed as they left the chapel, where the reports had both been read.

"Between 1876 and 1881, three men were initiated. The society, however, had no active existence during their college life. They all graduated in 1880, leaving no member of the Rainbow then in college. It now became necessary to re-organize, or give up the charter. The re-organization was effected in 1881, with six members under the leadership of J. B. Bonner, of Due West, S. C. Shortly after the number was increased, until just about two years before the union with Delta Tau Delta, the negotiations being then actively pushed, and all members being in the graduating class, it was decided not to admit any others, but to allow the chapter to become extinct. This was done in 1884. It is safe to say that few such chapters have ever existed in any fraternity. These members were faithful to each other, and while it is impossible to be exact, there were very few of its members who were not honor men in college and literary societies, or both. Their subsequent lives have proved their worth, and the fact of their

existence proves their affection for an order, connection with which required a breach of college laws."

Another member of this chapter writes "that during the session of 1882 and 1883, they initiated ten members, and that nothing could oppose them to any extent that year, in which Kappa Alpha (Southern) and Sigma Alpha Epsilon came into Erskine College. The total membership of the chapter was sixty-five, of whom forty-two are known to have received degrees."

C. ROBERT CHURCHILL, *B* Ξ , '89.

THE FRATERNITY IDEA.

(WRITTEN FOR A MEETING OF THE BETA ETA CHAPTER, BY ONE OF
HER FOUNDERS.)

Ask the laborer in the intellectual fields of life why it is that, although his horizon constantly widens, his vision becomes clearer and stronger, his soul realizes the growing joy of the mind's struggle for existence; yet, with that alone he is incomplete? Be there but little of the philosopher in the man, he will not search long ere his soul returns the answer. And that answer, from heart to mind, from the tenderness of love to the marvelous world of the intellect, is "the old, old story," told in the flickering firelight of the first hearth, that affection and sympathy must be wedded to the life of the mind, to complete the man.

This is the *Fraternity Idea*. Every child prattling at a mother's knee gives it purest expression. Loyal to this sentiment, heart against heart, brothers are gathered here to-night. What more fitting than that in a training school for the intellect, the college, should arise a place for the development of the affections, the fraternity home; so that when a man is graduated into the world of action, he may be broadly cultured to meet its necessities.

But the fraternity idea is not new. To tell its beginning, one must know when, in the evolution of the human soul, love first breathed divinely upon man and the blossoms of affection and hope blew their perfume into his daily life. All along the path of history we trace its ameliorating influence. Who knows but that the pyramids were chapter houses! Certainly the sphinx belonged to some sorosis! What a brilliant contest of minds was that at the Banquet of Plato! The subtle affinity of soul to soul, which in the pure essence is fraternity life, is nowhere stronger than among the Greeks. "Then," as the

sophomore orator tells a spell-bound, yawning audience "Greece declined; Rome fell among the ruins of her erstwhile grandeur and the torch of learning, but a feeble, fluttering spark was borne into the cell of the monk, to glimmer sadly through the mists of the middle ages, until, finally, it flared up in the dawn of Science and Art, and now in the noon-day glory of its glorious rays we must shade our eyes from its very brightness!"

But those old, cowed monks, in their latest styles of sack-cloth, luxuriating in ashes and continually feasting on metaphysics and water, *did* form curious and interesting fraternities. We all like to picture the great pile of rocks on the mountain side, with strange angles and ghostly towers, apart from the world of rapine and war, accessible only to owls; and this picture is always in the early dusk, the last soft tints in the western sky, and the strangely sweet notes of the angelus echoing through our dream. We are glad to pay the tribute of a grateful present to these ascetics for their legacy of the learning of the past. We forget their narrowness in religion, their hair-splitting and quibbling in the abused name of philosophy, when we think of their devotion to the ideal, their sacrifices, their sufferings; when we think of the *brotherhood* they formed.

But the fraternity of to-day needs no mystic shrine, no cowls, no monastery. In the broad field of college life it does a quiet work that we love to think of. The awkward boy from the backwoods, or the stubble-field, or, perhaps, the city's busy streets, with a nature all receptive to such influences as inhere in the new field of intellectual struggle, meets the hand of the fraternity, the smile of a brother, the heart of enduring friendship. Who can measure the moulding power of such a force? Some of us can tell in glowing thoughts, if not in glowing words, what a precious memory it has left in our lives of those days we can never again claim as present; of the increased faith in human kind; of the great hearts we learned to know and in knowing gained strength. How we linger, in our dream, at the

old chapter house; about the warm blaze of the hearth, with cards and music, jokes and laughter; and in it all the kind words and kinder looks of a brother meeting his brother! How we mingle in it the perfume of our first love; the flowers that bloomed upon the campus where the sweetheart and her lover strolled along the same path. Oh, we may attempt to deceive our wives, we older fellows, but we *have* been there.

And who regrets the sweetness of it all; that the world was then not large enough for care or sorrow? Blessed are the memories of those days, when our queen was Delta Tau; our ambition, to wave yet higher the gold and purple and white; our duty, to feed the good, old, patient, suffering goat!

As we remember to-night, as we pledge anew our allegiance, our hearts warming in brotherly love, ourselves enobled toward the ideal of Deltaism, of manhood, we will be firmer for all that is best in character, and stronger to fight evils and to labor for all that is good and beautiful.

C. L. EDWARDS, Ph. D. A (prime), '84.

WESTERN EXTENSION.

(A SPEECH DELIVERED AT THE ANNUAL DINNER OF THE CHICAGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, MARCH 2, 1892.)

The history of institutions is not unlike that of men. The way to success lies through the door of *accepted* opportunities. "There is a tide in the affairs" of fraternities as of men, and the way in which they meet and solve the questions which arise from time to time determines their fortune. $\Delta T \Delta$ has passed through all the crises incident to birth and childhood, and, thanks to the wisdom and the care of her guardians, she stands forth in the full panoply of a Greek among Greeks. But maturity brings with it new burdens and new responsibilities. Burdens that must be borne, responsibilities that must be assumed. Questions arise and will arise from time to time, the settlement of which will mark advance or retreat. There are questions of policy before us to-day which need most thoughtful attention.

Of these are: Extension, Unification or Consolidation, Chapter Oversight, Official Control and Preservation of Fraternity Archives, Chapter Histories, Secrets, etc.

Western Extension! What of it? First let us consider what the aims of the fraternity are, or rather what they are *not*. First: It is not the design of the fraternity to establish an association of discordant elements. Second: It is not the purpose of the fraternity to reform weak and broken-down characters. Third: It is not to secure a long chapter roll of large institutions regardless of the kind of material composing the chapters. Fourth: Delta Tau Delta does not hold that numbers alone constitute a great fraternity, nor does it hold the reverse to be true. Fifth: It does not claim to have absorbed all the wise and great, nor will it grant that distinction to other fraternities. Sixth: Geographical exclusiveness is not a cardinal

principle of $\Delta T \Delta$. It does not hold that a particular part of our domain surpasses all others in the production of worthy men. The spirit of true Deltaism is liberal — and it is conservative; liberal in the recognition of worth wherever found, conservative in everything that pertains to the moral, social and intellectual standing of her chapters. Character, ability and congeniality are the cardinal points of her doctrine, but character is paramount.

In view of this, can Deltaism be sectional? Shall we set geographical limits to the noble principles of Delta Tau and say, "Thus far shalt thou go, and no farther?" Manifestly her principles are of world-wide application, and their operations can be limited by physical conditions alone.

The east has always been esteemed superior to the west in all that pertains to culture and position; "Boston culchah" and "Boston beans" are alike famous. Intellectual athletes, as all Deltas can testify, are notorious both for discriminating appetites and food capacity. However, that we have come to look upon the east as the leader of thought is natural. The development of a new country gives little time for the marshalling of the intellectual forces. But the time will soon pass when the Atlantic border can rightfully claim pre-eminence in the educational fields, and the relations here expressed between the Atlantic and Mississippi Valley regions will in time apply to this and the trans-Rocky Mountain region.

The wife of a certain great professor, now in an eastern university, is herself an eastern lady and a graduate of an eastern school. A few years ago, while living at Milwaukee, they received a call from a professor in one of our western schools. In the course of the conversation the lady asked the professor the number of students attending his university, and expressed her astonishment that there were so many who were content to get their education in the west. To her there could be no comparison between the east and the west. She failed to comprehend the great fact that the school a man attends is

not an infallible criterion of the quality of the man. Sectional prejudice is a poor principle to tie to.

There are three elements which contribute to give standing to an institution—*age, money, men*. The potency of the first is often overestimated. At the organization of the Scientific Club at Northwestern, recently, Dr. Marcy said that "it was the function of a university to furnish aspiration and opportunity." The expression is suggestive. The chief thing is inspiration, and this must come through the personnel of its faculty. But abundant resources under wise direction will secure the right kind of a faculty. Age counts for much, but the Leland Stanford, Jr., the Chicago and Northwestern universities of the west, with their income reaching up into the hundreds of thousands, are little concerned as to age. The west is destined to lead educationally as well as industrially and politically. The time is soon coming when the pilgrimage of students to the east will practically cease. The movement of intellectual activity is steadily westward.

Of $\Delta T \Delta$ it may also be said that it is her function to furnish inspiration and opportunity. To do this she must go where she is needed. To the large institutions, certainly, and to the best of the smaller as well. The value of a chapter to the fraternity is not always measured by the size or standing of the school, as you have doubtless observed. In the transitional state in which we now find most western schools, it is safe to enter the larger institutions only, leaving for a later stage those of the smaller which by their survival and healthy growth give evidence of their right to a place on our chapter roll. I am persuaded that, so far as the principles of Deltaism are concerned, there is no reason why her influence should not extend from sea to sea. However, there are questions of a practical character that must be considered. Large numbers are less likely to be homogeneous; government becomes more complex and difficult, and differences of temperament, tastes and purposes, due to geographical separation, may introduce sectional estrangement which isolation would tend to confirm.

But whatever of force we may attach to these considerations, and they are undoubtedly of great significance, I feel assured that the western extension of $\Delta T \Delta$ is inevitable, and the question of immediate concern is, When shall it be and how? There should be no haste. We already occupy as much ground as we can at present cultivate well. There should be a closer and more intimate bond of union between existing chapters. There should be greater unification and harmony. The individuality of the chapter should be that of the fraternity. Just as the members of a chapter attain unto something of a likeness to each other, so should the various chapters be molded into one harmonious whole. In saying this, I do not mean to affirm that $\Delta T \Delta$ is worse off in this respect than other fraternities, but I consider it a point in which there may be vast improvement.

The systematic training of new members should also be made one of the cardinal principles of the fraternity. Every member should be permeated through and through with its spirit. His instruction and training should begin when he is pledged, and never cease.

The supervision and oversight of chapters should be thoroughly systemized. A thoroughly efficient government is a matter of growth. We are better off in this respect than we were, but the possibilities in this direction are by no means exhausted. With a government thoroughly systemized, and membership unified, we will be prepared to make advancement that will know no retreat. Briefly, then, I would say: First CONSOLIDATION, then EXTENSION.

C. H. GORDON, M. S., E., '86.

THE BADGE.

Who wears the badge ? I answer, *Every true Delta*. It sometimes occurs, however, that one member alone of an active chapter carries the emblem of the fraternity. Only because of indifference on the part of members could this condition exist. The writer knows of a time in the history of a certain chapter when there was but *one* badge worn by one member. That chapter, too, at *that* time was passing through the darkest period of her existence. It was only through the untiring zeal, undaunted energy, and loyal devotion of *one* member that the chapter was plucked from the jaws of the enemy. He spared no pains, nothing was too hard for him to endure; he sacrificed strength, money and time; for the period of one month he gave his undivided attention to the fraternity, and to-day that chapter is most eminently prosperous. The days of chivalry are not entirely past, as some would persuade you they are. There are those yet who are willing to sacrifice their all for the fraternity which they dearly love; and he was such an one. But who was that member ? Surely he was not found among those who never wore the badge ; but it was he upon whose breast the precious jewel of Delta Tau Delta was *always* seen. Other instances could be cited which clearly prove our proposition, that every true and loyal Delta will wear the badge, and that chapter is most prosperous whose every member possesses one of his own.

By reason of its cheapness, the badge is in reach of every one, and he who does not possess one is simply too careless or too indifferent, and is not worthy the name of Delta and brother. Only possess one, and we will not object if you see fit to give it to your best girl occasionally. Were I in college to-day, I should have two; one for myself and one for my best

girl. I do not know of any possible objection to an active member loaning the badge to his lady friend. On the contrary, I think that the practice is commendable, for in so doing you win to the fraternity the respect and friendship of ladies who will remain true to the fraternity as long as they live. I became acquainted with those who had been "college widows" for years, and after their Delta beaux had long since deserted them, "the Delta Tau Delta fraternity was their fraternity." Of course, I do not mean that a lady should monopolize the badge, but, to my mind, there can be no objection to a lady wearing it, especially when she has once become the queen of a Delta's heart. If she is worthy of one Delta's love and affection, she surely challenges the esteem and confidence of his brothers, and consequently must be regarded as one who is eminently worthy of wearing the Delta jewel. There are exceptions here as elsewhere. A student especially may be enamored with some one—attracted by supposed virtues which prove to be nothing more than gilded vices. In such cases it is incumbent upon the chapter of which he is a member—whose eyes are not blind to his mistake—to speak kindly to him concerning it. If he is obstinate—if he refuses to hear—if he still persists in loaning her the badge, then should he receive just punishment from the chapter to which he is amenable. Such are the sentiments of a loyal son of Delta Tau Delta.

A. S. G., T, '88.

"WITHDRAWING BIDS."

In the last issue of the RAINBOW there appeared a long editorial, backed by several quotations, on "withdrawing bids," "spiking," &c. Being a *Δ T Δ* (lately "superannuated" from active work) and a reader of the RAINBOW, the writer was interested in that article, or editorial. We agree with the editor that such a practice as he indefinitely points out should be abandoned, or never taken up, but we believe that there are times and circumstances making it best to "withdraw bids," and since there was no exception made we wish to call attention to one, at least, founded upon experience.

It has been the observation of the writer, that in a small college or university, where there are only four or five men initiated each year into a fraternity, the necessity of "withdrawing" a "bid" is very slight; but in a university like Cornell, for instance, where there are from twelve hundred to fourteen hundred students, and where from eight to twelve men are taken into the same fraternity each year, the necessity is much greater. In fact, it has been found much better to adopt such measures there, in several cases, and some annoyances have been experienced by neglecting so to do. The reasons for such a course are these:

Suppose there are six men "bid" at the beginning of the first term of the year; that these six men are all good, desirable fellows, congenial to all who have a hand in extending the "bid", and, so far as can be ascertained, to each other. But often at Cornell, men who are almost strangers to each other, are initiated into the best fraternities the same evening. They have met once or twice for a few minutes at the chapter house and that is all; now suppose that four of these six men accept the "bid" and are initiated, and the other two wish to wait until

"next term" or "next year" for various reasons. These four men now have as much right to say who shall be added to the number as any other four. The "rushing" of the other two is continued. But in the course of time two or three of the new members discover that they do not like these fellows. "We are just beginning to get acquainted with them", they say, "and we are opposed to their coming in,—they are disagreeable to us." The old members all still think they are desirable and are pledged to them. Now what is to be done in such a case? And this is not an infrequent state of affairs in a large university.

In my opinion it would be better from a business, as well as a social standpoint, to ask the privilege of extending a new "bid" to these two gentlemen "next term" or "next year" on account of the *bidding force* having changed. And if this is done prior to the initiation of the *four* it would be much better, for when it is left until later or the matter dropped entirely, it will be easy to locate the cause, which is always annoying to both sides. There is some business connected with all social and fraternal institutions, and it is of the highest importance that that business be done in the best possible manner, in order that the *social* and *fraternal* may not be interfered with.

E. G. MANSFIELD, B. O., '91.

THE EASTERN CONFERENCE.

So engrossed with business pursuits are most men of the present age, that under the influence of the spirit of "commercialism," even those whose college doors have scarce closed behind them, soon become so completely absorbed in their daily affairs, that only the most powerful of forces is able to gain entrance upon their consciousness, and divert their attention to the social world. Accordingly as each year rolls away, and college men step from the pulpit or the bar, leave their offices or laboratories, or lay aside their aprons and tools, and hasten away to a far-off city to greet the smile and grasp the hand of old acquaintances, men wonder what can be the tie that binds them, and how the memories of their college days are able to exert so potent an influence over them, as to make them seemingly forget the changes time hath wrought. The fraternity man alone can appreciate the reason, and the members of some fraternities far more than others. As the ties which bind individuals vary in their nature and intensity, so likewise do the links vary in the chains which unite men in the bonds of fraternity.

However close may be the ties of any fraternity, Deltas may justly feel that theirs could scarce be closer. Perhaps this has never been more fully realized, than by those who thronged the corridors of Hotel Marlborough, in the city of New York, on the 22nd of February last. Perchance fate had decreed for our special object that this should be the best conference of eastern Deltas. Suffice it to say, that it is indeed doubtful if a more homogeneous, congenial assemblage of Greeks ever took place. For Delta Tau Delta, it marked a new epoch in her history. While for some years the eastern public has based its estimate of our fraternity upon a comparison of our eastern division conferences with the general conventions

of other fraternities, which necessarily has been prejudicial to our interests, we can feel to-day that we are far better able than ever before to stand the comparison, and that the time is not far distant when the stars of our four constellations shall so blend their light that no one will be singly known.

The conference, which was presided over by Prof. James E. Denton, of Stevens Institute, was most interesting and important. The address of welcome by the chairman contained much that will long impress the minds of those who were present. The reports of the officers and letters from the chapters were received with much gratification, for seldom has greater progress been shown.

Upon consideration of the future policy of the fraternity conservatism was the predominating spirit, and with one accord it was agreed that the same policy that has been pursued during the past few years by both the general fraternity and the individual chapters ought to be most strenuously adhered to. Much other business was transacted, the following officers being elected for the ensuing year:

President, Chas. C. Dickinson.....	BO '91.
V. President, O. A. Zayas.....	T '86.
Secretary, Alvan E. Duerr.....	Σ '93.
Historian, James A. Lyall.....	P '79.

The afternoon was passed by the Deltas either in attendance upon the matinees at the theatres, or in the visitation of Chapter Rho, in their excellent chapter house at Hoboken, N. J. In the evening the festivities of the day were continued, in the new banquet hall of the Marlborough. When the last course was served, and a public entertainer had held the attention of all for an hour, toastmaster Denton introduced those who responded to the toasts. Several who were unable to attend in person spoke by communications. From Birmingham, Alabama, the voice of Bro. Kent was heard, and amidst his words he uttered the following: "Oh! how I could talk if I were at that dinner. I would say, 'Boys, Andrew Carnegie says that the college man does not get to the head in

business affairs; and you, being college men, therefore, must not expect to become the great captains of industry. That high position is reserved for those who have not spent the years from sixteen to twenty-one at college, but who began at fifteen sweeping out offices, or cleaning castings. Yet, there is room for you in a nobler sphere; you may get to the top as leaders in refinement and civilization. Come South, boys; the South needs you. Go into politics, and show that politics may be respectable; into journalism, and show that it may be decent; into work of any and every kind, and show that work, even by a white man, is honorable. Come here and make money, for the South offers great opportunities; but show that the best use of money is not for ostentation, for large diamonds, for dissipation, and laziness. Bring with you eastern ideas of culture, architecture, cooking, and other fine arts. Bring northern ideas of agriculture, stock-raising, diversification of crops, scientific forestry, and the utilization of land and wastes. Bring law and justice with you, to suppress lynch law. Show the brotherhood of humanity and do not carry a gun. What the South needs, to make it the garden spot of this world, is 100,000 Deltas, with their regard for the true, the beautiful, and the good. One more word about Andrew Carnegie. He may not be altogether right about the college man, but he is right on the gospel of wealth. I wish every Delta would read and preserve for reading in future, his lecture published in the New York Tribune of February 8th.'"

Next, Bro. Uehling, in a most humorous article, from Birmingham, Ala., described himself as a Mormon attached to four wives, to satisfy whose wants engrossed his entire attention. He however saved himself from the disgrace which would have followed his expulsion from the fraternity, by introducing his wives as four mammoth blast furnaces, of which he is manager.

Bro. Potts, of Indianapolis, with eloquence and power, called upon the Deltas to consider that there was in life something to be realized other than the mere acquisition of material things, and said he firmly believed that if any college man

would open his heart to the sunny influence of friendship and the softening dews of sympathy, he might be sure to reap another harvest in future years, besides that of success, honor and emoluments; one which he could reap from day to day throughout his whole life—one aftermath of personal friendships and fraternal ties.

With the close of the last toast, the voices of all blended in a chorus of Delta songs, and then, with many a parting word and hearty shake, each bade the other farewell, and started back to the field of daily pursuits.

CHARLES C. DICKINSON.

THE RAINBOW CONFERENCE.

[The publication of this number of the RAINBOW has been delayed several days, that this report might be inserted.—ED.]

The Seventh Annual Conference of the Rainbow Division met for its first session at the Read House, Chattanooga, Tenn., April 21st, 1892. It was called to order at 10 A. M., and after a time spent in getting acquainted, all the necessary committees were appointed, and an adjournment was made till 1:30 P. M.

For the first time on record both the Pi and the Lambda were not represented. The Beta Delta chapter was represented by W. P. Gerald and W. Troy Kelly; the Beta Epsilon, by R. E. Bailey; the Beta Theta, by L. B. Tucker; the Beta Iota, by C. B. Thorne and A. G. Burrows, and the Beta Xi, by C. Robt. Churchill and J. P. O'Kelly.

The second session was devoted to hearing the reports from the chapters, which showed that all the chapters represented were in excellent condition. Committees from the various chapters also reported in regard to the proposed house on Lookout Mountain. Considerable progress has been made, and no small amount of money has been raised, and perhaps by another summer the Deltas of the Rainbow Division may

spend a part of their summer in a house of their own, enjoying the grandeur of the Lookout Mountain landscape.

The other sessions were devoted to discussing the interests of the Division, and to routine business. Extension was of course talked of, and several institutions mentioned, where, in the opinion of the delegates, it was deemed advisable to place chapters. Several recommendations were drawn up, and will be duly presented to the Arch Chapter for consideration. The constitution of the Division was thoroughly revised, and many needed corrections were made. The officers elected for the coming year were: President, C. Robert Churchill, *B Ξ*; Vice President, A. E. Bailey, *BE*; Secretary, A. G. Burrow, *BI*. Indianapolis was chosen as the next place of meeting for the conference, unless otherwise ordered, and the time, the three days preceding the Karnea of 1893. The banquet was held on the 22nd, Dr. T. V. C. Barkley, *Θ '77*, acting as master-in-chief of the toasts.

In the way of side issues, excursions were made to the famous Lookout Mountain, Cameron Hill, and Vallambrosa. In closing this report, the thanks of the visiting delegates are especially extended to Bro. Boone Williams of the Chattanooga Alumni Association for the great number of attentions shown them.

C. R. C.

THE CHICAGO ALUMNI.

In accordance with invitations sent out before, the Chicago Alumni Association of Delta Tau Delta gave a dinner at the Auditorium Hotel, Wednesday evening, the second of March, Bro. James B. Curtis, of Indianapolis being the guest of the association.

It having gone out that "every man must tell a story," every member was anxious, after a week's research and hard thinking, to tell his, which he was sure would be the best. The courses were served and the honors still being undecided, Bro.

Geo. A. Gilbert congratulated the association upon its prosperity, said how glad they were to have Bro. Curtis with them, and then introduced the President of the Indiana Association who responded to "The Indiana Association". The toasts were:

"The Indiana Association," James B. Curtis, *B. Z.* '80.
"Our Brothers of the Rainbow," Wharton Plummer, *A.* '85.
"College Men in Politics," Elmer W. Adkinson, *K.* '68.
"Delta Tau Delta in Wit and Humor," .. George Horton, *A* '78.
"Early Times," Nathaniel N. Hurst, *T* '69.
"Western Extension," C. H. Gordon, *E* '86.
"The Fraternity," J. M. Fulton, *Ψ* '84.

Brother Alfred F. Potts, of Indianapolis, had intended to attend the banquet, but was detained in the east by business, which had called him there some time before.

Letters of regret were read from Bros. Jas. A. Wildman, Indianapolis; Miner T. Hines, Gambier, Ohio; and Ira B. Blackstock, Paxton, Illinois.

ROY O. WEST, *B B* '89.

LINCOLN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

To The Rainbow:—

On Saturday evening, April 23rd, Will Carleton entertained a splendid audience in this city. He recited his world wide popular poems. The programme throughout was stamped with Carleton's own unique and magnetic individuality. The Lincoln Alumni Association of Delta Tau Delta attended in a body. Following the entertainment, the "boys" tendered Bro. Carleton a banquet at the Hotel Lincoln. At about half-past ten o'clock we were seated in the handsome ordinary of "The Lincoln." It was at this festal board that the members of our loved Fraternity, who live in the city of Lincoln, appeared to the best advantage. Everyone was in a mood to do justice to the occasion. The feast was spread to order, and the appetites were all prepared for the feast. As spirits went down, enthusiasm came up, and it is safe to say Bro. Carleton is thoroughly convinced that the affection for

Delta Tau Delta followed the boys from the different chapters out into the walks of life ; and when they organized the alumni chapter they brought it all in with them. The evening will long be remembered as one of the most enjoyable events. It was a time when business responsibilities were on the shelf, and professional cares forgotten. College days and fraternal ties were the topics of conversation. The evening was replete with pleasure and profit.

Among those present were: Judge A. M. Post, of the Supreme Bench ; Prof. Chas. L. Ingersoll, of the State University ; Prof. J. F. Saylor, president Lincoln Normal University ; Prof. R. H. Corbett, superintendent city schools, York, Neb. ; Hon. E. J. Hainer, of Hamilton county, candidate for Congress in 4th District, Neb. ; Geo. L. Fisher, Omaha ; Chas. S. Miller, Fillmore Co. ; Hon. N. S. Harwood, F. M. Cook, D. L. Love, W. T. Stevens, J. L. Teeters, M. I. Aitken, Rev. Eben C. Chapin, and Will Stull, of this city. Every fellow appointed himself a committee of one to see that the distinguished guest should not forget he was once in the hands of the Lincoln Alumni Chapter of Delta Tau Delta. If the RAINBOW wishes to know what it means to be our property for an evening, we invite him to drop us a line stating on what train he will reach the city.

With a promise that you will hear from us again soon, I
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Fraternally Yours,

W. S. SUMMERS.

THE TENTH ANNUAL "POW-WOW" OF THE ALPHA.

(*The Meadville Tribune Republican*, Feb. 20.)

Last night was dark and gloomy. Just such a night as marauding Indians would select for their depredations, hence it is little wonder that the band which swooped down on the Commercial hotel about 11 o'clock, made matters for a time pretty lively. This same band of Choctaws, who are also known as Alpha chapter, Delta Tau Delta fraternity, of Allegheny college, have been making annual raids into the city for ten years, always appearing in full war paint and feathers. Thus far, however, bloodshed has been averted by feasting them, they being great eaters, and last night landlord Martin probably saved the city from being ransacked by leaving his dining room door open. A magnificent banquet happened to be spread, and as soon as the redskins got their eyes on it they made a straight bolt for the door and took possession.

It is said that "music hath charms to soothe the savage breast," hence the presence of the Northwestern orchestra was very fortunate, as between the provender and the music the "red fiends" soon became very docile, their visit assuming the nature of a friendly pow-wow, although winding up with a war dance and the tribe's famous song, "Wau-ne-ho and Wa-ne-he." It was a heap big time, and when it broke up the Choctaws had a large quantity of good things stowed where they would do the most good.

E. T. Lashells introduced the confab, followed by others of the tribe, who spoke as follows:

"Present Chapter," W. C. Pickett ; "Reminiscences," Lewis Walker ; "Our Rivals," G. A. Shryock ; "The Ladies," W. M. Larnned ; "The Frat of Old," W. E. Foltz ; "Our Pow-wow," E. G. Klingensmith ; "Old Boys," H. E. Dunn ; "American Colleges," W. E. Fertig ; "The Banquet," L. L. Martin ; "Chapter Eta," D. A. Fell.

EDITORIALS.

For some reason beyond our ken, the number of college papers coming to our table the past quarter has been noticeably small compared with former quarters. We crave more liberal and thoughtful treatment in this matter. The number of papers and clippings sent in by alumni is continually increasing, but we want the college papers also, especially those with articles by or about members of the Fraternity. These papers should be marked in every case, for the editor of the RAINBOW is a busy man, and can ill afford to hunt through the chaff for the grains of wheat.

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According to our custom of the past years, we hope to present in the July RAINBOW a review of some of the college annuals of the year. To do this, we must first have the annuals, and as we have fared tolerably well in other years, we are not over-anxious this year. But the chapters should bear in mind that annuals to be of use to us for this purpose must reach the editor before June 20th. Instead of asking for these annuals from the chapters wholly as favors, as in the past, we propose to carry on a system of exchanges with the chapters in those colleges that publish regularly bound annuals. The RAINBOW archives at present find a home in the chapter house of the Beta Eta chapter, and so all annuals sent to the RAINBOW will practically become the property of that chapter, and one copy will do service for both. To those chapters that send us annuals by the above mentioned date will be sent in exchange a copy of *The Gopher* of the University of Minnesota for the current year. *The Gopher* easily ranks among the best college annuals, and chapters that have exchanged with the Beta Eta chapter in the past will appreciate the offer we make.

Any member having copies of the RAINBOW for July, 1891, that they do not want to keep for a file, will confer a favor upon the editors by returning them to the RAINBOW office. The edition, save a bare half dozen copies, was all mailed, and now there is call for a few copies and we are unable to respond.

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Already letters have reached us from Deltas who propose visiting Minneapolis during the Republican National Convention in June, and who send advance greetings thus early, in connection with business matters. Doubtless many Deltas will take advantage of the rates and the "great attractions" to visit the Northwest and its twin cities, standing object lessons of marvelous growth in wealth and culture. From the convention hall, it is only ten minutes' walk to the university, which is well worth a visit, while across the street is Beta Eta's chapter house, where the chapter and the RAINBOW will be glad to welcome all who come, with best Delta greetings.

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We have repeatedly stated before, what is supposedly an accepted fact in journalism, that the editor does not consider himself responsible for all statements of fact and opinion that may be expressed by various contributors writing over their own names. Sometimes views stated by our contributors are directly opposed to our own, as happens in this number, yet we do not feel called upon to re-state our position. For example, when the February *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*, quoting from Dr. Robinson's toast the jocular passage regarding the traditional origin and early "foreign policy" of the Fraternity, draws certain conclusions because "no explanation by the editor regarding a change of principle in this chapter" was made, we wonder how long the editor of that department of our contemporary has been engaged in journalism. Once more: the pages of the RAINBOW are open to a free and honest

expression of opinion on all matters relating to the welfare of the Fraternity or its members, save matters of a strictly secret nature. But the editor does not feel called upon to point out every statement of opinion or belief that differs from his own. For the general policy of the RAINBOW and all editorial matter he holds himself responsible, and for that alone.

FROM THE CHAPTERS.

BETA—OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The spring term opened March 22nd, with increased attendance, and all departments running smoothly. The chair of literature, left vacant last fall by the resignation of Prof. Willis Boughton, who took charge of the university extension work in Philadelphia, and later accepted the chair of rhetoric in the University of Pennsylvania, has been filled by Prof. E. Lauren Hooper of Mattoon, Ill. The chair of biology, vacated by Prof. A. D. Morrill, is now filled by Prof. H. E. Chapin, of Springfield, Mass. Dr. J. P. Gordy, principal of the pedagogical department, is taking a much needed rest on the Pacific coast. His position is temporarily filled by Prof. Wm. F. Pierce, of Mt. Herman, Mass.

The state legislature, excessively parsimonious until the past decade, has voted us, this year, an appropriation larger than any yet received, and which equals the full estimate of expenses for the year. By this liberal treatment the departments of art, biology, chemistry and electricity are being materially improved. By the growth of the various departments, a further division of labor has become necessary. We have strong reasons to believe that two new chairs will be established next year, one in history and political science, the other in philosophy and ethics.

One notable event since our last letter was the banquet tendered by Chapter Beta, February 5th, to the ladies of Ohio Alpha of Pi Beta Phi, at the residence of Capt. and Mrs. D. M. Burchfield, their daughter Samantha being the pleasant hostess of the evening.

We here introduce to the Fraternity Llewellyn D. McGinley, of North Liberty, Ohio, and Levi B. Moore, of Piketon, Ohio, the above mentioned festivities being the occasion of their first appearance with the Delta badge.

Much of purely local interest has occurred, such as class rushes, struggles between the literary societies, unusual excitement in athletics, and the preparation of the college annual, the *Athena*, of which Bro. Jno. A. Shott is editor in chief. In short, at no time since the civil war brought its dreadful

blight upon the institution has it been in such a prosperous condition, or the students so full of enthusiasm.

Athens, Ohio, April 4th.

CHAS. R. SCHNEIDER.

DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The University of Michigan is certainly booming; new buildings, more students, great athletics and fine fraternity men. Here are some of them: Mr. H. C. H. Porter, '93. Unionville, Conn.; H. M. Porter, '95, Titusville, Pa.; H. B. Cragin, '95, Evanston, Ill.; G. R. Slater, '95, St. Paul; Frank Callam, '95, Saginaw, Mich.; B. F. Hall, Jr., '93, Lansing, Mich.; F. R. Parsons, '95, Ann Arbor; and if it were a few days later, we could name two more.

Last year we had seven seniors; this year one. That's what makes us rejoice, for seniors are nice to have, but they *will* leave us.

W. P. Borland and B. F. Hall, Jr., will represent us in Cleveland May 5th, 6th, 7th, and we expect to attend the banquet in a body.

Ann Arbor, Mich., April 7.

GEO. J. BUNDAY.

EPSILON—ALBION COLLEGE.

As we go to mail with this letter, the brothers are already returning for the spring term, which opens to-morrow. Delta Tau Delta spirit is by no means dead here during the interim between the terms. The latter thought in connection with our large resident membership, and as a result the house has undergone a thorough system of renovation and is greatly improved. We shall probably vacate our present quarters at the close of the coming term for others more commodious and in every way better. The term just passed has been a satisfactory one both to the college and to Epsilon chapter. Before our next letter appears the foundations for the new gymnasium will probably have been commenced. It is not at all unlikely either that by that time something will have crystallized out of our recent large endowments in the way of new buildings.

February 19th, occurred the annual prize contest of the Eclectic and Atheniædes society. From the following Sunday issue of the Detroit Free Press, which contained an excellent cut of the winner and a half-column resume of the oration, we quote "the decision of the judges was unanimous in favor of

Mr. Eugene C. Allen, subject, 'The Highest Good.' The production was a scholarly one and the delivery most excellent. Mr. Allen is 21 years of age, and a son of the Rev. C. T. Allen of Detroit. He is first sergeant of Company B and a member of Delta Tau Delta." In this connection it might not be inappropriate to say that we have managed to secure this prize every year since the contests were inaugurated. In the recent athletic election a Delt secured the baseball captaincy.

The Albion Dramatic Association gave its initial performance to crowded opera houses on the evenings of March 19th and 21st. In the cast of characters, Bro. Beddon and our pledged man, Thompson, took leading parts. On the coming baseball team Thompson in all probability will be "at home" behind the bat. He is our crack athlete and will win many laurels in the coming inter-collegiate field day.

Albion College, although not a military or agricultural institution, yet fosters the former as something of a side issue. A short time since, two battalions, known respectively as the Albion College Military Battalion and the Albion College Female Military Battalion, consisting of three companies each, were formed, composing in the aggregate about two hundred and fifty members.

We only gave one spread during the term, and that, although of an informal character, was very enjoyable. In conclusion, allow me to introduce our latest, Bro. Harry D. Cushman, Jr., of Three Rivers.

Albion Mich., April 5.

ALLEN J. WILDER.

ZETA—ADELBERT COLLEGE.

Our chapter is busy at present in preparing for the Division Conference so soon to be held here. May is just the time of the year when Cleveland is at its best, and no one can set too high hopes on a good time.

Everything is booming at Adelbert. The enthusiasm we all had last fall for football is now being heartily thrown into baseball. With Zimmer, the Cleveland catcher, and Knauss, the Philadelphia pitcher, to coach the boys, we hope soon to place a formidable team in the field. We feel that the honor of our football team in winning the Ohio intercollegiate pennant must be upheld by similar work on the diamond.

Under the leadership of Bro. W. C. Williams, M. D., '89, our glee club has made an extended tour in the South, remaining in Florida several days.

With the class of '92, $A \Delta \Phi$ and $B \Theta \Pi$ each lose two men,

and ΔKE loses one. The strength of the chapters of the various fraternities represented at Adelbert is: $\Delta T \Delta$, 12; ΔKE , 10; $B \Theta II$, 10; $A \Delta \Phi$, 6. As we expect to start with twelve men next year, we have great hopes of what we can do for the honor and strength of the Fraternity. One of our juniors, Bro. Cannon, is one of the four equal-honor men of his class, a literary editor of the "Reserve," and the literary editor of "The Adelbert." Bro. Sanford is director and secretary of the athletic association, president of his class, and the other literary editor of the "Reserve." Among our '94 men, Bro. Bierce is class secretary, and assistant literary editor on "The Adelbert." In the class of '95, Bro. Wiers is class secretary, the secretary of the Philozetian literary society, also the freshman representative on "The Adelbert." Bro. Thompson is one of the artists on the "Reserve," the class cut being after his design. Bro. Williams, '95, who took the fifty dollar Greek entrance prize in the fall, is on the glee club.

Cleveland, O., April 10.

CHAS. L. SWEARINGEN.

ETA—BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Chapter Eta has just closed another prosperous term. Although we have a very small chapter, numbering but six, we have our hand in everything that's going at Buchtel. We are proud to say that we can make a creditable showing in the recitation room, the parlor, or on the athletic field, and stand high in the regard of the students. Several Delts of by-gone years have visited us lately, and they say the chapter has not been in such good condition for years. Of course this pleases us, but we would like to have such a chapter that they would be forced to say it had never been as good. Our aim is high; it remains to be seen whether we can reach the coveted height.

Instead of our enthusiasm flagging as the weeks go by, it increases with every meeting, and we are constantly forming plans for the advancement of Delta Tau Delta's interests. At present we are starting a library, and already have quite a collection of books; we are also completing our file of the RAINBOW. Believing that it would materially aid us in raising our own fraternity to a higher level to keep in touch with the workings of other fraternities, we have decided that in the near future we will subscribe for a dozen or more of the best fraternity magazines.

We noticed in the last RAINBOW that Chapter Mu gave a list of her actives, and thinking the plan a good one, we will give ours.

'92.—Austin V. Cannon.

'93.—J. H. Simpson.

'94.—John W. Eddy, Chas. F. Miguin.

'95.—Herbert W. Kennedy, Ernest W. Martin.

Since our last letter we have won a few more laurels, the most important of which are: Editor-in-chief of the *Buchtelite*, the college paper; business manager of the *Junior Annual*; president of oratorical association; one class president, and chairman of gymnasium committee. The latter officer fills a very important position, as he has the entire management of the annual gymnasium exhibition, and also of the field day exercises. The gymnasium exhibition was given March 22nd, and although it rained hard, the gymnasium was filled to overflowing, and the exhibition was repeated on the 24th to another full house. To say it was successfully managed is expressing it very mildly.

At a meeting of the trustees, professors and alumni of the college, held a few weeks ago, plans were discussed for raising \$50,000 for a new science hall, for procuring funds to purchase an athletic field, and it was also proposed that athletics should be controlled hereafter by a committee composed of members of the faculty and alumni association, in conjunction with the undergraduate students. For the science hall \$20,000 has already been secured, and it only remains for the city council to pass an ordinance closing a short street running through the grounds, when we will be the proud possessors of one of the finest athletic fields in the state.

It is our intention to be present at the Cleveland conference in May, in a body, if possible.

Akron, O., March 28.

J. H. SIMPSON.

IOTA—MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

Iota extends fraternal greetings. At the opening of this term, February 22nd, we numbered twelve actives, but within the past week Bro. Gillis has gone home on account of sickness. Bro. R. A. Bentley was home, sick with pneumonia, so ill that the doctors gave him up, but careful nursing pulled him through, and he is now recovering. Two more brothers have also left us, to study pharmacy at the University of Michigan. To partially compensate for this, we are happy to make you acquainted with Bro. G. W. Rose and Bro. F. L. Reynolds. Just before the close of last fall term Bro. Mitchell, our crack bicycle rider, whom we actually believe capable of breaking the world's records, left for Honduras, and as it takes six

weeks for a letter to reach him, we have not yet received the chapter letter which he is to forward us. Bro. Perrigo was ill at the opening of the term, and therefore will not be back until next term, at which time we expect Bro. Bentley to return. Notwithstanding our series of set-backs, the chapter is by far the strongest externally and most closely bound together of the organizations here.

Among college offices, members of the chapter are secretary of the mechanical club, manager of the baseball team, president, secretary and captain of the bicycle club. Bros. Groesbeck and Bauerle hold the two highest records in the mechanical course, and are commencement orators; Bro. Groesbeck's record being the highest ever secured in that course. The state board have offered him the position of assistant secretary of the college.

Seven members of the chapter have bicycles here, and two more are possible purchasers, all the members riding more or less, so that a chapter bicycle club and chapter "runs" are certainties this season.

Our delegates to Cleveland are to be Bros. R. C. Kedzie and J. N. Estabrook.

May 3rd is the twentieth anniversary of the founding of Chapter Iota, and a reception banquet and dance for our alumni and Delt sisters will be held Friday, May 6th, to which all Delts and their "ladyes faire" are most welcome.

Agricultural College, Mich., April 11. J. L. POTTER.

KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Kappa chapter continues in her usual prosperous condition. Since the last issue of the RAINBOW, E. P. S. Miller has been received into membership. Mr. Miller is a sophomore, and stands high in his class and in the college.

Our membership is not as large as that of either of the other fraternities, but we consider Kappa's condition more healthful and prosperous than either of them. Delta is the only fraternity here which does not take in men below the freshman year. She also works on the principle that in union there is strength, while the other two work on the principle that in numbers there is strength, and accordingly take whoever they can get to join them, almost indiscriminately.

Hillsdale College is pushing to the front ranks. She has never before had so good a corps of professors as at present. They are all enthusiastic and energetic, and thoro' work is

done in all departments. She is justly proud of her alumni, and they have no occasion to be ashamed of her.

Chapter Kappa was highly gratified to find in the last issue of the *RAINBOW* an engraving and a biographical sketch of Joseph William Mauck, whom she is proud to reckon among her alumni.

Hillsdale, Mich., April 10.

C. P. HULCE.

LAMBDA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Notwithstanding reports to the contrary, Lambda chapter is still alive and active. Up to the close of the fall term the outlook was very gloomy, as Bro. Black and myself constituted the entire working force; but with the opening of the new term, Bro. R. F. Alexander returned to us, and new hopes were ushered in. We now have five active, enthusiastic Deltas, two splendid men having been initiated on the night of the 27th of February. So we have the pleasure of introducing to the Fraternity Bros. W. J. Roberts, post-graduate, class '92, and R. H. Wynn, class '94. Our men stand well every way. Bro. M. M. Black, who represents us on the "Comet," the Vanderbilt fraternity annual, is also a member of the Vanderbilt glee club.

It is known, of course, to the General Fraternity that a new fraternity entered Vanderbilt not long since, the Sigma Chi. Their chapter is composed of nine men.

This has been one of the most prosperous sessions in the history of the university. The number of students in all the departments is over seven hundred. Much interest is taken in athletics. Owing to the energetic efforts of our athletic association, a portion of the campus was some time ago secured for a baseball park, and is now being prepared for that purpose. The work will cost about \$1600.

Though the chapters of other fraternities far outnumber us, we are by no means disheartened on that account. If effort and enthusiasm count for anything, we intend to make old Lambda second to none.

Nashville, Tenn., March 28.

JOHN C. BROWN, JR.

MU—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

After a week's separation, Mu's boys, without exception, are back and ready for work. Our working force as now constituted numbers fourteen, two having been initiated since last

report. These two, Will B. Hillman and Dana Nelson, we present to the Fraternity at large with much gratification, as both are Deltas in every sense of the word. In some respects the past quarter has been the most remarkable in the history of the university. The revival meetings of the winter term were wonderfully fruitful, especially among fraternity men were grand results achieved. Chapters not one of whose members professed christianity are now christian to a man. Chapter prayer meetings were held weekly in the various fraternity halls with much profit. Perhaps the most remarkable meeting of the entire series was the "Pan-Hellenic prayer meeting" held in Phi Delta Theta Hall. With but few exceptions every fraternity man in the university was present. It is doubtful if in all Pan-Hellenic history another such meeting was ever held. Certain it is that, as a natural outcome, there exists at present a kindly fraternal spirit the like of which was never before known among the fraternities here represented. This feeling is manifest in every department of our college life.

Naturally with very great interest we await the coming of May 5th, at which time Brother Geo. H. Geyer will represent the chapter, university and state in the Inter-State Oratorical Contest at Minneapolis. Having achieved so grandly in the contest here at home and afterwards in the state contest at Akron, Ohio, we look forward with no little confidence to the oratorical battle at Minneapolis, feeling assured that, represented by Brother Geyer, Ohio will have reason to be proud of her champion.

With spring comes the intense activity along athletic lines characteristic of the Ohio Wesleyan. The base ball team is hard at work, as also are our sprinters and general athletes. The outlook never has been so good. The athletic grounds have been improved at considerable expense, the association is on a good financial basis, the ball team in fine shape—in short everything indicates a most successful season. As in every other good cause Delta Tau Delta is well represented in O. W. U. athletics, having two men on the base ball team one of whom is captain and having also the acknowledged champion long distance runner of the school.

With our goodly number, enthusiasm for the work, and a strong, steady purpose to uphold the "Purple, White and Gold" we have every reason to anticipate and expect a happy, prosperous and profitable term. To all Deltas everywhere we send a most cordial greeting.

Delaware, O., April 5th.

HENRY M. CAMERON.

XI—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

Our failure to appear in the last RAINBOW was a disappointment to us for which we blame no one but ourselves. Our fall term was a quiet and progressive one for Delta Tau Delta in this place. We made no instiations, but we gained the favor of a half dozen capital boys who will from time to time in the future assume the colors and badge of our fraternity.

In November Xi entertained in her hall the Greeks of Simpson. There were present the members of $\Pi B \Phi$, $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ and $\Sigma A E$. The winter term found us reinforced by the return of Bros. Kern, Woods and Stahl, and in a few weeks we initiated H. H. McNeil, whom we now wish to introduce to the fraternity at large.

This winter term has witnessed a revival of the old fashioned Greek spirit at Simpson. The Greeks have proven themselves first class entertainers. The $\Sigma A E$ fraternity in February held their first annual midwinter banquet in the Central House parlors. A representative from each of the other Greek societies was present. The $\Pi B \Phi$ sisters gave a masquerade party at the home of Miss Estela Hartman. The $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ sorosis, active and alumnæ, held a private banquet at the home of Mrs. W. H. Berry. Delta Tau Delta also remembered her friends in a social way and passed with them a pleasant evening at their hall.

In politics a region of ferment and fury at Simpson, the Greeks have held a worthy part. But we have maintained from the first that our barbs are harmless and thus we find them.

Our prospects, to say the least, are bright. This has been a prosperous year for our college and a profitable one for Xi. We lose but one man by graduation. We expect to move out in the fall of '92 with a whole shipload of able hands. We not only wish to congratulate ourselves, but we wish truly to congratulate the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity for her prosperous year's work and for the ability and energy visible in those on whom her well being depends.

Indianola, Ia., April 2.

L. W. HAWORTH.

OMICRON—STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Athletics is the all important topic in the university at present. The base ball team is to be selected shortly, and from the number and quality of the candidates it will be no easy matter to decide who the proper men are; one thing is assured

though, and that is whomever the committee see fit to select, will make a strong team. We expect to have one and possibly two men on the team. Bro. D. O. Holbrook was elected manager of the foot ball team for next fall. The election was a spirited one, the Y. M. C. A. on the one side and the fraternities on the other. There is a Y. M. C. A. in the university that sometimes tries to get hold of everything; one of their moves was to get the foot ball team as a source of revenue, but they were so badly snowed under that they now understand the feeling towards them.

There is no new material in the university this term, but we have one man pledged from last term; he is only waiting to let ties that have heretofore bound him cool off, before he will consent to take the last step.

We lose several men in June by graduation, but there will be enough back next year to insure a strong chapter.

Iowa City, Ia., April 3.

W. H. JENNINGS.

PI—UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

The intermediate examining season which passed quietly only served to prove the superior material of which our ranks were composed. In both law and academic Pi has been the proud recipient of a leader.

Now making "big marks" is not our only fort, for in the field of college oratory, Deltas are seen to figure very conspicuously. As evidence of this, in the recent contest for places on senior debate at commencement, Bro. Carter won the first speaker's place from the Hermaean society and Bro. Drake the second place from Phi Sigma. Bro. Carter will also deliver the anniversary address before his society on the 22nd inst. A Delta Tau is president of one of the two literary societies; besides this, we hold other society and committee offices.

We "while away our idle moments" at chess, lawn-tennis and occasionally cards.

There has recently blossomed out at the university a "would-be-fraternity" with five initiates each of whom flaunts a plain gold *shield* with the letters O. T. R. engraved upon it. They claim to have established within the past few weeks several chapters all of which are *sub-rosa*. Bro. A. T. Stovall made us a short visit last week; he is as enthusiastic an alumnus as he was an active member.

Bro. Leigh, who did not return after the holidays, is attending the college in Virginia.

University, Miss., April 2.

G. JAMES ROBERTSON.

RHO—STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Since the last time of writing nothing of very great importance has happened here, the second term always being very quiet and uninteresting. We have added no new men to our number, though we will be able to do so next year.

We put a new billiard table in our billiard-room this year and it adds greatly to the appearance as well as the comforts of the house.

Rho held open house during the conference and we were very much pleased to be able to receive so many Deltas. It was certainly a very enthusiastic conference, and it only remains to be seen whether the enthusiasm will still remain and the proper work done and done energetically, or whether it will die out and be only a pleasant memory.

In the college, things are looking very business like in regard to the new building, and money has been collected quite rapidly for the purpose. Ground has not been broken yet. The work-shop has been enlarged, and more machinery put in. The shop-building will have two stories added to it, and the engine running the shop, will be removed to the basement, it now occupying a position on the main floor. The whole building will be devoted to the course in shop-work and electricity. It is rumored that the Standard Oil Company, for whom Prof. Denton (*P*) does all the testing, will present the institute with a 300 horse-power corliss engine. Prof. Morton has endowed a new chair of engineering practice in the Institute, which will probably be filled by Prof. Coleman Sellers.

Athletics present an encouraging aspect. The Lacrosse team, under the captainship &c., of Martin, '92 (*B Θ II*) has been practicing all vacation together with two or three teams composed of candidates for the varsity. The base ball outlook is very poor. Prof. Denton (*P*) has given support to the team with some others of the alumni, the financial support of the athletic association having been withdrawn. But the material is wanting for a good team, the college not even having a decent pitcher.

To show the interest taken in athletics, at a recent meeting of the senior class, it was decided that every member of the class would give his ten dollar deposit toward the support of the foot-ball team in the fall. (Ten dollars is deposited by every student on entering college for incidental expenses and is withdrawn by him on graduation.) The association intends building a grand stand on the grounds this spring.

The glee and banjo clubs have been quite successful this year and have given a good many concerts. We have four

men on the glee club and two on the banjo club. Bro. Hill is manager of both clubs.

Bro. Hill has also been elected permanent secretary of his (the senior) class.

The other chapters here are in good condition and great good feeling exists between all of them. Sigma chapter of *B Θ II* has moved into a new house.

Hoboken, N. J., April 20.

H. D. LAWTON.

TAU—FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL.

Since our last communication to the RAINBOW we have initiated into the fraternity one which we take pleasure in introducing, Mr. F H. Moyer, '93.

The college catalogue and register has just made its appearance. There are enrolled in all the departments 260 students. William Marvel Nevin, LL. D., Professor Emeritus of English Literature and Belles Letters, died on Feb. 11, 1892, aged 86 years. His successor has not yet been elected.

In the indoor sports on Feb. 22, Deltas carried off two of the prizes. We have the pitchers on the college base ball team and on the '93 class team.

Bro. Hillegas was elected to the editorial staff of the "F. & M. Weekly." The business manager of the glee club starts on a trip to arrange dates at different cities for that organization, which intends to take a trip to the Pacific coast during the coming summer vacation. At least four Delts will represent Tau on the club. Bros. Herr and Hillegas were Tau's representatives at the New York Conference.

Lancaster, Pa., April 20.

H. C. HILLEGAS.

UPSILON—RENSSELÆR POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

At the opening of the present institute year, Upsilon found herself with six active members, but she has been fortunate enough to initiate five men of the freshman class, and one of the sophomore. Since her last letter to the RAINBOW, her initiates have been Asa C. Irban, '95, of Cincinnati, O.; Ernest E. Brydon-Jack, of Fredericton, N. B.; and Joas L. Perdigo, of Menas, Brazil. At the opening of the term, Bro. Chapleau left us, but the return of Bro. J. M. Lapeyre, from his European trip, filled up the gap.

We lose three of our best men by graduation this year, but this will leave us nine for the opening of next.

It has become almost a necessity that we have a chapter house, as our present quarters are hardly large enough to accommodate us. We hope, before another year rolls by, to occupy one.

In institute politics and athletics we are holding our own, Bro. Dickmeier having been elected president of his class, and Bro. Evans one of the editorial board of the college monthly, the "Polytechnic".

Looking over the work of the year to the present time, Upsilon feels that she has done well. The chapter is in better condition now than it has been for some years, and our prospects for an equally successful one for next year, are very bright.

Troy, N. Y., April 7.

W. A. BROWN.

CHI—KENYON COLLEGE.

Our Trinity term opened March 30th.

Fraternity life here at present is quiet and harmonious.

Chi enjoyed a short visit from Brothers Sanford of Zeta, and Mignin of Eta, who recently attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the State Athletic Association.

The usual interest in athletics prevails among the students, and candidates for the base ball team are now regularly practicing on the field.

On March 16th, Ex-President R. B. Hayes, '42, lectured here. His subject: "The Boys and Men I knew at Kenyon."

Gambier, O., April 5.

FRED J. DOOLITTLE.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF WOOSTER.

Psi's greeting is none the less unanimous now that she has twenty-two voices to be heard. Since we last reported we have had two valuable accessions to our number, in the persons of J. G. Wingert and E. E. Ernhoff, who were initiated by Tau at Franklin and Marshall College. Of those who entered our university from Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O., leaving that college because of the prohibitory regulation relating to college fraternities, Alpha Tau Omega initiated eleven (11) and Phi Delta Theta, four (4). The Pan Hellenic entertainment given the evening of March 11th was successful in every particular. The net receipts amounted to \$95, which is applied on the debt

of our last year's annual, "The Index." "The Index" this year is being pushed with vigor, and will probably appear some weeks prior to commencement, which will insure a more extensive sale than last year's annual enjoyed.

Psi has been refurnishing her hall, and now has very cozy, homelike rooms, and would gladly welcome wandering Deltas at any time.

Wooster, O., April 8.

CARL H. ELLIOTT.

OMEGA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE.

Never since its founding has the future of our college looked brighter than to-day. Not only is the total enrollment larger than ever before, but the rate of increase for the last two years has been exceptionally large. The attendance this year shows an increase of thirty-three per cent. over that of last, and numbers at present four hundred and fourteen in the collegiate courses, excluding preparatory students. The present freshman class is unusually strong in fraternity material.

Several changes have been made in the faculty, some of which we think are for the better. The improvements of the year promise to exceed those of last, both in buildings and equipments. A new hall, costing about \$50,000, will soon be in process of erection, which will make nine buildings used for recitation and laboratory purposes.

Although Omega's coast is not as clear as we could wish, yet it is steadily growing clearer, and we have much wherein to rejoice. Perfect unity exists within, and a portion of Sigma's conservatism without. We intend to reap our share of the general prosperity, and come out at the close of the term with colors flying. As this is the beginning of the term, our membership is small, at present numbering six actives.

The boys who graduated last year are all doing well. Bro. Ballreich is studying law in Des Moines; Bro. Dyer is engaged in engineering work in Chicago, and Bro. Hutton is principal of the schools at Alton, Iowa. The last two have made us short visits since the term opened.

Ames, Ia., April 6.

EDWARD KEARNEY.

BETA ALPHA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

With the beginning of a new term, Beta Alpha sends greetings to her sister chapters. As a chapter, we have recovered from the effect of the loss of so many men at the opening

of the year. With the opening of the spring term, Bro. J. E. Stewart, '93, who had completed the school term, at Morengo, returned to us, also Bro. W. W. Pugh, '95, returned to the fold. Nor have we been idle in the ranks of the unregenerate, and six new names grace our chapter roll. It is with no little pleasure that we introduce to the Delta world John Ward, '93, Monticello, Ind.; Willis H. Souder, '93, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; William M. Davis, '95, Gosport, Ind.; H. W. Moore, '94, Newberry, Ind.; C. E. Spalding, '95, Paoli, Ind., and Roland Per Due, '96, Bloomington, Ind.

This is a slight indication of the merit of those just entering Indiana University, and it is appropriate at this time to speak of the increased attendance. More than fifty new students have matriculated this term, swelling our total attendance for the year materially, and now only a few names are lacking to make it an even 500. That Indiana University is a school where scientifically inclined students are numerous, was never better shown than last term, by the large number doing work in the several laboratories. In the chemical laboratory not a case was vacant, and in several instances they were compelled to double up. In the botanical, mineralogical and zoological laboratories students were denied admission, owing to lack of room, and from the department of physics came the cry, "More room."

In the "University Extension" movement, just now occupying the attention of prominent educators, Indiana University is doing a valuable share. With regularly organized classes in Chicago, Louisville, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, and Evansville, not mentioning several of lesser import, the membership in this work includes more than 1000 names. Drs. Coulter, Ross, and Woodburn do the major part of this work, with occasional lectures by Profs. Saunderson, Fellows and Huffcut. Dr. Woodburn recently received from Pres. Harper the offer of the chair of American history in Chicago University.

Beta Alpha has closed a contract for a new hall. We are to occupy the entire second floor of the new Phorer Block now building. We are to have two main halls, one for regular business, the other, with hardwood floor, is especially adapted to the social phase of fraternity life. Besides these, we will have three large anterooms, two to be used as ladies' and gentlemen's dressing rooms, and the third, a store-room for apparatus and fuel. We have also recently filed articles of incorporation pursuant to the advice of the last general convention.

Indiana University is a growing institution. As an evidence of this fact we might mention that our list of fraternities is soon to be increased. Sigma Nu is now organizing; the

material is to be drawn from the "organized" barbs, and its appearance is hailed with delight by all loyal Greek. Some of the ladies, too, who have been denied admission to the chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma on account of the already too large chapters, will doubtless soon be given an opportunity to shake the last vestments of barbarism. Alpha Phi will probably enter here shortly. There is an abundance of good material among the ladies. Last Saturday was April second, but many of us were forced to believe we were mistaken. The ladies of *K A Θ* and *K K Γ* had invited their gentlemen friends to spend an hour with them in "open meeting." When the gentlemen arrived they found the Kappas "at home" at the residence of Miss Perry, the place appointed by the Thetas, while the Thetas were making merry at the home of Miss Loudon. The surprise of the gentlemen at this unexpected and enjoyable practical joke can better be imagined than expressed.

The spirit prevailing in fraternity circles was never better. Nothing has contributed more to bring about such condition than class fraternities. In the junior class we have *K Φ O K*, or the Skull. Bro. A. M. S. Lodleg '93, is our representative this year. In the senior class we find *TE II*, or the Jawbone. Delta Tau Delta has two representatives out of a possible seven; these are, Bros. W. F. Freudenburg and C. W. Hartloff. As an evidence of the good spirit, we would mention the Pan Hellenic socials which have been given, a few members representing each element. Beta Alpha entertained the first assemblage of this kind, Phi Gamma Delta next opened her door and entertained us. Phi Delta Theta received us in her rooms the last evening of the winter term. During this (spring) term we hope to complete the list. Such movements as this should be encouraged, as they serve to break down the petty distinctions formerly existing, and operate to unite the fraternity element at all times against the encroachment of the non-fraternity element, which has in all times been very strong at this institution.

Bloomington, Ind., April 6.

C. W. HARTLOFF.

BETA BETA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

At this season of the year athletics begin the ascendancy again. The athletic association has been entirely reformed. A new constitution has been adopted, putting athletics on a firm basis; alumni, faculty and students all being represented.

Heretofore athletics had not received much encouragement, such sports being tolerated rather insisted on. By way of developing base ball material a series of inter-fraternity games has been arranged. The first of the series Beta Theta Pi vs. Delta Tau Delta resulted in a victory for Delta Tau Delta.

At the state oratorical contest held at Indianapolis, De-Pauw's representative, Miss E. Jean Nelson, won first place. Miss Nelson is a Junior and is a member of *K K T*. Her many friends are sanguine of her success at Minneapolis.

Each year the chapters of *Δ T Δ* in Indiana meet on the evening of the state oratorical contest in Indianapolis and banquet. Of course the alumni in the city are brought in and also any other *Δ T Δ* who may happen to be around. These are always enjoyable occasions, and the last was no exception. To meet around one great banquet board with every member of *Δ T Δ* would be a "consummation devoutly to be wished."

Greencastle, Ind., April 15.

C. M. CLOW.

BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Since our last letter we have added one name to our chapter roll; and we now introduce to the fraternity our latest acquisition, W. Clark Davis, of Eatonton, Ga. He enters the freshman class and makes an even half-dozen '95's that Beta Delta can call her own.

The university of Georgia is taking the lead of all southern colleges in athletics this year. The new gymnasium recently fitted up by the athletic association is developing some of the finest all-round athletics to be found anywhere. Foot ball was of course the game of the winter season, and the 'varsity eleven played in two inter-collegiate games. The first was with Mercer university and was played here on our grounds. In this game the Mercerians were woefully defeated. The second game was played in Atlanta, on February 20th. In this game Auburn college, Ala., was our opponent, and after a close and hotly contested game came off victorious.

The base ball season is now in full blast. The class teams have all organized and are in good practice. The series of class games is being played for the pennant; when this series is completed the college nine will be organized and some inter-collegiate games will be played. Arrangements have already been made for a game with Vanderbilt. The fraternities have once more with the beginning of spring stretched their tennis nets, and the campus is dotted over with tennis courts.

Bro. Greene Johnson has just been elected editor-in-chief

of the *Georgia University Magazine* for the next term of office. Of the first set of officers Bro. Harmon Smith was business manager, and Bro. W. T. Kelly associate editor. The *Pandora*, the annual published by the fraternities represented here, will be issued in June. Bro. Kelly is our representative and is business manager.

Speakers places, and other commencement honors have not yet been made known but we are confident of receiving our share.

B Δ's delegates to the southern division conference in Chattanooga next month are W. M. Glass and

Athens, Ga., March 30.

W. T. KELLY.

BETA EPSILON—EMORY COLLEGE.

About two weeks ago we had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Thomas Nelson Page, of Virginia, read some of his inimitable productions. He appeared at his best and certainly no audience was ever more delighted than the one that listened to "Meh Lady" and "Pulasky" as rendered by him in perfect negro dialect. His was the first of a series of lectures we are to have before the term closes.

The piteous wail of the expiring sub, the exasperating tones of the verdant Freshman and the flighty eloquence of the proud Sophomore, all aspiring to speakers places, wake the slumbering echoes of the neighboring hills by day and silence the sweet tones of the mocking bird by night. Even the owl holds his tongue in deep anxiety. Rest, sweet rest will return after the 14th, when the places are to be assigned. Junior places have not been made out yet.

The smoke of our great political campaign has cleared away and we came off with all the honors which we sought. Bro. Sharp was chosen as one of Phi Gamma's representatives on champion debate next commencement. Bro. Jolley will deliver the valedictory address to the under-classmen of Few society.

Our next division conference convenes at Chattanooga, April 21st, 22nd and 23rd. Bros. Sharp and Shipp are our delegates.

Oxford, Ga., April 6.

D. V. THOMAS.

BETA ZETA—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Though no fault of her own Beta Zeta was not represented in the last number of the RAINBOW. So let no Delta think we

have fallen asleep, on the contrary our chapter is wide awake and active. The year has been a prosperous one in many respects, and we have had our full share of this prosperity. We have initiated three men and pledged two. Fraternity material was scarce and we secured about all that in our estimation was desirable. Our latest initiate is Harry Manlore, of Milton, Ind., whom we take pleasure in introducing to the brotherhood. Our chapter now numbers fourteen actives and three pledged. We meet regularly once a week and have helpful and enthusiastic meetings. The fraternity in general receives no little attention, its movements are closely watched and every advance step is greeted with applause. We are fully convinced that the interests of the fraternity demand a discreet use of the pruning knife as well as a vigorous propagation in new and congenial soil. We are opposed to the ultra-exclusive uses pleaded for by some of the chapters, believing that such a course would lead in the end to a high degree of snobbery rather than to be true end of $\Delta T \Delta$, viz: the founding of an aristocracy of culture. A high standard of membership in each chapter is the greatest safeguard for the fraternity, and is most conducive to that homogeneity so desirable.

We have had two successful receptions in our hall, and in February we held a reunion and banquet at the Denison hotel in Indianapolis, which was pronounced by competent judges "the finest fraternity banquet ever spread in the city." Delta wives and Delta girls shared in the festivities of the occasion and added much to its brilliancy and enjoyment.

Our social position is a creditable one, and our classroom work is of a superior kind. Of our rivals $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ is the strongest. The Butler chapter of this fraternity is and for years has been one of the very best of its numerous chapters. ΣX has secured a hall; they are not so strong as in former years but have a good chapter; a warm friendship has always existed between this chapter and BetaZeta. $K \Sigma$ established here last year, has in it some good material and bids fair to become in the future a creditable chapter. We hope it may.

There is very little rivalry between the various fraternities and that is, for the most part, generous and honorable. I subjoin a table showing the relative strength of the fraternities, with respect to numbers and classes.

	'92	'93	'94	'95	'96	Totals.
ΣX	—	1	2	4	2	9
$K \Sigma$	—	1	2	2	1	6
$\Phi \Delta \Phi$	6	2	2	2	—	11
$\Delta T \Delta$	2	4	3	5	3 (pledged)	17

College honors are shared by all, and college politics are

very mild. At the annual banquet of the Indiana chapters of *Δ T Δ*, held on the evening of March 18th, at the Denison hotel, steps were taken to make the next annual meeting by far the largest ever held. This is for the purpose of getting ready for the coming Karnea of '93. It is the determination of the Indianapolis alumni and the Indiana chapters that the Karnea of '93 shall be the most successful ever held.

The university is prospering in all its departments. The new catalogue which will soon be ready for the printers will show a decided increase in attendance. Many improvements and additions to the school will be made by another year.

Our delegate to the coming Boreaelis is Will D. Howe.

Irvington, Ind., April 4.

WM. F. CLARKE.

BETA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Two new fraternities and some thirty-five less "barbs" since our last! Delta Chi (law) appeared on April 11th, with eleven good men, and yesterday (April 27th,) Theta Delta Chi also pinned out a chapter of twenty-four. It absorbed a local society, not generally considered a fraternity, called "the Addisonians. This makes twenty Greek letter societies that have found a home at the university, and the air is thick with rumors concerning one or two new soroses soon to come. *Φ K Ψ* expelled two of her men and a third one sent notices to all of the different fraternities here that he had resigned his membership in the *Φ K Ψ* fraternity.

Things with us have been gliding along smoothly and harmoniously. The only real bad luck we have had was that Brothers Hoagland and Bartholmew have left college. The former went west on a survey and the latter left on account of ill-health. However, we expect them back again next year. We have initiated two new men, both of '95—Albert Moore and Harry Judson, whom we take pride in introducing to the Fraternity. We had been after them all the year and so had several of our rivals.

On the evening of April 27th, we entertained our lady friends at the residence of J. C. Walters, an uncle of Bro. Neff. Bros. Warnock and Sewall rendered an original one-act comedietta entitled "Fedora, or the story of a loving young girl". Mr. Warnock in the title roll made a great hit, while Mr. Sewall as Philip Du Pont, the lover, was all that could be asked.

On May 5th, in this city, the interstate oratorical contest will take place. Brother Geyer, of Mu, is to represent the

state of Ohio. I suppose state pride should lead us to wish that he might secure nothing better than second place. But it does not, and we earnestly hope to see him declared victor. Of course we are all going. We have secured seven boxes at the theatre and intend to store them with a score or more of the finest girls in the "U". After the contest we expect to have a banquet. We have arranged to have our western conference here at that time and are looking forward to a pleasant time.

We have been pulling our share of the honorary plums of late. Two of our three seniors are among the nine chosen to appear commencement. Brother Hartley was one of the five men chosen from the class of '93 for membership in *II B N* the honor society of the university. Brother Chilgren is president of the senior class in the medical department. Brother Neff secured second place in the state oratorical contest, and represents the state as a delegate at the coming convention.

Minneapolis, April 28.

P. J. NEFF.

BETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

We began Lent term on the 17th of last month with ten men. Since then we have initiated Jose M. Selden, of Ga., and Charles G. Duy, of Ill., making our numbers once more run up to the dozen, that so often have represented *Δ T Δ* at Sewanee. We are an homogeneous band, and not one of us ever misses a meeting. We feel Bro. Black's loss greatly, and the others who left us last December, but are determined to do all we can to hold up the chapter, now that we are thrown on our own resources. We have determined to have the best garden on the mountain this year, and are to be seen in our shirt sleeves with spade and hoe every afternoon working like beavers. Other improvements are soon to be put into effect also; a new fence is to be built and the house repainted. We have cut and trimmed a straight and tall young tree for a flag-staff, and when we shall have prevailed upon some of our fair sisters to make us a flag, we will announce all initiations to the world by flying the purple, white and gold.

Sewanee, Tenn.

HUDSON STUCK.

BETA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

We gladly sieze the opportunity of comparing notes with our sister chapters, and can assure them all that we feel ourselves fully capable of making a creditable showing. Nothing startling has befallen us since our last letter, our greatest pride,

the goat, having been kept all this while without a rider. However, we are all doing our best to secure him victims for next session. Our boys are much more enthusiastic, if such thing is possible, than ever before, since we all live near together, some in our chapter house and some in college. Our house is a gem in itself, and has given us more real enjoyment than one can imagine, as all during the year we have entertained our young lady friends, and they, in their turn, have loaded our parlors with dainty ornaments and gifts, which none but the fair sex could devise. We are so proud of our little place that we insist upon all those wearing Delta pins making us a visit should they happen to pass through our pretty little town, muddy Charlotteville. We are still well represented in the musical line, as Bro. Burrow, too, is seen in the banjo and glee club, and Bro. Sweeney has at last risen from his sick bed and again takes his place at the head. We are sorry to say that we will have to give him up to Yale next year.

Already we begin to lament the fact that we will soon lose four of our oldest and best workers, Bros. McCracken, DeMott, Gibson and Cockrill, as they will finish their courses this session. Great interest was taken in the election of our representatives to the coming conference, Bros. Burrow and Thorn being the lucky two. We all feel assured that the conference will be a success. Hoping that all the chapters will be represented, Beta Iota bids adieu.

University of Virginia, April 1.

CHAS. B. THORN.

BETA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADA.

Since our last letter nothing of special importance has occurred to ruffle the smooth course of events at the university. Under the efficient management of President Baker, the institution is becoming better known; much efficient work is being done in its interests. Members of the faculty have been lecturing throughout the state, and a large increase in the attendance is expected another year.

Fortune seems to have favored some of *B K*'s men with some of the college honors. Brother Delos Holden is editor-in-chief of the *Portfolio*. Brother Ingram is one of the business managers of the same paper. Brother Clarence Perry was recently made treasurer of the University Athletic Association. He is now on his way to Iowa City as a delegate to the Deputation Convention of the College Y. M. C. A., to be held from the 7th to the 10th of April. He will doubtless meet many brother Deltas before he returns.

Brother Ingram was recently chosen as captain of the university base ball team. Two others of *B K*'s men are also members of the team. At the local oratorical contest held on February 20, the first two places were captured by two of Sigma Alpha Epsilon's members. The first place in the state oratorical contest was captured by a representative of Colorado college.

On Saturday next, the graduating class of the Denver high school is expected to visit the university. Preparations are being made for a pleasant and enjoyable time. Many plans are now being consummated which make the future seem particularly bright for the university and also for *B K*.

Boulder, Colo., April 6.

W. W. PUTMAN.

BETA LAMBDA—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

So far, the second term at Lehigh has been characterized by a general dullness in college affairs. The weather has been such that the athletic teams could not begin practice until quite lately, and the coming of Lent has put a stop to all social gaieties. The monotony was relieved, in part, by the winter sports, which were held March 12th, and at which some fine exhibitions were given. At this meeting several Lehigh records were broken.

The athletic grounds are being enlarged considerably, an improvement that will go far towards increasing the interest in athletics. As it was, the grounds were too small to admit of the various teams practicing at the same time, but now this difficulty has been removed by the enlargement of the field. The work is progressing rather slowly, but we hope to have it completed by the time the baseball season opens.

The lacrosse team has been in the field for several weeks past, and has shown up in good form. There is quite a quantity of good material on hand, and under the coaching of our energetic trainer, the team ought to make a good fight for the championship.

The baseball team is also hard at work under the training of a professional player. The season opens with a game with Dartmouth, on April 8th. We will have plenty of good ball games here, as nearly all the games with the larger college teams are scheduled to be played here.

So much for university affairs in general. As regards our chapter, we are in better condition now than ever. Since the opening of the term, we have lost one man, Bro. McClurg, '91,

who has left college to accept a position on an engineering corps in western Pennsylvania, but his place in the chapter has been filled by the initiation of Bro. Leltzer, '95, whom we take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity. We now number eleven men.

After many vain attempts, we have at last been successful in procuring a chapter house. It is located in a beautiful part of the town, and is but a few minutes' walk from the university. It is very comfortably furnished, and contains a great variety of musical instruments, which, in the skilful hands of the boys, serve to while away many an hour. Altogether, the enjoyment derived from this mode of life far exceeds our expectations, and all the boys are highly gratified with the success of their first venture in this direction. Next term we are going to make a still greater advancement in this line by going into a larger house. The construction of our new house has already begun, and it will be ready for occupancy when we return next September.

The football team has shown its appreciation of the services of Bro. C. M. Case by re-electing him manager for next season. Bro. Haines has been elected manager of the freshman baseball team.

Our rivals are all prospering at present. Several of them have recently gone into chapter houses, so that now all the fraternities, with a few exceptions, are installed in chapter houses.

Beta Lambda sends greeting to all the fraters, and will extend a hearty welcome to any Delt who may stray into these parts.

S. Bethlehem, Pa., April 4.

W. M. HALL.

BETA MU—TUFTS COLLEGE.

It has been very quiet here during the last quarter, about the only interest being in the practice that the baseball men have been doing. Fast Day they play the first game of the season with Andover, and we expect to see a very interesting game.

A few weeks ago Bro. Felt, who, it will be remembered, was the founder of our chapter, was on the hill and spent the evening with us. Bro. Lincoln, of Beta Sigma, also made us a visit on the same evening.

The classes have all had their banquets, with the exception of the freshmen, who will not think of such a thing until

next year, for if they should, I am afraid it would occasion considerable trouble.

The new buildings are nearing completion, and it is to be hoped that they will be finished before class day.

The college annual of the class of '93 is expected to be out by the middle of the month, and something pretty fine is looked for, and we do not think that the college will be disappointed.

I have heard within a few days that a large estate close to the college, together with the necessary funds, have been left for the establishing of a young ladies' seminary. The founding of such an institution so near to Tufts would practically amount to making the college co-educational. I cannot vouch for the truth of the above statement, but only repeat what was told.

Tufts College, Mass., April 5.

H. H. WESTON.

BETA XI—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

As she has always been, Beta Xi is in excellent condition. We have not had an initiation since the beginning of the college session, but ere long we will have the honor of introducing to the Fraternity some of the choice members of next year's freshman class, as well as a present member of the freshman class who has been unable so far this season to join our ranks. Unfortunately we will lose by graduation this year two of our charter members, but with all the new men in addition to all we have already, there is every indication that we will have a chapter far surpassing the average chapters of Tulane.

It is useless for me to say that the university never was in better condition than it is at present, and if it continues improving as it has been doing of late, when the college proper moves into its new buildings, which will be begun in the near future, it will outrival all southern colleges. The standard of the college is as high and gives as complete a course in all the branches of science as any college in the country. Last year Prof. Jesse, who occupied the chair of Latin, resigned to take the position of president of the University of Missouri. At first we all thought that chair could never be more ably filled, but then our board of administrators spared no labor in finding Prof. Dillard, from Norfolk, Va., who has most ably occupied that position, and who is loved by all the students.

It was just a day or two before our Mardi Gras festivities that there was a meeting of the stockholders of the "Tulane Collegian," our college journal, for the purpose of electing an editorial staff, and Bros. C. B. Thorn and A. Robbins, of Beta

Iota, had the honor of being present to hear the cheers when Bro. Rapp was elected, after a hard fight, to the position of editor-in-chief. Our success was greatly due to the assistance given us by the Alpha Tau Omegas and the Phi Delta Thetas for the purpose of defeating the Kappa Alphas, Kappa Sigmas, Sigma Chis and the barbs.

About this same time we had the pleasure of meeting other Deltas in town, and although as yet we own no chapter house to quarter our guests, we will always be happy to entertain as royally as possible those who will only call on us or let us know their whereabouts.

New Orleans, La., April 21.

CHAS F. BUCK, JR.

BETA OMICRON—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

We are very sorry that our letter was not in the last RAINBOW, but it was not sent in time, so was not published.

Since our last letter we have "swung" one new man, John B. Turner, '94, and we take great pleasure in introducing him to the fraternity at large. This gives us a total of sixteen active members, and altogether twenty-one Deltas in town. As we expect thirteen of our active members back next year, we will open up strong enough.

The new law building, which will be ready to use next fall, is one of the finest buildings on the campus, and it is expected that the course in law will become one of the finest in the country. The university has started a summer session which is to last for six weeks, when mathematics, physics, chemistry, languages, and some other subjects will be taught by some of the leading professors in these different courses. This session is intended more to benefit teachers, but will doubtless be attended by many of the student body.

In closing we wish to ask the other chapters who have men who expect to attend Cornell next year to let us know beforehand, as we wish to welcome the brothers.

Ithaca, N. Y., April 13.

QUINCY SCOTT.

BETA SIGMA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

B Σ chapter is still in a most prosperous condition. Although our college work has been especially taxing during the past winter, we have maintained our fraternity interest, and have sought to build ourselves up along literary and social

lines, and as a result all of the brothers of Beta Sigma are interested and enthusiastic in fraternity work.

The circular of Boston University has recently made its appearance, and shows the college to be in a prosperous condition. The curriculum for this year comprises one hundred and fifty-eight courses.

The requirements for the Ph. B. degree have been greatly modified during the past year. "The Ph. B. course now covers a period of four years' study, during which the candidate is required to pursue studies covering the same number of hours per week as the candidate for the A. B. degree." In place of Greek, which is required in the A. B. course, a much greater requirement in French and German has been instituted in the Ph. B. course, so that the two degrees now invoke the same amount of study. The enrollment of our department is three hundred and twenty-seven, of which number the ladies constitute the larger part.

Boston, Mass., April 4.

JOSEPH A. EWART.

THE BOYS OF OLD.

A.

'81.—J. E. Adams is now the Hon. John E. Adams, Judge of Brown county, S. D. He writes "I was a member of old Alpha and my memory reverts to those days with pleasure."

B.

'73.—E. J. Jones, of the law firm of Grosvenor & Jones, has been appointed trustee of the O. U.

'89.—E. D. Sayre, was lately appointed to the office of Probate Judge of Athens, Co., by Gov. McKinley. He is also manager of the Athens Herald.

E.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Floyd and R. Clyde Ford arrived home March 16th from a year's sojourn in Malaysia, whither Brother Floyd went to accept the superintendency of missions, but was obliged to return by reason of ill health. Brother Ford accompanied him and taught in the schools while there.

Z.

'83.—J. W. McLane, 387 Arlington St., city, also has a little daughter to name.

'88.—S. S. Wilson, of Willoughby, O., has a daughter.

'89.—Dr. W. C. Williams is intending to take a post-graduate course in medicine in New York city. During the past college year there were nine Delta Tau men at the Western Reserve Medical College, of this city.

H.

'92.—William T. Raymond was married, April 12, to Miss Hester Belle Wagner of Sandusky.

I.

'78.—E. A. Davenport, president of the Imperial Agricultural College, Brazil, wrote the chapter a letter dated Escola Agronomica Piracicabo, S. P. Brazil, Feb. 12, 1892. It was

then their hottest season, bananas and oranges were ripe and plenty just outside. People and pigs frequently live in the same house there and the pigs do not seem to mind it in the least. He will return at the end of his year, Oct. 7th, as he intended before he left here.

While on the down passage he met Bro. Nebias, a young Brazilian who had attended the university of Va., and it made things homelike and pleasant for the whole passage.

'83.—H. W. Baird, went to Aiken, S. C., for his health and is now much better, but will spend the summer there.

'88.—J. N. Estabrook, has returned from Aiken, S. C., and will spend two weeks with the chapter.

'89.—Geo. J. Jenks, who is home at Sand Beach occupying the position of superintendent in his father's mills, visited the college this term and did some special work in chemistry.

'89.—The chapter is in receipt of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mul-len Chamberlain's card accompanying the much smaller, brand new one of Rebecca VanDevanter Chamberlain, who arrived at Waynesborough, Pa., March 6th, 1892.

'89.—W. H. VanDevoort, graduates from Cornell a year from August, working there during the vacations. He was on the 'varsity boat crew last winter.

'89.—Captain Douty, of the steamer Osceola, arrived in the city Monday evening from Frankfort, with the remains of the late Will McDonald. The captain states that the steamer was just leaving Frankfort at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, when the accident which caused Mr. McDonald's death occurred. The second engineer was in charge of the engine, and McDonald was in bed in a room over the boiler. McDonald heard a scraping noise and concluded to investigate. He arose, dressed and started for the door of his room, when a steam pipe over the boiler burst with a loud noise, breaking the floor of the room. The room commenced to fill with steam. The engineer, realizing his position, broke a window in his room intending to escape by this means. Before he could escape, however, there was another crash below, a great rush of steam and the unfortunate young man was blown through the window and out on the deck. He was horribly burned about the body, face and hands. Physicians were summoned and everything was done to save his life, but after suffering for twelve hours he died. He was conscious all the while and gave to his companions the above particulars of the disaster. The deceased has been a student of the Agriculture College, and a member of the Delta Tau Delta chapter.—*Port Huron Daily News*, Jan. 26.

'90.—B. K. Bentley, came from Denver to see his brother

Rupert who was so ill. Ben managed to visit the chapter though his whole visit in Michigan only lasted two weeks. Knight and Atmore, Denver, Colorado, could not spare him longer.

'93.—L. C. Stayton, an old '93 boy, spent March 27th with Iota. He is in the engineering department of the W. C. R. R. with headquarters at Bay City.

[The following are clipped from *The Speculum* of the M. A. C.—Ed.]

'79.—Prof. L. G. Carpenter, has decided to remain at Fort Collins in the face of a request to take a position as head of the division of irrigation in the department of agriculture at Washington. J. D. Stannard, '76, is his assistant in his work, which is principally concerned with irrigation engineering.

'80.—W. W. Remington is superintendent of schools at Boulder, Colorado. He is considered one of the leading educators of the state.

Ex '94.—A. L. Pattison has entered the crockery and glassware trade at Chattanooga, Tenn., leaving for the south Jan. 31. Owing to his rotundity, he has to carry all his goods at arm's length, and he reports a smashing business.

Ex '94.—In a letter to the editor, Dec. 16, G. E. Mitchell says:—"The chances are that I won't see you again for a long time, as I go to Honduras indefinitely next month. Shall doubtless acquire a *genuine* tan this time." "Mitch" left Washington for Central America, Jan. 19, and will begin the raising of tropical fruits (and whiskers) on a large scale, besides experimenting in horticultural lines for a land company there.

'91.—It is always with the greatest reluctance that we announce the death of an alumnus, a duty which has been an unusually frequent one during the last few issues.

W. J. Hinkson died at Harper Hospital, Detroit, Oct. 27, the funeral being held at Amadore, Sanilac Co., Oct. 29. He was a member of the first class to graduate from the mechanical engineering course of this college. In June of the present year he graduated from the university, and shortly after entered the employ of the Michigan Central R. R. as superintendent of the bridge department, with office at Detroit. Early in October he was taken ill and was soon too low to be removed to his home. The students of two of Michigan's best colleges join in expressions of sympathy to his parents and relatives.

K.

'69.—"Some of the experiences of the prominent lecturers of the day are at times as exciting as a military campaign. Will Carleton was on his way to Mansfield, Pa., one day last week, where he was to deliver his lecture, 'The Drama of

Human Nature.' On arriving at Elmira he found that the last Mansfield train had gone, and was already some fifteen or twenty miles down the line. Within fifteen minutes Mr Carleton had chartered a special engine, which was fortunately at the depot, already steamed up, and was in hot pursuit of the inconsiderate train. The track was ordered clear for him, the switches spiked down, and the engineer told to 'let her out,' which he did with a relish, being one of the best 'hustlers' on the road. The people had never seen such time made before on that division; and, having heard that a too-far-away train was to be overhauled, they rushed to the doors, windows and stations, only to see the engine rush past in one glimpse of smoke and flame. After an exciting race Mr. Carleton overhauled the train near Tioga Junction, transferred to it, sent his borrowed engine home, and reached Mansfield just in time for the lecture, being greeted by nearly a thousand people, many of whom were at the depot, the whole town having learned by telegraph of what was going on up the line, and feeling the intense interest naturally awakened by such an episode. It is needless to say that the lecture hall was packed almost to suffocation."—*Bok in the Indianapolis Journal*.

'72.—Levi French, of Yankton, S. D., has been prominently mentioned for governor of South Dakota.

'85.—"Prof. Frank Smith is one of the most popular instructors at Hillsdale College. He is business from the ground up, and no one looking for 'snaps' takes work in his department. But, with those who have a real desire to learn, he is the ideal professor, not only on account of his lucid lectures and clear-cut explanations of vexing questions, but also on account of his interest in the individual student and his painstaking care for the advancement of each one. Prof. Smith is a self-made man. He worked his own way through this college, and took his degree in 1885. While in school he gave special attention to mathematics, and won the D. M. Martin prize for proficiency in that branch. Afterwards he became more interested in biology, and studied at Harvard, where he was a favorite pupil of Dr. Mark and the younger Agassiz. He was called to the professorship of biology here in 1887. The manner of gastrulation in early stages of jelly-fish and kindred species, a subject on which divided opinions were held by such authorities as Haeckel, Claus and Goette, had been definitely settled by him. The results of the professor's work are published in a recent number of the Harvard Bulletin of Comparative Zoology and are illustrated by 12 original drawings from microscopic sections."—*Detroit Evening News, Feb. 27*.

'87.—Lorenzo E. Dow mourns the loss of his wife, formerly

Lillian E. Kirkwood, who died in Chicago, Feb. 10th. A loving tribute to her worth and character appeared in the Hillsdale College *Herald*, for March 17, from the pen of Arthur Edwin Haynes, '75.

'91.—H. A. Bates is now editor of the "Enquirer" a flourishing paper at Chillicothe, Ill.

'91.—W. B. Fite, who completed his junior year at Hillsdale, will graduate at Cornell this year.

'91.—E. D. Reynolds is meeting with excellent success as principal of North Adams High School, and has received flattering offers to remain next year.

'91.—C. W. Macomber has entered upon his work as professor at Ridgeville College, Ind.

K (prime).

'67.—Hon. John Sanford, M. C., of the firm of Stephen Sanford & Sons, was chief participant on the 17th ult. in a marriage at Sanford, Fla., truly picturesque in its kind. He was married on that day to Miss Ethel Sanford, at the Church of the Holy Cross, at high noon, the celebrant being the Right Rev. Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, assisted by Assistant Bishop Gilbert and Rev. S. W. Young. Mr. William C. Sanford, of New York City, the bridegroom's brother, was best man. Miss Sanford is a daughter of the late Hon. Henry S. Sanford, minister to Belgium, and founder of the city of Sanford, Fla. Among the guests were Hon. Stephen Sanford and lady; Mrs. Wm. F. Cochrane, of Yonkers; the Pierreponts, of New York, and other noted people. After the ceremony the guests repaired to the center of the magnificent orange grove owned by the bride's mother, where a reception was held under a bower of palms, roses and orange blossoms. The bride's health was drunk in a massive silver cup, a gift of the Sanford operatives at Amsterdam, and other unique and interesting incidents took place.—*Dry Goods Bulletin*, February, 1892.

'67.—A plan to carry the mails by electricity between New York and Brooklyn has been submitted by Mr. A. Bryson, Jr., of New York, to Postmaster Collins, of Brooklyn. It is the result of an act recently introduced in Congress by Mr. J. J. Clancy, which provides for the better transmission of mail matter between the two cities, by means of pneumatic tubes, electrical or other appliances, and authorizes the appropriation of \$95,000 for the purpose. A similar bill has also been introduced for experimenting between New York and other cities. Mr. Bryson's system consists of a traveler, say six feet long and about eleven by sixteen inches in breadth and height, to

the back of which is attached an electric motor about eight inches square; this is acted upon by an electric wire which runs along the bottom of an iron or steel cube, which incloses the whole arrangement. In fact it is the trolley system on a reduced scale, and the live wire which supplies the power is fed from one end or the other of the route. The rapidity with which the traveller is propelled may vary, depending on the amount of energy called for. From seventy to one hundred miles an hour, or even higher speed, can be obtained. All the advantages which the pneumatic system could give would be obtained, but with much less expense for the plant and its maintenance.—*Electrical World*, Jan. 30, '92.

Ξ.

'76.—The Rev. C. H. Burleigh served as chief secretary of the last annual session of the West Nebraska Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Π.

'89.—We learn that J. B. Eckles is making himself and his county famous at Jackson.

Ex '90.—E. A. Sears is visiting relatives in Texas.

Ex '91.—Hal. Ferrell is clerking in a store in Texas.

Ex '92.—Rittenhouse Turner is principal of a flourishing school in New Mexico.

Ex '93.—W. B. Lockwood, of Crystal Springs, Miss., is studying law at Lebanon, Tenn.

Ex '94.—R. E. Leigh, of Columbus, Miss., is attending college in Petersburg, Va.

Ex '95.—Andrew Bostwick is behind the counter in his father's dry goods establishment at Ripley, Miss.

Ex '95.—Lynn D. Spight expects to read law under his father, Hon. Thos. Spight, at his home in Ripley, Miss.

Σ (prime).

'84.—The Rev. Isaac T. Headland is now connected with the Peking University at Peking, China. He contributes a brief article to the missionary symposium in the *Independent* for March 17, on "The Needs of the Heathen".

T.

'77.—G. M. Zacharias, the founder of Tau, has removed to Lancaster.

'84.—J. C Foltz who took a two years' course in a German university, studying medicine, has returned to this country.

'86.—Rev. D. W. Albright preached the Baccalaureate sermon before the graduating class of Manheim High School on April 3rd.

Ψ.

Walter Joseph Bruce, of the class of 1890, died at noon, on Monday, April 4th, in Girard, Kan. Mr. Bruce was not strong when he left Wooster in the early summer of 1890. Sometime after, finding his health still further impaired, he went to Colorado, hoping the climate of that region might prove beneficial. He spent the past year in rest and travel in that state, but with no favorable results.

He gradually grew weaker, and some time ago returned to his home in Girard, Kansas. It soon became evident to his friends and to himself also that there was no hope of his recovery. But by God's grace he was enabled to meet the great change that awaited him calmly and peacefully. As his physical powers failed, his spiritual strength increased, and during his last weeks and days upon earth, he was enabled to rejoice in the God of his salvation.

The following resolutions of respect were passed by Psi chapter of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity on the death of their brother.

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father has, in infinite wisdom, called from us one of our former members, whose sterling qualities both of mind and heart has endeared him to us in the intimate association of fraternal intercourse.

Whereas, In the death of our brother, Walter J. Bruce, the Delta Tau Delta fraternity has lost a loyal member and we a true friend. Be it

Resolved, That we bear affectionate testimony to his sterling manly worth and Christian character.

Resolved, That, while we acknowledge sorrowfully God's Providence, we are grateful for our companionship with him.

Resolved, That we extend to the relatives and friends of our brother our tenderest sympathy, commending them to the love of Him who comforteth those that remain by the Angel of His presence.

Resolved, That these resolutions be printed in the college and fraternity journals, recorded in the minutes of the chapter, and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.

W. H. SHIELDS,
C. H. ELLIOTT,
H. L. GRAHAM.

—*The Wooster Voice.*

Ω.

'82.—C. F. Saylor has just been elected president of the Normal College, at Lincoln, Neb.

'87.—A. C. Felt is cashier of the First National Bank, Superior, Neb.

'89. M. W. Thornburg is practicing medicine at Redfield, Ia., and is very successful.

'90.—W. C. Dewell is in the mercantile business at Magnolia, Iowa.

'90.—C. D. Davidson is engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Whiting, Ind.

B A.

'89.—W. A. Millis is conducting a normal at Paoli, Ind.

'89.—Homer Dibell is practicing law in Chicago.

'90.—P. B. Monical is teaching in Galveston, Texas.

'91.—Mark Shrum will summer at Neihart, Montana.

'91.—E. K. Dye will teach at Bedford, Ind., again next year.

'91.—W. R. Holtzman is taking the spring course at the Louisville medical college.

'91.—R. C. Rogers is at home, having finished the first year's work in medicine at the University of Louisville.

'91.—Alex Kerth graduates from Cincinnati School of Pharmacy this month.

'91.—E. B. Oslage is deputy city treasurer of Evansville, Indiana.

'95.—V. N. McGee is in the superintendent's office, I. P. V. Ry., with headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind.

B A.

'83.—Luther M. Farmer is now associated with W. C. Wright in the new law firm of Farmer & Wright, Newman, Ga. Mr. Farmer is the almost universal favorite for senator from his district for the next term.

'85.—E. L. Ballard is in the insurance business in Atlanta, Georgia.

'85.—P. S. Wilcoxon was married on the second of last December to Miss Laura Daniel, of Newman, Ga. The happy couple have made Chattanooga, Tenn., their home.

'85.—J. T. Gross and Miss Turner, of Cedartown, Ga., were married the first of last month.

'86.—A. L. Franklin is principal of Jackson Institute, Jackson, Georgia.

'86.—E. P. Upshaw, who recently moved from Athens to Atlanta, has shared his legal lot with his brother, W. S. Upshaw, also *B A* '86.

'89.—A. C. Wilcoxon, who is making such a splendid record at the Brunswick, Ga., bar, has been selected by the Ladies' Memorial Association of that place to deliver the annual address on Memorial Day.

'89.—A. M. Hartsfield is attending the Georgetown law school.

'91.—T. F. C. Eckles, who is now editor of the Social Circle (Ga.) Sentry, and Miss Minnie Lyle, of that place, were united in marriage on the 19th of last December.

BE.

'85.—Wite Bros. are progressive and successful merchants at Cairo, Ga.

'88.—James L. Key, first honor man in his class, has a flourishing law practice in Atlanta.

'88.—J. L. Hendry is a missionary to China.

'89.—G. W. Grimes is a member of the North Georgia Conference.

'89.—E. B. Strozier is a successful planter at White Plain, Georgia.

'91.—O. L. Kelly has made his "double entry" in the ledger of life with an Alabama girl, and is still with the *Atlanta Herald*.

BZ.

'79.—Dr. John H. Oliver, founder of Beta Zeta, is a successful physician in Indianapolis. He is soon to renounce bachelorhood and take unto himself a better half.

'84.—Frank H. Bowen is a successful business man at Union City, Ind.

'84.—John F. Stone is assistant attorney general of Oklahoma. He recently became the father of a promising boy. John says the boy is already spiked for $\Delta T \Delta$ and will be ready for initiation in about seventeen years.

'87.—E. P. Wise has recently moved from Sioux Falls, S. D., to Massillon, Ohio.

'87.—Walter S. King is in Chicago, where he is connected with a publishing house.

'88 and '89.—L. J. and J. R. Morgan complete the Yale law course this year, and will then probably locate in Indianapolis.

'90.—H. S. Schell is teaching in Washington College, Cal.

'90.—J. N. Jessup is located at Rushville, Ind., and is a successful minister.

'91.—L. E. King is improved in health, and now has charge of his father's large farm, near Richmond, Ind.

'93.—Harry W. Allen is located at Indianapolis, but does business for a New York firm. He was present at both of the banquets recently held at the Denison. He still says, "Let no clouds obscure the crescent of good old Delta Tau."

Ex '95.—Will P. Jewell graduates from the Georgetown

Law School of Washington, D. C., in June. He will return in September to Butler and complete the college course.

B Θ.

Rev. R. M. W. Black, who was ordained deacon in Atlanta last December, is in charge of the church in Darien, Ga., and has already ingratiated himself with his parishoners. He acted as chaplain to the Bishop of Tennessee at the consecration of the Bishop of Georgia, last January, and the Atlanta *Constitution* said that the sight of the venerable prelate preceded by his youthful chaplain bearing his pastoral staff, was one not soon to be forgotten.

Rev. John Fearnley is assistant rector of the parish of Pensacola, Fla. He writes that he is assistant to the best rector, in the best town, amongst the best people, enjoying the best climate, in the United States.

F. C. Johnson is making quite a reputation as an agricultural chemist in Atlanta, (if agricultural chemist is the correct name for one who compounds evil-smelling stuff to make things grow).

W. M. Bostwick is studying law in an office in Jacksonville, Fla.

H. C. Harris has entered upon the cares of druggist, at Natchez, Miss.

W. L. Nichol, Jr., is in the office of the N. C. & St. L. Ry., at Atlanta.

B K.

'82.—R. H. Whitely is happy, a future Delt having come to bless his home.

'86.—Frederick L. Chase is assistant astronomer at the Yale observatory.

'86.—C. H. Pierce recently married one of the fair daughters of the University of Michigan. He is now a correspondent for the Denver News, and practicing attorney at Creede, Colorado.

'87.—Guy V. Thompson takes the degree of Ph. D. at Yale University in June.

'89.—J. C. Glover is now preaching in a Presbyterian church in Northfield, Ohio.

'89.—Irving E. Bennett is practicing medicine in Philadelphia, and is clinical assistant in surgery in the Jefferson College dispensary.

'91.—H. N. Wilson is expected soon to visit friends at the university. He is out for the summer vacation, after a year's struggle with theological problems.

'93.—John C. Nixon is an assistant in the post office at Greeley, Colorado.

B M.

'91.—E. J. Felt has left Gardiner, Mass., and is going to Norwalk, O., to preach.

'91.—H. R. Rose made Tufts a short visit not long ago. He was there to attend the reunion dinner of the class of '91.

'91.—C. B. Moore may be found at 47 Adams Express Co. building, Chicago, Ill.

B O.

'91.—H. B. Saunders is married and living in Hamburg, New York.

'91.—The Buffalo Union has secured Mr. E. G. Mansfield, Ph. B., Cornell University, for a university extension course in American history. The studies will cover the period from the close of the Revolution to the adoption of the constitution. A printed syllabus will be furnished to each one attending the course, and ample opportunities will be given for asking questions and for independent study. A thorough understanding of this period is essential to the correct understanding of later events in United States history.—*Buffalo, N. Y. Enquirer, Mch. 25.*

'92.—Raymond Clark and R. F. Ives will attend P. and S. next year.

'92.—L. K. Malvern will return to Cornell next year to take a course in mechanical engineering, thus adding M. E. to his A. B.

'94.—W. S. Elkins is general manager of the Duquesne Electric Street Railway Co. of Pittsburgh.

B Σ.

George B. Fisk is the editor of "The Daily Tribune," of Natick, Mass.

Alvah D. Hammitt is in the Boston University theological school.

Wilbur E. Soule is teaching at Rye, N. H.

Wilbur T. Hale is at his home in Fitchburg, Mass. He expects to begin a post-graduate course at Boston University next year.

Millard Pell receives his degree this year at Boston University theological school.

W. W. W.

The State Grange will erect a monument to commemorate the services of Hon. Put. Darden on grounds at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, donated to them for that purpose by the Legislature. Hon. Putnam Darden was one of the earliest members of the S. A. Chapter of the Rainbow Fraternity. He graduated in 1856 from the University of Mississippi, rose to distinction in the confederate army, and afterwards became a prominent educator, and was until his death master of State Grange.

J. D. Brown joined the Rainbow Fraternity at the A Chapter, Chamberlain and Hunt Academy, Port Gibson, Miss., about 1881. He afterwards entered the University of Mississippi, but never was actively connected with the S. A. Chapter there. On finishing college he entered the Presbytery of South Mississippi. That he also exerted himself as a teacher is shown by the following clipping, which also tells of his sad ending.

P. E. Matthews, sheriff of Lafayette county, was here yesterday, and gives the following account of young Brown, the lunatic, who fired the asylum, and was cremated in consequence. Brown came to Oxford ten or twelve years since from near Winona penniless and without friends, but determined to get an education. He entered the State University, and since that time has been the principal of a flourishing country school about ten miles from Oxford.

Three months since his friends noticed he was unbalanced, and the sheriff brought him to the asylum, the undertaking being no easy matter, and Mr. Matthews was not surprised two weeks since when he learned Brown had escaped out of his window by climbing down a blanket ladder. He made his way to Canton, where he was recaptured and brought back, very much against his will, and swore he would get out again. The balance of the story is known.

Beta Xi is happy to record the following brothers who visited New Orleans and the chapter during the recent carnival: J. B. Eckles, Dr. G. W. Postell, J. M. Sullivan, of the S. A. (Rainbow) Chapter, C. A. Gordon of the A. (Rainbow) Chapter, C. B. Thorn and A. B. Robbins, of *BI*, and several others.

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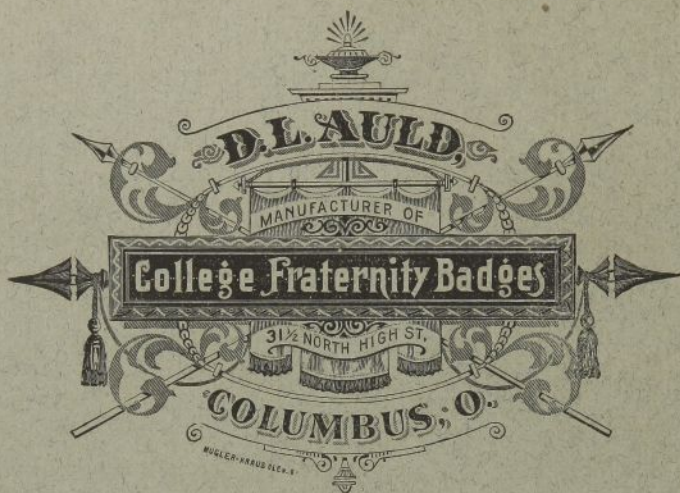


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