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THE COLLEGE MAN IN BUSINESS.

From an esoteric standpoint, it is a matter of considerable surprise that so few men with college training go into business as distinguished from professional life. There would seem to be some justification for the argument brought forward by the opponents of college training that the four years spent in college are four years lost, since so few go into business when through college and are lost to that entirely. The average college man can not be expected to have the profound respect of Caleb Garth for "business." That comes later in life and is the result of experience. But every young man is presumed to be on the outlook for the work best suited to his ability and tastes and in which there is the best opportunity for rapid advancement and material prosperity. No argument is needed to convince any one who has tried it that the field for trained minds in business is much more promising than in the professions, but the fact that bright young men do not find this out sooner is not surprising, when we consider some common misapprehensions in regard to business life.

The man who has not inherited a business which he leaves on entering college and to which he intends to return when through college, or has not had any business training, does not appreciate the importance of such training or the fact that a considerable amount of it is necessary to success even in the professions. He has not been taught that "business" is only the systematic pursuit of commercial occupations in the way approved by experience, that there is no special mystery about it, but when reduced to the lowest terms it is accuracy,

thoroughness, system and dispatch. He has heard the everlasting war of words between the advocates of college training and experience, and it is not strange that when he arrives at the point where he must decide what to do, he gives a business life very little consideration but drifts into some occupation in the line of his college work, forsaking the grapes of Eschol for the leeks of Egypt.

Perhaps the most potent cause of this general tendency is their ignorance of the nature of commercial life and the timidity consequent. The business world is a "darkest Africa" to them, while they do know something of letters, and it is easier to pursue a thing one knows something of than to take up a new line of work. Laziness has much to do with it. There is a tradition extant that business means work, the word sounds like work. There is a mutual contempt of college and business men for each other, while each is afraid of the other. The college man imagines it is degrading himself to go into anything else than a profession, and after four years of study he has lost his place and must go through the experience of his preparatory years again, must be purged with the hyssop of ridicule or he imagines there is no field for his philanthropy, and so rather than undergo and forego so much, he "drifts" into some occupation.

Every man desires to see his work stand in some definite form before the world, and we think it safe to say that in no field open to a young man are more immediate tangible results to be obtained than in the commercial world, no results more easily traceable to one's own agency. In professional life, long periods of preparation are necessary, and some of the changes sought to be made are spiritual and of their nature hidden and unknown to the agent bringing them about, and, perhaps, occurring years after. Herein consists the chief difference between the commercial and professional mind, that the former desires more direct and immediate returns for effort expended than the latter, and direct dealing with circumstances and things convertible into cash or its equivalent. Physical effort is more

generally requisite, though a given amount of effort mental and physical will produce quicker and more satisfactory results in business life than in the professions.

One thing business does demand, that whatever brain work be done be done quickly, accurately, systematically, and the mental tension demanded in business is higher than in the professions. When the college student imagines that his successful business friend who has not gone to college and has not wrestled with the conjugation of the Greek verb and co-ordinate difficulties, which he has mastered, is necessarily his inferior mentally, he makes a great mistake which his friend might easily prove to him by running up four columns of figures at a time or extending the amounts in an invoice of dry goods. The first honor men in our colleges might well fear to enter into a contest of intellectual powers with many business men. True, the latter have not speculated on the relativity of the absolute or tried in a literary way to embrace a fog bank, but they have had the advantage of direct contact with "conditions, not theories," and there is no element of experiment in their work. On the other hand the business man wants to look to his place when the college man gets well into the circle and interested in the work. He may be "green" and there be good cause for the laugh of derision that greets him when he can't draw a sight draft or calculate simple interest. The mind that can conquer calculus finds the facts of little use but the strength of mind acquired, everything. The facts are new and the conditions are new, but when the fundamental facts are mastered, the mastery of the whole comes so quickly that our business friend who has been plodding all these years finds his despised rival his superior.

The reason for this state of feeling between the business world and college men is plain. Those who regard four years in the school-room as wasted and those college men who have not discovered in themselves any special aptitude for professional life, but go into it because they think it undignified to go into business or are ashamed to enter its preparatory depart-

ment, are both wrong. Let the college man prove it. Suppose he undertakes a position in some established business. He will probably apply for the position of manager and disgust the president of the company with his display of ignorance. But business man, don't become impatient; you have the same trouble with country boys who apply for positions. This youth has only forgotten that there is a preparatory department in the school of experience. If not plainly told, our college man soon appreciates that, being unexperienced, he is not capable of filling positions of responsibility—that every possible calling has a large basic element of routine and numberless little details which can only be mastered by doing them over and over again, and which the genius even cannot omit and succeed—declensions and conjugations of business so to speak. He sees that one can no more be a successful cashier of a bank before he has been a bookkeeper than he can teach Greek before he learns the alphabet. When he becomes reconciled to this, he goes to work as near the bottom as possible. He has worked out a precisely similar problem in his school life passing from the preparatory year to the senior through the increasing, but, at the same time, diminishing difficulties, for his strength increased at a greater ratio. Furthermore he has confidence, born of four years of contact with bright minds, and knows something of his relative strength, and the carper against four years of college training soon awakens to the fact that this young Hercules has been gaining strength, meanwhile, that enables him to overcome difficulties appalling to the plodder, and appreciates further than the man who has the *ability* is better than the man who has the *opportunity*. And when the college man despises not the day of small things but comes into touch with his surroundings, he finds that his training counts for much. Complicated business transaction, in the light of difficulties he has mastered, become simple and he finds himself in a contest between training and experience where training can get experience but experience cannot take time for training, with a confidence, the counterpart of that enervating,

fear-inspiring sense of insufficiency equal to any demand, with a reserved fund of power that puts him beyond his untrained friend in capacity to do and enjoy, and the treasury of the man with large business interests.

Perhaps the greatest objection to a business life in the mind of a college man is the notion that unless he has capital to organize a business of his own, he sacrifices his individuality as becomes a mere machine or a part of one. This objection need be given no thought except by those weak minds who would be lost anywhere — and not missed, for the able man will come to the surface as sure as cream rises. The survival of the fittest is a doctrine in business as well as in evolution. This consideration does induce many to enter the law, since that profession gives greatest scope for individuality and at the same time comes in contact with all forms of business activity so closely as to have many of their advantages.

The most common and at the same time the most foundationless objection to a business life is that it is essentially selfish and inexorable and gives no scope for charity or philanthropy. It is difficult to conceive of any form of charity not open to the business man from gifts to a mendicant to the endowment of a public institution, from consideration shown his employes to leniency shown a debtor. And no field in the world is so rich for the philanthropist. Masses of men are necessary for carrying on great enterprises, and where are men are hopes, ambitions, weakness, failures. One man comes to mind now who in the course of a long business career has risen from moderate circumstances to the rank of a millionaire and who has the benediction of many happy homes. He enters into the life of the young men in his employ as into the life of his children, in sympathy with their ambitions, guiding and exalting them, giving no one open charity, but all a place where they can acquit themselves of the trust he places in them. With his encouraging words, labor is pleasure, and under his advice the judicious use of money has in many cases started a fund that grew into a competence and in not a few cases, wealth. His path

through life leads past scores of homes which young men have founded through his help and the joyous fidelity of those he has aided is now a source of the highest earthly satisfaction. No right minded man wants alms, but he does want a place to try himself. If he cannot then prove himself worthy, he should give way. To afford such opportunity in addition to making great benefactions, is open to every business man, and, indeed, a consecrated Christian business life has in it all the capabilities within the range of human achievement.

E. W. GANS, *B Z '87.*

THE OMEGA CHAPTER AND THE IOWA STATE COLLEGE.

The long impending strife between the fraternity and the anti-fraternity factions at the Iowa State College of Science has finally been carried to the courts, where we hope the difficulty will be forever settled. The final decision of this case at Ames will be of more than local interest, for it involves the legal relation of college and fraternity, upon which there has been, as yet, no adjudication.

The case of Hawley vs. Purdue University comes nearest, but in this case it was individual vs. institution, while at Ames it is fraternity vs. institution, with Bro. Orris W. Roberts as plaintiff.

The trouble is of long duration having begun soon after the establishment of chapter Omega of $\Delta T \Delta$ in 1875. It first arose, because of the success of the fraternity men, causing jealousy which engendered a hatred growing from year to year, and finally culminating in a riot May, 1888. At that time the gentlemen's fraternity, by permission of the faculty, was banqueting the ladies' fraternity, and when all was joy within, the building was surrounded by one hundred masked students, the windows were broken in, and noxious gases were generated in the only hall-way through which escape could be made. During the excitement a number of the ladies fainted, while others were nearly suffocated by the poisonous gases. Several of the mob were arrested and tried, but owing to a lack of evidence were acquitted. From this time on there has been organized opposition to the fraternities; the faculty and the trustees have been repeatedly petitioned to break up the fraternities in the college. The opposition claim that the fraternity members were accorded special privileges; that by their close organiza-

tion they were able to take advantage of the organized element; and that they held themselves up as aristocrats.

To all this the faculty could only reply, that the fraternities were not violating any of the laws of the institution, therefore they could not interfere; but the trustees, in accordance with repeated requests, refused the fraternities the privilege of thereafter holding their meetings in any college building; finally all the literary societies, with one exception, succeeded in passing amendments to their constitutions prohibiting fraternity students from becoming members, consequently the fraternity members withdrew and organized a society of their own, which, because of extra energy, soon became *the* society of the college: the other literary societies refused to recognise this society and excluded them from all inter-society exercises. Manifestoes were issued threatening any student who dared to join a fraternity. Little notice was taken of these, and new members were added to the fraternities; not without trouble, however, as one of the boys came near being mobbed. Thus checkmated at every move the "barbs" were so enraged that study was little thought of, mass meetings were held every day to deliberate on the question; things were in such shape that riots were expected at any moment. Every move in college was upon the strict fraternity or anti-fraternity lines.

The "barbs" registered a vow that they would rid the college of fraternities or break it up in the attempt. The latter they nearly accomplished; the president was hung in effigy and the "frats" were hooted and jeered wherever they went, and dubbed "goat" by which name they are still known.

At the end of the fall term '90, President W. I. Chamberlain resigned and W. M. Beardshear of Des Moines was elected in his stead, the latter being chosen because of his supposed fitness to solve the fraternity question. Much was expected from the new administration on both sides.

The following spring term, which is the beginning of the scholastic year at Ames, the new president began active work. To start the ball rolling the fraternity initiated some new men,

which had the usual effect,—at once yells went up from the “barbarian camp” that rent the welkin; mass meetings were called and flaming speeches were made, forcing the new president to take a stand. He submitted a proposition to be acted upon by both factions and if adopted by both, all well and good. If not adopted by choice they would be compelled to accept it by force.

The proposition, in substance, was as follows: (1) All students who are members of the fraternities will be permitted to retain their membership and will be protected by the power of the institution, but no student in the future will be permitted to join a college secret fraternity. (2) All literary societies shall be on the same basis and have the same privileges in all public and inter-society exercises.

The “anti” element speedily adopted this compromise (?) but the fraternity element as speedily sent the same back, stating that they could not consider such a proposition. The trustees formally incorporated this compromise in the laws of the institution. The fraternities after seeking legal advice decided to test the legality of this anti-fraternity rule and accordingly initiated new members, informing the president of the act.

Pres. Beardshear personally is not opposed to college fraternities but being a policy man, he selected what he thought to be the most expedient method of disposing of the difficulty. As the fraternity students were far in the minority, he seemed to think it wiser unjustly to oppose thirty or forty students than to discipline six hundred; nevertheless after being informed that the law had been violated, he very diplomatically deferred action as long as matters were quiet. Finally the “antis,” being awakened by the action of the fraternities, demanded that the new initiates be expelled. Confronted at last, the president knew that he must either enforce his law or resign his position as president. He preferred the former and expelled Orris W. Roberts and Clarence Van Epps. Reinstatement proceedings were begun at once by the fraternity, but owing to lack of time

the case could not be properly brought into court before the close of the term. The case for the fraternity was put into the hands of Messers. Park and Odell of Des Moines, one of the best law firms in the state. In answer to the plaintiff's petition the college made all manner of charges and denials, to which the plaintiffs demurred in order to bring the case before the court upon a pure question of law, thus hoping to dispose of the matter without the necessity of a trial.

The 11th of December last, was the day set to hear the argument upon the demurrer; much interest was manifested on both sides, and on the day set the court room was crowded. The entire day was consumed in the argument, after which the judge took the matter under advisement, and did not give his ruling until some time in February. The court held that it must overrule the demurrer because there seemed to be local conditions alleged in the defendant's answer which if true would justify the institution in making such a law, still the court held that the college rule, promulgated, was in law unreasonable provided the alleged facts in defendant's answer were not true. The overruling of the demurrer simply places the matter where it was at the beginning, and a trial by jury is now necessary to determine the facts in the case.

Omega is very sanguine that she will win on an issue of facts, as the trustees have already admitted that the fraternities do not violate the laws of the institution, except the one in question. If Omega wins on the issue of facts, as the court has already held the rule unreasonable in law, she has won the day and has established a precedent that a state supported college cannot prohibit the existence of fraternities among its students. The trial will take place in the course of the early summer.

Too much cannot be said in praise of Omega's Alumni, who have, at every request for assistance, responded promptly and liberally, their letters teeming with loyalty to *Δ T Δ* and best wishes for her success.

EDW. J. KEARNEY.

*THE INAUGURATION OF THE BETA PI CHAPTER,
AND THE CHICAGO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
BANQUET.*

In this year of grace, eighteen hundred ninety three, when Chicago, the city of magnificent accomplishments, is doing all things so royally, it was to be expected that the annual dinner of the Chicago Alumni Association of Delta Tau Delta would be celebrated in true Chicago style, and surpass all similar events in its history. But the occasion even surpassed in enjoyableness the promises of its projectors. The eighteenth of March was a day to be long remembered, both by those who first donned the square badge, and dined as only Deltas can, and by those to whom Delta banquets have ceased to be a novelty. For the occasion was one of unusual and unique interest, in that the installation of the new Beta Pi chapter preceded the banquet, and many of the older alumni had never witnessed the initiatory service under the present ritual.

When the petition from students of Northwestern University had at last been granted, the inauguration of the new chapter was put in the hands of the Chicago Alumni Association. It was decided to hold the inauguration and the annual dinner of the association at the same time, and to make the occasion one of unusual interest and significance. The committee of arrangements started out with the motto "The more the merrier," and sent out invitations and a neat little circular to a goodly number of alumni outside of Chicago, and to many actives as well. In order that the ceremony might be conducted in full form, the Beta Gamma chapter at the University of Wisconsin was asked to take full charge of the initiatory rites, and accepted the honor.

When the eventful evening arrived, it was found that from the east and the west, and from the north and the south, Deltas had gathered according to call at the Grand Pacific Hotel, to take part in one of the most notable banquets in the history of the fraternity. It seemed to be fraternity week at the Grand Pacific, and though Delta Tau Delta was last on the list of banquetting Greeks, which included Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, and Delta Kappa Epsilon, she certainly outdid them in numbers and in the peculiar attractiveness of the occasion. At seven o'clock the ceremony of initiation began in one of the large parlors, and for the first time in the history of the fraternity, a chapter was instituted with the full rites of the ritual, by an active chapter. The Beta Gamma had sent down ten men and her whole paraphernalia of initiation. The beautiful rites were impressively performed by the four proper officers of the Beta Gamma, J. F. Donovan, F. D. Timlin, Harvey Clark, and E. J. Henning, and after the presentation of the charter by Kendric C. Babcock, the ranking representative of the Arch Chapter present, the following men became the Beta Pi chapter of Delta Tau Delta:

Frank C. Lockwood, Grad.	Frank Pierce, '96.
S. M. Fegtly, '95.	Robt. C. Brown, '96.
James Potter, '95.	R. D. Williams, '96.
Elmer H. Pierce, '96.	A. J. Waller, '96.

Each member of the new chapter had already ordered a badge, so that from the very moment of becoming Deltas, each man wore a badge of his own. Of the men composing the new chapter, S. M. Fegtly was initiated some years ago by the Xi chapter, but left college soon after. When he again entered college it was at Northwestern, and at once, together with Prof. C. H. Gordon, he began casting about for material for a new chapter, with the known result. Another member of the chapter has been a Delta in all but name for some time. Several years ago, Frank C. Lookwood was pledged to Delta Tau Delta at Ohio Wesleyan University, but left the university

before he was initiated, and went to Baker University in Kansas, where he began a movement for a chapter. But the heart of the Fraternity was not warm for the project, and nothing came of it. On entering Northwestern as a graduate student, he formed the movement to organize the present chapter, and uniting in it he was able after many days to return to his first love. It seemed to be a case of love at first sight on both sides, and though circumstances repeatedly forbade the banns, the union was finally consummated.

At the close of the installation ceremonies the company adjourned to the brilliantly decorated banquet room, to enjoy an elaborate menu of something like a dozen courses. Two "numbers on this prandial program" were unique, and betrayed the care and interest of the manager of the hotel, himself a Greek; the confectionery and the cake bore the symbols of the Fraternity in dainty outline. A jollier company than the seventy Delts who sat around those long tables could hardly be found. Even a Karnea banquet could scarcely be more representative than was this one. There were Choctaws from old Alpha, men from Delta, Beta Eta, Rho, Xi, Omicron, Beta Beta and many other chapters, the genial heroes of Put-in-Bay, the politicians from Indiana and those from Michigan's chapters, the dignified judge from the bench, the frisky freshman, the professor from the lecture room, and the man of wealth and business from his counting-room. But all were Deltas, there were no distinctions of age or conditions of servitude to different gods, and the era of good feeling which began when the company entered the dining-room was only interrupted when the walk-around turned to a walk-out.

The post-prandial discussions were presided over by Lowrie McClurg, A '79, as toastmaster. He called upon F. C. Lockwood to respond to the toast of the "Columbian Chapter," who proceeded to demonstrate to the satisfaction of all present that the true significance of the great event of 1492 was to be found in the culmination then being celebrated. Thus read, the history of four hundred years was luminous with meaning.

The regular program of toasts was somewhat modified owing to the illness of J. P. McCarthy, *E* '88, and a telegram from the Hon. W. S. Summers, *A*, stating his inability to get away from Lincoln. James L. Thatcher, *B I* '93, responded to the "Purple, White and Gold"; Kendric C. Babcock, *B H* '89, "talked business" in responding to "The Arch Chapter;" Julius Lischer, *O* '88, mingled humor and eloquence in toasting "The Days of Old." The Hon. James B. Curtis, *B Z* '85, the speaker of the Indiana house of representatives, spoke on "Delta Tau Delta in Legislation"; Judge Elmer W. Adkinson crowned the regular program with eloquent ringing words on "The College Man: His Mission." Solos by N. P. Stenhjem, *B I* '93, Delta songs and impromptu speeches filled the hour till the weird cadences of the walk-around strain mingled with strokes of midnight.

Before breaking up, the Chicago Alumni Association held a brief business meeting and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, Lowrie McClurg, *A* '79; Vice President, Clarence J. A. Kelsey, *B Z* '81; Secretary, Roy O. West, *B B* '89; Treasurer, Worth E. Caylor, *B B* '90.

Among the Deltas from outside Chicago were those from the University of Wisconsin, John F. Donovan, James L. Thatcher, Harvey Clark, George Kingsley, F. D. Timlin, W. G. Grimmer, C. A. Engelbracht, N. P. Stenhjem and E. J. Henning; from Kenyon College, B. H. Williams and R. L. Harris; from Michigan Agricultural College, W. F. Hopkins; Paul E. Kenyon, president of the Western Division, K. C. Babcock, the editor of the *RAINBOW*, and Porter J. Neff, Minneapolis, Minn.; Julius Lischer, Davenport, Ia.; Ira B. Blackstock, Paxton, Ill.; Glenn W. Holmes, Grand Rapids, Mich.; the Hon. E. A. Edmonds, member of the Wisconsin assembly; the Hon. Jas. B. Curtis, Indianapolis, Ind.; Geo. F. Mull, Greencastle, Ind.; Prof. C. H. Gordon, Evanston, Ill.

From among the Chicago alumni were the following:

M. R. Freshwaters; B. J. Townsend; Augustus Ziesing; J. A. McLane; Charles Wicker; C. R. Hopkins; H. N. Wilson;

J. M. Ewen; C. E. Brush; Clarence Boyle; D. E. Barnard; H. C. Alexander; Dr. N. N. Hurst; D. L. Zook; C. J. Wright; C. M. Blair; M. O. Naramore; B. V. Crandall; Frank M. Morris; Harry Barnard; George A. Gilbert; Ed Chittenden; H. W. Austin; T. S. Allee; Dr. William Durr; S. J. Stewart; Wallace Hackman; George W. Wiggs; L. E. Dow; Will Thomas; Alderman J. R. Mann; James Lane Allen; L. C. Taylor; M. R. Harris; H. W. Chamberlain; Samuel Kerr; J. R. Mansfield; A. H. Meyers; K. Torrence; A. B. Force; R. M. Dyer; Weller D. Bishopp; W. W. Lowry; F. M. McKay; B. J. Arnold; J. A. Kelsey; H. E. Alexander; Dr. A. R. Small; Clarence Pumphrey; E. E. Persons; W. E. Caylor; Roy O. West; Irvine Watson; R. E. Clark; C. W. Lambron; A. W. Conable; A. B. Camp.

ALUMNI AND THE KARNEA.

Many reasons conspire to make Indianapolis the place and this year the time for the most successful Karnea in the history of the Fraternity, and especially so from an alumni point of view. As the Fraternity increases and the need for closer care and supervision of chapters also increases, the heart of the alumnus ought to turn to the Karnea as the time and means by which the result of his experience and observation may be made to contribute to the upbuilding and solidifying of the Fraternity. Speaking as an alumnus of some years, I confess that the desire to see the coming Karnea do greater things than ever for Delta Tau Delta is very strong. I have not failed to use the lever of influence in other ways for the moving of the Fraternity, such as visiting chapters and alumni whenever I can, and occasionally saying a word through the RAINBOW. But I am sure the time to do the best things for Delta Tau Delta will be at Indianapolis. It is a source of gratification to know that a large number of alumni are already planning to go on to Chicago to see the Fair, and then go to the Karnea, while a large delegation from some of the chapters proposes to do the same thing. The cheap rates, the double attraction, the importance of this particular Karnea to the future of the Fraternity, appeal to all of us on every side. A large number of the Chicago men have signified their intention to be there, as have also many of the alumni in Minnesota and Iowa. The Fraternity has grown more and more significant to some of us as the years since our graduation have welded themselves to the past, and we will show the "youngsters" at the Karnea how to conduct a "whooping Choctaw time."

BETA ETA.

CONFERENCE AND BANQUET OF THE INDIANA CHAPTERS.

For the past six years the Indiana chapters have been taking advantage of the opportunity afforded by the annual state oratorical contest, to meet with Alumni around the banquet board, where they might meet the old and welcome the new "with merry song and" joke. These have always been seasons of good fellowship and rejoicing, and serve to bind together more closely both actives and Alumni. Feeling that they could be made still more profitable, Beta Zeta announced to her sister chapters that she would be "at home" to all Delta Taus at the Denison on the afternoon of March 10th, 1893, the day of the state contest. She also suggested that a conference be held at this time. Both invitation and suggestion were heartily accepted by the other chapters, and the result was the presence of no less than forty hale and hearty Delta Taus at the appointed time and place. Four topics were presented for discussion. We heard Bro. Ryker of Phi in regard to "Phi, Petrospective and Prospective" in which he presented something of Phi's history, and gave the grounds upon which she hopes for success in the future. Bro. Geo. Mull, of B. B., gave us some plans and suggestions for the Karnea of '93. This brought forth much discussion, and resulted in the arranging for a committee to act with the Arch Chapter in preparing for the coming Karnea. The Indiana Delta Taus are a unit in the determination to make the Karnea the best ever held. Bro. Stewart of *B A* then presented a forcible paper on the "Extension and Development of *A T A* in the state of Indiana." This also provoked a warm discussion, as the question of extension is wont to do. Bro. Morgan, an

Alumnus of *B Z*, discussed the feasibility of an Alumni chapter at Indianapolis. There are thirty or more Alumni in or near the city, but it seems that there are some obstacles in the way of an Alumni chapter which cannot for a while be overcome. After all this there was a discussion of several matters of general interest; among others was a spirited discussion of the *RAINBOW*. While its editorials were warmly commended by most of those present, a general regret was expressed that there was not more good solid material in the *RAINBOW*. It was urged by some that our magazine does not compare favorably with others of its class. It was recognized that we ought ourselves to do something for the *RAINBOW*. To this end it was agreed that the corresponding secretary of each chapter should act as a committee to see to it that the chapters furnish Bro. Babcock with one or more articles. The meeting was regarded as of such value as to warrant a similar one another year, and so we adjourned to meet one year hence with chapter Beta Alpha in charge. At night after the oratorical contest came the banquet with Ernest Keith, *B B* as toastmaster. The list of toasts was a long one, and their nature was much more serious than such speeches frequently are. They were solid, sensible and inspiring. The fact that they were such and that they were well received seems to me to be a good recommendation for Indiana Delta Taus. After the feast had been prolonged "until the morrow morn" it closed with the Choctaw walk-around and three cheers for Delta Tau Delta.

WM. F. CLARKE.

*THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL EASTERN DIVISION
CONFERENCE.*

The Eleventh Annual Conference of the Eastern Division of Delta Tau Delta was held at the Hotel Marlborough, New York City, February 22nd. The representation was good, tho' not to be compared with that of last year, due, no doubt, to the inclemency of the weather, which prevented many of our resident alumni, as well as quite a number of our more distant Pennsylvania brothers from attending. Bros. Rice, Bolard, Kent, Lyall, Anthony, Dickinson, Hamilton and West, with others, testified to the enthusiasm and loyalty of our alumni by being present at the various sessions during the day, while others, who had been detained by pressure of business, responded to the call in time for the banquet.

The morning session was occupied with the reports of committees, including the committee on a fraternity vignette, and the committee on constitutional revision, which was continued until the next conference, and with the usual routine business and the election of the following officers:

President, A. E. Duerr, Σ '93; 1st Vice President, L. K. McIvern, *BO* '92; 2nd Vice President, V. A. Johnson, *BA* '94; Secretary, C. P. Paulding, *P* '95; Historian, J. A. Bolard, *A* '74; Orator, Prof. J. C. Denton, *P* '74.

A growing desire to make our division conferences a more potent factor in the general fraternity politics was clearly manifested in the departure from the long established precedent of devoting the afternoon to the theatre and social enjoyment in general. The venture proved a decided success, for the afternoon session was by far the best. A very interesting and spirited discussion on chapter extension was the main feature; the Eastern Division again, with unquestionable emphasis, de-

clared itself unanimously of the opinion that more conservatism must characterize our method of dealing with the "chapter and charter" question. There further was a universal sentiment that a radical change should be made in the method of granting charters. Every precaution should be taken to guard against dilatoriness, but, if it is unavoidable, equal precaution should be taken to guard the whole fraternity, as represented by those who are more careful and faithful, and, especially, by those who have left the active fraternity life, and are dependant upon the wisdom and discretion of their successors, from being compelled to welcome into their fraternity chapters, and through chapters men, against the admission of which their whole nature rebels. A fraternity is not a democratic institution hence must be governed by other than democratic laws. With any, unfortunately, the idea "fraternity" is coupled with altogether too much sentiment, and sentiment is too unstable a foundation upon which to build any institution more lasting than itself.

Experience, again, seems to us, clearly to have demonstrated the necessity of returning to annual *Karneas*. The discussions throughout the afternoon session were good, and did much to shape a more definite policy for the future.

Another departure from the customs established for us, one which will be followed by as many good results, was changing the place of holding the conference from year to year, thus giving each chapter in turn the accruing advantages; the next conference will be held at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, with the Beta Lambda chapter.

Following this session came the regular meeting of the New York Alumni Association, after which all convened in the banquet hall. The banquet was enjoyed by all; the toasts, under the able management of Bro. Kent, were many and good. We only regret that our stenographer was not present so that we might reproduce, in part at least, some of the felicitous bursts of eloquence. Musical talent from Rho added much to the already enjoyable time.

On the whole, the conference was a good one. It may not have been "the best ever held by Delta Tau Delta or any other society of Greeks," but it surely was "a step in the right direction." The geographical proportions of America are such that, to be a national fraternity with any degree of success, we must have our "states," for the conditions of chapters in different parts of the country are so different that universal legislation must be either deficient or unjust, hence we believe that increased strength of the fraternity as a whole will accompany increasing strength of our four divisions, providing of course, that local enthusiasm be tempered by a more comprehensive loyalty.

ALVAN EMILE DUERR.

A FRIEND INDEED.

I a stranger was on foreign shore;
Had left my home in search for lore,
Homesick and sad, my heart was sore,
For none I knew;
My friends and loved ones were far o'er
The waters blue.

All friends and loved ones did I say?
Those were my thoughts until one day
While walking out, beside the way,
Right at my feet,
A velvety pansy nestling lay,
So pure and sweet.

In sudden thought I low did bend
To scan the features of my friend;
For friend it was, because I knew
Th' purple and gold;
Aye, loved one, too; and it did lend
The courage bold.

Th' pansy's face upturned to me,
Bespoke indeed a heart as free
As friendship's heart can ever be;
And far from home
One's heart is thrilled and cheered to see
A friend whilom.

Anon I plucked the pansy fair,
As it so snugly nestled there,
And with my lovely treasure rare
I homeward turned;
No longer thinking of my care
For th' friends I'd yearned.

A friend was found, a friend indeed
And truly 'twas a friend in need;
It had, as 'twere ta'en kindly heed
Of all my sadness,
Which it, in sudden, changed with speed
To joy and gladness.

The pansy dear is laid away,
Carefully treasured to this day;
Its purple-gold is yet as gay
As 'twas of yore;
As lovely, too, as in my stay
On foreign shore.

—Chas. H. Wells, B M '95.

EDITORIAL.

Our annual call for annuals is hereby sounded forth to all chapters in colleges publishing annuals. We want as many as we can get. The scheme of exchanging for *The Gopher* of the University of Minnesota, will be used again. For every annual received before June 20th, we will send in exchange *The Gopher*. There was some delay last year in the matter of exchange, because the management of *The Gopher* did not promptly fill the order given them by the RAINBOW, and some of the chapters did not receive their copies till fall. This plan has the merit, as suggested last year, of satisfying both the RAINBOW and the Beta Eta chapter with a single copy. On the other hand if any chapter does not wish to exchange thus, and will see that a copy of its college annual is sent us, with the bill for the same, we will remit. Certain of our friends, the editors of other Greek journals, have inaugurated the excellent custom of using some of the cuts from these annuals, and we modestly hope to do the same, if suitable arrangements can be made. Remember the date: before June 20th.

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For some years the fraternity has had its eyes on the Northwestern University as an objective point for the establishment of a chapter. Drawing as it does from a powerful constituency, backed by a large and increasingly valuable endowment, manned by progressive men, and located so near the Chicago Alumni Association, it is a source of gratification to be able to record the establishment of the Beta Pi chapter at this institution, as recounted elsewhere. Much credit is due S. M. Fegtley, an initiate of the Xi chapter, and Prof. Chas. H. Gordon, *E* '86, and J. P. McCarthy, *E* '88, for their efforts in putting the chapter on so firm a basis. Northwestern Univer-

sity, in both graduate and undergraduate departments, is bound to progress. And in spite of its proximity to Lake Forest University and to the Chicago University, its increase of students has gone on uninterruptedly, and there seems to be no good reason why it will not continue to do so. The increasing inter-collegiate intercourse between the Northwestern, Wisconsin and Minnesota universities in every field of college interest make the addition of a strong homogeneous chapter to the division a matter of no small concern. The Columbian chapter started out under the most auspicious circumstances; it is in the hands of tried men, and need not go through the long experimental stage that has cost some chapters so dearly.

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The next Karnea, which will meet in Indianapolis, Aug. 30, 31, and Sept. 1st, will be one of unusual importance to the fraternity from the large number of matters demanding the most judicious consideration. There is no need to repeat here what has been so often said, concerning the kind of men it is desirable for the chapters to send. Most chapters will send the man or men who can most conveniently go. But this has brought together in the past, excellent men for the work of the Karnea, and we hope to see the coming session improve on its predecessors. One question of vital importance to be discussed will be that of changing the method of granting and withdrawing charters. No one will venture to assert that the present system has even decently fulfilled the expectations of those who made the constitution. It is too slow and cumbersome; and its very safeguards in at least one instance have defeated the known wish of the Fraternity. Let every chapter discuss this matter thoroughly, and send delegates to Indianapolis who shall bear definite instructions as to the will of their chapters. Another matter which should be considered in the light of experience and with a calm outlook into the future, is the election of the Arch Chapter. Whatever may be

said of the present Arch Chapter, collectively or individually, however grievous may have been its sins of commission or of omission, its long backsight and its short foresight, this much is due every member: that his loyalty and devotion to the Fraternity has been unquestioned. But an equitable geographical distribution of the members of the Arch Chapter, especially of the alumni members, is very far from the ideal basis for election. In theory and in sentiment it may do very well, but in cold hard practice, this wide separation of the members makes the transaction of the most ordinary items of business tedious, uncertain and unsatisfactory. At least three of the members of the Arch Chapter should be in the same city, or within convenient distance—say in New York, Cleveland, or Chicago. The fraternity has unconsciously drifted into this present condition of distributed forces, and it must consciously and intelligently work its way back to something like centralization in locality if not in authority.

The consideration of such questions as these, the arrangement of details for the publication of the new catalogue, and the discussion of matters of great importance which it is not necessary to mention in this connection, will make the next Karnea a place to show the best loyalty and the deepest enthusiasm, for Delta Tau Delta. Indianapolis was chosen because it was conveniently near to Chicago, to take advantage of rates, and the opportunity to see the great White City, and yet at the same time it is far enough from the infinite distractions of Chicago to enable the three days' work to be done in the best of order. The Indiana chapters are making all preparations for the Karnea, and if the Columbian session is not, like everything else Columbian, the biggest and best ever held, it will not be the fault of the arrangements, the time, or the place.

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The excellent article on the "College Man and Business" which we present in this number, from the pen of E. W. Gans

is reprinted from the newsy *Butler Collegian*, but loses none of its merit by the change. The writer of the article knows whereof he speaks, since he has for some years been with C. Aultman & Co., the great thrasher manufacturers, and has already been advanced to a position of large responsibility.

That such a small proportion of college men, relatively speaking, do go into business is much more largely due to a popular fallacy than to any other one cause. Doubtless a college education in some cases has been just so much *unfitting* for business, and some good business wheat has been ground by the college mills into very poor flour. But on the other hand the history of business or commercial colleges, so called, does not show an astounding number of prodigies of business ability, while the story of another class of colleges fitting for business of another sort, is one long drawn out tale of failure or dismally partial accomplishment. The agricultural colleges, as such, have almost invariably proved failures. There is little danger in the United States, and especially in the west, that the culture element, the development idea, of education will be carried too far.

Too many young men will rush into business half-made, soon to puff themselves up with the notion that they are self-made. Year by year each high school class contributes its quota of deserters to the service of business, and the shrinkage in the size of college classes from freshman to senior years is usually large. It matters not that the entering freshman of this year knows far more things than the graduating senior of the early part of the century. The severe demands of an infinitely more varied and complex business life have more than kept pace with the improved preparation. Business is done in fewer and fewer hours in the day, great power of concentration and keenness and quickness of judgment are commanding higher and higher salaries. A year of college training counts, but four years of preparation for forty or fifty years of activity is but a small proportion, and the man who expects to go into business does himself a life-long detriment if he leaves college

one day sooner than circumstances compel. It ought to be the aim of every chapter of Delta Tau Delta to create about itself an atmosphere electric with a sentiment favoring four years of solid preparation, an atmosphere in which even the gay, one-year birds of passage would find incentives to a longer stay.

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Since the notorious defection of the original Phi Delta Theta chapter at the University of Minnesota, when Delta Kappa Epsilon shocked the moral sentiment of the Greek world, no event has attracted so much notice and comment as the "resignation" from the fraternity of the Phi Kappa Psi chapter, at the University of Wisconsin, and the establishment of a local society. The last number of the *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi presented the anomaly of a single number containing a chapter letter from said chapter in apparently good standing, the resignation of said chapter from the general fraternity, and the report of the investigation made by the general fraternity in the withdrawal of said chapter. The usual puerile excuses are offered by the chapter with the same naivete that would characterize new and honest reasons. We feel like joining in the general chorus of sympathy for Phi Kappa Psi in this loss of one of her highly valued chapters, and indeed the victims of such treachery are always to be pitied. But the cold fact is that in this case the chapter has been writing with a bolder hand the copy set by the general fraternity. Trained up in a certain way, the full grown chapter has not departed from it. In several instances Phi Kappa Psi has initiated men whom she knew had been expelled from other orders for just cause; indeed, in this very Wisconsin chapter is a man expelled from Delta Tau Delta for perjury, disloyalty, and conduct unbecoming a gentleman. In this particular case, she does not seem to have been quite conscienceless, for never in the published accounts or records of initiations has the name of this man appeared, so far as we have been able to find, and with a par-

donable curiosity we have looked carefully to see if such an acquisition would be chronicled with the usual gusto. Whatever fraternity shall be fortunate enough to swallow this choice assortment of ex-Phi Psi's remains to be seen. So far as Phi Kappa Psi is concerned it makes little difference; there is still room for her in the University of Wisconsin, and we sincerely wish her as great success in her attempts at re-establishment as Delta Tau Delta has had.

FROM THE CHAPTERS.

BETA — OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Chapter Beta reports after a silence of three months, spent by the chapter in doing efficient college work, strengthening her chapter and improving our hall. Since our last letter, we have pledged one man, and take pleasure in introducing E. C. Caldwell.

Bros. Kirkendall and Murphy have returned to college; the former entering the senior class will graduate in June, thus giving us two members of the senior class.

Our hall is now lighted by electricity, and we invite any of our fraters to visit us and note the decided improvement in our chapter and in the university.

We have our share of college honors compared with the other frats. We have members in the tennis club, base-ball club, and also have a share in the literary line. A Delta Tau is president of each of the societies. Bros. Cobb and Harlor represent us on the college paper; the former as business manager, the latter as editor-in-chief. Bro. Harlor will represent his society as debater at the annual contest in June.

The work of Bros. B. O. and H. R. Higley is such as warrants their remaining here next year, if they do not leave for more profitable positions.

The members are becoming more filled with the true idea of fraternity life — that it is a social organization for the development of the social as well as the intellectual part of our nature.

The thanks of the chapter are tendered chapter Beta Kappa for their fraternity songs, and Xi for their calendar.

Athens, O., April 17.

J. A. HARLOR.

GAMMA — WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have initiated two men, Jos. B. Kithcart, '96, Steubenville, Ohio; and Morton C. Campbell, '96, Cambridge, Ohio.

The prospects for a good base-ball team this year are very favorable. The boys have been working hard for the last three weeks for positions on the team, and the team is about made up. Bro. Boyd will be catcher for the team. They will open the season here to-morrow with the law students of Pittsburgh. A full schedule has been made out for a game every Saturday this term.

The competitive class drill comes off the 28th of April. The different classes have been working hard, for the last term, at the drill. The seniors have broadswords; juniors, base balls; sophomores, Indian clubs, and freshmen, dumbbells. The class coming off victorious will be given some kind of a banner.

Dr. Baker, our physical director, tried to make arrangements with some basket-ball team to play our college team the evening the class drill comes off, but has failed, and it has been decided to have a game with seniors and sophomores vs. juniors and freshmen.

There will be several indoor field day points contested for at that time by the different classes. The regular outdoor field day will not take place for about a month yet.

'95's "Pandora" board was elected this week, and Bro. Fulton will represent Delta Tau Delta on that board.

Washington, Pa., April 21.

W. C. ORR.

DELTA — UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since our last letter we have initiated the following, whom we introduce: Sewell L. Avery, Detroit; Cyrus W. George, Chicago; Ralph W. Hartzell and Archibald Rouse McGregor, Jr., of Canton, Ohio. Delta now has sixteen actives, and we lose only four by graduation.

The junior hop, given by the original nine Palladium fraternities, occurred April 7th, upon which occasion the new

Waterman gymnasium was informally opened. The hop was preceded by a concert, given by the University of Michigan glee and banjo clubs.

This being the season of Easter vacation, the 'varsity ball team are on their western trip. They have played three games this far, each being a decided victory. We meet Cornell at Detroit on May 30.

H. F. WILBERFORCE CALLAM.

Ann Arbor, Mich., April 20.

EPSILON — ALBION COLLEGE.

Epsilon has enjoyed a prosperous winter term, though a very quiet one. The spring term opens with every active on hand and determined to round up the year in good shape. Since our last letter we have initiated another good man, making five for the year thus far. Permit us to present Chas. McPherson, of Eckford, Mich.

The college continues to grow in enrollment (having the largest spring term attendance in its history) and in efficiency. The McMillan chemical laboratory is being built, and the new \$50,000 library building will be commenced at an early date.

Epsilon has kept pace with the rapid progress of the institution, and represents Delta Tau Delta by a strong and united chapter.

Albion, Mich., April 17.

CLARENCE E. ALLEN.

ETA — BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

It seems to be a conspicuous fact that all the chapter letters are more or less self laudatory.

Ours will be no exception, but Eta and Buchtel College have attained so many laurels and overcome successfully so many difficulties this last term that even doing our best the story would be but half told.

Athletics have received a great impetus here at Buchtel. The faculty are fully awake to the vital importance of this de-

partment and with this in mind a new athletic field, base-ball cage and a professional coach has been added this year.

We will not go into the details, but we can say with candor and pleasure that the Delts hold "star" positions in every part. Steigmeyer '96 and Loudeneck '96 were on the foot ball team. Gardiner '97 and Simpson '96 are our representatives on the base ball nine.

In the musical world of Buchtel the Delts have not been silent. We hold leading parts in the college band, orchestra and mandolin club. Our chapter meetings also have been enlivened by the tinkling harmony of the "Delt Mandolin Club" with the following members: Martin '95, Chapman '96, mandolins; Steigmeyer '96, and Fell '96, guitars.

Trusting that many a true Delt will be at the Karnea, that all will be enthused with new power and strength, Eta sends best wishes to all.

Akron, O. Apr. 16.

E. WHITNEY MARTIN.

THETA — BETHANY COLLEGE.

Bethany is feeling as never before that athletics must be pushed; the new site for the diamond has been leveled, rolled and marked. Three fine tennis courts have been laid out, beside the first nine, each of the four classes have organized their ablest players preparatory to the numerous league games which are to take place in the near future, and toward which every one is looking with much interest. Field day is also renewing some thought; among the rewards offered we notice a gold medal, by the *Collegian* staff, to the winner of the hurdle race.

March 25th was entered on the list of holidays for this year, since the students gave the faculty a day off, this was done that the boys might build up their muscle with shovel and pick, as secondary object, to render the new ball grounds perfect.

Our lecture course this year has been a special feature. Dr. Henson of Chicago, Robert Nourse, The Ladies Crescent Banjo Company, Prof. James Lane Allen were a few of the

entertainers. The college has also secured a number of able men to lecture along the lines of study pursued, first among whom were Bro. H. L. Willett, of Dayton, Ohio, and Dr. Jefferson, of Augusta, Ga.

The Bethany glee club has done a large amount of hustling this year both at home and abroad.

The *Collegian*, our college paper, is flourishing under the wise direction of business manager R. M. Patton, who has given special attention to the alumni patronage.

The chapter has thirteen actives this session. Four are seniors, five are juniors, two sophomores, and two of '96. *B & H*, our rivals, also have thirteen, four in '93, five in '94, one in '95, and three in '96.

Bethany, W. Va., April 9th.

A. F. WILLETT.

IOTA — MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

College opened on Feb. 20th with about 250 students. Nine members answered to the roll call of Iota's first meeting. Since then by unavoidable circumstances we were reduced to three; our resident alumni came to our aid, and now we have nine names again on our roll. The chances which we have for getting men are not as good as at other colleges. We have but one fraternity to "buck" and with this we are on the best of terms. Our deadliest enemies are the open societies or "local" fraternities; they take a consignment of freshmen and run them in the first week they enter while we are compelled to wait and watch. However we are always glad to see a good man safely lodged in an open society—for we know he will keep, and if we are not too slow we soon "pluck" him—then what a howl!

We have but one member of '93 with us, and this is a good point in one way, as we will not be left numerically weak by the graduation of a large number.

Our commencement occurs on August 9, one week earlier than usual on account of that all important—the World's Columbian Exposition. The students expect to go as a battalion under our popular commandant, Lieut. E. A. Lewis, U. S. A.

We will be represented at the encampment by our only '93 man, the battalion adjutant. Pres. Clute has resigned, his resignation to take effect Aug. 9, 1893.

Any Delt coming our way will always find the latch string out and a hearty welcome awaiting him.

Our base ball team won the first game of ball played by them this season; the Albion boys were the victims.

W. F. HOPKINS.

Agricultural College, Mich., April 17th.

KAPPA — HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Kappa is again happy to greet her sisters with the record of a prosperous term. In January, with the pleasant presence of the members of *KKΓ*, we enjoyed a sleigh ride to Litchfield, where Bro. B. S. Hudson and wife made us thrice welcome. In March we were very agreeably entertained by *KKΓ* at the residence of Pres. Mosher, both of whose daughters wear the key.

The Amphictyon freshmen oratorical contest was won by Bro. E. D. Fite's masterful treatment of "Puritanism and its Part in American Life" and Bro. P. W. Chase came a close second in the contest of *AKΦ*.

The spring elections in the societies are considered the most important and we have Marshall, Critic and Treasurer of Amphictyon, President of *AKΦ*, and any quantity of minor offices.

Under the artistic hands of Bro. Terwilliger, the famous stroke oar, our hall is undergoing a fine re-decoration, and the annual fraternity picture has just been taken after several failures of the photographer to stop laughing at the suggestions of our irrepressible comedian and foot-ballist Bro. O. S. Rapp.

The freshmen election which has been talked of all the year resulted in favor of Bro. E. D. Fite.

The writer recently enjoyed a pleasant visit at Angola, Ind., where he met Bros. Silas Cline, W. R. Heckenlively, Seth Avery and F. G. Robertson.

The World's Fair and the Karnea are subjects of consid-

eration with us now. Let every Delta henceforth wear his pin or colors so that we may make ourselves known to each other.

Hillsdale, Mich, April, 14.

E. P. S. MILLER.

MU — OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The condition of the Ohio Wesleyan is prosperous. The enrollment this term equals any previous enrollment for the spring term. The erection of Gray chapel and university is completed, and they will be dedicated in June. Numerous bequests have been received ; and chairs have been endowed. Bro. W. G. Hormel, '89, has been elected to the chair of physics, and will take charge next year. Bro. Hormel has spent two years at Harvard, in post-graduate work, and two years elsewhere. Bro. McCaskill, '93, will be principal of the commercial department next year.

In other lines — in athletics, nothing can be said of the team save that we expect much of it, since on account of unfavorable weather, it has met no adversary as yet. The O. W. U. meets Denison University next month in a debate, essay and recitation contest. The *Bijou*, the annual, will appear in three weeks, and will be the finest college annual ever issued from a college in the state.

It is but due the university to say that the reports as to the conduct of certain junior and sophomore fraternities of late are highly colored, and in many cases untrue. In an encounter between two rival class fraternities, one crowd was branded on the face with nitrate of silver, which, being stronger than was supposed, caused injury to the flesh ; for which the victims swore out warrants for the arrest of the offenders. This action will probably go no farther, since the injury to the faces of the victims is much less than at first thought.

As to the chapter, things were never in better condition. We were sorry to lose Bro. Rynearson, who left us to take a place in the Dayton (Ohio) high school, but who will return to graduate with his class. Bro. Shaw was also compelled to remain at home this term. Since the appearance of Mu's last

letter, Walter T. Peirce, of South Charleston, has entered Deltaism through our doors. Not to enumerate the places held by Mu men in college, we have been active in college affairs and successful in our undertakings. The chapter is a uniform whole, without a discordant voice, and occupies an enviable place in Pan-Hellenism at the university.

Delaware, O., April 24.

H. N. CAMERON.

XI — SIMPSON COLLEGE.

The beginning of the spring term finds Xi less in numbers than during the winter, but without a corresponding diminution in spirit. Bros. Woods, Jones, and Little are not in college this term, but we are still eight in number.

Simpson began the spring term with a smaller registration than that of last term, or the attendance is usually smaller in the spring than during the remainder of the year, but with as good or better prospects than ever before. During last term a large addition was made to the endowment fund, and we look forward to the prospect of a new building during the coming year.

Just now athletics is one of the absorbing topics, and Xi furnishes her share of talent in base ball and tennis. Two of our members, Bros. Stahl and Watson, are members of this year's class and graduate in June.

Indianola, Iowa, April 18th, 1893.

J. R. YOUTZ.

SIGMA — WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

We accept with pleasure another opportunity of making ourselves heard, with one more, Moses Taggart Day, Batavia, New York, to help us.

The second term was passed as uneventful as ever. Indoor athletics, a fine course of lectures and concerts, and the usual amount of college work helping to relieve the monotony; for us further relieved by a pleasant break in February spent with Deltas in New York City

Base ball has taken its hold again; our team will, we trust, be a decided improvement on last year's. An unusually long seige of winter has prevented much out door work, so that it is impossible to make any accurate estimate of our prospects.

Our commencement exercises will be held June 22nd. We had thought, until recently, that at the same time would be held the exercises commemorating the exit of the one hundredth class, but, much to the consternation of hopeful seniors, this has been postponed until October, for local reasons as well as because of a desire to have a larger representation from other institutions than would be possible during commencement week.

Sigma Phi will soon rebuild its beautiful home lost through fire last February. The cost of erection is to be about \$40,000; the plans are in general the same as those of the former house. Alpha Delta Phi will, it is said, during the next summer, tear down its present house, and rebuild on more extensive plans.

Seven thousand dollars have recently been subscribed toward the erection of a college hospital; four or five thousand more are required; running expenses will be defrayed partly from a fund for that purpose, partly by a tax imposed upon all the students.

Sigma had the privilege to entertain, though for a short time, Bro. Anthony, a few days after the New York Conference. We trust that more will follow his example.

ALVAN EMILE DUERR.

Williamstown, Mass., April 17th.

PHI — HANOVER COLLEGE.

As the college year draws to a close the strength of Phi increases. In the fall of '91 "Joe and I" were the full force. Since then we have increased to nine good, active, men. Three of these were initiated this year, and we take pleasure in introducing to the chapters, J. H. Morris of Swanville, Ind., and Harry and Fred Gros of Delphi.

In our battle for existence we have fought a successful

campaign, and the result so far is indeed gratifying to us, as it surely must be to all true Delts the land over. Our rapid growth has caused no little comment among the other fraternities. We lose two good men by graduation this year. In numbers we expect to more than make up this loss by initiation. Just now we have pledged one of the best men in the preparatory department for whom we are coaching the goat. After the ordeal we'll be pleased to introduce him.

In all the leading features of college life the chapter has a representative. In oratory, G. A. Gamble, whose loss Phi will sorely feel at next commencement, won the laurels this year by capturing the Voris prize and winning first place as our representative to the state contest.

Just now base ball is taking the attention of those interested in athletics. In the last few days our new grounds have been put in good condition, and under the management of Wiggam, with Hughes as captain, our fellows expect to put up some stiff games with other college clubs during the season.

Hanover, Ind., April 17th.

H. F. DOOLITTLE.

CHI — KENYON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to the RAINBOW, chapter Chi has had the honor of initiating Mr. Harry St. C. Hathaway, '96, of Cleveland, Ohio. This gives us a chapter of eleven, of one graduate in June.

Brothers Williams and Harris, who represented Chi at the installation of *B II* on March 16th, report an "out of sight time."

Kenyon Commencement Day this year is on Friday, June 29th, and preparations have already been made, to have the preceding week as successful as possible.

Gambier, O., April 16th.

FRED J. DOOLITTLE.

BETA ALPHA — INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Beta Alpha is just entering what is proverbially her best term's work. It is the term in which we do the best internal

work of the year. The spiking season is practically over; the boys, as a rule, are not carrying as heavy work in college, as during the other two terms, and everything seems to tend toward enthusiastic and concentrated internal work.

At the close of last term we lost Frank Coles, but were fortunate enough to have the vacant chair filled by A. D. Fleshman. Bro. Coles will not return until next fall. Bros. Rodgers, Wylie, Holtzman and Shrum, all of whom have been attending medical college at Louisville during the past year, returned to old Beta Alpha at the beginning of this term. All of them except Bro. Rogers, who is now practicing at Pratt, Kansas, will be in the city and lend us a helping hand during the remainder of the year. We have also been strengthened since the last issue of the RAINBOW by the initiation of Thomas C. Halloway and Elmer J. Binford.

We were favored somewhat in the matter of class organization this year. In the classes of '93, E. R. Odle represents us as vice president of the class from the literary department, and M. L. Grimes is president, and John R. Ward, historian, of the law class.

Phi Kappi Psi held her division conference here the first of the month. About forty delegates from Ohio and Indiana were present. One afternoon and evening was devoted to receiving the fraternity people of the college. The four days, conference culminated in an elegant banquet.

Indiana University has been honored for the second time this year by the establishment of a new ladies' fraternity. This time it is Pi Beta Phi. She starts with seven members from among the very best ladies in college. This makes four ladies fraternities at our college. There is however plenty of room for all of them, as there are many desirable ladies who are "non-frats" and the other fraternities are crowded with the very best of ladies. We needed Pi Beta Phi, and Beta Alpha extends to hear a hearty welcome.

The fraternities on the whole are in better condition in Indiana University than heretofore. They are better equipped in the way of halls, and the fraternity spirit in the institution seems to be better. There is a much larger attendance at the college and hence a greater field to select men from. Inter-

fraternity spirit is higher than it has ever been here before. Inter-fraternity socials at the various halls, are of common occurrence, and on the whole are commendable. There will be two Pan-Hellenic banquets here April 28th. One will be given by the gentlemen and the other by the ladies.

The university will again put out an excellent base ball team. They have played one exhibition game and confirmed our hopes in that game, that if the other colleges of the state do not put out better teams than last year, the pennant will again be ours.

Bloomington, Ind., April 18th.

A. M. HADLEY.

BETA BETA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

The greatest political movement that has happened this year, at DePauw was the union of the *Record* and *Bema* factions. Next year, under the name of the DePauw Publishing Company, they will publish a weekly newspaper, and a monthly literary magazine. The "barbs" refused to join hands with this movement, and will publish a weekly paper.

The primary for the joint debate between Indiana University and DePauw will be held within the next three weeks. The question under consideration will be :—Resolved, That the times call for a new political party. Indiana University has the affirmative. The debate proper will occur at Indianapolis about the beginning of the next college year.

Our base ball team defeated Indiana University 12 to 4, thus increasing our chances for the championship.

R. T. Besset, a former student of Yale, has been appointed tutor of German.

Our chapter is in an excellent condition. Orville Jones, '96, resigned from the chapter. All the boys are eagerly awaiting the assembling of the Karnea. All hope to be present and help make it one of the best and most profitable ever held.

Greencastle, Ind., May, 8th.

J. C. VERMIYEA.

BETA GAMMA — UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Beta Gamma pauses for a moment amid her continued progress to renew her greetings to sister chapters of Delta Tau Delta. The spring vacation has just ended, and the beginning of the final term finds us at work again. For a week our chapter home was deserted, but one by one the scattered sheep returned to the fold—all except Bros. Black and Davies. The former being ahead of his class, took advantage of a chance to do some practical work in medicine, while the latter has gone to Utica, N. Y., for a visit of several months. Last term we had similar ill fortune in losing two freshmen, both on account of illness. Of these four men, lost since our last report, three will return next year. In the meantime, we have not been idle, as we have pledged four splendid fellows, three of whom are for next year, and are still fighting our rivals for two more.

One of the greatest of the many great events in our short history occurred on Saturday, March 18th, when, at the invitation of the Chicago Alumni Association, we conducted the rites that made the Beta Pi chapter, at Northwestern University, the "youngest child of" the Fraternity. The fact that we ourselves were thereby resigning that appellation caused us fully to realize and appreciate the honor that was conferred upon us when we were asked to install the new chapter. The nine men who represented Beta Gamma at this ceremony, and participated in the elaborate banquet given by the alumni association, had a glorious time in company with a numerous gathering of brother Delts from Minnesota and Michigan universities, and De Pauw, Albion, Iowa State, and Kenyon colleges. The new chapter has our best wishes, and will be watched with a great deal of interest.

On his return from this event, Bro. Babcock pleased us by stopping for a day at our house, and visiting the university. This visit Bro. Clark reciprocated during the spring vacation by a very enjoyable visit at Minneapolis. His narrative and favorable report of Beta Eta was listened to with interest.

A great sensation was created in the Greek world at Madison on the 13th of last month, when, without warning or suspicion, the chapter of Phi Kappa Psi resigned from that

fraternity and established themselves as a social club, under the name of Rho Kappa Upsilon. Their reason as set forth in the public announcement is, that a feeling of discontent with the fraternity having arisen, their future connection with the same would be uncongenial and unprofitable. This statement received but little credence here and in the fraternity world at large. Meanwhile a belief became current that Psi Upsilon was their destination. Further developments are now awaited, and whether the suspected reason for treachery to Phi Psi proves to be true, remains to be seen. It is to be hoped that in the present attitude of fraternities against the practice of "lifting," no one will take them. Such a step would be a real injury, and would complete a transaction that already reflects no credit upon those involved. The space allotted to a chapter letter forbids a more extended account of the event and its consequences. Those interested are referred to the Phi Kappa Psi *Shield* for March and April, and to other fraternity journals.

The college annual, *The Badger*, appeared last week in its usual form. While we had provided for our representation on the assigned page by a picture of our house and members, we had not anticipated so numerous and variagated an array of notices as were so freely bestowed upon us. Although it is somewhat difficult to account for this unlooked for generosity, we are very well satisfied.

On the 28th of next month, we will close the first year of our existence with a banquet similar to the one of a year ago. In view of this fact, we are all inclined to be boastful when we review our progress. Modest rejoicing, however, is not unbecoming, and in my next and last letter of the year a summary will not be inappropriate.

Madison, Wis., April 20.

EDGAR F. STRONG.

BETA EPSILON — EMORY COLLEGE.

The ringing eloquence of the contest, for speakers' places, of the 18th inst., is still tingling in my ears. Long and glorious was the charge made by the gallant sophomores and freshmen. Though we did not have phenomenal success in obtaining

places this year, yet out of a company of thirteen we will be represented by five of our Deltas at commencement.

As the time draws near that will bring the departure of the boys of '93, Beta Epsilon realizes more and more how she will miss them. We lose this commencement, four of our staunchest members, who have stood by the club from the time they were freshman and even sub-freshman students until the present, and some of whom it seems are almost necessary auxiliaries of our college and fraternity enterprises.

But the college year as a whole has been a successful one for Beta Epsilon, and it has been her constant aim and purpose this year, as in all others, to draw her members together into true congeniality of brotherhood, and to make the fraternity what it should be—the pride of every Delta and the fond institution around which shall hover the brightest and dearest memories of college days.

Oxford, Ga., April, 19.

T. J. SHEPARD.

BETA ZETA — BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Beta Zeta's life in the last few months has largely been one of hard study. But although we have worked presistently, we have not forgotten Delta Tau, but the contrary. Inasmuch as an unhappy combination of circumstances, did not allow you to hear from us in the last number of the RAINBOW, it may be proper to mention the meeting of the Indiana chapters at "The Denison," Indianapolis, on the afternoon and evening of the State Oratorical, March 10. The afternoon meeting in one of the hotel parlors was a new departure, but one that proved very pleasant and profitable. Much of the success was due to the effort of W. F. Clarke, *B Z* '92. It was decided to hold these meetings annually, the chapters of the state alternately taking them in charge. The banquet in the evening was most enjoyable. The forty or fifty men seated around the board were men of whom Delta Tau may justly be proud. Of Beta Zeta, nine actives and a number of alumni were present.

Beta Zeta believes that the best man is the many sided

man, and that a chapter should be strong along all lines, still she has endeavored to maintain a high intellectual standard, believing brains an essential feature of a typical fraternity man. In the closing exercises of the Indiana Medical School at Indianapolis, two alumni, John D. Nichols '90, and Eug. Davis '91, were successful competitors for four prizes valued at \$150.

We are the only fraternity in college at present which holds its regular meetings. "Frat" spirit with Phi's and Sig's does not seem to be very high. Every active Delt has entered one or more contests for the approaching field day.

Though we graduate four strong men this year, our young men will come to work next year carefully trained, and with seven actives and one pledged man our cause will prosper. We are looking forward to the coming Karnea with great expectations of much enjoyment. While visiting Deltas will be the guests of Indiana boys generally, Beta Zeta, situated so near Indianapolis, claims the special privilege of welcoming brethren from near and afar. Let every Delta Tau who can, come to the Karnea. Beta Zeta hopes to see you there.

Irvington, Ind., April 19.

ANDREW N. FOX.

BETA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

If Delta Tau Delta is to publish a journal, every issue should contain a letter from every chapter in the fraternity. We say this for fear that some of the chapters may think us negligent in the matter of chapter letter writing, and we wish them to know where we stand on this question. The non-appearance in the last RAINBOW of the usual letter from this chapter was not due to negligence on our part.

Since the last letter we have initiated no new men; the membership in the chapter at present is, therefore, eleven.

Regular meetings have been held every two weeks with a good attendance and a loyal interest in all that pertains to the fraternity and its welfare.

There is given to each member at the beginning of the

year a card on which is written the dates of all the regular meetings, and unless something of universal interest prevents this list is closely adhered to. Thus all confusion and misunderstanding about the dates of meetings is avoided, and no one has an excuse for being absent.

With spring, comes athletics as a prominent topic. We have no men trying for positions on the base ball team this year. We are sorry, of course, but the fact that a man is a good foot ball or base ball player does not seem, of itself, to figure much in our category of essentials. The chapter has, however, some members who hold positions worth mentioning in the university: a member and assistant business manager on the junior annual board, a member on the glee club, president of the Arapahoe dancing club, orator of the freshman class, and in the medical college, president of the freshman class and a member on the freshman quartette.

Beta Eta is glad to welcome into Delta Tau Delta and the Western Division as well, our new chapter at Northwestern University. We have desired for some years past to see a good chapter of Delta Tau Delta established at Northwestern, and we are glad that the opportunity came to enter there under such favorable circumstances. K. C. Babcock and P. J. Neff represented us at the installation, and both reported an enthusiastic time, and have nothing but praise for the new chapter.

We were pleased some two weeks ago to receive a visit from Harvey Clark of the Wisconsin chapter. It was a pleasure to have such a loyal and enthusiastic Delta with us for a few days, and every man in the chapter enjoyed his stay. If we could have more of such visiting by the different members of the chapters in the same division, our fraternal interest would be wonderfully strengthened. Let us not grow narrow in fraternal spirit, and think that all there is to fraternity life is bound up in our own little chapter in its own little corner of the educational world. Great fraternities are not made by such chapters, and loyal, enthusiastic alumni are not the productions of a narrow chapter training.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 20.

GEO. D. HEAD.

BETA THETA—UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Beta Theta regrets that the long winter vacation which lasts from December to March, prevented the sending of the usual chapter letter for publication in the RAINBOW. While other colleges have been in session for several months, the University of the South has as yet only been opened a few weeks, so that the confusion of settling down to work again renders much of our labor in writing difficult and hasty. From all indications the university will have an increase of students this year. The law department has been opened and for the first year begins exceedingly well.

Among the fraternities there is little activity just now in the way of competition, but it is too soon to predict what there may be. Beta Theta starts out encouragingly, being fortunate in having all but one of last year's men back. Louis Tucker is the absent brother, who has entered the Theological Seminary in New York. We miss his commanding presence in the chair as well as the intellectual qualities that made him a power in the university and fraternity.

The "Delta lodge" shelters eight of the happiest and most congenial men on the "mountain", who live like the Pythagoreans of old in fraternal intercourse. The grounds are being improved, and when the plans now under consideration for the beautifying of the place are carried out, Beta Theta will have a bower of beauty.

Although it is too early in the university term to decide the winners of literary and athletic honors, we have already captured several important positions. Bro. Brown was elected captain of the 'varsity base ball team, and has at once put his men to work. Bro. Burford is editor-in-chief and Bro. Tobin business manager of the *Sewanee Times*. Altogether the new term seems to be assuming a roseate hue for Beta Theta, and if our "eagle eye" fail us not we will be able shortly to introduce to the fraternity brothers as loyal and enthusiastic Deltas as we of Beta Theta now are.

Sewanee, Tenn., April 3rd.

S. BURFORD.

BETA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The close of the session of the University of Virginia finds Beta Iota still abreast with all her rival fraternities, and she thinks she can compare favorably with them in every respect, in college honors, literature and on the field.

We feel proud to say that this has been a very prosperous year for us indeed, as every thing has gone very smoothly; and club house life has proven itself to us as surpassing every other "modus vivendi." We regret the inevitable exits that accompany the breaking up of college, as seven Deltas complete their course this year, and will leave the 'Varsity to return no more.

The old University is herself steadily improving as she has very lately been endowed with a new chair in literature, which will make the instruction in that school very much more complete. A \$50,000 gymnasium also has just been added, which, together with the new campus adjoining it, will furnish thorough training to all athletes; and we predict that it will not be long before we will make all northern colleges look to their laurels, both in foot ball and in base ball. We have not been behind in base ball this year, as we have already defeated University of Vermont, and played Harvard a tie game of 1 to 1. Our honors have been increased not a little by the prowess of our chapter base ball team, which has caused the purple, white and gold to wave triumphantly over many a well fought field.

C. B. THORN.

University of Virginia, Va., April 18.

BETA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The University of Colorado has received very generous treatment from the hands of the last legislature, and is making plans for a large increase in attendance next year. The new scientific building will be finished and equipped, which will double the present accommodations.

Beta Kappa wishes to introduce to the fraternity her latest

initiate, Patrick Carney. George and Willis Stidger came up from Denver to assist in the initiation and to see that the candidate had due respect for the goat. Bro. Carney has very successfully served as foot-ball captain for the last two years, and has been re-elected to the same position since he has joined the ranks of *Δ T Δ*. We have succeeded in pledging another man after vain attempts were made to convince him that the only proper thing to do was to join another fraternity.

The base ball season of the Colorado Inter-Collegiate Association opens on April 26. Bro. Ingram as pitcher and captain, Bro. Brown as catcher and Bro. Newcomb as short-stop ably represent Beta Kappa, and will do all in their power to win the pennant for the University of Colorado.

The University glee club is making great preparations for a trip around the state, starting the 5th of May. The boys expect to be gone until commencement, and will visit all the larger towns. Beta Kappa is represented by Bros. Burger, Bliss and Green and our two pledged men Coddington and Johnson.

Already our boys are making plans in regard to visiting the World's Fair and to attend the next Karnea at Indianapolis. They will meet in Denver and all go together from there to make the coming Karnea the biggest and best one ever held.

Boulder, Col., April 17.

GRANT PITZER.

BETA MU — TUFTS COLLEGE.

Wednesday evening, March 22nd, was the occasion of an event long to be remembered by Beta Mu; in fact, we regard it, next to our founding, as the most important occurrence in our history. We refer to the opening of our chapter house, at 12 Conwell avenue, West Somerville, Mass. The opening passed off very pleasantly. Mrs. Pres. Cpaen and Mrs. Dr. Corney received for us, and Bros. Hodgdon and Weston ushered. About sixty were present, including delegates from the other fraternities in college. Entertainment was furnished by a mandolin and guitar club from the college, and Bro. Wills amused and instructed us with a phonograph. Refreshments

were served, and every one seemed highly pleased with the success of the "home-warming," ourselves not least of all. To show how the affair was looked upon by others outside of Delta Tau Delta, we can do no better than quote part of an editorial in the *Tuftonian*:

"The formal opening of a chapter house by the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, besides being a pleasant occasion for its own members, and those members of the fraternities who attended as delegates, was significant for two reasons. The courtesy shown by Delta Tau Delta to the other fraternities was a most eloquent tribute to the good feeling existing between the different fraternities here; and the fact that one fraternity has a chapter house, must of necessity add stimulus to the efforts of the others to procure houses. * * * We believe that the time is not far distant when every fraternity on College Hill must have a chapter house, if it is to hold its place with its sister fraternities. We hail the time, for then we know that college life will be much sweeter and more enjoyable to fraternity men at Tufts. Meanwhile, obeisance to Delta Tau Delta."

The base-ball season has opened, or, we should say, has tried to open, as owing to the inclement weather but two games have been played. Consequently, the boys sadly feel the need of the practice which is essential to good ball-playing. The oft repeated question that comes around as regularly as spring, is heard now on every side: "When is the annual coming out?" and Echo answers, "When?"

Our boys all join me in extending a cordial invitation to all Deltas to come and see us.

Tufts College, Mass., April 17.

H. E. BENTON.

BETA OMICRON — CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Once more we greet you, and with far happier faces than on the last occasion. Our good brother Hall, who had gone home sick, came back to us about the middle of last term, to make us happy. Last Saturday, we had another piece of good fortune, for we then initiated two more from the class of '95 — Frederick James Emery and Frank Butler Dietz, both of Fulton, N. Y.

You will remember that we told you in our first letter this year that a chapter here had "lifted" two men. Surely you must say that the old passage, "Vengeance is mine," etc., is verified when we tell you that out of the twenty-one members which that chapter had, eleven have been busted out of the university in the last two terms, and among the eleven are the two lifted men.

Last term we had the finest junior ball ever given here. Of course it was, for wasn't Bro. Gibbs on the committee?

The week of commencement, ending June 15th, will be more than usually interesting to us this year, for Bro. Shantz is on the senior ball committee, and Bro. Adams on the class day committee.

Hiram Sibley Jr., has recently given \$50,000 to the university for another building for Sibley College. The ground will be broken within three weeks, and the building will be ready for use by January, '94.

We have nineteen actives, four of whom will graduate this year. The whole nineteen unite in best wishes to the whole fraternity.

Ithaca, N. Y., April 17.

L. K. MALVERN.

BETA PI — NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The Columbian infant with due modesty herewith proceeds to give its tint to the RAINBOW. We were more than pleased with the proceeds at the Grand Pacific Hotel in Chicago the night of our initiation. Many of the brethren of the Chicago Alumni have already found a warm place in our hearts.

Our chapter held its first regular meeting in the beautifully furnished well located rooms which had previously been prepared for its opening session. Our reception by the fraternity world of Northwestern University has been all that could be desired. We have eight active members in the chapter, mostly from the freshman and sophomore classes. We have three very strong popular men pledged from the senior academic class. They will doubtless be initiated at the opening of the fall term.

The policy of the chapter has been to secure strong, enthusiastic men who will be in college a number of years consecutively. We have bright prospects and are thoroughly united in every respect. Prof. Gordon is a general favorite. We feel that we owe much to Brother Fegtly also. They have both shown great tact and energy. The boys were greatly pleased to receive a visit from Ralph J. Sewall of Beta Eta. It is our expectation to furnish a write up of Northwestern University, for one of the next issues.

Evanston, Ill., May 1.

FRANK C. LOCKWOOD.

THE BOYS OF OLD.

B.

'90.—L. W. Hoffman will deliver the masters oration at our June commencement. He leaves Brookfield, N. Y. where he has been for two years and goes to Warwick, N. Y. as Supt. of schools there at a very good salary. The Brookfield COURIER speaks most highly of his services in that place.

'92.—J. A. Shott will conduct a summer school at Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa.

'92.—C. R. Schneider is engaged in the insurance business in Huntington, W. Va.

'92.—F. W. Bush is principal of schools at McConnellsville, O.

I.

'63.—“The first official recognition by the government that there is danger of cholera this year and the first step toward its prevention has been made by President Harrison. One of his last official acts, and one that may prove of the most vital importance to the country, was the appointment of nine surgeons of the Marine Hospital service to positions abroad, where they will act as inspectors. Following are the appointees with the important posts they are to occupy abroad in defending the country from an invasion of cholera:

Surgeon GEORGE PURVIANCE now of Philadelphia, who has been assigned to Liverpool. * * * Of the men named, most of them are well known in the government service, while one at least was widely known in this portion of the state some years ago when located here. Dr. George Purviance was born in Butler county, and moved to this city, where he married an Allegheny lady. He studied medicine and surgery, and practiced here for years. He was on the staff of the Passavant Hospital, where he was associated with other well-known physicians, and finally entered the government service, taking charge of the district. As surgeons in that service are changed from one location to another in periods

varying from two to four years, according to length of their term in office, Dr. Purviance was removed from his post here. That was fifteen years ago, and since that time he has occupied most of the important posts in the marine service, being now located in Philadelphia."—*Pittsburg Dispatch*, March 5th.

'88.—Dr. C. C. Ross is practicing medicine at Clarion, Pa.

'91.—S. G. Nolin is professor of mathematics in Allegheny High School.

'91.—R. S. Orr is principal of the 9th ward schools, Allegheny, Pa.

'91.—R. M. Sherrard will not remain longer than this year as a teacher in the academy at Chambersburg, Pa.

Ex. '91.—Robert Linton is taking a special course in the chemistry of glass at Berlin, Germany.

'91.—W. L. Langfitt is attending the medical department of the Western University of Penn.

'92.—J. Will Taylor is at Yale Divinity School.

Ex. '93.—Frank Jackson, who is in business with his father in Apollo, Pa., was married during the winter.

4.

'77.—"The startling news of the death of Prof. J. S. Crombie, formerly principal of the high school in this city, reached here yesterday.

The particulars of his death have not yet been learned, as his sister, Mrs. J. B. Gould, simply stated that he died yesterday morning at 3:15 at Monticello, a small watering place near New York city, where he had gone to spend Sunday. It is supposed, however, that he died of lung trouble as, during the early part of February, he was confined to his bed for nearly two weeks with congestion of the lungs. Although his vitality was mostly gone, he returned to his work in a couple of weeks, but it was soon evident that he was also suffering from a severe heart trouble. The trustees of Adelphi academy, Brooklyn, sent him to Monticello with the assurance that he could have all the time he wanted in which to recuperate, as he had, even in the short time he had been at the school, done fully a year's good work. The remains will probably be sent to his old home in Michigan.

Prof. Crombie was born June 15th, 1854, at Pontiac, Mich. He attended the public schools of that city until he entered the University of Michigan, graduating with the class of '77. In September of the same year he became principal of the Coldwater schools in Michigan, and occupied that position until he was called to a similar position at Big Stone City, Mich., where he remained until he came to this city in 1885 to assume the position of principal of the Central high school.

Prof. Crombie was very successful while here, and, when he left this city last fall to take charge of the Adelphi academy at Brooklyn, N. Y., his removal was sincerely regretted by the citizens of Minneapolis.

In 1880, Prof. Crombie and Miss Sarah Foster, the daughter of a Presbyterian minister at Lapeer, Mich., were married. He leaves a wife and two children."—*Minneapolis Journal*.

'88.—Guy L. Kiefer, medic. '90, after two years residence in Europe has returned and located in Detroit.

'91.—Samuel Freeland Dibble will have charge of the World's Fair exhibit of the Thompson Houston Electric Co., Lynn, Mass.

E.

'85.—Elvin Swarthout was elected president of the Michigan state Epworth league at the convention held recently in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Ex. '92.—R. L. Parmeter is studying medicine in Chicago. He was present at the banquet of the Chicago alumni of Albion College recently held.

Θ.

'86.—F. P. Arthur is the successful pastor of the Christian Church at Rochester N. Y.

'86.—H. L. Willett, Dayton, Ohio, who is attending a special school at Chicago, has accepted one of the chairs in the new seminary at Ann Arbor, and will take up the work there October 1st.

'91.—A. J. Hopkins, formerly pastor of the Central Christian Church, Wheeling, W. Va., has accepted a situation in California.

'92.—J. Henry Miller who was taking post-graduate course, has returned to his home in Ohio, on account of sickness.

'73.—J. F. Merriman a prominent lawyer of St Louis, Mo., paid Theta a flying visit about the holidays and said he was as brotherly as ever if he had been away twenty years.

K.

'69.—Prof. J. S. Copp has been seriously ill for some time but is expected to recover.

'69.—The Rev. Washington Gardner is now Prof. Gardner of Albion College.

'73.—Prof. C. H. Gurney of Hillsdale College conducted a successful institute at Marshall, Mich., March 27th, to April 10th.

'73.—J. B. Smith is principal of the academy at Warsaw, N. Y.

'73.—H. E. Winsor is successfully practicing law at Marshall, Mich.

'75.—Some fine barometric measurements by Prof. A. E. Haynes are attracting the notice of scientific journals.

'77.—Attorney F. H. Stone has been appointed receiver for the defunct Hillsdale Mutual Benefit Association.

'78.—Prof. Eugene Davenport has been mentioned for president of the college in place of A. Clute, who resigned.

'79.—R. M. Barrus, formerly principal of Pike Seminary, is now in the real estate business in Buffalo, N. Y.

'80.—C. W. Terwilliger has the contract for re-decorating the college chapel of Hillsdale College. Improvements to the amount of \$700.00 are to be made in the same.

'81.—Prof. D. M. Martin is making the laboratory work in physics one of the most interesting and valuable points in the college course at Hillsdale College.

'82.—Frederick Betts is now serving as a member of the Colorado senate.

'89.—George Flower is surveying in Kentucky. His present address is Pineville.

F. M. Seibert is practicing medicine in Chino, Cal.

Wm. Van DeVoort has been recently made assistant professor in mechanics at this college.

'90.—C. M. Brodie is assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church at Jackson, Mich., and also has charge of a mission church.

'90.—F. G. Clark has been promoted assistant superintendent of Clark Carriage Works, Lansing, Mich.

Theo. McClure has been promoted to chief clerk of the State Board of Health Department, with a corresponding increase of salary. He was recently married to Miss McCantly, of Vermont. They reside in Lansing.

Chas. D. Colby is now a successful doctor at Jackson, Mich.

'91.—F. V. Hawley is pastor of the Free Baptist Church at Brooklyn, Mich.

'91.—H. A. Bates presides over an editor's sanctum at Chillicothe, Ill.

'91.—C. W. Macomber holds down the chair of Latin at Ridgeville College, Ind. He has recently made a pleasant visit to his Alma Mater.

'91.—L. G. Barker is assistant draughtsman for the Duplex Printing Press Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

'92.—Frank Bauerle is with the Illinois Steel Co., of Chicago.

'92.—J. A. Cole is studying for the ministry at Chicago Theological Seminary.

'93.—R. M. Kedzie is with Robert Smith & Co., state printers and binders of Lansing.

'93.—W. G. Merritt and W. F. Lyon are pursuing a course in chemistry at the U. of M.

'95.—G. E. Mitchel, our great bicyclist, who has been for the past year in Central America raising fruit and gathering specimens for the Smithsonian Institute, has returned to his

home in Washington. He contemplates going to Florida to engage in fruit culture.

M.

'72.—The Rev. Samuel L. Beiler, pastor of the Sands Street Methodist Church, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected on March 9th, 1893, vice-chancellor of the American University, under Methodist auspices, at Washington, D. C. He went to Germany in 1891 for a year's study in philosophy and comparative religion, and upon his return accepted the call to the above church. His new duties began on April 1st.

P.

The following members of the Stevens chapter are members of the Engineer's Club, of New York City :

J. E. Denton, '75 ; William Kent, '76 ; A. P. Trautwein, '76 ; J. A. Bensel, '84 ; W. L. Lyall, '84 ; E. H. Foster, '84 ; C. F. Parker, '84.

'75.—Prof. J. E. Denton is a member of the committee on locomotive tests of the American Railway Master Mechanics Association.

'84.—S. P. Bush in March was appointed superintendent of motive power of the Pottsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis R. R., the south west system of the Pennsylvania R. R. and several smaller leased lines.

'84.—William L. Lyall has been promoted from junior to full membership in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

'92.—William O. Ludlow has been elected junior member in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

T.

'88.—The marriage of Miss Louise Minor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Minor, to Mr. James Martial Lapeyre, took place at the St. Louis Cathedral, New Orleans, La., on Tuesday evening, April 4th. Archbishop Janssens officiated.

Many wax candles illuminated the very beautiful altar of the grand old church, which was tastefully decorated with potted palms, rubber plants and ferns. The sacred edifice was filled with a very large number of relatives and friends. * * * * During the signing of the names in the registry, Miss Matilde Gibert and Miss Legardeur sang a duet most charmingly, their beautiful voices filling the large church, and much impressing their listeners. After the ceremony the reception was held at the Minor residence for the relatives and near friends of the families. The handsome house presented a brilliant scene. The large, spacious drawing rooms and hallways were elaborately decorated with potted plants and shrubs, while the mantels and cabinets were banked with roses, most of which represented the good wishes of friends.

Φ.

'78.—W. A. Cullop is a member of the Indiana legislature for Knox county.

X.

'83.—A. L. Herrlinger was recently elected president of the board of education of Cincinnati, O.

'92.—W. S. Walkley is manager of the Boston University Medical School base ball team. In a game with Tufts College, April 10th, he filled the box so successfully that not a hit was made off his delivery.

B A.

'89.—C. W. Stewart of Marengo, Indiana, is teaching in the New Albany High School.

'89.—Wm. A. Millis is superintendent of the Paoli, Ind., schools.

'89.—H. J. Ratts is teaching in Morgan Co., Ind.

'90.—Alexander Kerth is a druggist in Evansville, Ind.

'90.—E. B. Oslage is deputy city clerk of Evansville, Ind.

'90.—Bob C. Rogers is a physician at Pratt, Kansas.

'91.—Edward K. Dye is principal of the schools at Bedford, Ind.

'91.—John E. Luzadder is practising medicine at Smithville, Ind.

'91.—Mark H. Shrum is doing special work in chemistry in Indiana University.

'92.—H. J. Peckinpugh and W. F. Freudenberg are partners in law at Evansville, Ind.

B Z.

'80.—James B. Curtis is a member of the Indiana state legislature for Marion county, and has served that body during the past session as speaker.

B H.

'88.—Dow Smith, for four years superintendent of construction for the West Superior Iron and Steel Company, has become superintendent of the Minneapolis end of the Twin City street railway.

Ex '88.—C. H. Webster has for some months been assistant chief engineer of the Duluth and Iron Range railroad in northern Minnesota, with headquarters at Duluth.

'90.—Fred H. Gilman, for some years connected with the *Times* of Minneapolis, has become the managing editor of the *Northwestern Lumberman* of the same city, a position requiring the very best business ability. It is needless to say that all of his friends rejoice with him in his promotion to so good a place.

B I.

W. H. Sweeney is practising law in Milwaukee, Wis.

A. B. Robbins is connected with the Central Type Foundry of St. Louis, Mo.

W. A. Falconer is studying law in Virginia.

C. L. DeMott is teaching at McGuire's school, Richmond, Va.

B K.

'86.—W. J. Thomas has ended his labors as representative and has been appointed assistant attorney general for Colorado.

'87.—C. H. Pierce, who is now practicing law at Creede, Col., paid Beta Kappa a visit in March.

'91.—Harry N. Wilson, now at McCormick Theological Seminary of Chicago, has achieved the high honor of winning the Newbury Fellowship, the largest given in the United States. The examination in the competition covered twenty-six subjects and included the work done during the four years' college course and the first year's seminary work. The fellowship secures for Mr. W. the use of the interest on \$10,000 for three years, which amounts to about \$750 a year. This is at his disposal during the second and third years of his seminary course at McCormick, and one year's post-graduate work in Europe.—*The Silver and Gold.*

B M.

'91.—W. H. Fiske has returned from Detroit to the east.

'91.—F. W. Teele has left the employ of the West End Co. of Boston, and accepted an important position with an electric company in Pittsburg, Pa.

'91.—C. S. Davis, who has been married a year and a half, writes us that he shall send his daughter to Tuft's to complete her education, since Tuft's has become a co-educational institution. Bro. Davis is employed by the Godfrey Electric Construction Co., Boston.

'91.—Rev. H. R. Rose was married April 4th to Miss Ida Jones. The nuptial knot was tied at the Rockingham Hotel, Portsmouth, N. H., and the couple made a wedding tour to Boston and Philadelphia. Bro. Rose is to settle over the Universalist Church at Auburn, Me.

B O.

'94.—Guy Webster is secretary and superintendent of the Vulcan Road Machine Co. at Charlestown, West Va.

'91.—Maurice Cauffman has gone into business as a chemist in Rochester, N. Y.

'90 Law.—Monroe M. Sweetland is practicing law in Ithaca.

B E.

'88.—Chas. O. Mass is practicing law in New York. His office is in the Mills Building, 35 Wall St., New York.

'89.—Thos. W. Vaughan is studying at Harvard College. His address is 6 Brewer St., Cambridge, Mass.

'90.—Eug. Parham is with the Edison Electric Co. at Schenectady, N. Y.

S. A. CHAPTER, W. W. W.

'61.—Hon. Wm. Handy, formerly of Canton, Miss., now resides in Birmingham, Ala. Captain Handy served in the Confederate Army with distinction. After the war was over, he returned to the university of Mississippi, and helped reorganize the Rainbow fraternity there.

T. B. Sadler of Pi chapter, afterwards an affiliate of Beta Xi chapter is with the Southern Express Co. at Memphis, Tenn.

R. A. Bettis, an old Rainbow, is with Bro. Sadler in the same office. There is a probability of both being transferred to the office of Southern Express Co. at Chattanooga.

'72.—Dr. Chas C. Stockard has removed from Columbus, Miss., to Atlanta, Ga., where he will reside in the future.

EXCHANGES.

The first magazine which our hand reaches is the excellent quarterly of *Δ KE*, for February. The first impression one receives from the really esthetic cover which it has recently adopted, is confirmed by the matter which it contains. To be sure it is a convention number, but besides the convention matter there is an excellent article on the late senator, Randall Lee Gibson, and some very sensible things in the editorials and in an open letter on "The Ceremony of Initiation." We quote from these liberally, and especially from the latter article, for it is so directly in line with our ideas as outlined in an editorial in the last number of the *RAINBOW* that we cannot refrain from presenting this admirable endorsement of our position:

"This department of chapter correspondence is the most important one in the magazine. Its interest and character depend absolutely upon the men to whom the respective chapters delegate the duties of reporting to the *Quarterly* the work of the active chapter and other matters of fraternity interest.

The editors of the *Quarterly* have no power to improve this department otherwise than by an appeal to these sub-editors or the chapters, or by a revision of the letters as they are sent in. Many of these communications are so wretchedly compiled that a proper revision would destroy the original entirely, and leave merely the facts stated in a different form. It requires no argument to understand that this destroys the charm of individuality that the letters ought to possess. We frequently find them written in a forlorn travesty of the Queen's English that reflects nothing but discredit on the writers and more than discredit on the system of education they are pursuing. More frequently, however, letters betray an evidence of haste in their composition that accounts for the errors and the general evidence of imbecility in the writers. It seems a comparatively light duty for a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon to send four times in a twelve month an account of his chapter to the *Quarterly* and to make this account clear, exhaustive and interesting, and the editors feel that they have a right to demand such an account.

The time has certainly arrived when criminal recklessness and "childish frivolity" in initiations should be forever relegated to the barbaric past. If the undergraduate has gone too far, the attack upon his methods may prove his greatest help, and the energy which previously has been dissipated in "folly," with proper direction, may redound to his best good.

The old saying that "first impressions are most lasting" applies with especial force to the initiations of college fraternities. If the ceremony is but "silly folly" the inevitable impression retained by a sensible neophyte is that he has been deluded, and at the very outset he loses that respect for his fraternity which is an essential to its life.

Honestly instituted, college initiations have heretofore consisted of two fairly distinct parts: (a) humiliation of the candidate; (b) spectacular impressiveness. The undergraduate members have in too many cases allowed the first part to dwarf the second, and largely through their love of fun have laid themselves open to criticism.

The hilarious combing down of the candidate, which has made sad and fatal accidents a possibility, had its origin in a desire to eradicate all trace of freshness which the neophyte may have possessed, and to remove, as much as possible, the "big head" which the present unfortunate system of college rushing almost invariably produces. Being boys and full of life, horse play seemed the most approved method of producing the desired effect. The excesses of boyish folly have become unenviably notorious, but of the efforts to make initiations truly impressive parents and the public know but little. True it is that "the sum total of all the so-called '*fun*' indulged in by all the fraternities since time began weighed in the balance with one death seems of no account." The hour has come when the old process of "humiliating the candidate" should be completely done away with in so far as it imperils his personal safety or true dignity.

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The escape from our dilemma, then, may be found in enlarging the second feature—spectacular impressiveness—to the complete exclusion of horse play; successful efforts have been made in certain chapters of $\Delta K E$ to accomplish this result. The chapter of which the writer was a member ($B \Phi$) has been for years enlarging its ritual, until at the present it has a beautiful and elaborate ceremony, which requires the attention of more than the active chapter to produce, and which takes at least five hours to rehearse. Properties of considerable value have been accumulated, and the entire three stories of the chapter house are employed in the ceremony. The initiation is spectacular in the extreme, but every part of it is designed to impress upon the neophyte the cardinal virtues of manhood in Delta Kappa Epsilon. No man could ever forget such a ceremony, and it can be positively asserted that when the members gather in "reunions and meetings, and dwell in fond recollection upon the results and accomplishments of the flying terms or past years," they linger longest on their initiations. Instead of seeming "a blot upon the fair escutcheon of fraternity life," initiation

seems the vivid revelation of the fraternity ideal, which is to remain the mathematical limit of their life endeavor. And this impression deepens as life rolls away, for time changes frigid facts to poetry, and as long as memory holds her dreamy sway the fleeting years cast a glamour over all the materiality of the initiatory rites and fancy builds the pure ideal."

The *Palm* of $\Delta T \Omega$ for March, like the $\Delta K E$ *Quarterly*, comes in a new dress, for Easter probably, or perhaps only because it is a "Congress number," nearly fifty pages being given up to a report of the doings and saying and singings and yellings that went on in Nashville, Tenn., in December. Among the resolutions adopted, we notice the following as of interest when we remember the frantic appeals of a former editor of the *Palm*, and his liberal premiums, and other inducements to the "faithful," to subscribe for the *Palm*.

"That each initiate shall be charged \$1.50 as his *Palm* dues for the first year, and requested to pay the same within thirty days after initiation, under pain of suspension. Further, that every active member be required to renew his subscription when due, and should he fail to do this, he shall, at the expiration of two weeks, be notified by the W. M., and should he then fail for a further period of two weeks, he shall be at once suspended from the privileges of his chapter, until he makes good the deficit; and that the editor of the *Palm* shall be furnished with a copy of the receipt of each member, which he shall transcribe into a book kept for that purpose, showing the dates on which the subscription became due."

The chapter letters for *March* are replaced by the reports of the chapters to the congress in *December*.

The April number of the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* is one of the best numbers of that excellent journal; and especially do we commend the editorials, from which we clip the following sensible paragraphs as worthy of consideration by all Deltas on the eve of the meeting of the biennial Karnea. Disregard of obligations to the general fraternity is not peculiar to any one fraternity, $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ or $\Delta T \Delta$, but is none the more excusable because some one else does it, or because the same chapter has done the same thing before, and gone on its serene way undisturbed.

"There is something irresistible about the inclination to make laws. Let a crowd of fellows get together in fraternity assembly and the first

thing they do is to propose measures, or to draw up recommendations. We litter up our fraternity constitution with amendments, and then proceed to ignore them, provided they fail to suit our fancy in their operations. The result of this eternal tinkering is to breed a disrespect and something akin to contempt for our organic law. We do not intend to convey the impression that the measures which have proceeded from our recent conventions are in any way unworthy or are not commendable and to be obeyed, but we do inveigh against the tendency of many of our chapters to ignore both these specifications as well as to disregard certain portions of our constitution which they choose to slight.

"To point these reflections, we would only indicate the slackness which characterizes the observance of financial obligations. The number of chapters which comply punctiliously in their relations with the Grand Chapter may be counted upon the fingers of one hand. The vast majority meet their obligations eventually, but only after having imposed needless work upon the financial officer of the fraternity. The effect of all this disrespect is thoroughly bad. The subjective aspect of it is the worst, for it breeds disrespect for the constitution, while it often leads to open repudiation. Fairness to one's fraternity fellows, honesty to self and honor to that organization whose laws and provisions one has sworn to uphold and obey, all insist upon more punctilious observance in these matters."

From the *Sigma Chi Quarterly* for February, we clip this paragraph from an editorial. The question of the initiation of Grover Cleveland has caused no end of comment pro and con, mostly con, and this official statement of the way in which the fraternity has condoned the "misapprehension [?] of our law against honorary membership," is charmingly naive.

"This initiation is a strong evidence of the popularity of Mr. Cleveland among college men; for it was consummated in the face of the fact that in 1882, the Sigma Chi fraternity abolished honorary membership, and had rigorously enforced its constitution on this subject ever since. The sentiment of the Sigma Chi fraternity, like that of almost all other fraternities, is opposed to honorary membership. And yet, when one of our chapters, in a misinterpretation of our law against honorary membership, invited Mr. Cleveland to join, his personal popularity throughout the entire fraternity was so great that special legislation was finally passed so as to authorize his initiation. There never has been the slightest objection to Mr. Cleveland's initiation on personal or political grounds, and therefore, since the question of fraternity policy in this instance was settled in favor of such initiation at a special Grand Chapter held in New York City, January 24, the warm regard for Mr. Cleveland throughout the entire fraternity, now gladly asserts itself in this public manner. Mr. Cleveland will stand as *the* honorary member of Sigma Chi in recent years, and the only one for the

future, a distinction in our order which we believe that no other man in the United States could have secured."

In the same connection, we submit a bit of clever paralleling from the "Pot-pourri" of the February *Scroll* of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, under the heading, "A Plain Case of Cribbing."

ORIGINAL.

"Society and Scientific circles are very much wrought up over the outcome of the convention called to decide the question whether or not the dog wags the tail or the tail wags the dog. The decision will be of far reaching importance, forever settling the question which is the stronger, the tail or the dog, and determining the principle upon which wagging shall hereafter be done.

LATER.—It has been learned that the decision was that the tail wags the dog."

SIGMA CHI'S VERSION.

"College fraternity men all over the United States are watching the outcome of a special convention, to decide whether or not President Cleveland shall be made an honorary member of Sigma Chi. The principle involved and the decision reached will have a distinct bearing upon the whole fraternity world with its many thousands of college graduates. * * * The more thoughtful members of Sigma Chi point out this initiation cannot take place without wrenching the very foundations of the organization.

SPECIAL, Jan. 27. — Pres't-elect Cleveland has been made an honorary member of the Sigma Chi fraternity."

From the April *Scroll* we clip the funeral notice of the much mooted scheme of a World's Fair exhibit of college fraternities.

VALE! WORLD'S FAIR FRATERNITY EXHIBIT—At a special meeting of the College Fraternities Exhibit Committee, held at Administration Building, Jackson Park, April 1st, 1893, at which six fraternities were represented, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved. That the College Fraternities' Exhibit Committee hereby decides that, for various reasons, an exhibit by the college fraternities at the World's Columbian Exposition is not at this time feasible, the chief reasons being that the space was not allotted until the time remaining was too short to make a characteristic exhibit and the consequent inexpediency of collecting exhibits while this important matter was undetermined, as well as the difficulties placed in the way by the exposition management of carrying out the decorative design, after it had been selected by the com-

mittee and approved by said management, and that the committee therefore surrender the space allotted to it.

RICHARD LEE FEARN, *Chairman.*

MABELLE T. LITTLE, *Secretary.*"

Like the proposal for a Pan-Hellenic congress some years ago, this scheme for a World's Fair exhibit has furnished an inexhaustible fund from which editors of fraternity journals have drawn without stint. Unlimited quantities of sentiment have been lavished on the idea, and infinite appeals have been made. The committee has bravely done its best despite opposition from the first, on the part of some of the oldest fraternities, to make the scheme succeed, but has been compelled to give up. Delta Tau Delta was represented at the first meeting but when the matter came up before the meeting of the Arch Chapter, in November, it was decided to withdraw quietly from all participation in the exhibit, for various reasons that seemed fully sufficient to that body.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi for March came like a thunder clap on a clear day, with its account of the disloyalty of its Wisconsin Alpha, an occurrence to which we have already elsewhere referred. The April *Shield* contains a rumble of the same storm. It is best to let these parties speak for themselves, and then there will be no charge of misrepresentation. Hear the impudent young upstarts of Wisconsin *A* of $\Phi K \Psi$:

This certifies that (the members) of the Alpha Chapter of the state of Wisconsin of the $\Phi K \Psi$ fraternity have been honorably dismissed from the fraternity. Their reasons, as set forth in their resignations, are as follows: A feeling of discontent with the fraternity having sprung up renders their future connection with the fraternity uncongenial and unprofitable.

We do therefore caution all true and faithful brothers throughout the fraternity to hold no communication with said brothers whatsoever upon Phi Kappa Psi topics, or further to recognize them as members or as having been members of the fraternity.

C. H. DOYON.

HENRY VILAS.

These two, the Wisconsin A, sent their resignation to the Executive Council:

Before this resignation reaches you we will have taken such steps as to render any overtures on your part seeking reconsideration unavailable.

Hear George Smart, secretary of the Executive Council of $\Phi K \Psi$:

But the facts stare us in the face. A band of men whom we called brothers, men who in the presence of God, and the assembled brothers had solemnly sworn to be true to every brother and to *the fraternity at large*, and promote our common cause by every honorable means, have proved themselves a band of traitors. They have turned their backs on us, and why? They say that they are so dissatisfied with the fraternity that future connection with it would be uncongenial and unprofitable. * * * It is not difficult to understand what caused the dissatisfaction. The causes were two; lack of love for the fraternity and swelled heads.

Hear also the editor of the *Shield* in the April number:

It appears that the famous "resignation" act was accomplished without the consent of two of the "resigners;" in fact, they were out of the city and in blissful ignorance that they had "resigned" at all until hastily summoned home to be inducted into the mysteries of *P K T*. It is further asserted that one of the best men in the chapter * * protested vehemently against the action of the chapter, but by persuasion of some sort was reconciled to the famous "resignation" in which he did not participate.

Hear the *College Fraternity* speaking in one sense *ex cathedra*:

We had thought all such chapters in Greek-letter fraternity history belonged to a period which had come to a close long ago. Even the startling intelligence of the dishonorable withdrawal of Phi Delta Theta's chapter at the University of Minnesota a few years ago seemed like the last struggles of the evil genius, and the unanimous condemnation of that action by the fraternity press gave an assurance that not again would fraternity annals be compelled to record such a shameful action. Such a betrayal of trust and proof of misplaced confidence is a blow to all self-respecting men.

And a little further on in the same April number (which by the way has an excellent and excellently illustrated article on fraternities at Cornell) is this note concerning the coming *PT* convention at Hanover, N. H.:

At the business meetings applications for charters for the establishment of new chapters of the fraternity will be received from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, at Boston; Dickinson College, at Carlisle, Pa., and the University of Wisconsin, at Madison.

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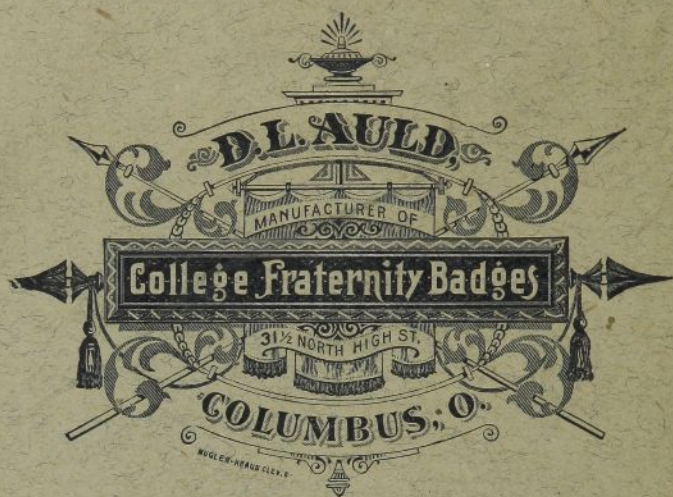


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