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THE CINCINNATI ALUMNI CHAPTER.

Possibly for the first time since its adoption the good old, or rather new, yell of Delta Tau Delta was heard in Cincinnati, Monday evening, December 30, 1895. It was the first annual banquet of the Alumni Chapter of Cincinnati, and from it the real, successful existence of the chapter will always date. Cincinnati has been sadly neglected by Delta Tau for years. There was possibly an excuse for this in the fact that no active undergraduate chapter has existed within a wide radius of the Queen City; but there are and always have been a large number of Deltas here, and they have been prominent in the interests of the city in more ways than one. It was for the want of a leader more than anything else that no organization has existed before this. It was therefore a good thing for Delta Tau, and Cincinnati Deltas especially, when Brother Charles L. Edwards was called to a professorship in the University of Cincinnati. It is due to his efforts more than to those of any other that the good old fraternity will be heard of and will have its influence in this section of the state of

Ohio. He called the stragglers together, and then, aided by the Deltas that he secured, he began the work of forming an Alumni Chapter.

The organization perfected promises to be a strong one. This was evidenced at the meeting in question, at which Brother Miner T. Hines was present, adding the enthusiasm that he is noted for bringing to any gathering of members of the fraternity, whether actives or alumni. The banquet was held at the St. Nicholas, and was everything that could have been wished. The different chapters were represented in goodly numbers from the southernmost to the farthest north. The charter of the new chapter was displayed with a great deal of pride, which is warranted too, when it is taken into account that there have always been in this city scores of Deltas that lacked but some hand to take the matter up and bring them together in organization. This has now been done. There is no longer any excuse for Delta Tau Delta remaining in the background in the city of Cincinnati, in spite of the fact that there is no undergraduate chapter in the University of Cincinnati. There are, however, in this institution that is fast becoming one of the greatest seats of learning in the state, a number of Deltas who are holding up with distinguished success the reputation that has always attached to the name of Delta Tau. This fact and the growth of the University of Cincinnati make it all the more advantageous that a chapter of the Alumni has been organized here. The university has recently entered its magnificent buildings in Burnet Woods Park, and with the advancement of the school there has been the attendant advancement of fraternity spirit and fraternity talk. It is therefore hoped that the Alumni Chapter of Cincinnati will be enabled to take a place in the local fraternity world that will compensate in a measure for the absence of an active chapter in the school. This was the spirit manifested at the gathering the other evening; and you may safely rely on a crowd of determined Delts to ac-

comply anything in the fraternity line that they set themselves to bring about.

At the banquet Brother Charles L. Edwards was Toastmaster. The programme of toasts was as follows :

"Delta Tau Delta and College Days," Rev. Frank W. Bope.

"The Arch Chapter," Miner T. Hines.

"Deltas in Law," A. L. Herrlinger.

"Early Days at Old Bethany" W. M. Tugman.

"The Ladies," J. T. Monfort.

"Deltas Looking for a Job," T. O. Youtsey.

"The Press," W. A. Draper.

Following the set programme came a discussion of all sorts of questions that are of especial interest to fraternity men and Deltas. There was a rubbing up of old rusty memories that were found to be just as bright after the shining process as the day after the boys all left college, vowing that each commencement should see them back. It was a regular Delt love feast before it was through, with Delt songs and the ringing yell recently adopted, that most of the boys had to learn. But learned, it was worth coming miles to hear the vim with which it was given. Everything that goes with a genuine Delt gathering was indulged in, winding up with a "walk-around" and a departure for home at an hour that added all the realism of returning from a true fraternity gathering of active college life.

Here is a list of those who constitute the chapter, nearly all of whom were in attendance at the first annual banquet of the Alumni Chapter of Cincinnati :

Professor C. L. Edwards.

L. W. Anderson.

Rev. F. W. Bope.

A. L. Herrlinger.

A. C. Isham.

G. W. Dickmeier.

Wright Youtsey.

C. Pumphrey.

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Dr. Wm. H. Bell.

C. H. Alden.
F. W. Alden.
Dwight Harrison.
J. G. R. Wright.
E. J. Frank.
Geo. A. Turrell.
C. A. Austin.
J. Hamilton.

W. A. DRAPER.

BOSTON, '96.—AN INVITATION.

During the past year Boston has been the Mecca for thousands of people, and visions of the crowds of Christian Endeavorers, Christian Unioners and Knights Templar will long fill the minds of her people. But she has not become weary of entertaining; rather has the experience she gained during the past year only made her the better able to entertain, and with the ability increases also the desire.

So with eagerness do we call your attention the fact that Boston is waiting with open hands and hearts to receive the Eastern Conference of Delta Tau Delta on Feb. 21-22, 1896.

At this early date full particulars cannot be given; each chapter concerned will receive announcements in due time. Even now, however, we are permitted to say that Beta Mu, Beta Nu and the Boston Alumni intend to make the Conference so attractive that you will all want to come, and so successful that you will be glad you did not stay away.

On Friday evening, February 21, Beta Mu, in the name of the Boston Delts, will give a reception and dance at Tufts College, a few miles from Boston and easily reached. The boys intend to do their best to make you all happy on that evening, and as Tufts has plenty of "girls," and all other accessories necessary are close at hand, we see no reason why you should be disappointed.

All delegates and all others who will attend are urged to make such arrangements that they can be present. Nor do we have any desire to exclude any Delta, active or alumnus, whether he be of the Eastern Division or not. You will find us warm-hearted, devoted Deltas.

Saturday the Conference will be held at Young's Hotel, a well-known hostelry, which will be the headquarters for this Conference. There Beta Nu on both Friday and Saturday will receive incoming guests.

On Sunday you may listen to some of the best preachers in the country, or, if you choose, Boston's far-famed, Puritanic severity is so relaxed that she will allow you to visit many of her historical spots, to the names and the peculiar associations of which we need not call the attention of college men.

The actives and the alumni in and around Boston wish to make this a noteworthy event in Delta Tau Delta annals, but only with your assistance can this be done.

We *are* at a considerable distance from most of you, and it will cost you some time and money, but we promise that you will be amply repaid. Surely there is no need of repeating that time-worn, but time-honored saying, "In union there is strength," but you must remember that there can be no true union without more or less of intimacy, and in a brotherhood which depends for its very life and breath on close friendship you must see the necessity of seizing every opportunity to meet your brethren of Delta Tau Delta.

Then come to Boston on Feb. 21, 1896.

H. E. BENTON, B. M. '94,
For the Committee on Arrangements.

A LETTER TO A NEW INITIATE.

DEAR CHUCK:—

Some time ago I received a letter from Ed. Reese full of gossip, giving me, among other things, an account of your initiation. It does not seem possible that you who were a small boy when I left Evanston should now be a college man, and, better still, a Delta. Opinions differ as to the proper style of initiation, but I trust yours was sufficiently impressive; for if the adage regarding first impressions holds good, it is of the utmost importance that they be of the right sort.

I think on account of my acquaintance with your family, and the brotherly interest I have taken in you all these years, I may be pardoned if I send you a few first words. I do not intend to write about matters of mere detail; for fraternity life differs so in different institutions that there can be no description that would be everywhere true, so I want simply to give you a few principles that may help to start you aright. You are now a member of the Fraternity, through your chapter possessing the same rights and bound to the same duties as is every other member. In your senior year you will have the whole philosophy of rights and duties ground into you. You have all the rights and privileges that the intimate association with a dozen chosen companions affords, and you are in duty bound to exercise them. By so doing you will grow in many ways. I have known men who seemed to get more real good and develop more traits of true manhood in their fraternity life than they did in their college life. It is the performance of your duties towards your brothers in college and to the Fraternity at large that should arouse your heartiest zeal. You

cannot be too enthusiastic if your enthusiasm is properly directed. Give me ten men with too much enthusiasm rather than one with too little. To maintain real live chapters requires work and vigilance. The competition in our commerical dealings is no more intense than is that of some of our Fraternities. So let me urge you to enter the work heartily, and I assure you you will not go unrewarded.

To use Bellamy's illustration, too many think the rite of initiation consists of receiving a perpetual pass for a seat upon the coach, while the older members pull at the neap; and when they are exhausted the coach stops. No one is left to do the work. The charter is surrendered. But it should not be so. You have simply been made an heir to an inheritance which you are in honor bound to nurture, and in a few years turn over to your successors increased and enriched. By so doing you win the love of your chapter, who knew you so well, and the gratitude of the Fraternity. Do not think from what I have written that fraternity life is all work. By no means. Its pleasures more than recompense you. The men working you in all probability unfolded to you the bright side. They generally paint it in the most vivid colors. I used to myself. I want to impress on you if I can, that, instead of being a hollow show, true fraternity is a reality in which you are to give as well as receive benefits that will serve you all your life.

Perhaps I have said too much already. Let me hear from you often, keeping me informed of the drift of affairs.

Fraternally,

SHERMAN ARTER.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 5, 1895.

EDITORIAL.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

The gratitude of the Editor is due to Dr. J. E. Brown of the Phi Delta Theta *Scroll*, and to Mr. H. C. Burger of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record*, for valuable aid in procuring a correct and complete list of exchanges. It is also right that we mention gratefully the promptness and courtesy of Brothers R. L. Messimer, H. O. Andrew, R. E. Healey and W. A. Grier, secretaries of our chapters at Stevens, University of Colorado, Tufts, and Kenyon. If all of our secretaries were as ready and willing as these four, THE RAINBOW would appear exactly on time and would prove no burden to its management.

ALVAN E. DUERR.

It will cause the Fraternity deep regret to hear that our efficient secretary has resigned. His professional duties are such that he has felt forced to relieve himself of his outside work. His fellow-members of the Arch Chapter pleaded as strongly as was courteous that he should continue his work, and suggested some measures of relief. But all were compelled to honor his standpoint, and the resignation was accepted after a delay which yet was by no means equal to the reluctance felt. His position will soon be filled; and we may hope that

the secretary, whom the Arch Chapter may select will prove as competent as has Brother Duerr.

The Editor of THE RAINBOW would have been glad to give extensive notice to our retiring secretary's work; but our modest brother objects, says that he expects to do more for the Fraternity, and that he is "not ready for an obituary." Obedient to his urgent modesty, we will only say that as a member of Chi, as the founder of Sigma, as a participant in the solution of several vexing problems, and as general secretary of the Fraternity, Brother Duerr has won the confidence and gratitude of our entire membership. We fear that he will think we have not regarded his request to let his resignation pass "without notice"; so we will only add to the above the prosaic announcement that Alvan E. Duerr will continue as Business Manager of THE RAINBOW.

OUR CORNELL CHAPTER.

The Fraternity will rejoice with Beta Omicron of Cornell University. Several years ago her men with great care and foresight began plans for a chapter house. These plans have been followed with patient persistence. Ground has recently been broken for the new building, and in the spring, or at latest in the fall, our boys of Beta Omicron will be residing in their own home. The chapter is to be congratulated on the plucky and business-like way in which she has pushed the scheme. Though one of our youngest chapters, she has been earnest and progressive; and now the entire Fraternity has pride in her success.

A WORD ABOUT EXPENSES.

Beta Omicron's enterprise suggests, only by contrast, we trust, a warning about expenses. The thoughtful reader could not have failed to observe these items in the *Phi Kappa Psi Shield* for October: "Zeta Psi has lost its house at Cornell," "Psi Upsilon has lost its house at the University of Minnesota," "The Sigma Phi house in Ann Arbor was closed by the sheriff during the summer vacation." The Beta Theta Pi correspondent from Beloit also writes: "Phi Kappa Psi's have a large chapter-house debt which has been hanging over them for some time, and causes them considerable embarrassment." For the truth of these items, one of which is specially humiliating, we cannot, of course, vouch. But at any rate all fraternities have had some unpleasant experiences at the point of maintaining chapter houses. Two others of our chapters have entered upon a plan to gain a home, and yet others are considering the subject earnestly. To all such we say: Move carefully. Do not be frightened by the largeness of the undertaking; at the same time do not minify the difficulties. All house-builders and house-holders will testify that the expenses of gaining and running houses are prone to be underestimated rather than overestimated. Let every Delta house be builded on a rock; otherwise wind, storm and tempest will tear it down. •

THE ELEMENT OF CHANGE.

It is a matter of frequent editorial notice in various magazines that the fraternities represented have been the subject of wide and rapid changes. It is usually set forth, with truth as well as pride, that these changes have been toward progress. Delta Tau Delta has had the experience of her sister societies,

and the last decade has proved with her a busy transformer. We have subtracted, added, and multiplied. The Editor is still a young alumnus; yet within the time of his connection with the Fraternity, changes have come gradually which, had they come suddenly, would have been termed revolutionary. These changes have affected ritual, constitution, and chapter membership. A comparison of the chapter roll of 1885 with that of 1895 is well nigh startling. Eleven colleges have been dropped: Columbia, Lombard, Lafayette, Iowa State College, Bethany, Buchtel, Hanover, Boston University, Simpson, and Wooster are no longer in our chapter directory. It is not now to the point to assign causes. Some of the chapters struggled severely or feebly, and then died a natural death; others, for good reasons, returned their charters at the official suggestion; and yet others perished according to our heroic principle of subtraction.

But the changes in the way of addition are even more significant. The roll of 1895 shows seventeen colleges not included in the list at the time of our joining: Vanderbilt, University of Mississippi, University of Virginia, Tulane, University of Wisconsin, Northwestern, Leland Stanford, University of Nebraska, University of Illinois, Indiana University, Ohio State, Wabash, Williams, Tufts, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lehigh, and Cornell are the schools added in less than eleven years. Such sweeping changes suggest some problems which the Fraternity should have the wisdom to ponder.

OUR CHAPTERLESS BROTHERS.

One of these problems relates to our treatment of the many Deltas who now have no chapter home. Hundreds of our alumni are as men who have been compelled to surrender

their own firesides, and who, if they keep up family ties at all, must stir memory and enthusiasm by occasional visitings to the hearth stones of their brothers. It is nothing short of pathos to call to mind that such Deltas as Hunt, Lowe, and Tarr from among our founders, and Gallaher, Serfass, Hyre, Krichbaum, Edwards, Hainer, Storer, and many others of like qualities, would be greeted by no actives if they should return to the colleges from which they graduated. It will be the result either of their worthy loyalty or of the general fraternity's winning hospitality, if our chapterless brothers do not become practically dead to the order. But so far a most commendable spirit has been shown. It was seen in the conduct of our Boston University chapter, not one of whose members ever joined any other fraternity; it was read in the loyal letter which the Hanover men sent in with their charter; and it is now exhibited in the enthusiastic interest of a hundred alumni who, though being as citizens without a state and yet with a nation, as brothers without a home and yet in a family, stand true to the Delta cause. We urge our members everywhere to make our chapterless brothers feel that they have a large and welcome place in the Fraternity.

OUR NEW CHAPTERS.

And the second of these problems has to do with the new chapters which must as speedily as possible be strongly bound to our ways and work. It was a matter of regret and discouragement to the Editor that some of our most recent additions failed to represent themselves in the last number of *THE RAINBOW*. Of the six chapters most recently chartered, four did not respond to the request for a chapter letter. Beta Pi at Northwestern was silent; both of our lusty twins, Beta Upsilon of Illinois and Beta Tau of Nebraska, omitted to send any word as to their

condition and outlook; and Beta Psi, of Wabash, would have had no message in the journal had not the Editor taken freedom to transform and print a note to our Fraternity's president. Thus only one-third of our most recently added chapters informed our readers as to their workings. Had the older chapters shown a proportionate disregard, the last issue of THE RAINBOW would have contained only a dozen letters. Some of our chapters in their laudable desire to be represented in these pages sent their letters to President Babcock, inasmuch as they knew not the name and address of the present Editor. It is to be hoped that all our new chapters will catch the commendable anxiety. To our newly initiated brethren we therefore say: Fall eagerly into line and keep true step with us in our forward march.

THE INITIATION OF PROFESSIONAL STUDENTS.

In November, 1889, the Arch Chapter passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Arch Chapter looks with disapproval upon the initiation of men directly from the professional schools, *i.e.*, Law, Medicine, Theology, etc., and most emphatically discourages the initiation of all such professional students."

It may be well to push this strong motion before the fraternity again. We commend it to those chapters that are accustomed or tempted to initiate men from the professional departments. Although the motion has not the force of a rule, our thoughtful members will give it due heed. A few years ago the editor visited a university in which no fraternity ever initiated the professional students, and the members of our own chapter most lustily declared that the privilege of membership should in no case be extended to those outside the collegiate department. But it is noticeable that that chapter

now frequently reports the initiation of law and medical matriculants; while one of its strongest rivals recently stated in its chapter letter that it had just initiated——, “one of the strongest men in school,” and adds the edifying information, “He is taking a dental course.” The dental course of the university named formerly consisted, and doubtless now consists, of two school years of six months each.

It may be that in very rare cases the initiation of men from the professional courses is justified. But the college fraternity idea has always meant the organization of men with the regular, symmetrical, liberal education of the prescribed course. The idea should not be so urged as to forbid the affiliation of men initiated elsewhere, who enter the special departments; nor yet should it keep the Greek-letter societies from entering schools with a technical name, but a broad curriculum. Of the latter prudishness Psi Upsilon gives us an example, when it explains its refusal to enter the Massachusetts Institute of Technology by saying, “When it comes to tacking the word ‘Institute’ to our roll of universities and colleges, we really can’t, you know. Not yet.” While, therefore, the regular college fraternity idea will not drive organizations to either of the above-named mistakes, it will, *as an almost invariable rule*, forbid the initiation of merely professional students. We urge all our university chapters to consider and regard the emphatic motion which heads and suggests this editorial.

THE GREEKS AT ATLANTA.

We have tried to get a full and unprejudiced account of Fraternity Day at the Atlanta Exposition. Letters of inquiry to several of our Georgia and Southern Deltas received no response. We are therefore left to form our impressions from

the account given in the Atlanta Constitution, a copy of which was sent to us by the courtesy of Mr. Frank B. Ebbert of the Gate City. So far as we are able to ascertain, many of the fraternities were not represented at all,—at least by nothing more than a silent presence. Only two fraternities were represented by speakers,—a poor policy, certainly, for a gathering which calls itself Pan-Hellenic. The committee having the matter of arrangement in charge should have seen to it that as many organizations as possible should have had active participation in the day's doings. It needs to be said that the addresses breathed a high tone. Vice-President Cabaniss of the Exposition, Dr. I. S. Hopkins of the Georgia School of Technology, and Judge Howard Van Epps used florid and elegant phrases, and caused much enthusiasm. They spoke to an audience of three hundred, according to the paper's report,—an audience marked by stirring yells, gaudy colors, and vociferous songs.

We had hoped for much from the Greek day at Atlanta, and were ready to be thoroughly sympathetic toward the gathering. We confess to a large disappointment as to the outcome. There is need of more inter-fraternity spirit, and all our fraternities should come to recognize their common aim and to give frank comity to each other. Doubtless the day's proceedings at Atlanta helped somewhat the Pan-Hellenic feeling; but we fear that it did not have the signal influence which it might just as well have exerted. An opportunity such as was offered by the management of the Atlanta Exposition ought to have been used in a broad and effective way.

It appears that the gathering took it upon itself to organize the American Pan-Hellenic Association. Mr. John Young Garlington was elected president. Just who Mr. Garlington is we do not know. He seems to have been elected with enthusiastic unanimity. It is true, of course, that such an organization must be suggested unofficially; but it would seem to have been proper that before organization was effected the dif-

ferent Greek-letter societies should have received official notification. Such notification came to none of our own officials. Editor Clay W. Holmes, of Theta Delta Chi, was appointed a member of the committee on Constitution. He states, however, in the December *Shield* that "Theta Delta Chi received no invitation to be present." We feel sure that Greeks in general will not stand on formalities and will gladly enter into any association that promises wider fellowship; we are equally sure that they will insist upon fair notice and representation. As to the future of the American Pan-Hellenic Association we have some doubt. There is a field for an organization with its object, and the spirit of inter-fraternity comity which shows itself in all our Greek journals waits to welcome an organized Pan-Hellenism.

FROM THE CHAPTERS.

ALPHA — ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The winter term opened on the second of January, with several new students. Among this number are two or three who, we believe, are of the proper type for Deltas, and we hope to be able to introduce them as such before long.

Our working forces are considerably crippled this term by the loss of Brothers Johnson, Foster, and Tate, who have not returned.

Brother Abner R. Neff of Erie, Pa., has returned to us after an absence from college.

Alpha is steadily regaining her old popularity on the hill. Of the six men by whom we are represented in the battalion three are officers. Brother Chamberlain is cadet major, Brother Harper a sergeant, and Brother Knapp a corporal. Brothers Johnson and Foster were both sergeants last term.

Brother Herman Chamberlain has been elected essayist in the inter-society contests.

We were favored during last term by visits from several alumni, who took great interest in the present prosperous outlook of the chapter.

GEO. O. RELF.

BETA — OHIO UNIVERSITY.

That Beta Chapter was not represented in the November issue must not be taken as a sign of inactivity. Indeed, she has been quite active.

When we began work last fall, we had five active members and Brother Bright, '95, doing post-graduate work. Brothers H. Claude Dieterich and Chas. Millan were immediately introduced to the mysteries of Delta Tau Delta. Later we took Brothers J. E. Chute, Milton Miller, and Walter J. Risley, whom we present to the fraternity at large, besides the two above mentioned.

During the fall term we gave two banquets which added much to the enjoyment and enthusiasm of Delta Tau Delta.

Our hall now presents quite a home-like appearance. In addition to a thorough refitting, we are the recipient, from the lady friends of the members, of several handsome presents which add to the effect and comfort.

Brother Geo. C. Dieterich, '98, is superintendent of a township high school in Pike County. Brother Rey Lash, '98, is assistant postmaster at this place.

We have a large share of the officers of all the different organizations.

Everything about the college has a brighter appearance. The attendance is larger this term than at any prior corresponding term. A new building is expected in the spring. More attention is paid to athletics than ever before.

GEO. W. BROWN.

GAMMA — WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since we last wrote for THE RAINBOW, we have entered upon another college term, and have, of course, again taken up our work as a fraternity. The fall term closed December eighteenth, and from all reports Gamma's boys enjoyed their two weeks' vacation to the utmost. All the boys are now back and ready for the hard work outlined for us this term, except Brother Thompson, our last initiate, who is confined at home by illness. His ailment, we understand, is not serious, and we are anticipating his early return.

The report of the work accomplished by the boys also reveals the fact that we stand high in scholarship and general ability. It

has always been the policy of our chapter to look to the intellectual side of a man, and we have never had reason to regret our course. In all work pertaining to our college course, Gamma's representatives are generally near the top.

Since our last communication we have not initiated any men, but have pledged Mr. Charles E. Crothers, in whom we have found an excellent man.

We might have had many names to report, but, as has been frequently said, we esteem the fair name of our fraternity too highly to act rashly.

We were much favored in being privileged to entertain Brothers Barber, Williams, and Southworth of Chi, on the occasion of the foot-ball game with Kenyon last fall. We were delighted to have these brothers with us, and we still bear very pleasant recollections of their visit. We also exchanged pictures with them, so we can see their chapter frequently. We would be pleased to entertain any of this chapter again, or of any chapter that might happen in our midst.

In literary and social lines we are still forging to the front, and we see no reason for Delta Tau being set back for any of her rivals.

The glee club closed a successful tour recently, and Brother McCurdy, our representative, especially distinguished himself.

JESSE P. MARTIN.

EPSILON — ALBION COLLEGE.

Epsilon begs once more to greet her sister chapters through the pages of THE RAINBOW. She is still holding her own at Albion, and striving to do her part for Delta Tau Delta.

Of our last year's chapter of fourteen, only five have returned. Five were graduated, one is travelling in Europe and three are not in school.

We initiated two men during the fall term, and beg to introduce to you Brother Ernest L. Ohle, '99, of Petoskey, Mich., and Brother

C. B. Tuthill, '98, of Belhorne, Mich., Mr. Tuthill has within a week gone to enter a naval architectural school in New York city, to remain three years. His loss is lamented, but we congratulate him that he has the opportunity to perfect himself in higher mathematics, in which he is exceptionally brilliant.

During the summer and fall the wedding bells have pealed in honor of our Brothers Valentine, '95, and Cushman, '95, who are now successfully launched in professional and business life, and to whom we extend our heartiest congratulations and good wishes.

Thus far, six of the "boys of old" have called upon us, Brothers Estes ex-'94, Potter '95, Scranton '89, Warren '91, Edmunds ex-'97, and Brown ex-'97, recalling the chapter days gone by and leaving encouragement and many good ideas for the future.

Following a precedent established fully eighteen years ago, Epsilon's "Annual Thanksgiving Banquet" was given at the Albion House, this city, on Nov. 26th last. Eight brothers and their ladies were present, and did full justice to the viands prepared by landlord Mitchell, and the intellectual feast which followed.

We regret that at this writing Brother R. C. P. Smith is ill at Detroit, and unable as yet to return to school, but we hope to see him ere long.

We have just initiated Carl Yapple, '99, of Murdon, Mich. Our number of actives (seven) is small, but all are enthusiastic for Epsilon and Delta Tau, and I hope to have the pleasure to introduce some other new men at my next writing.

W. G. McCUNE.

ZETA — ADELBERT COLLEGE.

We have had no initiations since the last issue of THE RAINBOW. With six actives and a loyal band of alumni members, we find fraternity life both pleasant and profitable. We hold regular meetings twice a month for the transaction of business and the discussion of topics of interest.

Never before were Adelbert's prospects so bright as now. The present freshman class numbers an even fifty—the largest class in the history of the college. It is worthy of remark that the freshman editorship of the *Adelbert* was captured by a Delta, Brother Jenkins. The literary editorship of the same paper is held by the writer, who also has charge of the literary department of the annual. Brother Tanner was editor-in-chief of the '96 annual.

The Hatch Library building, begun last summer, will be ready for occupancy by Easter. It is a fine stone structure, and the cost will be about \$25,000.

Our record in foot-ball this season was one of which we had no reason to be ashamed. For the first time in our history we lined up against teams outside of the state, and in the games against Cornell, Chicago, and Pennsylvania state, acquitted ourselves with honor. A single defeat in the state, and that from an unexpected source, lost us the championship. The position of left guard on the 'varsity team is held by Brother Clisby. Gymnasium work is now being carried on with considerable enthusiasm under a new and competent instructor. Basket ball is receiving considerable attention.

Adelbert will send a representative to Columbus, Jan. 22, to take part in an oratorical contest under the auspices of the Anti-Saloon League.

At the close of last year, Brother Hurlebaus received a language prize of twenty dollars, and Brother Tanner, besides being one of two equal sharers of a hundred and twenty dollar English Scholarship, was honored by election to Phi Beta Kappa.

F. M. Wood.

KAPPA — HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

The winter term finds all the fraternities at Hillsdale strong and prosperous. The new college catalogues are just out; they show the attendance to be the same as last year. Professor Tibbetts of the Latin department has been granted a year's leave of absence to attend the University of Chicago.

Kappa is in the same condition numerically as last term. Our actives number eight. This will soon be increased by another initiate, and by Brother F. R. Miller, who has been out of college this year on account of the fatal sickness of his father, but will soon return and graduate with '96.

One of the pleasant occasions of the fall term was the informal dinner given, November 30th, by the active and pledged members of Kappa to their lady friends at the home of Brother W. W. Wood. Sixteen couples sat down to the three artistically decorated tables, which were covered with viands prepared and served in genuine Delt style.

At a recent meeting of the faculty Brothers Newcomer and Parmeter were appointed tutors in mathematics; this gives us five "Tutes" in college at present.

We have already appointed our committee, with Brother Wood as chairman, to make arrangements for the Convention of the Northern Division, which will be held with our chapter some time in May. And we hope that many will make it in their way to attend.

PAUL W. CHASE.

MU—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The winter term of our college year moves off very pleasantly. After our holiday vacation we are glad to get back "into the swim" of college life. Quite a number of new students have found their way to our school this term; we are rejoicing at the signs of prosperity that we see in our university. At present there is a strong movement on foot to establish the "College Honor" system, and we are confident of its success.

Mu has nothing of special note to report. Our chapter goes along in about "the same old way," not making a great noise, but "getting there just the same." We believe that we are maintaining the high standard for which Mu has always been noted and we feel that we have done so not without profit. Though our number is not large, it being eight actives, the chapter is in prosperous condition and, we believe, commands the respect of the entire school.

We mean to continue to "hold up the standard" regardless of numerical condition, though others may continue to boast of their numbers. We are willing to die, but not to surrender; and while we hold this principle we have no fear of immediate death. We extend greetings to all chapters of Deltaism, and wish for them, as for ourselves, the highest honorable success.

W. C. GEYER.

PI — UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

We are back again after the holidays, all of us but Brother Williams of Crawford, Miss. We feel keenly the sudden transition from the pleasures of the Christmas vacation to the hard work of the examination period, now just beginning. We hope we have begun the New Year with many good resolutions to push our cause and to continue faithful in all our duties to the chapter and the Fraternity at large.

We have received the minutes of the last Karnea, and we gladly note the signs of progress and the indications of vigorous administration which its pages contain. The work on the pocket edition of the catalogue will be of great value to Chapter Pi, as none of her numerous alumni were put down in the last catalogue which was issued just before the consolidation of W. W. W. and Delta Tau Delta.

It may be of interest for me to write something about general fraternity matters in the University of Mississippi. The other fraternities having chapters here are Delta Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, and a local organization among our young lady students, known as Sigma Tau. Kappa Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha each have a single representative, but are not organized. Delta Psi is the only one of the fraternities that has a chapter house. Delta Psi and Delta Kappa Epsilon both have over thirty members, and Delta Tau Delta and Phi Delta Theta come next in point of members, with sixteen each.

The organization of the Sigma Tau sorority brings to mind the fact that the university was intimately associated with the organization of Alpha Beta Tau and Delta Gamma. Unfortunately, however, the two now have no chapters here. Indeed, our university is a historic spot to the fraternity world, being also the birth-place of the Rainbow and Mystic Seven fraternities.

The foot-ball season closed with our game with Tulane on Thanksgiving day. We had with us as "coach" Mr. H. S. Fairbanks of Bowdoin College, and if we could have put a representative team in the field our record would have fully come up to that of last year. Brothers Scales, Duke, and Tipton played on the team, though Brothers Duke and Tipton could not be in every game. They, with others of the old team, were unable to play, and the game with Tulane was played with six new men.

There is a movement on foot looking to the establishment of a medical department in connection with the university, the practical work to be done in Vicksburg, Miss., where advantage can be taken of the hospital facilities.

Chapter Pi extends New Year greetings to all her sister chapters, and wishes them unexampled prosperity.

JNO. G. DUKE.

RHO — STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

The new year finds Rho in the same prosperous condition she has been in the past. Examinations have come and gone, but have not affected us.

We have fifteen active members in the chapter, but only seven of them live in the house, as the majority reside in New York city or the suburban towns of New Jersey. However, we meet once a day, as every one takes lunch at the house, and at that time we have a chance to talk over matters in which we are all interested.

Rho has her share of so-called "College Honors," being represented in musical clubs, athletic association, classes, etc., but we do not boast of them, as college politics here are not the cleanest.

We have had a great many pleasant visits from Delts this year, and we certainly hope to have many more in the near future.

ROBERT L. MESSIMER.

SIGMA — WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

We are again settled down to the usual routine of college life after the Christmas vacation, and are enjoying our very pleasant fraternity house to the fullest extent.

Unfortunately Brother Darby, '99, left us at the end of last term to go into business.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity H. E. Hoyt, '99. He was initiated Jan. 14th. Brother Hoyt played right end on his class team last fall.

We are always glad to see brother Deltas, and extend a cordial invitation to all who may happen this way.

J. V-H. GILL.

UPSILON — RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Our chapter this year is small; we have only five active members, and all old men. We have not taken in any new men, as the freshman class this year is very small, and therefore few to choose. We had two men in view, but one of them refused to join and the other has decided not to join this year. We are at work yet, and hope to get some good men soon. Our chapter, in a financial way, was never better fixed.

W. H. H. MILLER.

CHI — KENYON COLLEGE.

Chapter Chi commences the new year in excellent condition. We have lost no men, and we rejoice in having with us again Brother Harris, who was confined to his home nearly all last term with typhoid fever.

Our pledge chapter has been strengthened by the addition of one of the highest officers in the Military Academy.

Although the dormitory system is in vogue here, the arrangement of the dormitory building is such that we have many of the advantages of the chapter house, and the fraternity spirit is thus kept at a high standard.

Any Delts passing our way would be very cordially welcomed, and we hope that we will have the pleasure of greeting some of our more or less distant brothers.

W. A. GRIER.

BETA ALPHA — INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

After the pleasures and relaxation of the holidays, college opens with new vigor for the labors of the second term.

A number of new students have entered, and many more old students from last year. These swell the enrollment for the present year up to this time to something over seven hundred. Many more will enter at the beginning of the spring term to add further to the number, which, it is thought, will go far beyond eight hundred.

Among the old students that entered with this term Beta Alpha was glad to welcome the return of Brother Shattuck, who is a loyal Delt and a good, earnest student.

Beta Alpha lost two men by withdrawal at the close of last term, but through the return of Brother Shattuck and the initiation of a new man, Brother Oscar L. Pond, of the class of '99, we are holding our ground, and have hopes that we shall be able to initiate several more good men before the close of the year.

We were favored with visits from Brother John L. Rugh, Brother Charles Burton, Brother Norman McGee, and Brother Hadley near the close of last term.

Brother Rugh is with King, Richardson & Co., Brother Burton is teaching, Brother McGee is a civil engineer with headquarters at Terre Haute, Brother Hadley is practising law at this place. We very much appreciate these calls from the boys of old, and are ever ready to give them a hearty welcome. May they come oftener.

C. E. SPAULDING.

BETA BETA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

We failed to have a letter in the last issue of THE RAINBOW, hence we herewith present greetings to our sister chapters.

Beta Beta started in this year with six members. We secured the four best spikes of the season, and wish to present them to all loyal Delts: Brother Greenman, Brother Howe, Brother Burlingame, and Brother Handley. We have also two pledged men, Messrs. Roberts and Oth, making a total of four pledged men.

We consider the chapter in a better condition than it has been for several years. All the members are enthusiastic in fraternity work. A few weeks ago we paid our entire indebtedness, the chapter for the first time in five years being free from financial encumbrance, and consequently we feel highly elated over our success. Beta Beta has furnished many officers in the different departments of school. Brother Howe is vice-president of the glee club, Brother Greenman is president of the mandolin club, Brother Haskell, captain of last year's base-ball club, is urged to again accept the position. Brother Cooper is advertising agent for the *De Pauw Weekly*, and Brother Paul Burlingame is manager of the glee club. Beta Beta is represented on the Junior Annual Board by Brother Wolff and the writer, who is also treasurer of the Oratorical Association.

The trustees met immediately after the holidays and canvassed the condition of the University, financial and otherwise. They report the prospects very bright, and feel greatly flattered at the upward strides made by college during the last year.

Dr. Gobin, acting president, is one of the most popular executives ever at the head of the University, and his interest in athletics and like departments, so dear to the heart of the student, brings him in touch with them and prophesies for his administration one productive of great and grand results.

Our beautiful city, large enough to offer the opportunities of a city, furnishes none of those attractions so detrimental to conscientious work. Hence studiousness is one of the characteristics of a De Pauw student, and, possessing as Beta Beta does the best musicians of the college, we appreciate, after a hard week's work,

the Saturday night frat meeting, when we sing her songs, breathe her spirit, and devoutly wish that she may ever continue her grand march of triumph, until from sea to sea resound the voices of her noble sons, united in singing the praises of "Old Delta Tau."

GEO. G. MORRIS.

BETA GAMMA — UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

No doubt the brothers throughout the university world have learned from the newspapers of the attacks made upon President C. K. Adams and his administration, by one O. Pederson, a school superintendent from the wilds of Winnebago County. This gentleman, without having fully informed himself as to the facts, made some sweeping assertions having no foundation in fact, and caused an upheaval in educational circles in the state never before equalled. His statements indicated that he had a strong prejudice against the institution and those in charge, and that he was eager to promote discord, and incite rebellion if need be. His charges were so glaring that people in Madison were dumbfounded, and throughout the state the feeling was intense. Mr. Pederson was called upon for evidence to substantiate his charges, and had to confess that what he learned "was from 'hearsay' and that some of the assertions made, he afterward learned, were untrue." This was not sufficient to satisfy the friends of President Adams, who insisted on a full and complete investigation, feeling assured that his administration would bear the closest scrutiny. A committee was appointed, consisting of professional men and farmers. It is understood that they will report shortly, recommending a reduction in some of the incidental fees, but endorsing the President and his administration. The general student body emphatically resent the assaults upon President Adams. For him they have the highest respect. His ideas are modern, his suggestions of the present and not of the past; and his ambition to make Wisconsin's institution the Yale of the West meets with the heartiest endorsement. Since his connection with the University it has become broader and more useful, and we are out of the rut and in the broad road of progress.

Our chapter continues to grow in numbers and usefulness, and never were we in better shape. Our active members number eighteen, seven of them new men. Since my last letter, William Wilson, who was pledged, has been initiated. We have also initiated three other men: John Rooble, David Pierpont, and Adolph Pritzlaff, all of Milwaukee. They promise to make enthusiastic Delts.

Honors continue to fall on the shoulders of the Beta Gamma brothers. Ohnstadt has been elected a member of the board of directors of the Athletic Association. McCabe and Dahlman were two of the three joint debaters to hold up the honors of the University at the Milwaukee—University of Wisconsin Forum debate, and Donovan was elected historian of the senior law class.

On December 19, 1895, we gave a ball at our lodge which was one of the most pleasant and successful affairs of our history. On the 23d of the same month we gave an informal hop which was also a very enjoyable affair.

Brother McGee, who has been confined to his bed for several months with a broken leg, the result of a foot-ball scrimmage, will return to the University at the opening of the coming semester.

On Saturday evening, Jan. 18, the Pi Beta Phi society entertained Beta Gamma chapter at their home with a dancing party. The evening was a very enjoyable one.

WILLIAM CHARLES DONOVAN.

BETA DELTA — UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

Beta Delta moved into her new club rooms immediately after the holidays. In them the members spend their leisure hours indulging in the amusements. The boys of Beta Delta long for the Saturday nights and the conversations, consisting of jokes and fraternity stories, which are held when all the chapter are gathered. Beta Delta certainly enjoys the true spirit of fraternity life.

In the class elections held in September, Brother S. H. Cheney was made captain of the freshman base-ball team; Brother West-

brook was chosen historian for the sophomore class, Brother McCurry was elected secretary of the junior, and Brother Holden appointed senior orator.

Brother S. H. Cheney has not returned to college since he left for the holidays. However we hope that he will be with us again soon, and will fill the position of catcher for the 'varsity nine, which awaits him.

We feel very keenly the loss of Brother Manley, who goes to Cornell, February 1, for the purpose of taking an E. E. course. Although Beta Delta loses, Beta Omicron wins.

Brother Leonard Snider, Jr., is our delegate to the next Southern Convention to be held in Nashville.

CRUGER WESTBROOK.

BETA EPSILON — EMORY COLLEGE.

In my last letter I took occasion to give you a partial account of Beta Epsilon's prosperity during the last year; also of her opening the fall term with brighter prospects than ever before in her creditable history. And well has she maintained that statement, for so far our success has been even greater than we anticipated.

With fourteen members who stand well socially and intellectually, we have, we think, won more honors in class-standing, in the societies and on the athletic field, in proportion to our membership, than any other fraternity in college. With the exception of one or two whose membership is double that of ours, Delta Tau in number of honors has surpassed all—a fact acknowledged by our rivals. Among the inter-society debates occurring last fall and this spring we have been represented by Brothers A. S. Hutchinson, Walter Armstrong and the writer, while in the Champion Debate election we were very much elated over the success of Brothers W. A. Covington and H. J. Jolley, who will represent the Phi Gamma and Few literary societies at commencement. This is Brother Covington's second time. As the debate is among the most prominent features of commencement, it is indeed an honor for both our brothers.

The University of Georgia has accepted a challenge from Emory to meet at Macon, Ga., in a public debate some time this spring. This is somewhat of a new move in Georgia, and its aim, if realized, will have a tendency toward making students take more interest in developing their oratorical powers. The three young men chosen are considered the best fitted for the place in the college, and occupy the highest position in the gift of the student body. The election came on the 11th inst. The literary societies met in joint meeting, and amid great enthusiasm Brother W. A. Covington was proposed and elected at the head of the trio. Two others were selected to complete the number. Brother T. M. Chatham has been elected to represent Delta Tau as one of the editors of our college annual, the *Zodiac*.

It may not be out of place to state that Brother O. L. Callahan won the medal for the best essay written by any member of the freshman class last year.

In athletics we are well represented, while our social standing is among the best. It is not a sample of boasting, but a literal truth, when I say that in every field in which it was possible for us to compete, Delta Tau Delta was not only represented but in hardly a single case stood so low as second.

FRANK R. PARK.

BETA ZETA—BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

Beta Zeta has been spending the last few months in improving the condition of the chapter. We have striven for development rather than for growth. We have made a study of the Constitution and By-Laws, and of the fraternity's general workings. We are now engaged in instructing our new men, and in planning for more systematic and elaborate work. Yet we have also added to our number a new man,—Anson H. Washburn, '99, of Indianapolis, who will make a loyal member.

GEORGE W. KNEPPER.

BETA ETA — UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

As a general rule this is the time of year when the average student gets down to good, hard work, and our fellows seem to form no exception to the rule, for all are doing first-class work at the University.

I think that we are enjoying fraternity life more this year than last, due I am sure, to the fact that we are located in nice, pleasant club rooms centrally located where the fellows can drop in almost any time and find a brother Delt. In this way we are brought together more, and consequently the bonds of brotherhood are strengthened.

As yet Beta Eta has done no rushing for men who are to attend the University next year. But as our rival fraternities are beginning to do a little in that line, we appreciate the fact that we will have to get in the field immediately.

We are exceedingly fortunate in having fine alumni, — men who take great interest in the active chapter, shown by their presence at all of our meetings.

Brother Thatcher, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, and superintendent of schools at Little Falls, Minn., called on Beta Eta recently.

The three men initiated by Beta Eta last fall are proving all that we expected of them, and we will bank them against any other three men initiated by our rival fraternities this season. I think Beta Eta will find Psi Upsilon her strongest rival this year.

DAN B. WOOD.

BETA THETA — UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

While February finds most college men preparing for the mid-winter examinations, the Sewanee man is then enjoying the best part of his long vacation.

Reversing the established practice, the University of the South opens its doors through the summer, and closes them in winter, when

bleak winds and snow make the mountain-top too cold for southern constitutions. The men of Beta Theta are scattered far and wide.

J. M. Selden is holding down the mountain until the spring, and incidentally practising new curves for next season, when he will captain the 'varsity nine. C. S. Wood is in Atlanta, and so is T. W. Ambler, both busy in mission work. Prentice Tucker and G. L. Tucker are in Mobile. R. W. Hogue is keeping up his reputation as a breaker of hearts in Marion, Alabama. S. D. Mangum is shining in the social circles of Memphis, Tenn. C. S. Partridge is enjoying out-door life on the Gulf coast at Perdido, Alabama. W. W. Webster is winning journalistic fame in Dayton, Ohio. Hart Carnahan is in San Antonio, Texas. M. G. Johnston, after a few weeks of social dissipation in Mobile, has returned to Sewanee for the purpose of doing some extra work. J. G. Dunn is at home in Newberne, North Carolina; A. P. Wooldridge is in Austin, Texas; B. R. Howard is at work in Selma, Alabama; A. P. Johnson is in Atlanta; and J. A. Bull is in Pensacola, Florida.

Since last heard from in November, Beta Theta has added one or two important honors to her list, already long. The management of the base-ball and foot-ball teams, '96, has been entrusted to M. G. Johnston. Of the contestants elected for the inter-society contests next summer, Brothers Prentice Tucker, Mangum, and Hogue will endeavor to place some of the honors to Beta Theta's credit. One of the Sewanee-Vanderbilt debaters for the annual contest in May will wear the square badge. On the whole, indications are that next term Beta Theta will be in a very prosperous condition. However, it is not now the time to boast. We hope to be able to speak with more confidence later on.

G. L. TUCKER.

BETA KAPPA — UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Affairs at the University of Colorado are very prosperous at present, and Beta Kappa is in a very flourishing condition. At present the majority of the boys are at their homes in the various parts of the state enjoying the holidays.

The foot-ball season closed with the university in possession of the inter-collegiate championship. We were defeated in but one game, that with the Denver Athletic Club, by a score of 22-10. We consider this an excellent showing, as the D. A. C.'s are undoubtedly the champions of the West. Beta Kappa was represented on the team by Gamble, full back; Chase, quarter; Whitaker, right tackle; Rothwell, sub-half, and Southard as manager.

Brother Bliss was recently elected president of the State Oratorical Association in place of Andrew, resigned. Brother John Davis left for his home in Denver at the beginning of the holidays, intending to enter Denver University. Brother Ed. Newcomb, who has been absent for two years, paid the boys in Boulder a visit during the holidays. He contemplates entering the university the second semester. Chas. E. Slusser spent several days in Leadville, Colorado, recently, taking in the Ice Palace there.

The local oratorical contest will be held January 17, and Beta Kappa will be represented by Andrew and Slusser. We have had an addition to our numbers recently in the person of "Bull Digger," a fine bull-dog, the property of Brother Gamble, which will be our mascot and stand ready to defend our colors against all comers.

HENRY O. ANDREW.

BETA LAMBDA — LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

We are all back again for the spring term after a very pleasant Christmas vacation, and are trying hard to get down to work. Last term, as we look back on it, was a very successful one to us all, as we have but a few conditioned men among us.

Little has happened since the writing of our last RAINBOW letter, and it is rather difficult to find something of interest to write. Our life here is a very busy one, and uneventful on that account, so far as our doings outside the house go, though our life in the house is very pleasant and congenial.

During the Christmas vacation several of our men who are compelled to spend their holidays here on account of the distance

to their homes, very kindly spent some of their time in decorating the house and hanging some old curtains belonging to the chapter, thus making the house look more pleasant and homelike than ever. In fact, its looks at present, combined with the prospect of an open fire-place in the parlor in the near future, have almost persuaded some of our men who are socially inclined, to give to their lady friends of Bethlehem what they are pleased to term a "billiard tea." On the event of this function we shall very likely be compelled to drive some of our large though backward members out of their rooms and drag them down to the parlor.

The fight for new men goes on as vigorously as ever among about fifteen fraternities, each trying to get a respectable number of good men from classes of seventy and a hundred. Since the advent of the class of '99 it is very noticeable that upper classmen who have never been thought of as eligible to fraternities are being rushed and taken in by the best fraternities. Now that we are near the preparatory school we expect to keep an eye on the men preparing for the class of 1900, and think our chances are very good. Brother W. M. Hall, '94, is leading the Franklin and Marshall Glee club.

Very fraternally yours,

H. BRUNER HERSHEY.

BETA MU — TUFTS COLLEGE.

Much of interest has happened since our last letter was written.

Our foot-ball season has been quite successful, — thanks to the efficient work of Brothers Parks and Stroud, '94, as manager and coach. Delta Tau has been well represented on the gridiron this year. Brother Cousens captained his class team and Brother Daniels put up a strong game in the line on his team. Brother Whitney distinguished himself at the end on the victorious freshman team.

Just before the Christmas recess our chapter gave a whist party to the Delt girls in the vicinity. It was a very successful affair, ending with a very pleasant dancing party.

Just at present the fraternities here are interested in a duplicate whist tournament. Beta Mu hopes to be successful in this enterprise, and if the first tilt signifies anything we shall be, for our team downed the team from Zeta Psi.

We still keep our chapter to the front in athletics. Brother Parks has been re-elected as manager of the foot-ball team, and we have the manager of tennis and assistant base-ball manager; Brothers Green, Hill and Daniels are on the glee club, and we have the manager and an editor on the junior annual, *The History of Tufts College*, soon to be published.

Many more positions might be enumerated, but it is not my purpose to boast, but simply to show that Delta Tau stands where she ought to stand in Tufts.

We are fast completing arrangements for the Eastern Conference soon to be held in Boston. It ought to be a pleasant occasion and we hope to see a large and enthusiastic Delt gathering. Bear in mind that Beta Mu keeps open house on that day. Come and see us.

ROLLA E. HEALEY.

BETA NU — MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Since you heard from us last we have not changed in number, although we have held an initiation. It gives me great pleasure to announce the addition of M. H. Smith, '99, to our ranks. At the same time it must be mentioned that Brother Pillsbury has left us and gone to West Point. Although very sorry to have him go from our midst, we are all very glad that he has received the appointment.

While other college men have been enjoying a ten days' vacation, we have been obliged to content ourselves with but three. Our turn comes, however, after the semi-annual examinations.

Just about one week after our return from vacation on January eleventh, we expect to see our brothers begin to arrive. We are looking forward with much pleasure to the days when we shall meet

many new faces, and hope that everyone who can beg, borrow, or steal the time will make a visit to Boston in February.

AUGUSTUS C. LAMB.

BETA XI — TULANE UNIVERSITY.

I have the honor of introducing to the world of Deltas the following gentlemen, who have braved the wily William since our last letter, which was sent in somewhere about last June. The present acquisitions are B. W. Henry, N. S. Riviere, J. D. Cottreaux, J. D. Miller, S. S. Rubira, and R. S. Vickers.

Hereafter, Brother Riviere will take charge of this department of Beta Xi's management, and it is only to introduce him and to make my retiring bow that I write this epistle.

Beta Xi is living now in a clear atmosphere of prosperity. We have brought in six fine men, who are all earnest and of whom we have every reason to be proud. Our finances seem to be all right; at any rate our treasurer has been very quiet and contented lately, and that means a great deal when one considers what obstreperous animals treasurers can be at times.

Next week, too, there will be a Delta hop, which, so they tell me, is going to be quite the event of the season. It has been the talk of the chapter for the past month and a half, and those of us who are not confirmed hermits and woman-haters, like the undersigned, mean to do the "light fantastic" and have a fine time generally.

Beta Xi has made a fine showing in college this year, and so far as the chief honors go we are right there.

We have Brother Werlein with us again this year, and of course he has his smile with him, that audible smile, so "childlike and bland." Needless to say, we are glad to have the presence and radiance of both Brother Werlein and his smile.

All the boys show an active interest this year, and even the alumni seem satisfied.

ALBERT PHELPS.

BETA OMICRON — CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Beta Omicron has added to her chapter roll the names of five new Deltas, making a total of six since the opening of the University in September. This brought her number up to seventeen actives at the end of last term. Let me introduce five as fine fellows as there are to be found. Fred J. Davis, Law School '96, comes from Owego and is one of the lions of the town. E. S. Cooley, Frank Bannerman, Jr., and "Lish" Walker belong to the class of '99, and were all prominent in the athletics last fall, while Frank Wilson, Law School '97, is a photographic fiend.

We have one man pledged now, and our chances are quite favorable for obtaining two or three more men before the end of the term.

Brothers Chapman and Bannerman of Brooklyn, N. Y., were unexpectedly called to their homes; our best wishes go with them, and the hope that they will be able to return in the near future.

January 11, being Founder's Day, is a holiday at Cornell; Andrew Carnegie, who is a trustee of the University, was the orator of the occasion, and spoke upon the subject of "Business" from the young man's standpoint. It is needless to say the address was excellent.

Junior Ball week, and all that it implies, is almost upon us. Beta Omicron is represented upon the committee by Brother Ingersoll, and in the name of the chapter I invite you to come and occupy a seat in our box; never fear about the girls, we will provide plenty of them. The committee promises to surpass all previous balls, and we will gladly welcome any Delta who may be inclined to share in the gayeties.

John Turner, '94, and Fritz Emeny, '95, paid us short visits during last term, and Brother Hodgdon also spent a day or so in town.

R. S. McGOWIN.

BETA PI — NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Northwestern opened the second term of the year with nearly 2700 students enrolled; a showing next to Harvard and Michigan in point of numbers. The finances of all the departments are in good condition, and the prospects are for the most successful year in the history of the University.

Beta Pi has fourteen actives this term, and two men pledged. Brother S. M. Fegtly, who was initiated at Xi, and subsequently helped to found Beta Pi, has returned this year, and aims to graduate with '97. Since our last letter we have initiated E. W. Engstrom, '98, of Rockford, Ill., A. B. Patter, '98, of Beulah, Kan., and W. E. Haseltine, '99, of Aurora, Ill., all of whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large.

The chapter is at home this year in a commodious house near the campus, but we are looking forward towards something better in the future, and have already started a fund for a chapter house.

Brother Haller was elected in September as president of the sophomore class. Brother Ward, in addition to being on the Literary Committee of the '97 *Syllabus*, was recently elected tennis manager for next season. Brother Patter, who made such a good showing on the 'varsity foot-ball team last term, has been conceded a place as regular half-back on the strongest all-western team for this year. One of our pledged men played at full-back through the season and made an excellent record. We are represented on the mandolin and banjo clubs by Brothers Williams, Engstrom, and Haller. The musical clubs are preparing to take several extensive trips this term.

The Division Conference is to be held here in the spring, probably March 26-7. In that case the Chicago Alumni Association will hold their annual banquet on the evening of the 27th, that date being within a few days of Beta Pi's third anniversary. We are preparing to show the delegates a good time, and the Chicago Alumni will help us. Our best wishes to all the sister chapters.

FRANK H. HALLER.

BETA RHO — STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

The Occidentals report progress, both for Beta Rho and Stanford University. The advantages of living in a chapter house have enabled us to effect thorough and harmonious organization; as a result, the Fraternity is, more than ever before, a stimulus, a support, a thing to love and be proud of.

Last month we gave a "Dramatic Evening" at the house. Twenty couples were present. The programme consisted of two parts — a farce and a monologue, the latter by Brother Brown, an adaptation from the third act of "The Bells." Dancing followed.

Brother J. M. Ross is the writer of a prize essay and the winner of one hundred dollars in cash for the best discussion on the question of "Bounty to the Farmers." The prize was offered by Mr. David Lubin, of Sacramento. Brother W. W. Potter graduated Christmas and will go into business with his father in San Francisco.

Herbert Peery, Omicron, '90, came up from San Diego before Christmas and spent a couple of days with us.

Kappa Alpha (Southern) has entered the University. It is rumored that petitioners will be granted a charter of Alpha Delta Phi in the spring.

J. M. Ross.

BETA TAU — UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Beta Tau's "scribe" and not the "dear girl," herself, is to be blamed for the absence of a letter in the November issue. So many good things were happening and so many more were going to happen, that we hadn't the heart to think of reporting until we could tell you all. And that is where we made the mistake, for in a live, prosperous, hopeful chapter of old Delta there is no "all."

The opening of the fall term found Beta Tau nicely located in her new quarters,— a fine three-story brick dwelling, situated in the most fashionable portion of the town. She had outgrown her nursery surroundings, as it were, and a more commodious home

became inevitable. That we are now in a position to entertain our University friends even better than before, and without the slightest thought of being rivalled, was certainly voiced by all who were fortunate enough to be present at our house-warming.

During the early part of the fall we gave a reception in honor of the University's new chancellor, Geo. E. McLean, and wife. The "lodge" looked its prettiest for the occasion, and the events of the evening blended with it. The Chancellor is a Deke.

Last year the Phi Kapps and this year the Betas of the University followed the lead of Delta Tau and "housed" themselves. We will not make any comparisons.

Thus far this term we have deemed it best to pursue a careful, conservative policy in the line of new men. We believe we have reached that stage where "numbers" should be given secondary consideration. Quality has made Delta Tau what she is, and quality—only quality—will make Beta Tau what she hopes to be. With this principle in mind we take pleasure in introducing to the brotherhood of Delts, two of the best men in their respective classes, Mr. F. T. Riley, '97, and Mr. A. A. Gillman, '98. Mr. Riley is managing editor of our leading college paper. We have two others pledged, and the first meeting after the holiday recess will perfect their ascension.

Beta Tau has thirteen active members. We are convinced now, more than ever, that thirteen is *not* an unlucky number.

In all circles of the University Beta Tau has a most liberal representation. Mentally, spiritually, socially, and politically, we lead or are with the leaders. Brother W. W. Wilson closed a very successful season as captain of the 'varsity eleven. This is the third consecutive year that a Beta Tau has led the knights of the wind-bag to victory. Brother A. J. Weaver for the second time, won first place among the three who will represent Nebraska in the annual debate with Kansas. Brother Robert Manley (genial "Bob") is manager of the 'varsity glee and banjo clubs. Brother W. L. McKay is editor-in-chief of the Y. M. C. A. (town) publication. Brother E. W. Brown, while carrying his regular work, is also instructor in chemistry. Brother John B. Barnes, Jr., holds the rank of adjutant in the cadet battalion, and is most ably assisted by

Brother R. P. Teele, who lends dignity to that indispensable organization known as the "non-commissioned staff."

Brother W. S. Summers, Ex-Deputy State's Attorney-General drops 'round frequently to see that his *protégé* lacks for nothing, and incidentally to favor the boys with one of his interesting talks. "Billy's" Deltaism never needs stimulating,—he has enthusiasm to give away.

What a pleasure it is to find THE RAINBOW fairly bubbling over with flattering reports from our sister chapters. Like a missive from the "only one", we are tempted to read and re-read them. Such tidings give us new life. They make us feel like singing two octaves higher than everybody else, and although Beta Tau was a little late for the first verse, yet she's here for the chorus, and in the great hallelujah of "best wishes" she wants to be heard.

ADAM McMULLEN.

BETA UPSILON — UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Beta Upsilon started this year with but half of last year's members. Of the twenty members of last June, but ten returned this year. Since September we have initiated three men, and I take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large, Albert W. Rheinland, '97, of Evansville, Ind.; Howard M. Ely, '99, of Peoria, Ill.; and Willard E. Ham, '99, of Urbana, Ill. We also have one pledged man.

The University of Illinois is growing rapidly, there being one thousand students here this year. The campus has been greatly improved; a new residence for President Draper is now under construction and a new machine shop is nearly completed. In the spring, work on a new library building will be commenced.

Since our last writing Alpha Tau Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Pi Beta Phi have placed chapters here.

Beta Upsilon sends greetings to all of the sister chapters and wishes them prosperity for the year of 1896.

CHAS. D. TERRY.

BETA PHI — OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Beta Phi starts out this term with all the members of the preceding one at the helm. It was feared at first that the final examination would make it difficult for a great many students good and indifferent to continue their studies, but Beta Phi's boys stood the test and are ready for work again.

The University is continuing with her boom under the guidance of our new president, James H. Canfield, and great expectations are entertained for the future of our school. At the present writing, over 750 students have been enrolled for the winter term. The books will not be closed until Monday when several more names will be added to the list. Many new students are among the number. Beta Phi still continues at her headquarters at No. 85 N. High St., and visiting Delts will do well by remembering this fact.

Brother E. W. Harvey remained in Columbus during the Christmas vacation, while his brother, A. C. Harvey, spent Christmas at home. Brother McFadden, of Gamma, spent a few hours in Columbus at our hall during the vacation. Beta Phi is doing well, and is prospering, with ten active members and Brother A. E. Addison, '95, who, being in the city, attends all meetings. Before many days we hope to introduce three more members of Beta Phi who will do us and Delta Tau credit. The *Makio* affair is at last upon the road to amicable settlement and before many weeks will be a thing of the past. It was referred to a committee composed of the non-fraternity members of the Faculty, which decided that all the fraternities and literary societies should take part in publishing the annual. This leaves no room for complaint upon the part of the fraternities not represented upon the Board of Publication, and will quiet the strife which has always characterized the publishing of this book.

In athletics, Ohio State University did fairly well but still has room for improvement; with her 900 students to draw from, she should have the best teams, in both foot-ball and base-ball, in the state. The promise of a good base-ball team next spring is very flattering, and we intend to be heard from outside of the state. Beta Phi sends best wishes to her sister chapters.

E. R. TARR.

BETA PSI — WABASH COLLEGE.

Since her last appearance in THE RAINBOW, Beta Psi has had the pleasure of adding two men to her chapter roll, William Wallace Ireland, of Evansville, Ind., and Fred Love Cary, of Lebanon, Ind., both members of the class of '98. Our chapter now numbers ten actives, a post-graduate, and two pledged men, a very good showing, we think, considering the material of which the present freshman class is composed.

We lost three good men by graduation last June. Brother Dame is now superintendent of the public schools at Owensville, Ind.; Brother Yount is engaged in newspaper work on the *Evansville Courier*, and Brother Hams is with us as physical director and instructor in Greek.

Alex. B. Boyer, ex-'97, is attending the Art Institute at Chicago.

At a mass meeting of the students, held recently, a new athletic association, modeled after those of the large eastern colleges, was organized. In the matter of offices, Delta Tau fared as well as the best, Brother Davidson, '96, being elected secretary, and Brother Hardman, '96, a member of the executive committee.

The Oviatenon, the Wabash annual, published by the junior class, is in process of construction and will appear about the middle of the spring term. Delta Tau is represented on the Board of Editors by the literary editor. Brother Boyer, ex-'97, will do most of the illustrating.

Beta Psi extends to all sister chapters her best wishes for the success of the new year.

BEN R. HOWELL.

BOYS OF OLD.

BETA.

'68.—Dr. J. C. Jackson, Sr., recently of Paterson, N. J., now has charge of one of the large M. E. churches at Columbus, Ohio.

'69.—Judge S. H. Bright was elected president of a recently organized Pan-Hellenic Association at Logan, Ohio.

'86.—Rev. W. T. White, of the Ohio conference M. E. Church, is stationed this year at Bainbridge, Ohio.

'92.—J. A. Schott holds a professorship at Carthage, Illinois, this year.

'92.—H. R. Higley has been teaching in Warwick, N. Y.

'92.—F. W. Bush is business manager of the *Messenger and Herald*, the Republican organ of Athens, Ohio.

GAMMA.

'66.—The Hon. Joseph Moreland is a prominent attorney at Morgantown, W. Va. He still keeps up a lively interest in the Fraternity.

'73.—The Rev. Edward M. Taylor is pastor of the Winthrop St. Methodist Episcopal Church, Boston, Mass. He is president of the New England District of the Epworth League, and is one of the most prominent and effective among the younger ministers of New England.

'76.—Jas. F. Taylor, after having been appointed by Pennsylvania's governor to fill out a vacancy, was later elected judge by the people, and now holds a prominent place on the bench.

EPSILON.

'72.—Samuel Dickie has signified his intention of no longer serving as chairman of the Prohibition National Committee.

'87.—The Rev. J. P. McCarthy is pastor of the First Church at Muskegon, Mich.

'87.—The Rev. James T. Docking is pastor of the Tabernacle Church at Providence, R. I.

'89.—Harvey Ott is now in Albion, at the bedside of his mother, who is ill with consumption.

'95.—Chas. S. Valentine is in a law office in Adrian, Mich.

'95.—Herbert W. Cushman is in business in Vincennes, Ind.

'95.—Eugene C. Allen is pastor of the M. E. church in Watrousville, Mich.

'97.—Fred. K. Edmunds is studying medicine in Chicago.

ZETA.

'90.—R. E. Ruedy and J. J. Thomas, '91, spent the past year in the study of medicine at Vienna. They are now located in Cleveland.

'94.—S. D. Shankland is principal of the Willoughby High School.

KAPPA.

'68.—Elmer W. Adkinson is an attorney-at-law, office 930 Opera House Blk.

'71.—Weller Dean Bishop is a lawyer and real estate agent, 3562 Calumet Ave.

'71.—John Russell Parker is an attorney-at-law. Room 1017 at 171 La Salle St.

'73.—Latham A. Crandall is pastor in the Memorial Baptist Church, residence 3844 Ellis Ave.

'73.—David Zook is an attorney-at-law, office 136 Monroe St.

'74.—William Wallace Heckman is an attorney-at-law at 94 La Salle St.

'82.—Samuel W. Norton is an attorney-at-law, No. 1144 Unity Bldg., 79 Dearborn St.

'84.—Joseph Cummins is an attorney-at-law with office at 1103 Home Ins. Bldg.

'84.—Bion J. Arnold is one of the leading electrical engineers of Chicago. He resides at 4128 Prairie Ave.

'85.—Lorenzo E. Dow is an attorney-at-law, office 304 First National Bank Bldg., Chicago.

MU.

'84.—The Rev. W. F. Anderson is pastor of the Washington Square Methodist Episcopal Church, and is meeting with remarkable success.

'84.—Doremus A. Hayes has been elected professor of New Testament exegesis in the Iliff School of Theology, and has entered upon his duties.

'85.—The Rev. W. M. Magruder is pastor of the Wesley Chapel, Cincinnati, and is said to be actively identified with progressive movements looking toward municipal betterment.

'86.—Lewis A. Core is pastor of the English Church at Lucknow, India, and is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Mission.

'87.—Francis M. Austin is professor of Latin at Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham, Mass.

'87.—Horace A. Stokes is principal of schools at Granville, Ohio.

'89.—Frank R. Dyer has received a promotion, having been elected superintendent of schools of Wichita, Kansas.

'90.—Henry B. Brownell is engaged in business at Washington C. H., Ohio.

'90.—Victor K. McElheny, Jr., is the prosecuting attorney against the henchman of ex-Police Commissioner Murray, for primary election frauds in New York City. The *Tribune* of Dec. 22, '95, speaks of the ability and persistence with which the prosecution is being waged.

'91.—Bert Persons is attending the Rush Medical College at Chicago.

'91.—Ed. Barnes is connected with the schools at Dayton, Ohio.

'91.—Herbert Camp Marshall is still pursuing post-graduate work at Harvard, and is also engaged somewhat in tutoring.

'91.—George W. Allen is practising law at Washington C. H., Ohio.

PI.

Prof. A. A. Kincannon, who was for some years superintendent of the Meridian graded schools, has just entered upon his new duties as State Superintendent of Education. Prof. Kincannon has a brother and two cousins who are members of the Fraternity.

W. W. Magruder, of the Law class of '95, is doing an excellent practice in Starkville, Miss.

J. C. Faut, who has spent two years in the New York School of Pedagogy, is now superintendent of city schools in Water Valley, Miss.

'93.—S. P. Walker was married July 16, 1895, to Miss Addie Hardin of Macon, Miss., and is now superintendent of the schools in Canton, Miss.

R. E. Leigh, after graduating from Randolph-Macon College, was elected to a position in the Franklin Academy in his home town, Columbus, Miss.

S. T. Watts is drumming for Ormond & Co., wholesale grocers, Meridian, Miss.

RHO.

'80.—Alex. C. Humphreys has returned from Europe, and is managing the home department of Humphreys and Glasgow, gas engineers.

'88.—Arthur Glasgow is in London, 9 Victoria Street, in charge of the firm's foreign business.

'89.—A. L. Shreeve is superintendent of the Isaac S. Filbert Paving Co., Baltimore, Md.

'91.—Frank Sanborn was married in Brooklyn this fall.

'92.—N. S. Hill, Jr., is chief engineer of the Electrical Subway Commission, Baltimore, Md.

'92.—Harold Harrison has returned to New York after a business absence of four months.

'93.—F. L. Parker is on the staff of the *Engineering Press*, New York City.

'94.—R. E. Hall is inspector of materials on the B. and O. R. R., Baltimore, Md.

'94.—H. D. Lawton is with the firm of Ludlow and Valentine, architects, New York City.

'95.—C. P. Paulding is in the motive power department of the C. and H. Mining Co., Calumet, Mich.

'95.—Stuart Cooper is with the Dean Linseed Oil Co., Port Richmond, Staten Island, New York.

SIGMA.

'93.—Mr. Alvan Emile Duerr and Miss Mary Virginia Allen, of Indianapolis, were married on June 18, 1895, at the home of Miss Allen's uncle, Mr. Edward Allen, Greencastle, Ind. Mr. F. C. Hodgdon, of Boston, Mass., acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Duerr sailed for Europe June 29 and spent the summer abroad, returning the last of September in time for him to enter upon his duties as newly elected professor of German in the William Penn Charter School, Philadelphia, Penn.

CHI.

'92.—Rev. Charles T. Walkley, lately rector at Xenia, Ohio, has accepted a call to Palmyra, N. Y.

OMEGA.

'76.—Eugene J. Hainer, one of the founders of the Omega chapter at Iowa Agricultural College, is for the second term representing the fourth Nebraska district in Congress. The story of his life as



HON. EUGENE J. HAINER, OMEGA, '76.
Representing the Fourth Nebraska District for a second term.

given in the abridged form of the official Congressional Directory, shows how steady, strenuous effort has been crowned with well-earned success. Mr. Hainer was born at Fünfkirchen, Hungary, in 1851. He emigrated with his parents in 1854, and lived for a time in Chicago. The family finally settled in Iowa. By hard work upon the farm, combined with teaching, he was able to go through Garden Grove Seminary and Iowa Agricultural College. After taking a law course in Simpson Centenary College, Indianola, Ia., he removed to Aurora, Neb., where he has since resided. Besides the practice of law, he is interested in banking and in a line of creameries in southern Nebraska. The position as Representative in Congress is the only elective office he has filled.

BETA GAMMA.

'93.—E. J. Henning, Congressman Sauerherring's private secretary at Washington, D. C., writes that he enjoys his new work very much.

'94.—N. P. Stenhjem, of the law firm of Anderson and Stenhjem of this city, is having splendid success. He has recently won some hard cases, and is considered as one of the coming lawyers.

'95, P. G.—Prof. Edgar Strong, of Shattuck Military School, was a guest at our lodge during the Christmas holidays.

'95.—Harvey Clark, who is practising law at Monroe, has been appointed court commissioner, a high honor for so young a practitioner.

'95.—John F. Donovan is winning fame at the bar in Milwaukee. His closing address in an arson case was considered by one of the papers as "one of the most eloquent and polished addresses delivered in the municipal court in some time."

'95.—A. J. Rodgers is now with ex-Congressman R. M. LaFollette, one of the leading lawyers in this city. Brother Rodgers' merit won him this splendid position.

'95.—Sam T. Walker is expected here at the next term of the supreme court to argue two important cases.

'97.—Grey Montgomery is in his father's law office at Omaha, and will enter the law school at Yale next year.

BETA DELTA.

'92.—Troy Kelly is assistant principal of the public school in Jackson, Ga.

A. M., '94, Law, '95.—Greene Johnson is mayor of Monticello, and solicitor of Jasper Co., Ga.

'93.—M. A. Lewis is practising law in Eatonton, Ga.

Law, '93—Willis Dart is judge of the court of Coffee Co., Ga.

'95.—G. W. Real is reporter for the *Atlanta Constitution*.

'95.—Joel J. Gibson is practising law in Gainsville, Texas.

'95.—E. S. O'Brien is studying medicine in Atlanta.

BETA ETA.

'88.—Dow S. Smith, superintendent of the Twin City Rapid Transit Co., St. Paul, Minn., married, January 1st, Miss Lillian West of Minneapolis.

A. W. Warnock, who has been for the last three years advertising agent of C. St. P. M. & O. Ry., has resigned that position to take one on the advertising staff of the *Minneapolis Journal*.

BETA KAPPA.

'91.—Rev. Harry N. Wilson was married to Miss Hattie Carr Hogarty, on January 1, in Greeley, Colorado. Mr. Wilson is at present pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Idalia Springs, Colorado.

BETA MU.

'91.—Elmer J. Felt, one of the founders of Beta Mu, recently made a hasty visit East on business connected with the Y. P. C. U., of which he is national president.

'91.—Fred W. Teele has recently been promoted to the charge of one of the power-houses of the West End Street Ry. Co.

'94. D. S.—Curtis Hoyt Dickins recently took a short respite from his duties at his parish at Portsmouth, in a visit to Washington, D. C.

'94.—Chas. P. Stroud received his appointment as instructor in physical culture and director of the gymnasium in December. He is also taking studies in the Tufts Medical School.

'94.—Fred D. Lambert is pursuing advanced work in biology at Tufts, leading to the degree of Ph.D. He is also acting as laboratory demonstrator.

'95.—Chas. Henry Wells has left his pastorate at Neenah, Wis., to accept a more desirable one at Belfast, Me.

BETA XI.

'88.—Chas. O. Maas, at present practising the same trade as Brother Kittredge, in New York, paid us a visit in New Orleans, last June and delivered the alumni address to the graduating class.

'90.—Eugene C. Parham is now an electrician in Cleveland, Ohio.

'92.—J. H. Rapp is associate principal of one of the leading preparatory schools in New Orleans, fitting students for college.

'93.—Pierce Butler is at Johns Hopkins, having returned from Paris.

'93.—Ivy G. Kittredge is practising the tricks of the law upon the unsuspecting of New Orleans.

'94.—J. P. Labouisse is taking a post-graduate course at Tulane. So also is St. Denis Villere.

BETA PI.

'92.—Frank C. Lockwood, A.M., is pastor of the Merrill Methodist Church, Chicago.

'93.—Chas D. Lockwood is studying medicine in the Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago.

'94.—E. M. Palette is a student in the University of Southern California Medical School, Los Angeles, Cal.

'95.—James Potter is preaching at Hume, Mo.

'95.—E. B. Witwer and A. C. Pearson are seniors in the Northwestern University Law School, Chicago.

'95.—P. L. Windsor is engaged in department work at the Central Association Y. M. C. A. Building, Chicago.

'95.—P. M. Pearson is professor of orthoepy and forensic elocution in the Cumnock School of Oratory, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.

BETA RHO.

'95.—Martin H. Kennedy, full-back for three years on the Stanford team, now attending the Harvard Law School, has been closely identified with Harvard's foot-ball interests this year. He umpired a number of their games, including the game with the University of Pennsylvania. A technicality disqualified him from playing on the 'varsity, but he made a brilliant showing at half-back in the practice games. He is a member of the Harvard glee club.

BETA SIGMA.

'91.—Melville B. Choate is in the offices of the Fitchburg Railroad at Fitchburg, Mass.

'92.—Oscar Storer is an attorney-at-law in Boston, with his office at 1050 Exchange Building.

'92.—Hovey L. Shepard graduated in '95 from the Boston University School of Medicine.

'93.—Frank Walcott Hutt lives at Gloucester, Mass. His poems are very frequently to be seen in the *Ram's Horn* and in the *Sunday School Times*.

'94.—Arthur L. Hartwell after two years of special study has gone to Minnesota for the benefit of his health.

BETA UPSILON.

'94.—J. A. Lowry is professor of mathematics at Eureka College.

'94.—D. H. Jansen is city engineer of Pekin, Ill.

'94.—C. J. Butterfield is a member of an architectural firm in Chicago, Ill.

'94.—L. A. Weaver is studying law at Champaign, Ill.

'94.—A. C. Clark is in the architectural office of H. I. Cobb, of Chicago, Ill.

'94.—H. E. Beasley is assistant city engineer of Peoria, Ill.

'95.—R. H. Evans is a member of the architectural firm of Pillsbury & Evans, of Bloomington, Ill.

'95.—A. M. Long is with the firm of Hollibaird & Roche, architects, of Chicago, Ill.

'95.—S. F. Holtzman is with the construction department of the Illinois Central R. R., and is located in Chicago, Ill.

'95.—A. Fellheimer is head draughtsman in the office of E. N. Newman, architect, of Chicago, Ill.

Ex-'96.—William Dighton is book-keeper in The First National Bank of Monticello, Ill.

Ex-'96.—G. H. Root is manager of The Crescent City Creamery Co., of Minneapolis, Minn.

Ex-'96.—F. J. Fitzwilliams is at the University of Pennsylvania this year.

DELTAS IN LITERATURE.

"In Unknown Seas" is the title of a little volume of poems, or rather of a poem, which has just come from the pen of George Horton, Delta, '78, and the press of Stone and Kimball. From time to time in the past six years, THE RAINBOW has printed poems from this pen, and we have been proud of its growing power and widening fame. Shortly after entering upon his present term, President Cleveland appointed Mr. Horton United States Consul at Athens, Greece. This dainty volume is one of the non-political results, which both Democrats and Republicans may appreciate and approve. Instead of offering our own estimate of its value, we venture to quote almost *in toto* from *Harper's Weekly* for January 25, 1896, the authoritative words of Mr. W. D. Howells. He has been speaking of hope, and says :

I do not see why I should altogether deny having it concerning Mr. George Horton, whose thin volume I have twice read through without quite assuring myself that he always quite knew where he was going, but with a strong belief that he was going to get somewhere some day. He is as far from Mr. Crane in matter and manner as he could very well be, and I have no wish to compare these young poets, who could only be misjudged in any such process. His dedication is the only part of his book printed in small capitals, but it is rhymed and measured, and the likeness goes no farther ; it is even "differently beautiful" :

"Unworthy of thy heart, my friend,
Are these poor lines that I have penned;
And so I dedicate to thee
The nobler song I felt in me."

I confess that these graceful verses put me in good humor with the little book at once, and disposed me to find more or less of the noble song at different places in it. But I liked for their own sake the courageous diction, the strongly flowing music, and the whole young heart of the poem, which wanders from coast to coast in all ages and all countries, and is both ship and sea for the vagrant voyage it makes. Some notion of what I mean may be gathered from a stanza of the passage called Sunrise upon the Ocean :

“The stars grow brighter just ere night has faded
 Among her revellers at dawn of day ;
 How oft, O queen, my soul with fear attained,
 Have I besought thee, and thou wouldst not say
Who dipt his brush in nameless seas and painted
Upon thy dreadful dome the milky way !”

This is tall talk, but the altitude is Elizabethan ; and there is often a freshness and sweetness in the poem which recalls the melodious voice of the English Muse when she was still early in her teens. Here is something in proof :

WE REACH THE UNKNOWN SEAS.

So it is morn, and near us lifts uprightly
 A walling cliff, severe with shadowy frown,
 While straight ahead a liquid lane leads brightly
 'Twixt olive orchards sloping steeply down,
 And farther on a pleasant street shines whitely,
 And cuts in twain a little island town.

For I love not the city with its rattle
 Of carriage wheels and roar of frequent van,
 Where life is madness or a sordid battle,
 That, won or lost, contracts the soul of man ;
 Give me the town, with hills of distant cattle,
 And grassy streets frequented oft by Pan.

Ah me, the village maids whose bashful glances
 Thrilled me to madness ere my teens had fled !
 Ah me, the careless days, the sweet romances,
 The fairy light on all the future shed,
 Ere I had seen the world, and found my fancies
 Dew that is vanished from a flower that's dead !

Is not this charming, delicate, gentle? And is not this that follows rather rich and fine?

HELEN OF TROY.

The witchery of Helen is undying;
Her charms e'en yet the longing soul enslave
With the same spell that brought young Paris flying
With sea-gull sails across the Grecian wave—
The glory she of seven cities lying
Together in the ruin of one grave.

The world went mad for Helen; strife and slaughter
Were kindled by the lustre of her eyes.
When she was rapt away, a nation sought her,
Warring great epics under foreign skies;
Until from out the smoke of Troy they brought her,
Swarming to sea with babel of hoarse cries.

THE GREEK WORLD.

Sigma Nu has established a chapter at Tulane University.

Kappa Sigma has entered the Georgia School of Technology, and has a chapter of nine men.

Theta Nu Epsilon, the sophomore fraternity, has entered the University of Nebraska and Tulane University.

Since 1880 Beta Theta Pi has entered nineteen colleges, has revived chapters at eleven, and has withdrawn from eight.

The last annual report of Phi Kappa Psi shows a membership of 6,662.

The catalogue of Beta Theta Pi, now in press, will contain about 9,000 names and will show about 700 pages.

A chapter of Alpha Upsilon Mu, a Mexican medical fraternity, appeared last summer at Dartmouth College.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has withdrawn from Pennsylvania College and from Cornell University. The ground in the first case was inactivity; in the second it was the disreputable character of the initiates.

Following the news that Beta Theta Pi had withdrawn from Richmond College, there comes now the word that Phi Delta Theta also has withdrawn. The school does not seem to furnish enough stimulus for a healthy fraternity life.

The Phi Delta Theta *Scroll* is responsible for the statement that Alpha Tau Omega is probably extinct at the University of Michigan.

Delta Tau Delta withdrew from Buchtel College last year. This fall the local fraternity, the Lone Star, ceased to exist. If we mistake not, Phi Delta Theta is the only Greek-letter society for male students now in the school.

Kappa Sigma has entered Wabash College with five men, and has since grown to a chapter of fifteen.

The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi reports that Alpha Delta Phi "has determined to grant a charter to the Lion's Head Club at the University of Chicago." The club has a membership of eight.

Every well-informed fraternity man knows the prosperous condition of Delta Tau Delta.—*The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma* (September).

Phi Kappa Sigma has entered the University of Toronto with eleven charter members.

The chapter of Beta Theta Pi at Pennsylvania State College has erected and entered a new chapter house.

Delta Delta Delta, the sorority, has entered the Northwestern University.

A failure to send in a chapter letter to the magazine of Kappa Alpha Theta is said to be punished by a fine of five dollars.

It is reported that members of Kappa Kappa Gamma are examined several times a year on fraternity history, polity, and location of chapters.

The Northwestern University has a sophomore sorority corresponding somewhat to Theta Nu Epsilon. It is called Omega Psi, and initiates members from the different ladies' societies.

Kappa Kappa Gamma is shortly to have a new song book. It is being prepared under the charge of the Barnard College chapter.

At the University of Chicago the fraternities have received from the Faculty a letter prohibiting the rushing or pledging of freshmen. The action is, of course, a disappointment to the various chapters.

Alpha Chi Rho is the name of a new local fraternity recently formed at Trinity College. Trinity is now the home of eight fraternities.

At the University of North Carolina the fraternities are now allowed to initiate men after Christmas of the freshman year. Formerly no initiations were allowed until the spring term of the sophomore year.

At South Carolina College, Kappa Alpha has been reorganized with five members; and at the University of Nebraska the sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta, has been firmly re-established.

Kappa Alpha (Southern) and Chi Psi have entered the University of California. Delta Upsilon also has gained entrance, by the

absorption of a local society. The University of California now has three sororities and twelve fraternities.

Fraternities have been organized for the professional students in law, medicine, etc. And now at Northwestern University has appeared Chi Rho for divinity students. It will aim to be a Phi Beta Kappa for graduating theologues, and will seek extension.

Sigma Chi has begun the preparation of a song book. The matter is in charge of the chapter at the University of Cincinnati.

Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary fraternity, and Phi Delta Phi, the law fraternity, have entered the University of Nebraska.

It is rumored that Alpha Tau Omega will very shortly enter the University of Texas.

The Theta Delta Chi *Shield* for September reports that a statement in the New York *Sun*, that fraternity badges were found in good numbers in the city pawn shops, moved a representative to investigate the matter. A careful searcher found but two regular badges,—one of Phi Gamma Delta and one of Delta Kappa Epsilon. Even these may have been found and sold by uninitiated parties. The result of the search was as remarkable as it was gratifying.

At De Pauw and at the University of Nebraska, the ladies' fraternities entered into a contract to do no rushing before a certain date. Report is that the agreement proved beneficial, inasmuch as it enabled relations to be established more naturally and prevented any undue haste. At Dartmouth, also, the various fraternities entered into a similar agreement as follows:—

HANOVER, N. H., June 13, 1895.

We, the undersigned fraternities, hereby adopt the following resolutions:—

I. No mention of fraternities or fraternity matters of any kind shall be made by a member of any of these fraternities to any student or prospective student of Dartmouth College, who is not a member of any of these fraternities, before Nov. 20 of each college year.

II. Any pledge made before Nov. 20 of each college year shall be considered invalid, and

Pledges made with the members of the class of '99 or succeeding classes, before the adoption of this agreement, shall be considered invalid.

III. Any fraternity desiring to withdraw from this agreement shall do so only after giving at least six months' notice to each of the other fraternities.

(Signed)

ΨΥ, ΚΚΚ, ΑΔΦ, ΔΚΕ, ΘΔΧ, ΦΔΘ, ΒΘΠ, ΣΧ.

The *Educational Review* for December, '95, contains an article on "Student Life in Southern Colleges," by F. C. Woodward of South Carolina College. It is a well-written article, but in parts it gives rather a dark impression. The following in regard to fraternities will interest our readers. Perhaps some of our Southern friends would think it worthy of correction :

The Greek-letter societies abound in the South. The weak effort of several institutions against them has ceased, and they are now tolerated, if not welcomed, everywhere. They lead a hand-to-mouth existence, however, coming and going, declining, disappearing, reviving, as they needs must, when so many crowd into the small institutions of the South, and insist on struggling for existence in such barren soil. The yearly additions to the college roll are too few to make a careful choice of fraternity eligibles possible; two or three fraternities might flourish in a small college, but five or six simply starve; what are the small freshmen loaves and fishes among so many! Southern students, again, are not rich enough to equip fraternity chapters permanently, and assure their stable existence; chapter houses, costly paraphernalia, banquets, and the like are out of the question. As the result, fraternities with us are impermanent, unstable, and proportionately unimportant. They have crippled the literary societies in most Southern colleges, by substituting fraternity loyalty for interest in these; or, by political antagonisms in the scramble for honors and offices, they have sometimes rent the college community into factions. They cannot be said, at present, to be a helpful influence, and are not forwarding to any appreciable degree the cause of higher education. They are, in some places, threatening to introduce among collegians artificial distinctions of caste based on wealth, birth, imagined social superiority, and the like,—considerations contrary to reason, and alien to the spirit of American life.

The doubtful and almost opposing tone of the above quotation from *The Educational Review* stands contrasted with the widely noted words of Chancellor Anson J. Upson, of what is now called officially New York University. At the opening of the new buildings on University Heights he touched upon history and treated the relations of college and university. He strongly advocated the dormitory system of collegiate living, and expressed a fear that the building of chapter houses would narrow the social life and would increase exclusive tendencies. He has the following commendation of fraternity life in general :—

I believe most sincerely in college secret societies, so called. I believe that the Greek-letter fraternities are invaluable in the good influence exerted upon the members by each other, in the unselfish ambitions they encourage in each other,

and in the ennobling friendships formed therein, which last forever. Some of the noblest members of my own fraternity are graduates of the University of the City of New York. My conviction is deliberate, not altogether ignorant, but founded upon considerable experience, that these societies largely promote a loyal and enthusiastic interest in the college or university where they are; and that in collegiate government and in university affairs they can be legitimately used to promote good order and manly ambition and earnest work. If I were in a university faculty, I should be the last to vote for their exclusion. I should rather be the first to urge their introduction.

THE GREEK PRESS.

It has been said that the editors alone have any great interest in the exchange department of the fraternity magazine. If we thought this to be true we would unhesitatingly omit any detailed mention of kindred journals; for surely no part of the magazine should be used merely for editorial gratification. We shall therefore put into the space devoted to exchanges only such things as are of general interest to our readers. Whether a certain magazine contained a poem on "Spring" or on "The Violet" is scarcely worth the mention; but it is likely that many numbers will give items for discussion and will make treatment easier and less formal than the regular editorial space allows.

Immediately upon official appointment as Editor of THE RAINBOW, we sent to all Greek journals the proper addresses, and requested exchange. We have not received any numbers of the following: *The Shield and Diamond*, the *Kappa Alpha Theta*, the *Kappa Alpha Journal*, the *Sigma Nu Delta*, the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*, the *Pi Beta Phi Arrow*, the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*, and the *Chi Phi* magazine. We should be glad to receive the above exchanges, to all of whose given addresses copies of THE RAINBOW are regularly sent. One scarcely understands how large a place the Greek-letter societies have in American college life until one sees the many well-conducted and comely journals which these societies support.

The Sigma Chi Quarterly comes to us with a most dashing, but not offensive, cover. The magazine is edited with enthusiasm, though much of its matter would be of interest only to members of Sigma Chi. This limitation is in harmony with our own ideas, and is enforced in Editor Crozier's rather long salutatory. The Editor's views on chapter letters are decided and clean. His advice, that the spread-eagle style be avoided, was needed; for several of the correspondents make wonderful claims. Why is it that men cannot be judicious in their statements? Take this from an article on John

Howard Ferris: "The best act he ever did was to go to Granville, Ohio, and enter the Denison University, and join the Sigma Chi fraternity." Mrs. Ferris may be "much attached to the fraternity," but she would surely object to this statement. We note that Sigma Chi has entered the West Virginia State University with eleven men. It is hoped that the establishment of this third chapter will lessen the unpleasant clashing between Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Sigma Kappa. Several years since, Delta Tau Delta received a petition from the West Virginia State University signed by most excellent men, and heartily endorsed by two of our strongest alumni,—the Hon. Joseph Moreland and the Hon. Geo. C. Sturgiss, ex-Republican candidate for governor. The petition for various reasons was refused, but with much regret. Sigma Chi will find good material at Morgantown, and we wish her success with her new chapter. The *Quarterly* does not seem to contain any chapter directory, which fact makes inconvenience for those who have not memorized her roll of colleges. Altogether the Sigma Chis may be proud of their organ.

The Shield of Theta Delta Chi is a most creditable journal. It is loyal to the fraternity it represents, and yet broad and courteous in its relations towards its rivals. We do not know of any fraternity publication that maintains a higher moral tone. Without the preaching air, and with inoffensive frankness, Editor Holmes urges the highest standards. Too much material, perhaps, is taken from other journals, but always with due credit and good judgment. One would almost think that Editors Keeble and Holmes had formed a literary partnership after the Tate and Brady order. Their views seem to coincide, and if the Kappa Alpha *Journal* draws as largely from *The Shield* as *The Shield* does from the *Journal*, the fellowship is profitable indeed. The December *Shield* contains a good account of the fraternity's recent convention, from which we learn that the magazine was practically self-supporting through the year; that Theta Delta Chi will observe her semi-centennial in 1896; that the convention unanimously recommended the granting of a charter to Columbian University, which matter now passes to the chapters. In his "Notes and Comments" the editor puts himself squarely against the practice of lifting. Years ago strict legislation in Delta Tau Delta forbade all lifting. The last convention of Theta Delta Chi

was fortunate in being able to keep the services of its editor. *The Shield* seems to be very largely the product of one man's enthusiasm and industry. It is one of the very best fraternity magazines that we have seen.

The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon for December is pre-eminently what Editor Burger doubtless tries to make it,—a paper for one fraternity. By this it is not meant that the journal is not sympathetic toward the Greek world, for the pages are full of courtesy. The editorials give the items of most interest to fraternity men in general. "A Principle Applied," states that, in harmony with a determination, previously announced, that certain causes would lead to the prompt withdrawal of charters, Sigma Alpha Epsilon had withdrawn from Pennsylvania College and Cornell University. She is to be honored for this heroic subtraction. We notice also that Sigma Alpha Epsilon has adopted the plan of dispensation chapters, and has put a branch at Central College, Missouri. The plan is open to serious objections, and we see no special advantages in its working. We understand that the editor has a most successful expedient for securing chapter letters; he must have some such thing, for the December *Record* contains fifty letters. That is remarkable. We find in reports from the chapters one or two rather savage complaints against rivals. The second is aimed against Beta Kappa of Delta Tau Delta at Colorado State. We regret the ill-feeling between the two chapters. Would it not be wise for both the fraternities to pledge no new men before they become students at Boulder? We have always questioned the fairness of pledging a new man who knows nothing whatever of the rival fraternities. At any rate we question the wisdom of airing local disputes before the general fraternities. It makes the ill-feeling wider without decreasing it at all in the one college. Sigma Alpha Epsilon is to be felicitated on her wide-awake magazine. The editors of *The Record* and THE RAINBOW are well acquainted, and we have Mr. Burger to thank for several thoughtful deeds.

The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma for November appeared duly. It devotes several pages to a description of the Georgia School of Technology, in which Kappa Sigma has but recently instituted a chapter. The editor takes high ground on matters of inter-fraternity

comity, and urges strict honor in all Pan-Hellenic relations. He evidently has the difficulties common to Greek editors; for two editorials deal with the tardiness of contributors and the delinquency of subscribers. We are grateful to the editor for the kind sentence regarding Delta Tau Delta which appeared in the September issue.

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta came to us on time. Its cover said "December," and it appeared in December. The Editor of *THE RAINBOW* was naturally interested in the pictures and sketch of the Ohio Wesleyan University,—his Alma Mater. Ordinarily such cuts receive but slight attention from readers. A glance satisfies. One, however, looks longer at the picture of a well-known man. All of Eugene Field's pictures look ghostly, and surely do not well represent the kindly spirit of whom Phi Delta Theta may justly be proud. Editor Brown is not free from worry with slack chapters. There are chapters of Delta Tau Delta, and doubtless in every fraternity, of whom substantially the following might be said:

Virginia Beta, with her letter, is something like a certain other chapter of the Fraternity was in regard to its dues. In explanation of two years' delinquency on its *SCROLL* account, it said that on account of having given a number of Germans during the social season, and a well appointed reception and banquet at each commencement, its members were actually too poor to raise one dollar per capita *SCROLL* tax levy. Virginia Beta has been pursuing the arts of literature and pleasure with such activity that really no one has had time to write a letter.

While with us the matter of subscriptions is made so rigid that we have little difficulty, we have much the same experience in regard to chapter letters. When some smooth secretary informs us that he and all his brethren have been too busy to write a plain statement for the journal,—well, we always have our doubts. We would prefer this frank word which came recently: "Our neglect was culpable,—that is all there is of it." We have noted in some one of our exchanges the statement that Eugene Field was an *honorary* member of Phi Delta Theta. The reading of *The Scroll's* sympathetic sketch will correct this mistake.

The Phi Kappa (*Sigma Quarterly* for November is at hand. We like its make-up and its spirit. The editor did one signal thing,—he secured letters from eleven out of twelve chapters. The *Quarterly* is not large, but it need not apologize for its size. It has

in it a broad, true ring. We are informed editorially that Phi Kappa Sigma has entered the University of Toronto. Zeta Psi and Kappa Alpha Theta were chartered there years ago, and doubtless others are there now. As to the advisability of Canadian extension, there is a wide difference of opinion. The more conservative fraternities are waiting for conviction.

The Phi Kappa Psi magazine, *The Shield*, for October, came to us under special cover by the courtesy of Editor Rush. Its own constituency will find it interesting throughout: but all Greeks will be interested in the contributed article on "Fraternity Pins in Europe." The writer's experience in the forming of pleasant associations in foreign travel makes quite an argument for the wearing of the badge. Some of the cuts are good and clear; some, however, mar the pages. That of John G. Wooley would not be recognized by his closest friends. The editor of THE RAINBOW was surprised to learn from *The Shield* that the Hon. Lloyd Lowndes, governor of Maryland, was a member of Phi Kappa Psi. The new governor's fraternity history is interesting. He was a charter member of the Washington College Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, having been initiated in 1862, two years after our founding. Later he went to Allegheny College, and, as there was no chapter of Delta Tau Delta at Allegheny at that time, he was initiated into Phi Kappa Psi in 1864. Not knowing that Governor Lowndes was a member of Phi Kappa Psi, we wrote him for a photograph and a correct biography for use in THE RAINBOW. He responded at once with a cordial letter and the desired favors. He also wrote sending thanks for a copy of THE RAINBOW for November. He doubtless regards himself as a member of both fraternities. And so he is technically; for in the early sixties laws of Greek membership were loose, and our own Fraternity as yet had no rules. Our present laws, of course, forbid such double membership. But these laws since made, and now so rigidly enforced, would hardly work *ex post facto*. Curiously enough, this case is not without a parallel. The same problem arose regarding some of our founders. More than a year after the birth of Delta Tau Delta, some of our members — we presume, some of our founders — became charter members of the Bethany Chapter of Beta Theta Pi. Their membership has been considered legitimate by both fraternities. Upon the

individual case of Governor Lowndes the Editor of THE RAINBOW cannot, of course, render any decision. We refrain, therefore, from any definite claims, and will only say that we have pride in the career of Maryland's new governor, and hold the confidence that he will make the truest kind of a chief executive.

The Beta Theta Pi for November did not reach us until January, but it was worth waiting for. It contains an article on "The Chapter-house System" which shows much labor. From this it is learned that the fraternities own one hundred and twenty-five, and rent one hundred and sixty-eight houses, making a total of two hundred and ninety-three. The Betas have the largest total,—six owned and twenty-four rented. On the basis of proportion Sigma Phi would probably lead. Of her seven chapters six own houses; the other chapter rents. In the totals Delta Tau Delta would stand sixth with one or two other fraternities. It would be interesting to know the inner facts about these one hundred and twenty-five houses owned by the fraternities. We have visions of various and heavy mortgages. In some cases we know the chapter-houses to have been a tormenting burden. The matter of expense is touched upon editorially elsewhere. Good chapters can be maintained without houses; that we know. In regard to the whole chapter-house problem we advise all our chapters to move slowly. Our Cornell chapter worked for five years in the most definite way before beginning to build. Such conservatism is wise. The planning and building committees should always be governed by staunch business men.

There is another article in the *Beta Theta Pi* from which we wish to take one liberal quotation. It is from W. O. Robb, and is entitled "The Chapter, the Chapter-House, and the Point of View":

The man who is *only* a fraternity man is no man at all. Some who will allow the truth of this proposition will deny its importance, because they will doubt if such a type can be found in any college. But I have known a few youngsters who closely correspond to the description. To make the point plain, however, I may say that the fraternity man who, in all his college functions and relations, is everywhere and always *first of all* a fraternity man, is, in my judgment, clearly a distorted and unhealthy type of undergraduate manhood, and therefore, even of fraternity manhood.

Suppose the occasion is a class or literary society election. As between two candidates, of whom one is a fraternity brother and the other is not, the thick-and-

thin fraternity man will invariably vote for the former, and would think it treachery to do otherwise. But he is wholly wrong, as I need hardly explain. His first allegiance at such a time is due to the body in which he holds a vote, and not to his fraternity at all. Fitness for the position to be filled, not fraternity connection, should determine his vote, and in judging of such fitness he is bound by the obligations of intellectual honesty not to let his judgment be warped by his personal relationship. Any other rule of conduct falls to pieces the minute it is examined. All fraternity or anti-fraternity combinations for the control of such elections are simply immoral. Blind partisanship is as much a crime in college politics as in civil life. The student who votes for a candidate for class or society orator on the ground of fraternity relationship is as blameworthy as the citizen of New York who votes for a candidate for mayor or recorder on the ground of his orthodoxy on the national question of the tariff or the currency. "Whose is this image and superscription?" Not always Cæsar's, or at least not always the same Cæsar's; and tribute is, therefore, not always due to the same power.

The writer is vigorous and correct. The voting conscience needs to be cultivated in college life. Of this subject we had previously determined to write in some future editorial.