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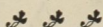
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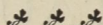
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GREEK LETTER FRATERNITIES.

The Greek-letter Fraternity is an American institution, the growth of a republican garden. It could not exist in the older governments of Europe, where persons of all ranks and conditions are thrown together in the Universities. The heir of my Lord Marquis could not fraternize with the son of the poor clergyman who is honorably working out a good education for himself. It is only where the peerage is one of worth, and where titular rank can not give a meretricious value to shallowness and incapacity, that the real fraternity idea can exist. We have often heard the wonder expressed, that in the English Universities, where we have so many famous instances of college friendships, from that of Dean Stanley and Thomas Hughes back, there has never been a fraternity organized. The answer is undoubtedly to be found in the state of society there. My Lord Marquis' son and the poor clergyman's son, however worthy each may be of the others' companionship, have each a social circle marked out for him in which the other can not move.

Having seen, then, why the fraternity idea can not grow in England, let us examine the cause of its ready germination in American soil. The cause is to be found, perhaps, not so much in anything peculiar in American institutions as in the fact that young men are left free to organize themselves ac-

according to the promptings of their own natures. Worth is regarded in rich and poor indiscriminately, and the wealthy, profligate libertine is left as a fit companion to the "rambling rake of poverty."

"The republic of letters and that of worth," says a modern writer, "knows no titles but their own." "There is a peerage of poverty as much as of title—a peerage both intellectual and moral." Youth is quick to recognize industry and nobility of character. There is a certain happy ingenuousness about it which goes a long way toward making up for the defect in experience; and school-boy honor is as quick, nay quicker, to resent all aspersions on character than that of later years. But there is a fatal defect in the ingenuousness of youth. While it readily discovers merit, it can not separate between the good and the evil. It is the moth following the light of good nature to be consumed in the flame of immorality. Good-fellowship, like charity, covers a multitude of sins, and to say that one is good hearted means that much may be forgiven in him.

All these things a young man seeks and imitates in his companions, and it is in his choice of companions, often, that the whole course of his life may turn. "Any one could mould the life of a young man if he could prescribe his companions," says some one, and nowhere else is this so true as in college. A University is a little world in itself, a microcosm, a diminutive copy of the great outer world, with its recurring seasons, and, above all, its wide diversity of elements. A boy is taken there and turned loose to shift for himself and to take up with the friends that attract him most. The authority of the master, however wisely he may wish to exercise it, is of no avail here. The guardian influence of parents, the loving instinct of the mother and the wise counsel of the father is too distant to be materially felt. Early training often goes for naught among the new influences which surround him. For

want of a monitor to supply the lack of experience the boy is left almost entirely to himself in this great matter, which is as important as the intellectual education itself.

Now it is exactly this vacant place that the fraternity is intended to fill. It is composed of a band of young men bonded together by a community of aims and associated with like bands in other colleges under one general head and working together for the common good of the order. Their object is to render all assistance possible to each other in their educational life, both moral and intellectual, and to give each other a closer bond of union than the mere casual ties of friendship would afford. It has been claimed that the fraternity takes the place, at college, of the home circle. This is a mistake. No artificial union can usurp the sacred place of home. The holy names of father and mother can never be twice bestowed. But the fraternity does come nearer than anything else toward it and its complement, as it were, in the college life.

It is based on the good principles of encouraging industry and self-confidence, guarding against evil associates by supplying their places with good ones, and ensuring self-improvement by a system of mutual assistance. It is generally composed of men of all ages, from about sixteen up, united in such a manner that the older ones can gain the intimate confidence of the younger members and render them invaluable aid by their riper experience. If it is old enough, it numbers among its alumni men of high rank — senators, statesmen, men of letters, bishops and clergymen of the church, — men who are acknowledged leaders of thought and morality and who, for the most part, take a lively interest in its welfare.

In selecting its men it is imperative that it should choose only the best, for its vitality depends on the standing of its members. Give a dog a bad name and you hang him; give a fraternity a bad name and you put an end to its career of usefulness. It must choose only the best and steadily refuse

all who have any bad qualities such as would lower the social status of the chapter. For this reason morality of life is an essential requisite to membership in the generality of fraternities, especially in the best ones. Immorality, looseness, profanity, intemperance, all the graver vices have a lowering tendency wherever they are found, and, though they can not be absolutely prohibited, are steadily discouraged. These are all vices to which young men are peculiarly liable, and nowhere so much so as in college.

Again, all idleness or disposition thereto is discouraged. This is also imperatively necessary to the vitality of the fraternity, for its status depends to a large extent on the classroom ability and standing of its members. Examinations must be passed, diplomas must be taken, medals must be won, honors must be merited both in and out of the class-room, or the member will be a drag on the chapter; and since, when once the drag has been taken in, it is impossible to cast it out again, great care is necessary to avoid it in the first instance. Thus ability as a student is a requisite of membership in the fraternity and is encouraged and developed in it. Again, the fraternity man, by the constant practice thus imposed upon him of selecting men for members of his fraternity learns how to select suitable companions for himself in after years. He is taught to select men for their general merit, to discriminate between the genuine good qualities and the meretricious false ones. He acquires the invaluable habit of judging human nature and of being guided in his relations with others by his knowledge of it.

It has been objected that his membership in a fraternity is not followed up by any substantial benefit in after life. Precisely so; nor is it intended to be. The benefit that a fraternity renders is, of necessity, for the most part, confined to college life; yet the benefit conferred there is so great that it is felt all through life, in the direction and the regulated train-

ing which it gives to the faculties. Friendships formed at college are often life-long — if they are good, their influence is for the better; if they are bad, for the worse. How important, then, that the formation of good ones may be in a measure insured.

But here we are confronted by the fact that all fraternities do not come up to the standard here presented. It is, alas! too true that some have not adhered to the line that is obviously to their best interest; not, perhaps, an entire fraternity, but certainly individual chapters. Still this is nothing but the fatality which accompanies all things earthly. All the disciples of Socrates could not be like Plato, but an Alcibiades must figure conspicuously among them. Nay, there was a Judas even among the chosen disciples. Perfection, though it must always be sought, can never be found this side of the grave. But these cases are the exception and not the rule. Fraternities have characters as well as men. There is as much diversity among a given number of fraternities as among the same number of individuals, but the great majority adhere in substance to the rules here laid down.

G. L. CROCKETT.

THE EASTERN DIVISION CONFERENCE.

Before another issue of *THE RAINBOW* appears the Annual Conference of the Eastern Division will have occurred; so, although the definite program and list of toasts can not now be given, it seemed a good plan to outline the good time the brothers can expect and to urge all that can possibly arrange to do so to be present. The headquarters of the Conference will be the Manhattan Hotel, corner of Madison Avenue and Forty-Second Street. This is one of the handsomest and most comfortable of the New York hotels, and the brothers can be assured of the most careful attention on the part of the management. Commodious and comfortable rooms have been assigned us for the business sessions and the banquet. A joint committee from Rho and the New York Alumni Association have charge of the arrangements, and all who attend can be assured of a most pleasant and enjoyable time. It has been the aim of the committee to make the banquet second only to that of the Karnea. An excellent list of carefully prepared toasts has been arranged, and many of the most prominent of our older members have promised to be present at the banquet.

The date of the Conference is February 22. The morning and afternoon will be devoted to the business sessions, and the evening to the banquet. Large delegations are assured from the active chapters, and all Delts in the vicinity are most strongly urged to attend the business sessions and the banquet in the evening. Any brother desiring further details may obtain the same by corresponding with Brother L. L. Merriam, 1034 Bloomfield Street, Hoboken, N. J.

THE PURPOSE AND ORGANIZATION OF ALUMNI CHAPTERS.

The strength and vitality of a fraternity, like that of a college or university, are not to be found in the ultimate analysis, in the body of undergraduates, no matter how numerous or noisily enthusiastic they may be, nor in the perfection of its governmental machinery even though it be as elaborate as that devised for the University of Chicago. They should be sought rather in that body of alumni and former students who look back to it as a real Alma Mater, fostering in them the beginnings of what they are. Both the university and the fraternity must be judged in precisely the same way as a manufacturing concern, — by the quality of the product they turn out, and by their ability to continue to give the same results. Has the fraternity in its succession of four-year generations, been steadily sending forth men of force and high purposefulness? Are the chapters here and there holding fast to the best of the old traditions, and giving to the fellows of later years the stamp which makes fine coin out of mere ore? These two inquiries cannot be answered separately for there is a necessary relation; the forces involved play in both directions, to the chapters and from the chapters. The chapter which has been alike careful in the selection and training of its men is almost certain to have a body of alumni with the capacity to be increasingly helpful as they gain in number and in place in the world. But it does not necessarily follow that this capacity will be used in any effective fashion. The successes of the individual alumni will of course reflect credit on the Fraternity, and their presence in the Fraternity is always a

source of pride and of inspiration, but after all they are not the men who are the real strength of the order. Great names are good to look at on the page of a catalogue or in a toast-list for a banquet, and no one will deny their influence. But the names that count in values expressed by significant figures in fraternity assets, are those of the men whose persistent personal loyalty, and active generous interest are constant quantities, even though a minus sign appears now and then. Potent as these men may be in the activities of a chapter or of the Fraternity, when working alone, it is almost axiomatic in these days of combined effort, that great gain will result if all the men of this type in a district, like a large city and its suburbs, can unite for the common purpose of perpetuating and re-enforcing the influences that were and are powerful in shaping the life of a college man. The very foundations of the fraternity system are laid in the principle of co-operation and union. Shall the principle be abandoned by the members of the Fraternity when active membership ceases, when the full meaning of all the planning of the past is just being comprehended by its beneficiary? No member of Delta Tau Delta who has been born anew into that rich fellowship will for a moment imagine that his graduation freed him from all further obligation to the Fraternity. If he has that feeling he is a Delta by word, not by deed; raw material, not finished product. Continued interest and effort ought to be as natural and imperative for a real Delta as the Yale spirit to a Yale man. The necessary corollary of this proposition is that wherever there are Deltas in sufficient numbers in convenient proximity, there an alumni chapter should be established and maintained, particularly if they be in the neighborhood of some undergraduate chapter, as is the case at Boston, Chicago and San Francisco.

So long as the membership of the Fraternity was comparatively small and scattered over a continent-wide area, the

formation of strong alumni chapters was not entirely practicable, and such attempts as were made were in most cases ultimately failures. Two other causes operated to increase the difficulties in the way of progress in this direction, — the lack of interrelation among the chapters, and the divergent ideals as to the qualifications for membership. The last ten or fifteen years have seen a very steady and gratifying improvement in all these respects; there is a considerable number of Deltas in every large center of population, they have a broader and more solid foundation for their enthusiasm than was possible for those who were initiated in the late seventies and early eighties — it could hardly be a deeper or more abiding enthusiasm than that of many a man of the earlier days, — and there has been a rapid approach to homogeneity of membership. One evidence of these changes is seen in the number of new alumni chapters which have been formed in the last three years, not to mention the rejuvenation of the oldest of them all. The past has much to offer, but in the matter of alumni chapters it is mainly in the way of how not to do, though the positive lessons of success which the Chicago alumni have given the Fraternity quarterly, annually, and biennially, must not be overlooked. The past is certainly better for correction and reproof than for example and inspiration. The Fraternity has passed out of this early period of youth and spasmodic experimentation, into an age of clearer calculation of values of men and enthusiasms, an age which believes with the heart in the Fraternity, and, because it is eternally worth while lays plans for the expenditure of time and interest through the long years ahead.

The method by which the alumni chapters shall be organized, is prescribed in the constitution of the Fraternity and need not be discussed here. Where there are seven Deltas gathered together with the desire to become permanent members of an alumni chapter in that place there may be formed

such a chapter. Experience has shown, however, that it is not quite the highest wisdom to make any and every member of the Fraternity residing within the defined limits, by that fact a member of the alumni chapter. Just as there was selection and election in the undergraduate chapter, so there should be something akin to a selection in the maintenance of an alumni chapter. It is a fact, unpleasant though it be to admit it, that all who wear the square badge would not be eligible on the basis of congeniality and determined purpose by sacrifice and effort to lift higher the royal tri-color of Deltaism. To have been a Delta once upon a time is not quite enough. To be a Delta still, large-hearted, clear-eyed, and fresher-spirited, because the seeds planted and nourished by the Fraternity are bearing four manner of fruits, each in its season, — this is enough. With this as the fundamental thing, the success of any alumni chapter is assured. The chapter will put strength into the Fraternity because there is union of many, because they are united as touching, not one, but many things; the undergraduate chapters in the vicinity will gain health and hope from association and advice, with men of riper experiences and the new brother coming into the Fraternity household will the more quickly understand the meaning, privilege, and responsibility of the bond of Deltaism.

KENDRIC CHARLES BABCOCK.

NEW YORK ALUMNI CHAPTER.

The fact that the New York Alumni Chapter has been revived may be news to but few of the Delts around New York, but the how and why of the matter is probably a mystery to most of those who are not members of the chapter; so I think that a history of the revival and growth of the chapter and an explanation of its present policy would not be amiss, in this Alumni number of THE RAINBOW.

The old New York Alumni Association uttered its last groan about the year 1892, and three years later a movement was started to revive it. At various times during this period a crowd of New York Delts would get together and talk until they would get enthusiastic, and would part with the best intentions to revive the Association. But there the matter would end. If it is true that "Hell is paved with good intentions," the New York Alumni may find a public square named after it down there. About a year ago a crowd of Delts got together to talk, when somebody evolved the brilliant idea that we *do* something. The novelty of the idea led to its adoption, and we sent out notices to about sixty Delts, in and about New York City, informing them that a meeting would be held at a certain time and place, for the purpose of deciding how to revive the Alumni Association, and cordially inviting them to attend, and bring along a friend. A room large enough to accommodate the expected number was obtained by the committee appointed, and all arrangements made to entertain the crowd. Fifteen men responded.

These fifteen petitioned the Arch Chapter to transfer the old charter to them, and upon the petition being granted the

New York Alumni Chapter was founded. We have now had five meetings, at various restaurants and chop-houses in town, and our membership has just doubled since we started. A membership of thirty out of all the Delts in New York City may appear to be small, but our policy is "slow but sure."

Our idea was to start with men who had not been out of college long enough to lose their undergraduate enthusiasm, and with these men as a foundation to work back gradually from class to class, until we had reached the "old timers." We felt that if a '75 man came to one of our meetings and found a lot of men just out of college, that he would go away with a feeling that the New York Alumni Chapter was not for him. But, if a '90 man came and found some '92 men, and later an '88 man found '90 men, their first impression would be such that they would want to come to the next meeting. However, this does not mean that the older men can't join, for we are only too glad to have them if they think they would enjoy the meetings, but what we want is *members* and not a list of names.

The chapter has among its objects the improvement of the Eastern Division Conferences, and is making an earnest effort to have the coming Conference a record breaker. A committee of the chapter is working with the committee from Rho Chapter. A list of speakers for the dinner is being arranged, and the police department has been notified that no Delt is to be allowed to leave the city from the 21st to the 23d of February.

Of the members present at the last meeting three are on the Arch Chapter, one is an ex-member of the Arch Chapter, all good looking and intelligent, and one is a Tammany man.

By this time next year we hope to be able to report a large membership and a chapter as active as any on the list, but at the present time our extreme youthfulness prevents us from blowing our official horn any louder.

HILLARY C. MESSIMER.

THE CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER.

The Chicago Alumni Association has a membership of sixty, having about doubled its number in the past four years.

In round numbers there are one hundred and fifty members of the Fraternity living here, but we count no one a member of our body who is not sufficiently interested in it to pay the annual dues.

We usually hold eight meetings in the year, holding none during the months of June, July, August and September. All are informal save that of February, which is our formal Annual Dinner, always held on the Friday evening nearest to the 22d of the month—this year it will be the 23d. This is the only one at which toasts are responded to, all is informality at the others, and it is very seldom there are any speeches at all.

To brothers desirous of organizing similar bodies elsewhere, we would say there are just two officers on which the life of the Association will depend, they are the Secretary and Treasurer; fill these offices with men who will conscientiously work and your organization will be a success from the start. No organization can live very long without money, nor even with that article, unless arrangements for meetings are made and notices sent out.

In organizing the Alumni no thought should be given to its effect on the general Fraternity or toward influencing the general policy of that body. The first aim should be entirely local, and the General Fraternity as entirely secondary.

It is absolutely necessary to have a nucleus of congenial men, get that, if it is only six in number, organize and then gradually draw in the others.

In 1880, when we organized here, we were entirely inexperienced, we were breaking new ground, and, as a consequence, the first few years were not very promising of good results; we tried to get everyone in at once, and almost failed to accomplish anything. Gradually, however, this necessary nucleus formed within our ranks, in the persons of the Alumni of old Champaign Chapter; then the great success of our New York Chapter attracted our attention, Stevens had furnished the nucleus there.

In 1886 we adopted the New York Constitution with no important changes; in 1887 that Constitution was printed, and it is still our governing force, the only change being that the Secretary is a member of the Executive Committee, and the Elections Committee passes on candidates for admission. Since 1886 the life of the Chicago Alumni Association has at no time been in peril.

The nucleus of our Beta Upsilon men has leavened the whole body, until now we have more chapters represented in our ranks than any other of our Associations ever had, and they are just as glad to see each other at our meetings as though they had all entered Delta Tau Delta through its portals at the University of Illinois.

The business of an Alumni Association is to look after its own interests in its immediate locality, it can do no appreciable good to the Fraternity in any other way.

When the Karneas of 1897 and 1899 were held here, Chicago was ambitious, for her own sake, that they should be successful to the greatest extent, and to that end she strove to provide surroundings which would be favorable, but her efforts ended there.

We were organized for the pleasure which might be obtained from personal association with each other; the idea of extending the boundaries of Delta Tau Delta was not in our minds, yet since that date our chapter at the University of

Illinois has been revived, and the Universities of Northwestern and Chicago added to the Fraternity's roll. Each was installed by our Association, and it exercised no small influence in the cases of the two last mentioned institutions.

As we understand it, our territory in particular includes these two Universities now, and as a body we are more interested in them than in any other chapters in Delta Tau Delta, their own Alumni are hardly more concerned about these chapters than are we; Beta Upsilon is almost too far away from us, but we keep in fairly close touch through her representation in our ranks.

We are proud of our work, and we have reason to be, for Beta Upsilon, Beta Pi, and Gamma Alpha are made up of men we are glad to call brothers and eager to welcome as members of our organization when they leave the homes of their various chapters.

Our influence is not limited to the boundary lines of Chicago nor of Evanston, but we have members in Racine, Elgin, and Aurora, and these members come to our informal suppers as well as to the Annual Dinner.

Our suppers are usually, not always, held on the last Friday evening of the month, at 6.30, and at the Athletic Club, and we are always glad to welcome any brother who may be travelling through Chicago at that time.

LOWRIE McCLEURG.

CINCINNATI ALUMNI CHAPTER.

In the absence of an active chapter of the fraternity in the University of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Alumni Chapter stands in its stead to the southern part of Ohio and the mid-way of the Ohio Valley. In saying this I am fully conscious of the degree of good that can come to the Fraternity at large from an active chapter as compared with a graduate chapter, and am forced to say that no matter how lofty may be the intentions or how active the efforts of the members of the alumni chapter, the presence of the latter cannot stand the General Fraternity in as good stead as a chapter of actives in the same territory. But the General Fraternity has not seen fit as yet to establish a chapter at the University of Cincinnati, and I pride myself on being loyal enough to their better judgment to think that the members of the Arch Chapter are in the right.

But if we can't have an active chapter here, we will do what we can to hold up the name and standard of the Fraternity in this quarter. It was with that object in view that a few members of the Fraternity met four years ago and started the present organization. It was thought that even the printing of the name of an organization of Deltas here would mean something and show an activity and a remembrance of Deltaism, and the loyalty to its teachings that the old members owe to their fraternity. When any members of the fraternity should see the name of the organization printed in THE RAINBOW, they would know that there were Delts in Cincinnati, and that they had not forgotten their fraternity. But the Cincinnati chapter has not been merely a nominal organization. We have had yearly gatherings at which prominent Deltas

have been present from out of the city as well as from the number of those in the city. Besides this, we have had frequent meetings from time to time, — more as the occasion arose than at regular stated intervals. One thing is noticeable, and that is that the few Deltas who gathered that first night at the St. Nicholas Hotel to form an alumni chapter have been the ones whose interest and enthusiasm have kept up all along, and whose attendance and sure presence at the gatherings have made the perpetuation of the organization a fact and not a theory.

Our chapter has had questions to solve no less than an active chapter. An alumni chapter that has a meeting once a year and a big banquet at which all the local members and many from outside gather to pay tribute to their fraternity and revive slumbering enthusiasm, has but one question to solve, and that is to make these events a success. We here have had more to do. We have made out of our organization something more than the machinery for a formal once-a-year gathering; we pride ourselves that we have made it something like an active chapter. We all see each other oftener. We have met in almost impromptu gatherings, and have discussed matters of almost personal nature with the freedom of the days when we did the same thing in college. It is common for us to visit together occasionally and take counsel on matters that are purely personal and seek advice from each other. When an occasion comes that presents a hard problem for one to solve, he takes another into his confidence; and oftentimes these things are made the topic of conversation at the meetings that take place on short notice, — almost spontaneous they are. And so with this degree of familiarity and truly fraternal spirit bred among men who were formerly total strangers, it is not difficult to understand that the greatest problem with our chapter has been how to keep it from getting to be kept up by the few rather than the many, and taken

part in by the ones who gather frequently and make common cause, rather than by all the members of the Fraternity who may be in the city. How to make the other fellows, who do not partake of the chummy spirit during all the year, become interested and stay interested in the chapter is what we have had to solve. These who are not with us all the time include among them some of our best men. We can't get along without them when we meet in annual session. We want to be able to point to them as members of the chapter. There isn't a Delt in Cincinnati that we can get hold of that we have found the least reason not to want with us, and the question is how to get them. We have the few who have been with us from the start, — the twelve or fifteen that like the revival of old chapter days, — and we have always had good representation from among the ones that we do not see so often. How successful we have been in our efforts to make a solution of the problem referred to can best be judged from the fact that we have held together and paid our tribute to the General Fraternity, a little irregularly as to time, perhaps, but paid it nevertheless.

Our annual getting together this year has been postponed. We have generally had it during the holiday season, but we want to try another plan this year. Of our progress, our success and our accomplishments, THE RAINBOW will be kept informed; of our failures, never a word. But we have the courage to believe that of the latter there will be little to tell, since our aspirations are not such as carry us into the region where defeat is a question of even odds. We intend to proceed along the level road and not go ballooning.

WALTER A. DRAPER.

SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNI CHAPTER.

The alumni of San Francisco petitioned for a charter just before the close of the last college year. The Arch Chapter subsequently granted the petition; and on November 14th the pioneer alumni organization on the Pacific coast was successfully installed.

It did not require the undergraduate blood from the Stanford and Berkeley Chapters to lend enthusiasm to the occasion. The old alumni are unusually devoted to the new organization, and a number of them manifest their loyalty by keeping in close touch with the Beta Rho and Beta Omega Chapters. None are more faithful in this respect than the patriarch of the flock, Captain E. E. Ewing, an old veteran of the Civil War, who left the Beta Chapter in 1862 and took up arms for his country, wearing his Delt badge throughout the service. He regularly attends the initiations at Berkeley and Palo Alto, and is one of those sturdy men of iron whose devotion to a troth, once pledged, never abates.

The feature of the installation banquet was the adoption of Beta Rho's custom of passing the loving cup. Each man's toast addressed the success of the new chapter. President O. P. Downing crystalized the prevailing sentiment when he declared that the organization must adopt and adhere to an active policy, with a consistent purpose to *do something*. Elaborating his idea, the president indicated that the energies of the organization should be spent in behalf of the welfare of the two undergraduate chapters on the Pacific coast, both of which are practically within the environs of San Francisco.

There was another Titan at the table—Dr. Kendric C. Babcock. He put a molding hand upon the destinies of the new organization by drafting its constitution. The instrument follows the main provisions of the constitution of the Chicago Alumni Association.

The following officers were elected: President, O. P. Downing, Tau, Prime '74; Vice-president, Captain E. E. Ewing, Beta, '62; Secretary, Hugh H. Brown, Beta Rho, '96; Treasurer, John Mason Ross, Beta Rho, '97.

HUGH H. BROWN.

MILWAUKEE ALUMNI CHAPTER.

The charter for our chapter was granted February 4th, 1898. In April of that year we held our first annual banquet under the charter, and the first annual meeting was held at the same time. For many who participated at the banquet it was a sort of first reunion since graduating, as most of our members are University of Wisconsin men. The toasts were peculiarly well prepared, finely delivered, and enthusiastically received. We had at our banquet board several Delts, residents of our state, who were "finds" to us who are mostly Beta Gamma Delts. Among them Dr. Weed, Epsilon, '87, and Dr. J. J. Davis of Racine, Upsilon, '72. A pair of more enthusiastic "old boys" it would be difficult to find.

Because our membership is spread throughout the length and breadth of Wisconsin we do not have many general meetings. However, there is a much cultivated intercourse among the members who reside in this city, and we hardly appreciate that we have left college and its never-to-be-forgotten fraternity life. We frequently meet in an informal manner, sometimes a member entertains his fellow members at his home or at some club, and more often we "just happen" to meet.

It is a custom of the chapter of the University of Wisconsin to give an annual banquet during commencement week, and last June that event was made a combination affair by the active chapter and the Alumni chapter, taking place at Madison. It was a most successful banquet in every way, although the alumni members believe it detracted from the "importance" of our organization.

We contemplate holding our annual banquet early this winter, at which time the delegate sent by us to the last Karnea of the Fraternity will have the pleasure to report that the next Karnea will be held under our auspices.

While we are comparatively few in number, we believe the sum total of Delt spirit in our organization is equal to that of any other Alumni Association in the land.

E. J. HENNING.

Jan. 1900

THE PHILADELPHIA ALUMNI CHAPTER.

The Philadelphia Alumni Chapter was formed for the purposes of giving those graduate members of Delta Tau Delta, resident in and about Philadelphia, who desire to maintain a more intimate relation to the Fraternity, an opportunity of perpetuating its objects and interests; of reclaiming and refreshing those Deltas who through long, accidental separation from any body of their fraters have found other interests to occupy their attention and have allowed their enthusiasm to languish; and of providing a means of keeping together those who may graduate from our different chapters and whom fortune may bring to this city, and especially the graduates of Omega Chapter, the welfare of which chapter it furthermore is the desire of our members to advance by co-operation and encouragement.

The association is in large measure missionary in its scope, in that it is the intention of its members to seek out the numerous Deltas, some of them of many years' standing, who have been so long in this old Quaker town without hearing the Delta song or having the opportunity of participating in any fraternity gatherings, that their memories of such things have grown faint, while outside affairs have taken such hold of them that they almost cease to feel the need of the sympathetic touch of a brother's hand or the boyish enthusiasm that is caused by a mental return to college days.

Many graduates of the different chapters, since leaving college, have drifted to Philadelphia and settled there, but until the installation of Omega Chapter, three years ago, there was very little to bring the brothers into contact with each

other, and so it is no wonder that now, since this city has become a centre of Delta activity, those who have been so long left to themselves should be tardy about manifesting their interest, but if there is left in any of these the merest spark of enthusiasm, we hope eventually to bring forth the flame which only a Delta fire can kindle.

At present our association numbers only a dozen, but considering the fact that our first birthday is still six months distant, and realizing that at best our growth must be a gradual one, we have good cause for satisfaction.

EDWIN ELLIOT.

EDITORIALS.

Chapter Houses.

In a chapter letter of one of our exchanges — we withhold the name as a matter of courtesy — we noticed a bit of unconscious truth-telling that appeals to us. The correspondent writes: "Our new house is the finest at college. It was our intention to excel anything else at — in that line. . . . The heavy expense we shall be put to in running our new house will necessitate our initiating an unusually large number of new men this year."

In these days of high fraternity efficiency the chapter house has become a practical necessity in chapter life. We believe a chapter is unable to gain the greatest good from fraternity life unless it has a house of some description. That chapter is the strongest that exhibits the greatest homogeneity in its personnel, and has cultivated the highest degree of harmony in the tastes and ideas of its individual members; this can be consummated only where the members enjoy the intimate family life of the chapter house, where the older men can have the younger under their very eye, and any wrong tendencies can be immediately detected and corrected. There must be a common center for the chapter life if any efficient work is expected; this center the hall only in a small degree supplies. It requires a place where the members can live intimately together and get to know each other's real character and ability.

We have considered only the utilitarian side of the chapter house. But there is a wider and more lasting good that

house life affords the individual and the fraternity at large. The man who has spent the four years of college in a chapter house is ever after a more loyal fraternity man and of greater value to the Fraternity than the one whose conception of the Fraternity is only an abstract idea of an organization with stated time and place of meeting. The former has a feeling of great loneliness and loss when he has done forever with the happy fellowship of the chapter house. He is the man who gravitates towards the Alumni Association, who can not get along without THE RAINBOW, whose purse is always opened at any call from his chapter for house funds.

While a house is such a desirable, nay even necessary, acquisition for a chapter, we believe a reckless and shortsighted assumption of this responsibility has too often been the destruction of a chapter. The essential is lost sight of, and ostentation or a desire to surpass a rival is too often the end in view. The situation shown in the above extract is the result. A chapter has built a house that is beyond its means, some of the old men have failed to return, the attendant expenses are unusually heavy; the result is that the chapter is forced to swell its numbers by the initiation of men who do not come up to its standard, good men with light purses are debarred, some year several men are lost, and the chapter is forced to contract heavy debts until complete disintegration stares it in the face unless the Alumni come to its aid. But even if the financial embarrassment is temporarily removed, the personel of the chapter has degenerated so much that it is almost impossible to regain the former position. It is not the fine house that attracts the new men; it is the personel of the chapter. We have time after time seen the desirable freshman refuse the fine house with a second-rate class of men for the crowd of gentlemen and the modest, homelike house.

We would encourage every chapter to own its own house; but we would have it go about the task in a business-

like, sensible manner. One of our chapters had worked steadily through nearly two generations of college men before the plan for a chapter house was consummated. For two years the chapter was located in an entirely inadequate rented house; but when the ambition was finally realized it found that chapter well prepared for the task. A house of moderate cost was erected, and it is today one of the best arranged, most comfortable, and prettiest of the fraternity houses we have seen. The cost was carefully calculated so that with the maximum of cost and the minimum of members the expense would not be excessive. The result is that when the chapter has a full membership money is laid up, and if there comes an "off year" when the numbers are small the chapter is in no danger of bankruptcy.

A chapter can not begin to plan for its house too early. It is generally true that those men who have labored hardest and most unselfishly seldom see the consummation of their plans while they are undergraduates or can enjoy the fruits of their labor; but the greatest token of our unselfish love for the Fraternity is a willingness to sow in the heat of the day that others may enjoy the harvest and inherit the ultimate success that our labors for Delta Tau Delta have won. So let the distance toward the goal deter no chapter from making the beginning. The sooner the chapter begins to set aside money for a house, the sooner will it attain its desire. Until a chapter is located in a house of its own its permanence is never assured.

In those colleges at some distance from a large city and where the college life is concentrated about the campus the house problem is greatly simplified. It is when a college is located in a large city and the majority of the men are widely scattered that the support of a chapter house becomes a serious problem. From our own observation we should say that Omega and Rho have reached a fairly satisfactory temporary

solution. They have houses where from six to ten of the men live, many more take their noon-day meal at the house. At least, a common center is supplied for the chapter life. There is a place for entertaining guests, a place where a man is always sure of finding some of his brothers.

We can be well satisfied with what our chapters have already done in the matter of houses; but we would urge those chapters that are still content with a hall to never rest until they have secured a house. Let the first step be a rented house, it will give cohesion and unity to the chapter; but always work toward a house of your own. Do not attempt a proposition too heavy for the chapter to handle, or one that will make the chapter's standard of membership a pocket book rather than a man. Go about the matter slowly, sensibly, enthusiastically, and loyally.

Fraternity Value.

Every active chapter has in its ranks two types of the valuable fraternity man. The one type is the man who is prominent in all phases of college life. He is a member of the committee of every college social function, prominent in the musical clubs, or a star athlete. In every line he is a leader, and is looked up to as a leader in the college world. This sort of a man may be a valuable worker inside his chapter; but the chances are that he is not. Too often, in the multiplicity of his college interests, he finds no time to devote to chapter work. Still he is a valuable man to the chapter. The glory that he strives for to gratify his personal ambition, although the motive is selfish, does in the end shine as a reflected light upon his chapter, and does much to improve its standing with the college world. In this case the man has

wrought better than he intended ; he started out to win laurels for himself, but at the same time he has contributed to his chapter's strength.

There is one shoal on which a man of this description is often in danger of wrecking both himself and the chapter. While he has been winning college honors he has had no time for internal chapter work ; so, when he reaches the grade of an upper classman he has not prepared himself for the heavy responsibility of the offices that fall to the lot of the upper classman. He feels that the chapter does not rightly value him or appreciate his worth, while in the spheres where he has labored he knows that he is somewhat of a figure ; too often he allows this feeling to alienate him from his chapter to the lasting detriment of both.

On the other hand there is a type of man that centers his whole life in the chapter. He may be hardly known in the college at large, but he finds his compensation for his lack of popularity in the love of his brothers. He is the man looked to in times of storm and stress, the man to whom the younger men turn for sympathy and counsel. His work is the enduring bulwark of strength for the chapter in the after years when his more brilliant brother's name is only an ornament for the pages of the college annual. He is content to quietly work along for the good of his Fraternity, finding his reward in the labor of love, and hailing offices of honor in the chapter as opportunities for more unselfish work. The chapter fails to recognize his value until the members miss the broad and willing shoulders that bore so many of the chapter's burdens. Too often they think the stamp of college popularity is the criterion by which they should judge their brothers, and the quiet, faithful worker fails of just appreciation.

We would not claim that either of these types represents the ideal fraternity man. He is rather the combination of the two. He labors diligently for the internal welare of the

chapter and at the same time carries his Fraternity banner in the front rank of the college world; but such an *avis rara* is seldom found by a chapter. The men can generally be divided into the two classes mentioned, each valuable and useful in its own way.

Alumni Associations.

We firmly believe in the wisdom of the Arch Chapter in exercising the same pruning care in regard to the Alumni Associations as has been so successfully employed in the case of the undergraduate chapters. Those associations that were no more than a name have been dropped from the list, and we now now have six healthy, active Associations.

The articles that appear in another part of this issue are an excellent indication of their live activity and loyalty in furthering Delta Tau Delta's interests after their members have done with active fraternity life. Their value to the Fraternity in holding the interest of the men after graduation is great; in their relation to active chapters they also are doing a most excellent work. The Chicago Association is within such easy reach of the Beta Pi and Gamma Alpha chapters that it is able to do a great work in strengthening and watching over the chapters. The same is true of the San Francisco Association with Beta Rho and Beta Omega, the New York Association and Rho, the Philadelphia Association and Omega, the Milwaukee and Beta Gamma. The last two Karneas have most keenly appreciated and enjoyed the advantages of a strong, live Alumni Association in Chicago.

It has been our privilege to have known personally the Associations on both the Pacific and Atlantic coasts. We found each different in its component parts, but each working earnestly to promote and sustain the Delta spirit. The San

Francisco Association was composed of men who represented chapters from all over the country, men who had been out of touch with Fraternity affairs for ten or twenty years; alongside these were recent graduates from Beta Rho and Beta Omega. Their very isolation from the rest of the Fraternity seemed but to make them more loyal and earnest. The younger men found it a difficult task to keep pace with the earnestness and enthusiasm of the older men, the flame of whose loyalty seemed but to burn the brighter for its long smouldering.

The New York Association is composed, on the other hand, of young men who have not left their college days so far behind, and who are merely transplanting their active interest. It is hoped as the Association advances that it may be able to awaken the interest of the older men and draw them into its membership.

Alumni Associations have proved of great value to the members, and the general Fraternity. Every one now on our list is alive and active, but there are many of our other large cities where there are a large number of Delts; we want Associations there also, and trust in a few years we shall see the number of our Alumni Associations doubled.

A chapter should realize that the offices in its gift are not official plums or reward of merit diplomas. Chapter offices should be filled by men who can be counted upon to perform promptly and faithfully the duties of the office. Especially forcibly do these remarks apply to the office of Secretary. No one officer has so great an opportunity of making a good reputation for his chapter with the Fraternity at large as does he. An incapable, negligent man in this position can do an untold amount of harm to his chapter in the eyes of the Fraternity.

We have not only been caused a great amount of personal inconvenience by the continued negligence of a few of the Secretaries, but the work of the Fraternity has suffered greatly from it. As much as we should dislike to take such action, we shall request the removal of all such officers who persistently and consistently refuse to perform their duties in assisting us with the Fraternity work.

The joint committee has made elaborate preparations for the Eastern Division Conference, and every Delt within reach of New York should make a strenuous effort to attend. The men who have been secured for toasts make the success of the banquet an assured fact. There is no reason why the active chapters should not send a large representation, and we strongly urge the older men to attend. There are many of the older men who have promised to attend; so you will have an opportunity to renew old friendships and at the same time revive the warm glow at the heart that you always felt when Delta Tau Delta was the theme of discussion.

Brother Hughes has kindly taken charge of the department of *Delta Authors* for us, and we shall appreciate it if those of the brothers who are engaged in this line of activity will send him copies of their productions for review in this department of THE RAINBOW. Others of the brothers, to whose notice such contributions to literature come, will confer a deep favor if they will inform Brother Hughes or ourself of the fact.

If those of the chapters that desire a representation in any issue of THE RAINBOW will correspond with us we shall be glad

to make the necessary arrangement. Often a chapter will have a cut prepared for some special purpose that will be of general interest if reproduced in the Fraternity journal. All such thoughtfulness will be highly appreciated by the editor.

THE DELTA CHAPTERS.

ALPHA — ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

A prosperous and happy New Year to Brother Deltas in all climes is Alpha's New Year's greeting.

We at Allegheny feel that we have no reason to be discouraged. We have had no initiation recently and this term finds us in the absence of Brother Smith reduced to four. But that is better by two than the beginning of the college year found us. There are many men in college, some of whom the other fraternities are rushing, who might be secured for our fraternity, but we prefer to go after only the best, even if our enlargement is slower. All our men are enthusiastic over Delta Tau and have a never-say-die spirit which will win in the end. They are doing good work in their classes, and we believe the chapter is gaining ground in every respect. At present we, with other fraternities, are rushing several men who have received prominent attention ever since they entered college. Our chances with them are as bright as any one's, we hope a little brighter.

We must make note in this letter of the hearty support our alumni are giving us. Our first initiation was held in the home of Brother Walter G. Harper. Brother E. P. Cullum is actively interested in the publication of our chapter quarterly, *Choctaw-Pow-Wow*. Captain Wesley B. Best and many others of the local alumni have given favors, while from out-of-town Deltas we are continually receiving letters of encouragement and advice. Brother Lowrie McClurg of Chicago has been especially helpful by his correspondence.

Allegheny College is pushing along with the times. Our endowment is receiving material increase, new chairs are being

founded, the members of the faculty are specializing, we are to have a new and completely equipped observatory by next year, the courses have been made largely elective, our athletics are strictly amateur and highly successful, and in every way the college is enjoying a high tide of prosperity and usefulness.

Alpha believes in the "open door" policy and would have all Deltas everywhere know that they are cordially invited to "enter" whenever they are in Meadville.

HAROLD A. DUNN.

BETA — OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The second term has opened at the Ohio University, the excitement which usually attends the opening of a term is over and the students have settled down to the routine of studying.

The "anti-frat" men of the University have organized under the leadership of an expelled fraternity man and are waging war against the fraternities. The antagonism has been going on for some time, but it reached a climax January tenth at an athletic meeting for the purpose of electing a manager of the foot-ball team for the season of nineteen hundred. With the help of their lady friends the fraternities were successful and Mr. Wood of Phi Delta Theta was elected manager; Brother Roach was chosen assistant manager.

H. S. Paine '01, was compelled to leave college on account of an attack of typhoid fever. At present he is slowly improving and expects to return to his college duties in the spring.

The faculty has recently passed a regulation that requires any student who fails in two studies to withdraw from college for the remainder of the year.

During the holidays we enjoyed a visit from Brother Lash of Kappa.

The chapter, though weak numerically, is in very good condition and expects to be stronger in regard to members before the next issue of THE RAINBOW.

J. C. EVANS.

GAMMA — WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since the close of the most successful foot-ball season in our history affairs at college have been unusually quiet, and we are all looking eagerly forward to base-ball and track athletics. The manager and captain of next year's foot-ball team have been chosen, and we are represented by Brother Phillips as captain and Brother Watt as assistant manager.

We expect in the next issue of THE RAINBOW to introduce several new men to the Fraternity at large, as we have some good men pledged. We were weakened at the opening of this term by the absence of Brothers Hindman and McMechan.

Brother Bolard of the Arch Chapter infused us with new life by a visit last term. We trust we shall be able soon to greet other members of the Arch Chapter.

The glee club took a short trip through Ohio during the Christmas vacation and were well received at their concerts. They are planning several more trips, among them being one through the eastern part of Pennsylvania.

We shall be represented at the Eastern Conference this year by Brother Henderson.

CLYDE A. WATT.

EPSILON — ALBION COLLEGE.

Christmas examinations are over, the holidays gone, and another term is here. There is an increase in the college attendance, and everything gives evidence of a successful term's work. Efforts are being made by the college authorities to purchase a new field for athletics. Also through the efforts of the Twentieth Century Movement not less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars will be given to the treasury of the college.

In our chapter circle all the fellows from last term are here again and ready for work. Matters pertaining to our lodge are booming. During vacation a few of our alumni came together and

subscribed over one thousand dollars, and thus there is every prospect for its erection soon. Brother Woodworth has been appointed assistant secretary to help Brother Warren in his duties as its secretary. We closed a successful foot-ball season, with Brother Frank Church as captain for the coming season.

FRED. B. JOHNSTON.

ZETA — ADELBERT COLLEGE.

Zeta has completed a most successful half year of work, and is entering upon the second semester with zeal. During the first half of the year, seventeen men have made up the chapter list. Seven of these have lived in the chapter house. The house life has been especially pleasant. The weekly meetings have been well attended, and the social life of the chapter has been nurtured. Among the pleasant social events may be mentioned a trolley party at Willoughby, which was given the chapter by Brothers Wilson, '88; Shankland, '94; and Wood, '97, who reside in that town.

Brother Hathaway, Chi, '96, who is rector of St. Andrew's in the East, makes us frequent visits. We are glad that our chapter home happens to be within the limits of his parish for he is a most agreeable spiritual adviser and a loyal Delta.

Among the men who were good enough to pay us visits during the Christmas recess were: J. A. Higbee, '01, Chi; R. R. Munger, '03, Chi; E. P. King, '03, and Blanchard, '00, Beta Omicron. Any Deltas passing through Cleveland will find our latch-string out. Try it.

Brother Arter reports a pleasant trip among the Eastern chapters. At present he is in the city.

The Reserve, our college annual, is being edited by Brother Rose, '01, and bids fair to be a model book. *The Adelbert*, of which the editorial board of nine members is composed of five Deltas, is enjoying the most prosperous year of its history.

We are pleased to announce that Brother Charles Morris will

represent Zeta in the debate with Oberlin College which takes place in February. To secure a place on the debating team is one of our most coveted student honors.

V. W. CLISBY.

KAPPA — HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

All of our men returned from the holiday vacation with renewed vigor for the remainder of the year's work. Our chapter roll now numbers ten, divided by classes as follows: Seniors, two: Sophomores, six; Freshmen, two.

It is with pleasure that we introduce to the Fraternity at large our latest initiates: Clarence J. Timms, '03, and J. Bennett Whelan, '03.

Now that the foot-ball season is over, Hillsdale students turn their attention to contests in the oratorical arena, in which they are even more aggressive than on the foot-ball gridirons. No less than seven oratorical contests will be held during the present term. Delta Tau will be well represented, and we expect to land our share of honors as we have done in the past.

The social side of college life has been very pleasant this year. Kappa has entertained on two or three occasions, and is now making preparation for the annual reception and banquet to be given February 22nd.

Among the most enjoyable events of the year thus far have been the receptions to the fraternities of the Hill by the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. The Delts were entertained at the home of Hon. F. M. Stewart December 13th. The reception rooms were tastefully decorated with Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Tau Delta colors. Handsome souvenirs were prepared for the guests, dainty refreshments were served, and everything done to make the occasion one to be long remembered. Just before good-nights were said, C. A. Robertson, '02, in behalf of Delta Tau Delta, presented a Morris chair to the ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma for their new rooms in East Hall.

The writer recently had the pleasure of meeting the members of Beta in their chapter house. They are an enthusiastic lot of fellows with the interest of Delta Tau Delta at heart. He also met several members of Beta Phi, and finds they have an exceptionally strong chapter there this year.

J. H. LASH.

LAMBDA — VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Lambda takes pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Mr. LeRoy McGregor, who is now a very enthusiastic Delta; we shall have some other new names to present to the Fraternity in the next issue of THE RAINBOW.

We were rather unfortunate in losing several men from the chapter by their not returning to college this year; so we started out few in numbers.

Vanderbilt had a very successful year in foot-ball, defeating every Southern college she played.

College life is very dull now, as everyone is working hard for intermediate examinations.

Before the holidays Lambda was entertained by a smoker given by Kappa Alpha at their club house in honor of the faculty.

On December 1st Phi Delta Theta invited a representative of Lambda to their dance. Pi Kappa Alpha gave a banquet before Christmas, to which Brother Cannon was invited.

Work is progressing rapidly on the dormitory. It will be ready by next year to accommodate two hundred.

The prospects for Vanderbilt never were brighter.

We have had visits from several of the class of '99 this year. Brothers Fleming, Coleman and Boyd have been in the city to see how things are getting along without them.

We will have a fine base-ball team this year, as all of the old men are back except Captain Davis.

RICHARD SMITH.

MU — OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The second term of the college year opened finding Mu Chapter with six initiates and two pledged men besides very favorable prospects for the addition of several more, whom we hope to introduce to the Fraternity in the near future. We take this opportunity of presenting to the General Fraternity the names of our two latest initiates: Brothers Leon P. Hills of Durango, Col., and Ralph Albright of Delaware, O. Brother Albright has left for Chicago, where he will pursue his studies at Armour Institute.

Brother Barnes will represent the Zetagathean Literary Society in the local oratorical contest which will take place in March.

Chapter Mu derived much pleasure as well as lasting benefit from the recent visit of Brother Arter of the Arch Chapter. His presence always inspires enthusiasm and renewed effort on the part of the boys.

The efforts of the authorities of the University towards the procuring the million-dollar endowment, known as the Twentieth Century Offering, are progressing rapidly towards a glorious fruition. The latest addition to this fund was a gift of \$60,000 by Mrs Jeffries of Indiana.

The prospects of the University in the line of athletics are exceedingly bright. Basket-ball is flourishing, and over fifty men are now practicing in the new gymnasium for baseball.

Geo. Seeney of Columbus paid us a pleasant visit while *en route* for Ann Arbor.

A. L. Cole '99, was one of the alumni who visited us in a pleasant as well as profitable manner.

Prof. J. W. McGruder of '85 now occupies the chair of Economics in the University. This makes six alumni who are now holding similar positions in Delaware.

F. G. HOUSEWORTH.

OMICRON — STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

The winter term was opened by the second convocation of the school year conducted by our new president, Geo. E. MacLean, at which the principal address was made by President Gates of Iowa College. President MacLean intends making these student gatherings a permanent feature, and he has been meeting with great success; for they have been both interesting and instructive, and are rapidly promoting a close feeling of fellowship towards the new executive.

The various literary societies are energetically preparing for the numerous forensic contests which occur during the winter term, and at which contestants for the interscholastic events are chosen.

A summer school will be conducted by the University this year, which will greatly benefit teachers and instructors who will be enabled to pursue special lines of work which otherwise would not be open to them.

The local chapter of Phi Delta Theta has given up its halls, and part of their number are installed in a chapter house which is too small to accommodate them all. This is the second chapter house to be established here, Beta Theta Pi having been in one for about a year.

Two principal social events of the term will be the Sophomore cotillion and Freshman banquet.

The Junior class will soon issue their '01 *Hawkeye*, and its appearance is watched for with interest.

The past term has been a very pleasant one for Omicron, and she looks forward to the succeeding ones with anticipation of many good things yet to come. Whether we are beginning the end of the old century or starting the first of the new matters not, but we must insist that this and years to come be made Delt years.

H. S. FAIRALL.

PI — UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

We have just entered on the second term's work, which extends from the holidays to the middle of March, during which time all is very quiet in the way of athletics.

A bill has recently been introduced into the Legislature of Mississippi authorizing the establishment of a Medical School to be under the control of the University.

A large number of our professors attended the conference of the Southern Educational Association held at Memphis, Tenn., during the holidays. Chancellor Fulton of our institution was elected president for the ensuing year.

At the Modern Language Association held during the same week at Nashville our institution was well represented.

Professor A. L. Bondurant, who holds the chair of Latin here and who is president of our athletic association, represented us at the convention of the Southern States' Intercollegiate Athletic Association held at Atlanta, Georgia, December 23d. He was elected secretary and treasurer of the association.

Kappa Alpha has recently established a chapter here. They begin life under auspicious circumstances, and we wish them all success.

Since our last letter, two of our brothers, N. F. Scales and J. P. Hall have left college, and are much missed by us. Brother Hall was called away by business and will return next year. Brother Farish was called home by the sudden death of his father on November 4th, but he is again with us, we are happy to say.

Our foot-ball team made an excellent record considering the disadvantages under which it labored. Brother W. D. Myers has been reelected captain, which makes the third time he has been chosen for that position. In case he does not return, Brother Hall has been elected to fill the office.

There has been quite an interest taken in gymnasium work lately, due possibly to our agreeable instructor. We will be well represented on the gymnasium team.

R. H. HUNTINGTON.

RHO — STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Vacation is over, and the new year finds us all back again ready for three months of hard work in our classes and Fraternity.

Only a few weeks having elapsed since our last letter, no new name has been added to our list, but before another writing, one pledged man will have been initiated, with chances of another.

The plans for the conference are being rapidly matured, and we hope to see a large number of Delts present both at the business session and at the banquet.

Good speakers are promised for the evening, and all who can possibly stay should do so, for the old saying must be remembered — “the more the merrier.”

A happy new year to all.

F. J. YOUNGBLOOD.

UPSILON — RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The two months that have intervened between the last letter and the present one have been with Upsilon remarkably quiet and uneventful, the outward signs of activity scarcely showing themselves. This lull is accounted for principally by reason of the work at the Institute, which came with a rush during the last five or six weeks and prevented the fellows getting together as much as they otherwise would.

We cannot introduce any new initiates this time, but can report two good men pledged.

We are looking forward with interest to the conference of the Eastern Division to be held in New York, and expect to be well represented. We only hope that it will be even a greater success than the conference of last February.

On Thursday, December 21st, we were interrupted and afforded a great deal of pleasure by a short visit from Chauncy Langdon '96, now located in Dakota.

We keep “open house” for any Delt or Delts who have occasion to be in Troy, and shall be pleased to have them make their headquarters with us.

W. D. CROMWELL.

PHI — WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

After a jolly season of relaxation the regular routine has begun again at Washington and Lee. The roll of students, already larger than for some years past, has been increased by the usual number of mid-winter Freshmen, and more are expected later in the spring. President Wilson has gone to Arizona to spend the winter. We trust he may be entirely restored to health by the rest and change of climate. Since his stay here he has greatly endeared himself to the students, and the absence of his familiar face and his eloquent words of instruction and counsel are keenly felt by all.

The Graham-Lee Literary Society holds its annual celebration on January 19th. Brother Causey will be one of the contestants for the orator's medal, and his past record in the society hall leads us to be sanguine as to his success.

Some time during the spring term the Senior German class will give a German comedy. Phi will be represented in the cast by Brother Coolse and McNeill. The boys are enthusiastic about it, and it will doubtless prove highly entertaining.

The gymnasium team is hard at work preparing for an exhibition very soon. Phi has two worthy representatives on the team. Out-door athletics have been impossible for some time, though the ice has been unusually good, and the river has presented some lively scenes. Brother Andrews has his applicants for the baseball team busy. He reports splendid prospects for a winning team this year.

Phi has not been idle since our last letter, and as a result of her efforts it gives us pleasure to present to the Fraternity Brother G. C. Turner of Atlanta, Ga. Although he arrived somewhat late in the session, his worth and ability soon made themselves felt, and he has been chosen one of the debaters in the celebration of the Washington Literary Society to be held on February 22d. Phi's roll has been further increased by the return of Brother R. A. Watson, who was forced to leave last year on account of sickness. He will apply for the degree of Bachelor of Law in June.

Phi extends best wishes and new year greetings to all loyal Delts.

C. C. McNEILL.

CHI — KENYON COLLEGE.

The opening of the mid-winter term has brought no new faces to Kenyon, but on the contrary, has deprived Chi of a loyal worker in Brother E. J. McCutcheon, who has left college to accept a position with the Allegheny Quarrying Co. at Lancaster, O. We feel his loss deeply.

The friends of Kenyon College will be glad to learn that the work on Rosse Hall, the gymnasium, is progressing rapidly. The exterior is practically completed; and inside, the ceiling is finished and the first floor laid. The building will be ready for use within a month.

Regular gymnasium work, required for Sophomores and Freshmen, began at the opening of the term. For the present it is being done in one of the literary halls, and the basket-ball practice is held at the K. M. A. drill hall. Brother Brandon has been elected captain of the basket-ball team. All promises well for a successful season.

It is needless to assure brother Deltas that they will be cordially welcomed whenever they may favor us with a call.

H. G. GRIER.

OMEGA — UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

We are happy to announce the initiation of Samuel Lloyd Irving and Thomas Potter McCutcheon, Jr., of the class of 1903, College, and to commend to the fraternity two brothers who merit a most hearty welcome.

Nothing is more enjoyable to us or more fraternal than frequent

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visits from the officers of our Fraternity and from brother Deltas. It was with the greatest pleasure that many of us met Brother Rogers of the Arch Chapter, for the first time, on December 16. We certainly enjoyed immensely having Brothers Blanchard, McClary, Babcock, Plum, Hess, Ridle, Warner, Johnson, Fisher, and Moore from Beta Omicron with us over Thanksgiving Day, though we could not comfort them after the foot-ball game with our best sympathy.

Delta Kappa Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon was instituted on December 9, 1899. Dr. John Bach McMasters, professor of American History, was instrumental in founding the chapter.

The first section of the new Museum of Science and Art, begun by our honored ex-Provost, Dr. Pepper, was formally opened on December 20. The extensive collections of archaeological material from Dr. Hiepreche's excavations in Babylonia will be housed in it. The portion just finished is but one-fifth of the entire system, which, when completed, will cost about two and a half million dollars.

The track team, numbering fifty men at present, has been training all winter on the covered track on Franklin Field. It has been decided to send the team to Paris to compete in the Olympian Games, after the Intercollegiate Championships in May. Several of our boys are prominent candidates. Brother Patterson was honored by reelection to the managership of the 'Varsity Crews at the Crew Banquet, on December 16. He has called for the candidates for the 'Varsity and Freshman Crews to begin work on the machines on January 8.

We wish all our sister chapters and every frater a most happy and successful year.

CHARLES ROSCOE SPARE.

BETA ALPHA — INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter has lost three men since our last letter, two being called home by sickness and Brother Dyer, who has been doing good post-graduate work, has opened a law office at his home

in Worthington, Ind. But we have also initiated four new men, all of the class of 1903, whom we beg leave to present to the Fraternity: Scott Britton, W. A. Parker, John M. Fox, and Edwin Benson. These men are all fine, energetic fellows, who have established good records as students; and as they will be with us for four years, their membership assures the future prosperity of this chapter.

This week the University celebrates Founders' Day on the 19th of January. Governor Mount will make the address of the day, and Congressman Henry of Anderson will also speak. On the preceding night the annual play given by the students will be presented. This year "As You Like It" will be given, and the cast includes three Deltas.

The Law Fraternity of Phi Delta Phi, has entered this University with a large charter membership. It absorbs a local fraternity which had been organized last winter among the law students, under the name of Delta Alysha Delta. It is also rumored that another fraternity will soon grant a charter at this college. Indications point toward Sigma Alpha Epsilon, though nothing definite has manifested itself as yet. The local chapter of Beta Theta Pi will soon install itself in a chapter house, a move which at least three other fraternities are contemplating. Sigma Nu, thus far, is the only fraternity which has maintained a chapter house.

A lively interest is being manifested here in winter athletics. The track athletes are working hard, training for the indoor meets with Purdue and Earlham. The game of basket-ball has been revived, and a strong team will be sent out to represent us. The first game will be played at Terre Haute with the strong Y. M. C. A. team of that place. The base-ball squad is already working in the batting cage and on the hand-ball courts.

This chapter is making preparations for its annual dance on the 22d of February. This will be our most pretentious social event of the year, and we will gladly welcome any brother who may be within visiting distance at that time.

Since our last letter we have enjoyed visits from Brothers Lauenstein and Breckinpaugh of Evansville, Brother Cantweel of Cincinnati, and Brother Tousley of Chicago. Brother Carl D.

Yapel, a graduate of Albion and Michigan, is here studying law, but has not as yet formally affiliated with us.

W. A. PATTON.

BETA BETA — DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Beta Beta has initiated no new men since the last letter to THE RAINBOW. Interest now centers about the base-ball team, which begins practice next week. Beta Beta is represented on the team by Brothers McKinney and Ellis, while Brother Zeigler is manager for the second time, an honor very rarely bestowed on the same person twice. Brother Ellis was elected to the presidency of the University glee club, last week. The writer was recently elected captain and manager of the class basket-ball team. Taking everything into consideration the chapter is in excellent condition, with the best of harmony prevailing among the members. The chapter recently received a visit from Warren Florer, Beta Beta, '90, who is now an instructor in German in the University of Michigan. Beta Beta sends best wishes to the sister chapters for a prosperous year.

KARL GREENE.

BETA GAMMA — UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The Christmas recess is over, and we are back again after pleasant times spent among relatives and friends to resume college duties, and to enjoy the fond associations of fraternity life. The characteristic lull in the different activities of university circles that always precedes the close of a semester seems to have arrived, and closer application to study, in preparation for the semester examinations three weeks hence, has begun to manifest itself.

Since our last letter to THE RAINBOW we have initiated seven good men, whom we feel sure will be loyal Deltas. It is with pleasure that we introduce to the Fraternity and the Greek world at large Brothers Charles Edwin Brant, '03, of La Grange, Ind.;

Wirt Winslow, '03, of Ft. Atkinson, Wis.; Clarence B. Fisher, '03, of Little Rock, Ark.; Fred R. Porritt, '03, of Fargo, North Dakota; Robert E. Dietz, '03, of Mayville, Wis.; Bunn T. Willson and Ralph V. Blethen, '02, of Rochester, Minn. Our total active membership is now seventeen men. We also have three excellent men pledged who are entering next year.

In April the conference of the Western Division will meet with us, and we trust that all Deltas who can possibly do so will be present. Particularly do we urge all of the division chapters to send delegates, in order that the occasion may be made one of interest and profit. We promise that our efforts shall be directed to make the time pleasant for all those who attend.

The Junior Promenade occurs February 17th, and from indications bids fair to rival the standards set by previous Junior classes. We are represented on the committee by Brother W. G. Donnell.

The athletic outlook for the coming season is exceedingly bright. An unusual amount of good base-ball material will be ready to start training soon, and we feel sure that a strong team will represent the University of Wisconsin in the spring. The boat crews will shortly begin training in the rowing tank; and judging them by the efficiency of last year's crews, prospects for a winning crew have never been more favorable. As the result of a very successful foot-ball season, the athletic association is now entirely out of debt.

Beta Gamma has recently received visits from the following: Brothers C. U. Lamoreux, '95; A. P. Tompkins, '96; G. A. Kingsley, '95; A. T. Rogers, '94; C. S. Jefferson, '97; J. O. Miller, '97; F. H. Kiser, '97; H. K. Clarke, '99; Wirt Wilson of Beta Eta, and T. C. Phillips and C. R. Snyder of Beta Upsilon.

W. F. DICKINSON.

BETA EPSILON — EMORY COLLEGE.

Beta Epsilon extends new year greetings to Deltas everywhere, and wishes for each sister chapter the most successful year in her career.

The present term began with us on January 2d, every man returning, and marks no important development in our midst. The opening is peculiarly notable only for the absence of the mid-term "new-boy"; and from the present outlook, we will have no opportunity nor occasion for "rushing." Some changes in our faculty have been made: Dr. Arnold of Johns Hopkins takes the chair of History and Economics, left vacant by resignation.

Since the last letter we have initiated two men, and are happy to present to the Fraternity at large M. R. Smith, 1902, and E. Y. Davis, 1903. We have reason to congratulate ourselves on the results of our "rushing" during the past year. Our association with the four initiates of this season has shown them to be worthy the honor of the square badge, and the recent issue of grades proves them creditable students. With our twelve strong we feel able to cope with the best of the chapters here.

Our alumni have never betrayed the trust and confidence which we, as actives, are wont to place in them, and their continued loyalty is a source of pleasure and inspiration to us; however, the disparity in their immediate interests and ours necessitates a falling off of the enthusiasm aroused by an active participation in fraternity life. That they may be kept thoroughly informed as to our workings, and in order that thereby they may feel as much in touch with us as possible, we have adopted the plan of sending out to each alumnus semi-annually a letter giving the exact status of the chapter in every way, what our hopes are, and to what extent we desire their assistance. In this way we feel confident that their heartier co-operation will be elicited and our relations rendered more intimate. Our first letter is being mailed at present.

Athletics at Emory are decidedly on the rise. Basket-ball is the game of the winter season calling forth most interest. The past season witnessed the most interesting series of games in the history of the college; and it has been determined to continue the game through the winter months of the present term. Beta Epsilon has three men on the teams.

Though Deltas rarely have cause to wander down to our extreme corner, yet should any stray our way, we promise them the warmest welcome possible.

G. R. GIBBONS.

BETA ZETA — BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

The opening of the winter term has brought a perceptibly increased attendance to Butler. Professors and students alike are elated at the college's success this year in attracting new students.

Because of this influx of new students, Butler fraternity chapters have found it necessary to exercise great care in the spiking of men. Accordingly, representatives from the different chapters defined more closely and rendered permanent the agreement entered into last year. The agreement states that no preparatory student is to be pledged or rushed; that no college student is to be spiked until six weeks after his entrance. This agreement will be of benefit, for it will better enable the right students to enter the right chapters. It will not affect Beta Zeta, for the Butler Delts heretofore have been very conservative in their spiking.

John B. Dyer, one of our earnest workers, has gone to Chicago to take a course in the school for gymnasium instructors.

The winter term is to us the busiest and most eventful of the year. In February occurs the celebration of Founder's Day by Butler, and of Washington's Birthday by the University of Indianapolis. Out of the six committee-men selected from Butler to help conduct the latter function, the only fraternity men are two Delts. In March occurs the annual De Pauw debate, which will be doubly interesting on account of De Pauw's determination to retrieve last year's defeat. Beta Zeta will probably be represented on the team. During this term occurs that principal event of Indiana college life — the state oratorical contest. Butler's primary this year was the most stubbornly fought one in her history, only the winner securing his place by a safe margin. He will doubtless represent the college better than it has ever been represented. Beta Zeta is glad that John Carr, one of her members, obtained this distinction. We expect him to confer honor upon the college and upon the Fraternity in the state contest.

ORVAL E. MEHRING.

BETA ETA — UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Everything is quiet around the campus now, and the hard work will only be interrupted by a two weeks' vacation, when several of the boys leave the city to spend the holidays at home. All departments close December twenty-third, and work is resumed on January ninth.

For a number of years Beta Eta has held but her one initiation each year — generally in October — but this January we will probably add three or four new names to the chapter roll. At present we have two worthy men wearing our pledge pins, and are "hot" on the track of two or three others.

Brother Harold Richardson has been further honored by election as president of the athletic board of control.

Since our last letter the Minnesota Alumni Association has been organized. Monthly meetings are to be held from 6 to 8.30 p.m. — a sort of 6 o'clock club, where there are lots of good things to eat, but still more said and proposed to be done. Two meetings have been held so far, and the alumni have taken great interest in this; so the chapter will surely reap a great deal of good from it.

We expect to give a small party some time in January and another just before Lent.

All Deltas are again assured that our latch-string is out to them at any time of day or night.

HARRY E. SUTTON.

BETA IOTA — UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

Nothing of unusual interest has occurred in Beta Iota's life since our last letter. It has been our constant object, individually and collectively, to take a worthy stand in all college affairs. Our new members have entered fully into the chapter life, and have learned to appreciate our fraternity ideals.

Her record in the last foot-ball season has given Virginia no reason to regret that she has established the system of "alumni coaching." Beginning the season with a team composed to a great

extent of new men, and consequently somewhat unsuccessful at first, we made steady improvements throughout the season, and in our closing game on Thanksgiving defeated Lehigh by a very creditable score.

Brother Churchill Gibson Chamberlayne is Beta Iota's representative on the staff of editors for the next edition of *Corks and Curls*, our college annual. *Corks and Curls*, different from some publications of a similar kind, is gotten out by the fraternities alone.

Virginia's base-ball captain has been elected for this year. Only a few of last year's team are back, but there is much excellent material among the new men. Brother Pinkerton, who for some years back has been one of our leading pitchers, will occupy the box again this year. While it would be very hard to improve on our last season's record, still we feel justified in hoping that this season's will be equally good.

With best wishes to our sister chapters for a prosperous year.

JNO. LITTLETON JONES.

BETA KAPPA — UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The Christmas vacation ended on the 8th of January, and with its close began, what is for the most of us, the hardest part of the semester. Society is put in a trance and laid away while its erstwhile devotees turn with worried energy to dust-laden books and seeks among the mouldy leaves some heritage of knowledge. Now it is that the "pole" comes out from his shell and airs an irritating, careless countenance, condescending occasionally to set you right on some question which has long defied you. In its life here Beta Kappa has, perhaps unconsciously, fallen into several uniform lines of action.

The chapter noted with especial interest the extract from the *Sigma Alpha Record* published in the last RAINBOW, and the criticism which followed it. We agree with our editor most heartily.

Our experience has taught us to be over-critical if anything while a candidate is up for consideration. It is after a man has been admitted that his faults should be handled most tenderly. Beta Kappa has moved into new rooms this year, added necessary furniture, and is now very comfortably situated. We have adopted the custom, after each weekly meeting, of having a member, taking the chapter roll in alphabetical order, furnish a "feed" to the rest of the chapter. The expense is small, falling to each one only twice a year, and the gain in good feeling is invaluable.

The foot-ball season has been a fairly successful one for the University this year. Defeated in one of our hardest games, we came out victor in the other.

The fencing club, organized last year, is practicing hard and under the instructorship of Dr. Fred B. R. Hellems, a widely known amateur fencer, the riposte and lunge are becoming as familiar as the waltz and two-step.

Golf is also very popular. The links are crowded on pleasant days, and some very good scores have been made.

But the event most interesting to the students just at present, is the approaching state oratorical contest. In 1899, for the first time in a number of years, we failed to send our delegate to the interstate, Denver University winning by one point. This year the interstate contest is to be held in Denver, and the rivalry between the colleges of the state is more intense than ever. The contests are familiar history to the students, and are the center of as much tradition as are the gridiron contests in the fall.

Throughout all its branches university life is very active, and in writing of it I have written of the chapter, for in the life of the one lies the power and vitality of the other.

WILLARD P. HATCH.

BETA LAMBDA — LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

All the men have returned and are now down to hard work for the examinations which are only two weeks' distant.

The class of 1901 won the class-championship of the college in

base-ball, and Taylor, who played second base, was instrumental in winning the game by his timely hitting.

The minstrel show which is a college fixture was presented before Christmas, and we had four men in it in different roles.

Peepels and Hall received election to the Sophomore Cotillion Club, and were afterwards elected officers.

We have been visited by Hershey '98, and also Duerr of the Arch Chapter, who gave us some sound words of advice.

SAMUEL PARKE HEITSHU.

BETA MU — TUFTS COLLEGE.

The foot-ball season over, the fellows on the hill begin to turn their attention to the real work within walls and get down to the more serious business of their student life and occupations; while for pleasure they must again turn indoors to find its field. Parties and dances in the fraternities have begun to hold sway, and while as yet we have held none, it is because we are waiting for a few minor renovations to be made in our new house, which will improve its appearance greatly. On December 15th Beta Mu initiated into the Fraternity Harry De Linscott of North Woburn, Massachusetts.

The night of the last meeting in the old year, as is the custom of the local chapter, we had an alumni reunion meeting and banquet at the frat house. This feature of our fraternity life is a very pleasant one, and every year renewing old memories and meeting the new men, we believe is a strong influence in arousing the best fraternal spirit among both alumni and actives. This occasion is the one of the whole year at which fraternal spirit is shown at its fullest, and this year was no exception, about thirty of the old men were back, and a rousing good time was enjoyed.

At the beginning of the college year we moved into a new chapter house, and at a recent meeting of the Fraternity it was arranged to lease this for five years, so that now we feel more per-

manently established than before, and certainly more at home with our new feeling of possession. The change has been very much for the better, the house being almost new and better fitted up than the old. Five of the fellows live at the house, and the whole chapter takes its meals there, as before the change.

During the Christmas vacation Lewis Bartlett '99, created much surprise in our ranks by the announcement of his marriage to Miss Estelle S. Stacey, of Marblehead, Massachusetts.

Last week we were pleased to welcome as a visitor to the chapter Brother Bull of Beta Theta. We would like to see more of the fellows from other chapters, and can assure them of a hearty welcome at College Hill.

L. W. COLLINS.

BETA XI — TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE RAINBOW the time has passed very pleasantly, and, we hope, profitably to us all.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity Brother Marshall Miller, who has just entered the Law School.

Brother Beauregard has returned to resume his study in law after an absence of two years. We all very gladly welcomed him back into his old place in Beta Xi.

During the winter the college is more or less occupied with social events, and the Deltas are as prominent in this department of life as in every other.

During Christmas week the Tulane German Club gave a most enjoyable german, which Brother Johnson lead.

Brothers Stearns, Hunt and Kilpatrick represented Beta Xi on the foot-ball eleven. In other branches of college we are well represented. Brother Stearns is treasurer of the athletic association; Brother Wilkinson is captain of tennis club; Brother Hunt is treasurer of Junior German Club; Brother Kilpatrick is assistant base-ball manager, secretary and treasurer of Tennis club, and secretary of Junior German club.

The base-ball season will soon be with us, but as yet we can hardly say whether or not any Delts will distinguish themselves.

In closing we wish our sister chapters a very happy new year.

DOUGLAS KILPATRICK, JR.

BETA OMICRON — CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The new year brings Beta Omicron to the tenth year of her existence at Cornell; and on the twentieth of January we hope to celebrate the anniversary of our nativity. Invitations have been sent to the members of the Arch Chapter and Alumni of Beta Omicron, and we are hoping that many brothers may take advantage of this opportunity to visit us in Ithaca. The chapter had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Arter for a few days in the latter part of last term, and trust that the gentleman enjoyed his visit as much as we enjoyed having him with us.

As every brother who has attended a Karnea realizes, the personal acquaintance with members of other chapters than one's own, makes one feel more like a fraternity man in the true sense of the word. The chapter is but a part of the great organization; and while we all realize this in an indefinite sort of a way, we are not as interested in the Fraternity in general as we would be did we have more chances of meeting men from other institutions. For this reason, we, of Beta Omicron, sincerely trust that as many men from the neighboring chapters as possibly can, will be with us, in our festivities, to tell us of their chapters, and to learn in time something of Beta Omicron and the great university of which she is a part.

Brother Bird just returned from a trip to Boston, reports meeting Deltas at both Tufts and Massachusetts "Tech," and having been very hospitably entertained by them.

W. D. STRAIGHT.

BETA PI — NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The new year finds Beta Pi in a prosperous condition with a good outlook for the future. The membership of the chapter has more than doubled since the opening of college last fall, and we feel very proud of our new men. Since writing our last letter, we have initiated three new brothers, whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity: C. E. Dietz '01, Ralph H. Durham, '01, and C. U. Mogg '02. We enjoyed the presence of the Gamma Alpha Chapter and a number of alumni at this initiation. Dr. Frank G. Wieland, A. D. Mayo, and Walter Mayo were present. The initiation was conducted in a very impressive manner by the officers of Gamma Alpha Chapter, and then everyone enjoyed the little spread that was served.

Our men are all hard at work preparing for the mid-year examinations, but at the same time we are well represented in all branches of college life. This fall, for the first time in three years, Northwestern closed the foot-ball season with victory perched on her banners, and the success was due to three things: the pluck and perseverance of the men, the coaching of Dr. Hollister, and the enthusiastic leadership of Captain Hunter. During the Chicago game, which was our worst defeat of the season, the Chicago rooters could not help joining in the cheers for Hunter, whose plucky fight against his own injuries and the odds of the opposing team, was the only redeeming feature of the game. We are glad to be able to announce that Brother Hunter will lead the team again next fall. Our prospects for base-ball seem very bright at present. Brother West is captain. On the musical clubs, college publications, and in track athletics we are creditably represented.

We enjoyed a visit from Brother Haller '98, last week, and Brother Denison '99, called at the chapter house for a short time on his way through the city.

The trustees of Northwestern have started a movement to raise \$2,000,000 for the University from the Methodist Church and the general public of the central states. Northwestern has never received many large gifts, and there is no doubt that this appeal will be successful. A new gymnasium, a natural science museum,

and an assembly hall are planned, and will be erected just as soon as the funds are secured.

Dr. Rogers recently called a meeting of representatives of the fraternities, at which he expressed his friendly feeling and a desire to come into better understanding with the chapters. He proposed that each chapter appoint some resident alumnus who should be its official representative in dealing with the faculty; the question of placing some restriction on the pledging of Freshmen was also discussed. We should like very much to hear from any of the chapters as to the practicability of such restrictions.

HORACE S. BAKER.

BETA RHO — LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY.

The first semester of the college year is over, and the chapter house finds itself well nigh deserted, four of the boys being away with the glee and mandolin clubs, and several of the others being at home over the Christmas holidays. Brother Knecht is the leader of the mandolin club.

The foot-ball season closed here on Thanksgiving day, when we were given a very decided drubbing by the State University team, which was just beaten by the Carlisle Indians by a score of 2 to 0. The latter game was one of the best ever witnessed here; but the condition of the two teams and of the field hardly allows of the desired comparison of the eastern and western foot-ball. The Indian team was probably the stronger, though a fluke was all that won them the game.

We are greatly pleased to have Brother V. A. Johnson, Lehigh, '96, with us while he is taking a short course in mining.

An initiation within the next three or four weeks will afford us the pleasure of introducing some new men to the Fraternity in the next issue of THE RAINBOW.

ELIOT G. POTTER.

BETA TAU — UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Since the foot-ball season life at Nebraska has been quite uneventful. The approach of the end of the semester has caused the students to devote more time to their studies.

Parties and hops have been as numerous as ever this year. Kappa Alpha Theta and Delta Delta Delta have given parties in the best halls in the city. The social event of the year, the Junior Prom, is to be held February 16th.

The chapter expects to entertain all the alumni in the city at a smoker January 19th.

We regret to state that we are to lose three of our most prominent men the second semester: Walter Christensen is going to Golden, Colorado, where he will take a course in mining engineering at the State School of Mines; Waldo W. Bunt has accepted a position in Omaha, Nebraska; Donald W. Atwood has accepted a position in this city.

Since our last letter we have again employed "William the Conqueror," and take pleasure in introducing to the Fraternity at large Jesse Beans.

B. A. YODER.

BETA UPSILON — UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The University of Illinois reopened January 8th, after two weeks of holiday vacation. With the home-coming of our brothers, we are glad to learn that Brother H. L. Brittingham will be with us next semester.

We have now an active membership of fourteen, with five spikes, having started this school year with nine men. Our loss of eight of last year's men—five from graduation, and three not returning—was a heavy one indeed; but we are glad to note that in the face of this adversity we are in good, healthy condition financially and socially.

As yet we are not in a chapter house, but will be next fall.

The chapters here that have houses are the Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi.

Since my last letter the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority has been installed at the University of Illinois.

We have been recently visited by Brother W. E. Hazeltine of Chicago, Brother Moon of Pittsburg, and Brother Mautz of Michigan. Brother Bramhall, '00, is now attending Rush Medical School.

The foot-ball season for Illinois was a very poor one indeed; and perhaps never in the history of the University have the students felt the outcome so keenly as they have this year. None believe that Coach Huff is to blame, although he resigned, and now holds the position of graduate manager. We will, in all probability, have an eastern coach for our foot-ball team next fall.

Our outlook for a base-ball team is especially bright. Already we have about two score aspirants for this spring's team.

T. C. PHILLIPS.

BETA PHI — OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Although thirteen is an unlucky number, we have that number of actives, and are in no hurry to add the fourteenth for fear of bad luck. So we hail 1900 with a "thirteen" for *good* luck.

Athletics at the Ohio State University are getting in better shape. We won the state championship in foot-ball, and our basket-ball team, although defeated by Yale, was complimented by the captain of Yale's team as the second best team they had met while on their western trip.

We have been talking some of a chapter house, but have concluded to drop the matter for this year. We have too few men from abroad in our chapter, and the burden would be too heavy for those who could live in the house.

On Friday, February 23d, Beta Phi will give an informal dance. We invite all Deltas who can so arrange it to be with us for the occasion.

We are out of debt, have a surplus in our treasury, our men are all working together, we have a snug sum with which to fix

up our hall, and are in good standing both in and out of college. We wish our sister chapters the same good fortune.

A happy and prosperous new year.

C. H. FULLERTON.

BETA PSI — WABASH COLLEGE.

Beta Psi has now settled down to the routine of fraternity life, after moving into a chapter house (an experiment here) and buying new furniture, including a piano. Doing all this in the midst of the spiking season, we were in some confusion the greater part of last term. But now we are straightened out, and find ourselves in much better condition than we were before. We are well pleased with the chapter house, even though it is small; and we feel encouraged to attempt it on a larger scale next year. We would hardly have done what we have without the assistance of our alumni, who, for the most part, did all in their power to help us.

At the end of the spiking season we had pledged four good men, and are quietly working for two more. We expect to introduce some new men to the Fraternity at large very soon.

At the December meeting of the college board of trustees a liberal appropriation was made for the purpose of refitting our old gymnasium. A provision was also made for the building of a president's home, which will add much to the college. Our gymnasium work has had to be done in the city Y. M. C. A. building; the college one was used for laboratories. The change will mean a great deal to the students who take any interest in athletics.

Our glee and mandolin clubs have just returned from a successful trip in southern Indiana, Kentucky and Illinois. They will give their annual concert here in the near future. This is always looked forward to by the college men as one of the events of the season.

Beta Psi can be sure of at least two men on our track team: the McCollum brothers. The candidates are at work, and promise a good team for the spring meets.

We congratulate Brother Rogers on his first issue of *THE RAINBOW*. He certainly has started out well in filling Brother Hughes' old place.

H. A. WEST.

BETA OMEGA — UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

On January 15th Beta Omega begins the second term of the college year. Most of the fellows spent their holidays at home, but have now nearly all returned. The three or four in the house during the holidays enjoyed a two weeks' visit from D. Raymond Curtiss, '99, and a week's visit from George Moyse, '98.

All our men return to college this term, and we are to have three more in the house, making thirteen in all. We have three men pledged who will be full-fledged Delts in a week or two. We have two more men in view, with whom we expect soon to become better acquainted. The term just completed has been a most auspicious one for California, the number of students being the largest in its history. Our foot-ball team was most successful, having been scored against but once, and that in the 2 to 0 game against the Carlisle Indians. We defeated the University of Oregon, the University of Nevada, the Olympic Athletic Club in three games, and Stanford University.

The Thanksgiving game with Stanford, our rival for collegiate honors, was our greatest victory, the score being 30 to 0. This game brought out twenty thousand spectators, the largest number ever assembled at a foot-ball game on this coast. We feel most elated, however, over the showing made against the Carlisle Indians on Christmas day. Though we were defeated by a score of 2 to 0, the game was practically a tie, Carlisle's two points being due to a fluke. This is the first time a team from the Pacific coast has met an eastern team, and we are proud of our showing. Much of our success was due to Garry Cochran, head coach, and "King" Kelly, assistant coach. Percy Hall, the star half-back and captain of the '98 team, was Beta Omega's representative on the team.

California's musical clubs have just returned from an extended trip through Washington, Oregon and British Columbia. Brother H. S. Bonifield, our chapter's representative, was unable to go with them.

The coming term, we expect, will be as bright as the past one has been for California, and Beta Omega wishes her sister chapters a happy and successful year.

BENTON A. HAMMOND.

GAMMA ALPHA — UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The new year finds Gamma Alpha with twelve active members, eleven of whom are living in the chapter house. Since our last letter four men have dropped out of the chapter, and two, Brothers Russell Lowry and Walter S. Rogers, have been initiated. Through the courtesy of the Chicago Alumni Chapter our last initiation was held in connection with their monthly dinner at the Chicago Athletic Club. Very soon we expect to have four more new men to initiate, and two men to affiliate — Brothers Smith of Illinois and Martin of Buchtell. Brother Martin has just returned from the Philippines, where he has been engaged in active service as a volunteer in our army. With these acquisitions we feel confident of a strong chapter and a prosperous year.

Brother Will Harman has been made a member of Phi Beta Kappa—the second man of Gamma Alpha to obtain this honor since the institution of Phi Beta Kappa here last June. We also have a man on the debating team, which meets in Michigan the last of January, and Brothers Lowry and Corbett have won honors in a local debate. We have good prospects for two or three men getting on the base-ball team this coming spring, and will be also represented on the track team. Brother Ewing is athletic editor on *The Cap and Gown*, our college annual, for the present year. We have had several pleasant social functions so far this year, and expect to add many more before the close of the season.

ROBERT S. McCLURE.

THE DELTA ALUMNI.

BETA.

'61 — Beta Chapter and the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity have lost a noble brother in the death of Major Charles Townsend of Athens, Ohio, which occurred January 12, 1900. Major Townsend was an alumnus of the Ohio University, from which institution he graduated in 1861 and had been for years one of the most efficient of its trustees.

He served his country in the civil war as captain and major of the 30th O. V. I. until disabled by the explosion of a shell.

A lawyer by profession he served his country and state in various positions. He was for two terms a member of the Ohio General Assembly in the lower house, and two terms in the Senate. During the presidential campaign of 1880, he was the standard-bearer of his party as candidate for Secretary of State and was elected, and again was nominated in '82 but with the remainder of the Republican ticket was defeated at the polls.

The G. A. R. in '95 elected him commander of the Ohio division. Throughout the land east and west, north and south, he was in demand as an orator and whenever he spoke he pleaded for the integrity and morality of political life.

He was loyal to his fraternity and in the earlier years of his life he was very enthusiastic as a member of Delta Tau Delta. Our older members will remember with pleasure the Karnea of '81 at which he presided. In his death our country has lost a patriotic citizen, the Ohio University an honored trustee and our Fraternity a loyal brother.

DELTA.

'94 — Cyrus W. George is with the law department of Swift & Company, Chicago.

'94 — Fred H. Parsons has a position with Parke, Davis & Company, Detroit.

'95 — G. R. Slater is superintendent of cable construction for the Western Electric Company, Chicago.

'96 — Dr. George F. Greenleaf, who took his degree in medicine last spring, has a growing practice in Kenwood, Chicago.

'97 — G. V. Carpenter is attending Rush Medical College, Chicago.

'98 — W. R. Carpenter is in the employ of the Western Electric Company, Chicago.

'98 — Rudolph Best, who has been studying chemistry in the School of Technology, Braunschweig, Germany, is on his way to this country.

'99 — J. W. McEwan is studying medicine at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

'99 — G. Forrest Firestone is practicing law at his home in Akron, Ohio.

EPSILON.

'78 — Rev. W. A. Hunsberger is now located at Trenton, New Jersey.

'86 — Many of our alumni will be glad to learn of the success of C. H. Gordon, who graduated from this institution in 1886. After graduating he accepted a position as instructor in mathematics in the High School of Keokuk, Iowa. In 1890 he was called to Northwestern University as instructor in Natural History. In 1893 he resigned this position to pursue graduate studies in the department of geology in the University of Chicago, where he had been granted a fellowship. Two years later the degree of doctor of philosophy was bestowed upon him in recognition of his ability for original investigation. His work has been such as to gain for him election to the Geological Society of America, the most exclusive

body of the profession in this country. Dr. Gordon spent last year in study in the University of Heidelberg, and has recently entered upon the superintendency of the city schools of Lincoln, Nebraska. — *Albion College Pleiad*.

'98 — H. C. Whiting is studying at Boston University and preaching at West Falmouth, Mass.

'99 — L. D. Woodworth has been appointed to a clerkship in the State Board of Health at Lansing.

KAPPA.

'69 — Nathan S. Harwood, a charter member of Kappa Chapter, died suddenly at his home in Lincoln, Nebraska, on January 6th.

'70 — Hon. A. J. Hopkins, representative in Congress from the eighth Illinois district, will deliver the address before the Hillsdale College Alumni Association at its Quinquennial Reunion next June.

'74 — G. B. Smith entered upon his duties as Circuit Court Judge the first of the year.

'92 — S. G. Lewis is attaining distinction as a writer of popular music. He is located at Detroit, Mich.

'93 — J. S. Parker is Circuit Court Commissioner at Flint, Mich.

'95 — L. E. Ashbaugh, late professor of mathematics in Parker College, has entered the civil engineering department of the University of Minnesota.

'95 — Adolph Hempel is in South America, collecting biological and geological specimens for the University of Illinois.

'98 — Chauncey Lee Newcomer is critically ill with typhoid malaria in the hospital at Detroit, Mich.

LAMBDA.

'99 — Elmore and Cunningham have opened an office together in Knoxville, Tenn.

'99 — Harry S. Stoker is making a reputation already as a lawyer in Nashville.

'99 — Alston Boyd is in the cotton seed oil business in Memphis.

'99 — William Coleman is in a large bank in Kentucky.

'99 — Martin Fleming has a large number of clients already. He is at Chattanooga, Tenn.

MU.

'72 — W. H. Sweet is a successful pastor at Beloit, Kansas.

'86 — L. F. Coleman is on a cruise through the Mediterranean to the Holy Land.

'98 — J. R. Persons is taking the medical course at Northwestern University.

'01-ex — Earl B. Naylor, has a responsible position with the Edison Electric Company at Tiffin, Ohio.

'02 — Ralph Taylor is studying law in his father's office at Hampton, Iowa.

PL.

'60 — Died — At his home in Mayersville, Miss., November 4th, 1899, Captain W. S. Farish. Immediately after graduation, Mr. Farish volunteered in the Confederate States Army, where he rose to the rank of Captain. Since the war he has practised law, being at one time District Attorney. In his death, the Fraternity loses a valuable and loyal member.

'72 — W. H. Calhoun is a civil engineer in Memphis, Tenn.

'73 — T. R. Maxwell is chancery clerk of De Soto County, Miss.

'75 — G. R. Page is practicing law in Clarksdale, Miss. He is a prominent member of the Mississippi Levee Board.

'78 — J. W. Cutrer is a prominent candidate for Congress in the Third Congressional District of Mississippi. One of his opponents is B. G. Humphreys, Pi '85.

'79 — F. L. Weir is mayor of Starkville, Miss.

'84 — W. W. Magruder, Law '95, is practicing his profession in Starkville, Miss. He is president of the State Security Bank of that place.

'93 — S. P. Walker is Superintendent of the City School in Batesville, Miss.

'97 — L. P. Haley is a member of the Legislature of Mississippi.

'99 — H. P. Farish is practicing law in Mayersville, Miss.

'01 — G. G. Bostwick is in business in New Albany, Miss.

OMEGA.

'99 — Omega Chapter has been very fortunate in having the loyal and active support of Brothers Elliot, Foster, Gillinder and Williamson of the class of 1899, who are almost as regular in attendance upon meetings as the active members. Their unfailing interest and advice have been a source of very great encouragement to the boys.

'99 — Edwin Elliot has been elected secretary of the Philadelphia Alumni Association. He is connected with the Midvale Steel Works as an electrical engineer.

'99 — G. W. Williamson, 3d, occupies an excellent position at Cramp's ship yards as mechanical engineer, supervising the construction of the new Russian battleships.

'99 — Arnott R. Foster was very fortunate in securing a position as chemist to the United Gas Improvement Co. (U. G. I.) of Philadelphia.

'99 — Frederick R. Gillinder has given up base-ball, and has been admitted to the Philadelphia bar. He occupies law offices with E. Cooper Shapely.

'99 — W. Sherwood Grover has been appointed assistant superintendent of the works of the American Gas Co. at Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

'99 — John C. Shengle since his graduation has held the position of assistant chemist to Thomas A. Edison at West Orange, N. J.

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BETA ZETA.

'80 — James B. Curtis, formerly captain of the Indianapolis Light Artillery, is now practicing law in New York City.

'88 — A. M. Hall has accepted the pastorate of the First Congregational Church of Springfield, Illinois.

'89 — T. C. Howe is again teaching German in Butler College.

'89 — Perry Clifford is now working for the Indiana Paper Co. at Indianapolis.

'93 — W. D. Howe is occupying the English chair at Butler this year.

'95 — Edgar Forsythe is principal of the Irvington Public Schools.

'97 — Percy B. Williams is acting secretary of the Indianapolis Y. M. C. A. until a permanent secretary can be secured.

Ex-'02 — John A. Dyer is now taking training in Y. M. C. A. work at Chicago.

BETA IOTA.

'99 — Graham Painter is now professor in a school for young ladies at Arrowhead, Va.

'99 — Lewis Parke Chamberlayne is a tutor in an academy at Locus Dale, Va.

BETA PI.

'96 — R. C. Brown is with H. O. Store & Co., Chicago. He is often a welcome visitor at chapter meetings.

'97 — A. B. Potter is at the Northwestern Dental School, Chicago.

'97 — A. C. Pearson is on *The Chicago Dry Goods Reporter*.

'00 — Lowell B. Judson is at Harvard University.

BETA KAPPA.

'95 — Married, at Jamestown, Colo., December 25, 1899, Fred W. Burger and Miss Anna Faivre. Brother Burger was a promi-

nent member of the University musical organizations during his attendance at the University.

'97 — Married, at Detroit, Mich., November 22, 1899, Harry P. Gamble and Miss Jessie Greene. Brother Gamble was captain of the 'Varsity team for two years, and is one of the best athletes that ever attended the University. He is now engaged in the practice of law in Boulder.

Ex-'99 — Married, at Boulder, Col., December 1899, Eltan E. Hawkins and Miss Addie Foot. Brother Hawkins graduated from the Chicago College of Dentistry in 1899. He is now located in Boulder.

BETA XI.

'94 — St. Dennis Vielere ^{or} was married November 29, 1899, to Miss Sadie Richardson, one of the most beautiful of New Orleans' fair daughters.

'95 — Hugh Rapp was recently admitted to the bar.

'98 — Eads Johnson, who is in the employ of the Crescent Ship Building Company, spent the Christmas holidays in New Orleans.

'99 — Charles Fenner, Burt Henry and Nicholas Reviere have formed a law firm.

'01 — Walter Libby, who is attending Hopkinson School in Boston, came South during the holidays and visited the chapter.

BETA PHI.

'95 — A. E. Addison,

'96 — A. C. Harvey,

'96 — C. M. Addison,

'97 — H. O. Williams, are all teaching in the Columbus, O., high school.

'95 — E. W. Harvey is in the New York office of the Milton Bradley Co.

'98 — G. C. Dietrick is superintendent of schools in Groveport, Ind.

BETA OMEGA.

'98 — Fred Fairchild is now pursuing a course in Cooper Medical College in San Francisco, after having spent a year in Honolulu.

'98 — George Moyse is vice-principal of the High School at Yuba, Cal.

'98 — Phil Thayer is in business with his father in San Francisco.

'98 — G. J. Rector is engaged in the hotel business with his father in Nevada City, Cal.

'99 — Earl Swan is studying in U. C. Medical College.

'99 — Wayne McCloud is on the editorial staff of the San Francisco *Examiner*.

'99 — D. Raymond Curtiss is professor of physics and mathematics in the San Luis Obispo High School.

'99 — Thomas McPherson is principal of the Watsonville School.

THE GREEK WORLD.

Sigma Chi has a chapter house at Purdue this year.

Alpha Tau Omega still initiates preparatory students at Gettysburg.

Theta Nu Epsilon has a chapter at Columbian.

A chapter of Kappa Sigma is the latest addition to Stanford's Greek World.

At the beginning of the college year Zeta Psi installed a chapter in the University of Minnesota.

A chapter of Kappa Alpha, (So.) has recently been established in the Georgia School of Technology. The new chapter begins its career with five men.

At Louisiana State freshmen initiations are not allowed by the faculty.

The new president of Wabash College is a member of Phi Kappa Psi.

John D. Rockefeller has given Columbia University \$100,000 with which to endow a chair of Psychology.

The new president of the University of California, Dr. Wheeler, is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity.

The boys have taken a good push forward, and intend to have the pick for what is now a good field. The opposition, supposed to be about to receive a charter from the Phi Gamma Delta, give the chapter very little worry. — Sigma Nu correspondent, University of Washington.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mebarry of Richmond, Ind., who gave \$50,000 to Ohio Wesleyan University, has added \$10,000 to her fund, thus endowing two chairs.

This has certainly been the fastest rushing season the U. of T. has experienced in several years. The University opened rather late, and all frat men were back early, with the determination to do all in their power to increase the membership of their respective Fraternities. In their eagerness to get men some of them, I am afraid, took in men that will not prove to be good fraternity material. — Sigma Nu correspondent, University of Texas.

In Beta Theta Pi, instead of chapters mailing circular letters to alumni members direct, the chapters forward annual reports to the general secretary, who edits them, and then they are printed and issued as a special *sub rosa* number of the *Beta Theta Pi*.

The impression seems to be abroad that the "barbarian" is an unknown quantity at Washington and Lee, but seven of the seventeen members of the graduating class were non-fraternity men, and of the others two belonged to fraternities that have no chapters at Washington and Lee. — *Scroll of Phi Delta Theta*.

Delta Kappa Epsilon held its convention this year at Springfield, Mass., November 16 and 17. A charter was granted twenty-five applicants from the University of Pennsylvania.

Chi Phi and Delta Phi both held conventions in New York on the same dates, December 1 and 2. The late Vice-President Hobart was a member of the last mentioned fraternity.

The last convention of Phi Delta Theta adopted an official coat-of-arms. The design has been copyrighted by Lockwood of Philadelphia, and all the chapters are obliged to use it in their respective College Annuals.

The faculty of the college is considering the advisability of establishing a commons where the price of board will not exceed \$2.50 per week. The matter rests, to a large extent, with the

attitude of the student body. Most of the students at Bowdoin board in clubs, each fraternity organizing one under its own direction. — Delta Upsilon Correspondent, Bowdoin.

Phi Gamma Delta's convention was held this year at Dayton, Ohio, October 19, 20 and 21. New chapters were chartered at the Universities of Missouri and Maine. The charter members at the last named institution were members of the agricultural scientific society of Q. T. V. Two chapters of this society now survive, those at the agricultural colleges of New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

The Sixty-Fifth Annual Convention of Delta Upsilon was held at Detroit, Mich., under the auspices of the Ann Arbor chapter, the third week in October. A charter was granted a local society called Phi Alpha at the University of Toronto. Zeta Phi, Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Kappa Epsilon already have chapters at the Canadian institution. Delta Upsilon last year established a chapter at McGill University.

The next convention will be held with the Syracuse chapter and the one after that with the Brown chapter.

The question of the standing of members of professional fraternities was discussed at some length and given over to the Executive Council for further investigation.

A petition for a charter from Dartmouth was referred to the Executive Council.

A few months ago the Fraternity world at the University of Arkansas was much disturbed by a petition to the State Legislature, asking the abolition and prohibition of fraternities at the institution. The legislative committee sent to inquire into the condition and needs of the University was, however, wiser than legislative bodies sometimes have been on the question of fraternities. The report of this committee was to the effect that, "besides the five fraternities in the University, of an aggregate membership of seventy-five men, there was a counter organization comprising between eighty and one hundred students formed to oppose the fraternities; and that a generous rivalry exists between these factions, but no such

condition as is not within the control of the faculty and board of trustees." — *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

No report has been received so far from Beta Phi except this letter from Brother W. Alex Robertson, alumnus, of 712 Hennen Building, New Orleans, dated September 25, 1899, who was mustered out of the army on July 22, thirteen months after leaving Tulane to go into camp:

"I am afraid that Beta Phi will be rather dead this year, as none of the old men will return in the College of Arts and Sciences or the College of Technology, and the chapter will be limited to such affiliates from other chapters as come here to the Law and Medical Departments. I will get Sholars, Lyons, Gidiere, Dr. Dyer, Dr. Blount and some of the other alumni to make it interesting for the affiliates so as to retain our charter this year, and then try and open up again in October, 1900, with new men in the Academic Department as we did in 1895. I don't think we can possibly do anything this year as to securing new men. As you probably know, our chapter here were all yonng men who had no energy and no determination, and when Sholars, Gates and myself left I understand that they simply stopped having meetings." — *Delta* of Sigma Nu.

THE GREEK PRESS.

With the appearance of the November issue of the *Delta* of Sigma Nu we learn that it will hereafter appear as a quarterly, abandoning its scheme of "from time to time publication."

The issue is lavishly illustrated with cuts. Reproductions of six groups, two chapter houses, and two of the fraternity officials are scattered throughout the issue.

An article against Theta Nu Epsilon that appeared in the March issue of the *Kappa Alpha Journal* is reproduced in full. Although the reproduction is peppered with editorial comments, we notice that one mistake is allowed to stand. The author says: "That Kappa Alpha, and Kappa Alpha alone, has taken a decided stand in this crisis is a fact of which we should be justly proud."

The fact has been called attention to before that Delta Tau Delta took the same decided action against Theta Nu Epsilon at the Karnea of ninety-seven. This action was taken without any knowledge of Kappa Alpha's action, which preceded our own by a few months.

Contrary to Kappa Alpha's course, we have had no effort made to revoke this action; nor have we known of any complaints from actives or alumni. In connection with this article the editor of the *Delta* prints the following notice:

The undersigned will give a prize of \$5.00 in gold to the member of any Fraternity who will write an article successfully refuting the arguments, on pages 72-79 against membership in Theta Nu Epsilon, a question of vital importance. Personal experience with T. N. E. against Sigma Nu in Zeta Chapter (see page 87) fortifies us in our antagonism to membership of our men in that and kindred societies. If any one objects to this on tenable grounds here is his chance to pick up five dollars.

C. E. WOODS,

Richmond, Ky.

Ed. Delta.

The November *Kappa Alpha Journal* is the first issue under the regime of the new editor, C. U. Miller. It is a most excellent number in every respect and affords us an opportunity to congratulate Kappa Alpha on its selection of so capable and courteous a gentleman to conduct its journal.

Such an excellent contributed article appears entitled "The Irregular Collegian" that we are glad to reproduce it in full.

I believe that the evil resulting from filling up chapters with men who are taking irregular courses in college is at least sufficient to warrant my using a bit of the *Journal's* valuable space in speaking of same. Moreover, I believe that as a general rule initiating those men known as "specials" is folly and worse than folly.

In prosperous times, perhaps, when the chapter is well filled with a goodly number of regular students who are to stay by us and fight our battles from the timid and inexperienced days of freshman to the strong and skillful time of senior; I say at such a time perhaps we can afford to offer our pleasures and glorious privileges to *one* or *two* of these transient lights in exchange for his year or two among us. To fill our Chapter with these men who are confessedly here a short time is to hide our weaknesses in a maze of transient strength. We are so unlikely to stop and consider that out of our present chapter of "eighteen fine men" we are soon to lose some five or six by graduation and four or five of the others are uncertain how long they will be with us. Thus we fail to realize how weak we are until suddenly at some opening of college about eight of the "faithful" will return, which eight having been accustomed to a large chapter, will look 'round in discouraged amazement at the prospect. The result will be that they will fail to accomplish even that which they are able to do for the simple reason that, weak where last year they were strong, they haven't confidence enough in themselves to make the required effort. At the same time they will find their "spiking" grown difficult because this sudden fall off in the chapter has caused the comment throughout the length and breadth of the campus that the chapter once so strong is "on its last legs" (and the ordinary freshman usually accepts hearsay evidence as infallible), when truth to tell the chapter would be if anything on a firmer basis with those eight regular men than it had been with its larger and mixed set of last session, for those eight would at least recognize their own weakness while last year's chapter were deceived as to their own strength. And to be ignorant of weakness

is the most dangerous of all conditions. Therefore we ought not to initiate so many of these men who are not regular and who are uncertain of how long they will remain in college.

Another theory. These men knowing that they will not be in college long seldom fall into the life of the institution and become a part thereof. They are not usually the men who join and become prominent in the literary societies, organizations in which the chapter must and ought to be influential. Thus they not only lose the benefits of these organizations for themselves and lose the benefits of their membership and work therein for their chapter, but they are apt to draw away others of their fraters who would otherwise join. So the chapter gets nothing out of them in that line, but positively loses.

Having not much work to do your special is usually an idler to the further demoralization of his brothers and his chapter as a whole. Nor is he in college long enough to learn the chapter workings sufficiently to make a good chapter officer or one who, as an alumnus, will know how to help in the organization of new chapters. True, he is oftentimes a good-looking, good-natured fellow, "who takes with the girls" and who succeeds in putting his frat colors on every eligible man in town, but he is gone perhaps next session and, alas! then will the fickle creatures turn elsewhere for consolation — for true it is boys, 'tis too often the case that the girls love not "the frat" but the *frater*.

Moreover — and I believe this by no means the least considerable of the reasons why we should hesitate to confer degrees upon these transient barbarians. They are not in college long enough to become thoroughly in love with the spirit and principles of our noble Order. Such as these are the luke-warm alumni whom you meet from time to time and who make you feel as if they had thrown cold water over you. They remember the grip and can tell you a few anecdotes of short chapter lives — just enough do they know to prove they are K. A.'s, but their eyes do not glow with pleasure; their hands do not grip yours with the warmth; and their "glad to meet you, brother," does not ring with the fervor that is characteristic of the loyal K. A. They are not the alumni who watch the chapter in after years; who send you five hundred for the chapter house; who come trooping back at each succeeding Commencement to renew the joys of the olden days. They are not the alumni who subscribe for the *Journal* and go hundreds of miles on short notice to conventions (even tho' they run the risk of getting there after adjournment).

No! These signs of loyalty are left to be seen in him who has toiled from freshman to senior, from Alpha to Omega in the service of his chap-

ter. 'Tis such a one who is truly a K. A. through life and who really knows only one exit from our Order.

For these reasons do I believe "*how long a man is to be in college*" ought to be asked as carefully as we ask, "How are his family connections." "How is he studying," etc. And unless he is to take a full course, unless he is to become part and parcel of the college life, or unless there are circumstances which make it wise to take him anyway, why I think we ought to black ball him. With all respect to the opinions of others and acknowledging the existence of some bright exceptions, this is "respectfully submitted."

The December number of *The Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta devotes twenty pages to a careful review of the recent catalogues of Delta Psi and Beta Theta Pi. In connection with the former the author has this to say:

The fraternity system originated in the east, and for many years the eastern fraternities were leaders, but times have changed. Since the civil war, eastern fraternities have not extended with the rapidity which they previously displayed. As a rule, their policy seems to have been a very hap-hazard one. Many institutions in which they are not represented are far superior in every way to some in which they have chapters. They have allowed many important institutions to be pre-empted by western and southern fraternities that have followed a broader and more intelligent policy.

Thirty-seven more pages are devoted to a somewhat extended review of about thirty college Annuals. From the editorial columns we cite the following because it so well supplements an editorial of our own in another part of this issue:

To engage a chapter's superfluous energy no work is more fascinating or more profitable than house hunting or building. If a rented house has already been secured the theme should be how best to buy a lot and build a house. If in the past energy has been devoted to making excuses, to lauding the glories of a hall with a hard-wood floor, to poking fun at rival chapters who have taken the best thing they could find in the way of a house while looking for something better—if the chapter in other

words, is not up to date, the topic for serious discussion should be which house to choose of those available. January 1 is an excellent time to take a house. It usually marks the beginning of a term and new boarding arrangements; it is an excellent opportunity to get the freshmen in with the upper-class men, who are probably rooming together already. Iowa expects to begin the new year in a house of her own. Indianapolis is to be back in the ranks. Ohio is hopeful, and Iowa Wesleyan is aroused. If you really lack a plan, write to President Moore, or to your province president. Study the September *Palladium*.

The December issue of *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly* is devoted almost exclusively to the proceedings of the fraternity's late convention. We reproduce the following information in regard to the local society to which Delta Upsilon granted a charter at the University of Toronto:—

Fraternities have not had a long existence in the University of Toronto, but the fraternity spirit is now very strong, and promises to so continue. The Zeta Phi Fraternity has had a chapter since 1880, Kappa Alpha since 1892, Alpha Delta Phi since 1893, and Delta Kappa Epsilon since 1898. The reception of the local fraternity of Phi Alpha into Delta Upsilon completes the roll, at least for the present.

The history of Phi Alpha begins with the year 1896, when some members of the graduating class, feeling that their under-graduate days were fast drawing to a close, and desiring to perpetuate the bonds of friendship formed during their undergraduate career, and also to preserve in after life some connection with their Alma Mater, called in some of the more prominent men of the lower years to discuss the problem. The result was the formation of a permanent organization of graduates and undergraduates in the fraternity of Phi Alpha.

At first no thought of association with a national or international fraternity was entertained, but if Phi Alpha was to attain to the high standing desired, the greatest care in the selection of new members was an absolute necessity. Hence, it has always been insisted that a candidate for membership, in addition to possessing the indispensable requirements of sociability and good fellowship, must have distinguished himself in scholarship or athletics, or in some way have taken a place of prominence

among his fellows. Membership in the fraternity is restricted to students in the department of Arts, Medicine, and Applied Science, numbering about fourteen hundred.

The fraternity has now a house leased, which it has furnished, and in which thirteen of the men reside. In this house the meetings are held weekly, on Saturday evenings, and the boys turn out regularly and punctually.

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