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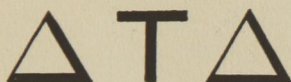
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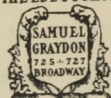


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## Beta Phi and Her Home

The Ohio State University was made possible by the Land Grant Act of Congress in 1862. This Act allotted 30,000 acres of public land to each Senator and Representative, to which the state was entitled by the census of 1860. The Bill accepting the grant for Ohio became a law in February, 1864, and was followed two years later by Acts to establish the Ohio Agricultural and Mechanical College. It was not until 1870, however, that the organization of the institution was finally affected by Acts which located it at Columbus and provided for its maintenance. The records of the next three years attest the purchase of a valuable farm of three hundred and twenty-four acres within the corporate limits of the City of Columbus, the erection of a spacious and elegant college building and two dormitories for students, and the equipment of the various departments of instruction. Such a school was opened to students in 1873 but up to 1878, owing to financial restrictions, comparatively little was accomplished. In this year the State legislature decided that the embryonic state was passed, and so substituted for the rather inelegant and suggestive name which the college had borne the more formidable one, Ohio State University.

During the past quarter of a century the policy of the school has been a most aggressive one, and such a policy in conjunction with generous State legislatures, and munificent Acts on the part of the department of Government which gave it birth, the University is fast approaching the zenith to which but few schools have attained, and which aims to give the best possible advantages for thorough arts, technical and professional study. Spread over a beautiful campus of three hundred acres are eighteen buildings for instruction, including a new physics building in process of erection. Six colleges are administered—those of Arts, Engineering, Law, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine and Agriculture. These colleges have a total attendance of 1,800 and a teaching force of 150, a fact which speaks well, not only for the three millions of dollars the State has invested, but for the ultimate educational benefits which are involved.

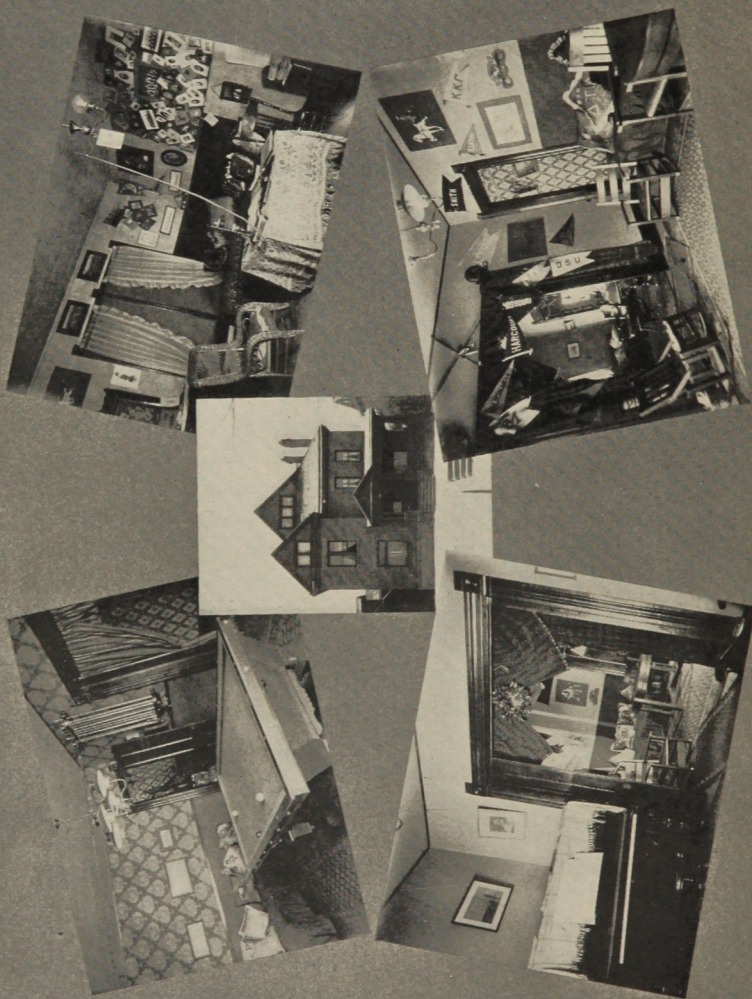
The educational situation in the State is, nevertheless, peculiarly unique. In its endeavor to remain impartial towards the half dozen colleges which cry for its support, the State has made itself the scene of what seems to be an interminable wrangling. Denominational and Technical Schools have instituted a veritable School for Scandal, and although but one of them has not had an increase in attendance over last year, they have agreed, all arguments notwithstanding, to wage perpetual warfare, and so at present as in the past they are at swords' points over the division of the spoils which the State is at this time about to disburse. However, the University has fared well and has received from the legislature now in session an appropriation which will increase the income by almost one-fourth, so that the total revenue for the coming year will amount to almost one-half million of dollars.

Into this institution on November 19, 1894, came Beta Phi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta. The Fraternity had been petitioned several times before this by local societies here, but the personnel of these petitioners had never been considered up





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to the standard of the Fraternity and their applications were refused. But in the fall of 1894 ten men banded together in the Institution, petitioned Delta Tau Delta, and upon a thorough investigation by the Fraternity, the charter of the Beta Phi Chapter was granted to them. Among these men was E. R. Tarr, a nephew of one of the founders of our Fraternity. The other men were mostly upper classmen and prominent in the University. At the installation of the Chapter, our nearby sisters, Chi and Mu, were present, and the first few years their friendship and interest were a great help to the new Chapter.

Beta Phi began its life with these ten men and with its place of meeting at a hall down in the city, as was then the custom of most fraternities in the institution. At this time there were nine other fraternities in the University, all well established and strong in alumni. For a few years the Chapter flourished; then came one of those dark days that it has been the misfortune of most chapters to experience. With the closing of the school year in 1899 there were but four members left in the Chapter to return in the fall. These were all Columbus men and upper classmen. The Chapter's affairs were in a serious condition. Its life was threatened. The other fraternities were all strong, and the case seemed almost hopeless. It was about decided to return the charter of Beta Phi and give up the fight. But love for the Fraternity triumphed. These four men during the summer months canvassed the field of the State and in the fall they were prepared. During the year of '99 eleven men were initiated into the Chapter, and never was there a more harmonious set of fellows initiated and never a better group of workers. The Chapter had been re-born. These eleven men all remained in school to graduate; all have done honor to their Chapter and to the Fraternity, and in these men the principal strength of Beta Phi now lies. From that time on the Chapter has experienced uninterrupted growth and prosperity. She is conquering all

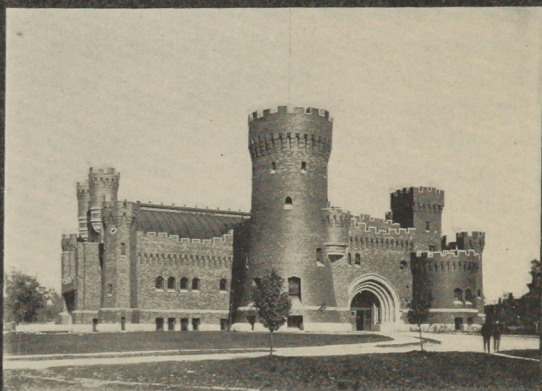
obstacles to her progress. For two years she had nothing but her rooms down in the city with which to rush. But conservative in her choice, she pledged the men she wanted and looked into the future. The chapter house problem was but a question of time. There were then four fraternities in houses. The next two years the out-of-town men lived together and the Chapter added to its rooms down in the city. But this year she has taken the final step. Returning with fourteen men in the fall, she initiated six more and affiliated one. Then she went into her house. We undoubtedly have the best fraternity house at the University. It is a sixteen-room brick structure, and borders on the campus. The house was built originally for a University Club House, and is well suited for our purposes. On the first floor we have a parlor, library, billiard room and a dining room. In the latter we have seated seventy-two persons, and here hold chapter banquets and informal dances. In the floors above we have rooms for sixteen men. Two of our alumni live with us, and we have seven town men, now actives. Having no fund accumulated and but little help from its alumni, yet the Chapter furnished the house complete and will remove all debt by next year.

The Chapter feels that it is in better condition than ever before, and that it stands equally strong with the leading fraternities in the University. We meet here the following fraternities in the order of their establishment:

Phi Gamma Delta, 1878; Phi Kappa Psi, 1880; Sigma Chi, 1882; Phi Delta Theta, 1883; Beta Theta Pi, 1885; Sigma Nu, 1891; Alpha Tau Omega, 1892; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1892; Kappa Sigma, 1895. We have also four sororities here, Kappa Kappa Gamma, 1888; Kappa Alpha Theta, 1892; Pi Beta Phi, 1894; Delta Delta Delta, 1896; in the law school, Phi Delta Phi and Delta Chi; in the agricultural, Alpha Zeta, and in the Scientific, Sigma Xi. There are also in the University three local fraternities, only one of







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which, however, displays much aggression. There is also a local sorority.

Of the fraternities, six of them are in houses at present. In the order of their taking chapter houses they are: Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Delta Tau Delta and Kappa Sigma. All of these rent their houses though several of the older fraternities are prepared to build if space would be granted them on the Campus.

Beta Phi has taken men from the strongest of these fraternities during the last few years. She feels that she has her position established, her class of men well defined and her friendship sought and valued by her rivals. To tell of our strength in the University, the usual list of offices held will perhaps give an idea of the prominence of some of our members. This year we have the editor-in-chief of the *Lantern*, our college weekly, and three other men on the Board; the president of the Philosophical Society and of the Political Science Club; manager of the basketball team; manager of the track team, and captain of the baseball team. We have two men on the baseball team, two on the basketball team and two on the track team. We are represented on both the junior and senior social committees and have four men in the Glee and Mandolin Club. Four of our actives wear the 'Varsity "O." Of course we are represented in other lines of student activity, but this will perhaps show that with eleven fraternities in the University, not all of our Chapter are of a retiring disposition. Our relations with the other fraternities are of the pleasantest, and we enjoy the good-will of the faculty, though Delta Tau Delta is not represented there. One pleasant feature of our chapter life is the close relations we have with our neighboring sister chapters, Chi, at Kenyon, and Mu, at Ohio Wesleyan. In fact, we three are like one large chapter. We attend all their initiations and they attend ours. We know personally all their members and they know ours. We help one another in time of need and we

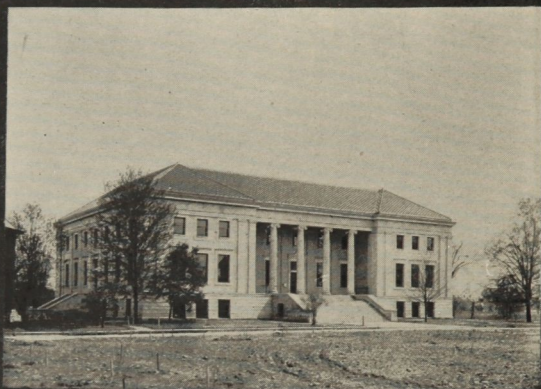
feel that such relations are a source of strength in our fraternity life that is almost immeasurable.

Another source of strength to the Chapter is the Columbus Alumni Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, recently organized, with headquarters here in Columbus. At the monthly dinners held in this city, the three active chapters attend almost to a man, and we feel that there is a great future and a noble work before the Alumni Chapter. The last dinner was held at Beta Phi chapter house, and Brother Ed. Hughes, of DePauw, was the guest of honor.

As to the Chapter's future, we will return next year with eighteen men—stronger than any other fraternity at O. S. U. We already have several men picked among the incoming freshmen. We have our finances in an excellent condition. We have a note system that is getting together a fund to build a chapter house as soon as practicable. As things are, then, you see that Delta Tau Delta is holding her own, and probably a little of some one's else, here at the Ohio State University, and, feeling her strength at the present, is looking forward to great things in the future.







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## The Fountain of Youth.

A little less than four hundred years ago Juan Ponce De Leon, having grown old in the cause of Spain, in robbing Indians of their gold, became ambitious to discover a third world, out beyond the horizon of the known. There, on the maps of the time, the great sea-serpent and the kraken fought for mastery. For such a task this battle-scarred Spanish captain must first renew his strength and courage. Imbued with the belief of the American natives, he sought the fabled Fountain of Youth.

In turn he visited each of the Bahama islands but that longed for Bimini with its magic stream, was still the mirage of his dreams. That he discovered Florida, the land of flowers, was little compensation for the old soldier whose heart was fired with but one great passion, to drink of the water of life which should bring back to his wasted arteries the rich red blood of youth.

Juan Ponce De Leon failed in his quest but I am glad to tell you that I, an American naturalist, at work for a summer on Little Bimini Island, succeeded in reaching the wonderful fountain. It was on one of those perfect Bahaman days that we spread our great white sail out against the trade-wind and started for the larger Bimini. Beneath, the water, clear as crystal and shaded like the opal, reflected the lightly drifting banks of clouds. Here and there among the royal purple feathers of the sea lazily floated over the snow-white sand some solemn faced coralline fish with tenuous golden fins waving behind.

At last we drove the bow of our sloop into the sand and a thousand noisy crabs scampered away as we made fast to the

mangrove roots. On land, under the hot sub-tropical sun of July, along a path among thorn-covered bushes, with large yellow spiders and their nasty webs every few feet, mosquitos to the right of us, mosquitos to the left of us, mosquitos in front of us, we trudged along one hour and then another and another until finally we came to our oasis watered by the magic stream.

We bent over the rock-bound fountain and took deep draughts of life-giving waters, but after all, as my hair begins to fade, I sometimes doubt if I really did renew my youth that day on Bimini Island. So like Ponce De Leon, grown old but with a passion for youth, I have gone upon another voyage. This time amid the snow and ice of the frigid north, with the four stars at the corners of the heavens, the crescent moon ahead to give me courage, the All-Seeing One above to guide my frail boat, I have found in this summerland of fraternal affection the real Fountain of Youth, our dear old Delta Tau Delta!

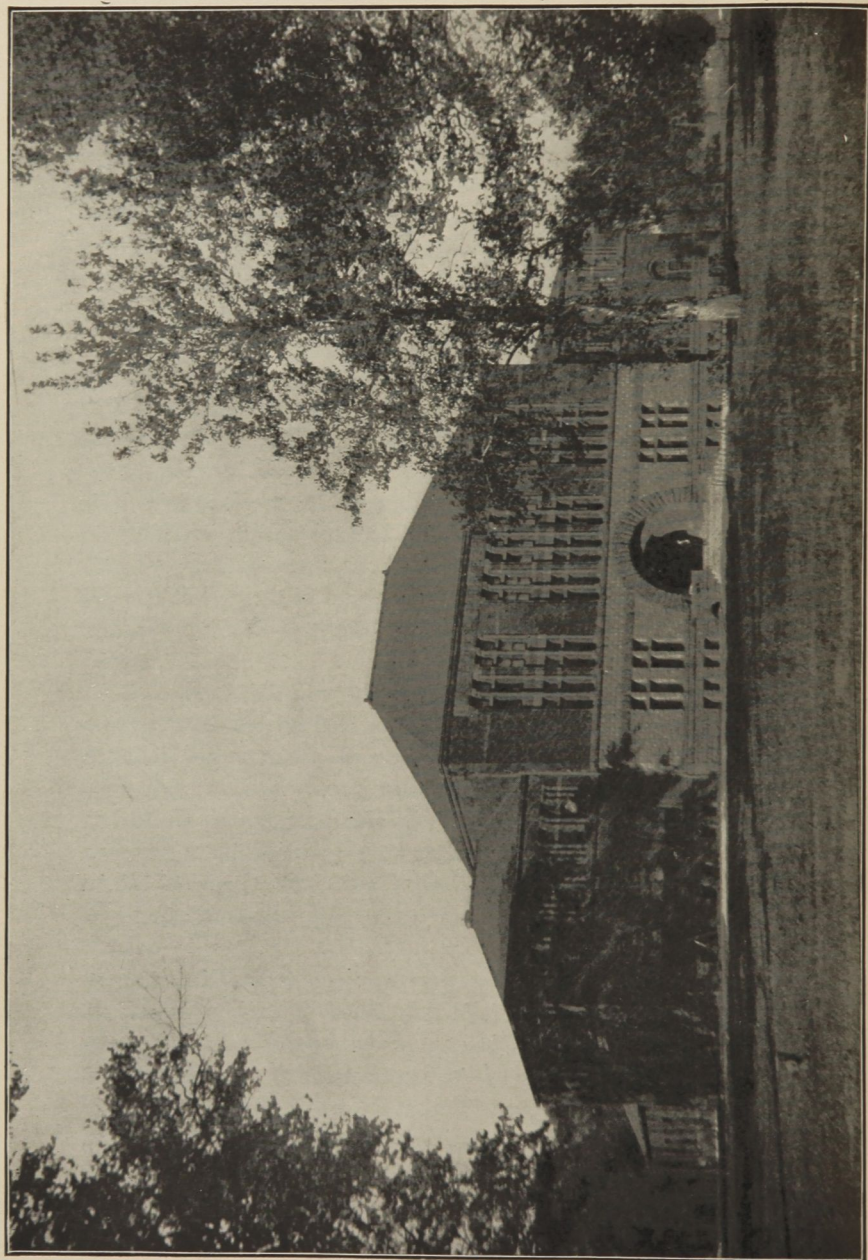
We come to-night, soldiers from the clash of battle, merchants from the roar of the street, lawyers fighting for the rights of fellow men, physicians healing the sick and holding back the hand of Death, teachers building knowledge and spreading culture, and ministers with the gospel of peace and love; all of us come to this pure spring and renew that one period of youth when we were supremely happy, the years of college fraternity life under the Purple, the White and the Gold.

Life is like that wonderful voyage of Francis Drake around the world. You will recall that the English captain fought through the adversities of the stormy Straits of Magellan; in the struggle for existence against the waves and winds of the Pacific discovered Cape Horn and then, sailing up the South American coast, captured great galleons of Spain laden with gold, silver and precious stones.

The intrepid navigator pushed out into the unknown Pa-







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cific, for a time was stranded on a dangerous coral reef, but finally, with the banner of victory aloft, entered the harbor of old Plymouth town.

If we maintain a vital connection with the work of our youth through the Fraternity; if we insist upon being actives and not simply men who have been graduated to the shelves of ease, then indeed in our voyage of circumnavigation shall we be filled always with strength, courage and hope.

A brother's hand in joy or dole,  
A maiden's heart, her crystal soul,  
For fatherland, a father's power,  
The mother's part; of all, the flower.

Such faith we vow the life for ay  
In frater's love. It guides the way  
To Delta Tau, in God's own truth,  
Our Fountain of eternal Youth.

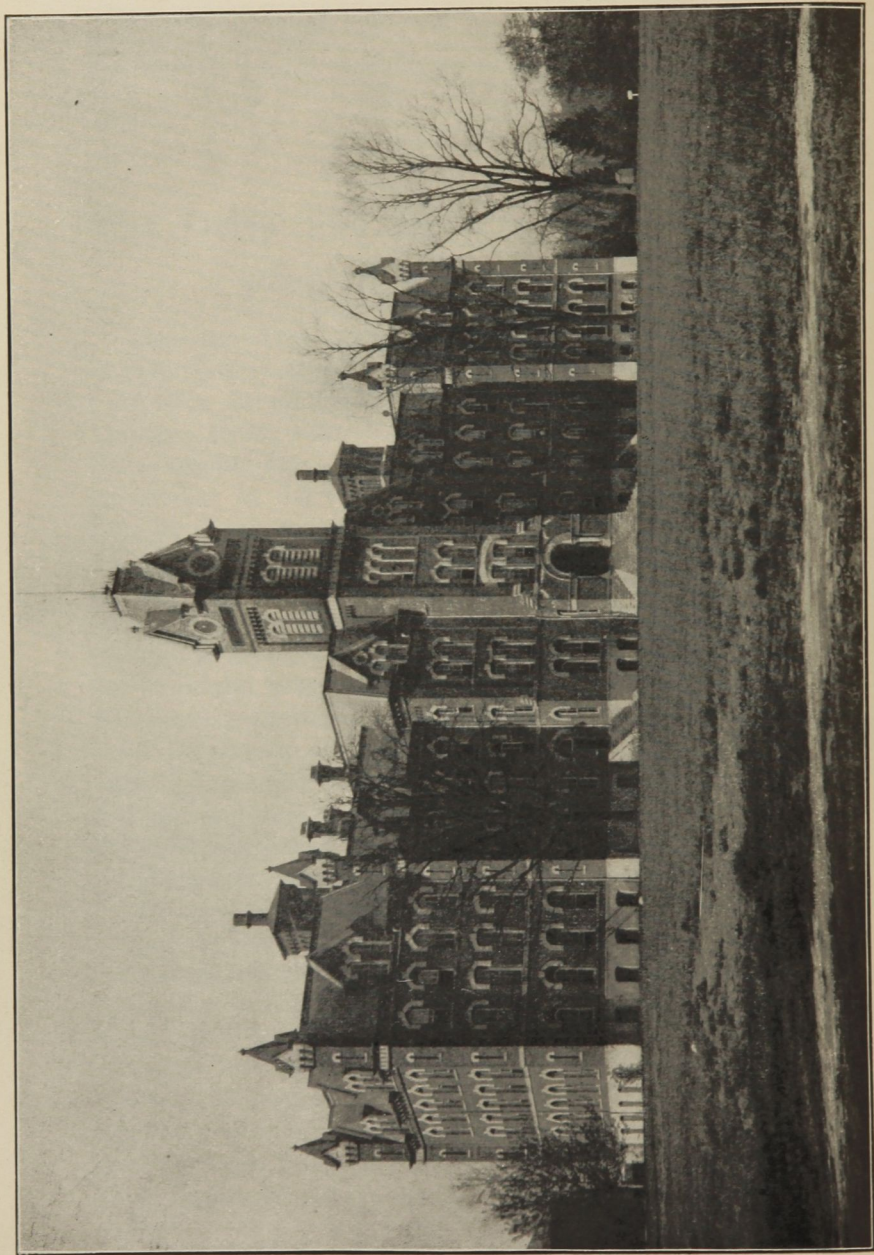
CHARLES LINCOLN EDWARDS.

## The Delta Tau Delta Alumni Association of the Far East.

There have been, perhaps, for many years some members of Delta Tau Delta traveling or sojourning in the Far East. Only since the occupation of the Philippine Islands by the American forces, however, have any considerable number of Deltas resided here. More than three years ago, when our government in the Philippines decided to employ teachers from the States to assist in the great work of educating the little brown inhabitants, the two first appointed, and who came nearly two years before the main body of teachers, were men of Delta Tau Delta, graduated the previous spring. These pioneers in the work that has grown to be such a conspicuous and successful feature of our government here, set sail for the East on an army transport in the month of September, 1900. Other Deltas were at that time more or less permanently located in Japan and China, and some, in the army and navy, had been and were then in Philippine territory. The essential difference between the Orient and our own land of liberty, enlightenment and progress was never more appreciated than by those who, early in the nation's occupation of the Islands, crossed the Pacific to cast their lot for better or for worse in the several branches of the work of governing and administering the Islands. Men were obliged to adjust themselves to entirely different surroundings. A tropical soil, an oriental people, a foreign language, a deep-rooted distrust of white men born of years of misrule and oppression, a country devastated by years of internal strife and insurrection and by war,—these and other things had to be considered in the problem of living in this oriental possession of ours.







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Deltas in those days, stationed in out-of-the-way places, finding few if any Americans with whom to associate, living in towns with ten or twenty thousand natives speaking an unknown tongue, and far removed from the chapter and all that had but lately been so much of their life, were certain to appreciate as never before the fellowship that was enjoyed in college and the joys of a common chapter life. Often in leisure hours the chapter photograph, a few snap-shots or something of a like significance would be brought forth from the suit-case or the steamer trunk and, while the new arrival would gaze on them with that far-away look in his eyes and that far-away feeling in his soul, the full significance of it all would gradually come over him, and he would realize as never before what it really meant to be a member and enjoy the fellowship of a great Fraternity, and what it meant to be isolated from it. He would be carried, perhaps, by happy memories back over the thousands of miles of blue sea-water, the mountains or the plains, to the one spot fragrant with memories of Fraternity life. The chapter house, the good-natured, gentlemanly crowd of fellows, the good times, the chapter meetings, the hall, the incidents of initiation night, the men whose character had helped most to mold his own life and whom he had come to know and love,—all were strangely present again. Sweet recollections they were, the heritage of a chapter life well spent. Unconsciously treasured in the mystic storehouse of the memory, they are an unfailing source from which we can draw real satisfaction wherever we may be. But the dreamer would be aroused from such pleasant meditation to discover that the twilight had already been swallowed up in the shades of night and that the fire-flies among the shrubs and palms and along the silent banks of the river had begun their nightly revelries. The dream would pass, as all day-dreams do, but the memories remain.

The consciousness of what had been given up with the necessary isolation from the active and alumni chapters of the

Fraternity gave rise to the desire to form some organization among the Deltas in the Far East which would in some degree, at least, take the place of the closer Fraternity life and fellowship left behind in the home country.

The proper authority for the establishment of the association in the Orient was obtained from the Arch Chapter by Brother James A. Bull, Beta Theta 1900, before his departure from the States. Due to the fact, however, that the members were scattered over a wide territory and were often changing their residence, it was some time before the Deltas became acquainted with one another. There were many things that served to delay the organization of the association, but finally, after having kept in touch through correspondence with members now in or near Manila and with the members in China, the nucleus in Manila decided to take the necessary step toward establishing the Delta Tau Delta Alumni Association of the Far East. On August 15, 1903, in the Hotel Orienté, in Manila, all who could be present met and the association became a reality. Men from five different chapters of the Fraternity and from nearly every section of the United States, drawn by the ties that bind the great Fraternity together, met that night for a common purpose. After the business was transacted a dinner was served, where, under the purple, gold and white—colors eloquent to every Delta heart—the affection for Old Delta Tau that each one had first experienced surrounded by his brothers in the chapter hall at home, warmed the heart again and spread its kindly influence over all. The meeting was not great in the number of those present but it was significant in that it was the first held by the members of Delta Tau Delta in the Orient. The date and the occasion will be looked back upon as that upon which the beginning was made in the organization of college men, wearing the same Fraternity badge and living in the Orient, for the purpose of perpetuating the relations entered into while in college and for being of mutual benefit to one another.



The second regular meeting was held on November, 30, 1903, at which time definite action was taken regarding members in China,—those having signified their desire to join being considered charter members. The organization of the members in the Far East is known as an alumni association and not an alumni chapter. This is owing to the fact that the geographical distribution of the members makes it impossible at the present time to properly comply with the rules and regulations laid down for alumni chapters. All meetings are to be held in Manila, at which place the majority of Deltas are to be found. A vice-president is provided for China, whose duties are to keep in close touch with the members there as well as with his brother officers in Manila. The object of the association is “to renew the obligations taken at our mother chapters; the cultivation of the Fraternal spirit; and the promotion of all the objects of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.” Any member in good standing with the general Fraternity who is sojourning in China, Japan, Siberia, the islands of the Pacific, India, Australia or the Philippine Islands is eligible to membership.

The officers and charter-members are as follows:—

President, James A. Bull, Beta Theta 1900; vice-president, Chas. A. Engbracht, Beta Gamma 1894; vice-president for China, John C. Shengle, Omega 1899; secretary-treasurer, Max L. McCollough, Beta Omega 1900; fourth member of Board of Directors, Mercer G. Johnston, Beta Theta 1898. Members in Philippine Islands: John B. Amazeen, Beta Gamma 1896; John N. Carrigan, Beta Omega 1902; Ward Dabney, Beta Theta 1895; Walter G. Hunter, Beta Omega 1901; Frederick M. James, Beta 1901; Ralph McCoy, Beta Omicron 1895; Ernest W. Oliver, Beta Omega 1900; William A. Reed, Beta Alpha 1898; Charles A. Romeyn, Beta Xi 1897; Frank R. White, Gamma Alpha 1901. Members in China: B. L. Ancell, Phi 1895; John M. Blain, Phi 1893; Benton A. Hammond, Beta Omega 1901; W. D. Straight, Beta Omicron 1901.

The Delta Tau Delta Alumni Association of the Far East is, so far as known, the first organization of the kind established in the Orient by any Greek-letter college fraternity of America. Two regular meetings only have been held, but the association seems already to be firmly established both in the hearts and affections of the members, and is on a sound social and financial basis. No chapter house is as yet maintained nor is any hall or lodge engaged. Informal "feeds," as well as the regular meetings, take place in some one of the hotels of Manila. The meetings and reunions are beginning to be looked forward to as a pleasing break in the life over here, and a mutual interest in the welfare of the Deltas in this part of the world is beginning to manifest itself. We hope that as time goes on the interest in one another and in the Alumni Association will grow, and that acquaintances made under the purple, gold and white will become true friendships until, at no distant day, the Alumni Association of Delta Tau Delta of the Far East will be a means of promoting the true Fraternal spirit, of adding much to the pleasure of life in the East, and of making all better men for having belonged to it. From the small beginning that has already been made it seems safe to predict that this will be the case.

We are so far removed from the rest of the chapters of the Fraternity that a visit from a Delta passing through or the arrival of some one of the fellows coming here to spend a little time is worth much more to us than if we were living nearer home. We not only give a most hearty invitation to all members coming this way to look us up or let us know where they are on their arrival in Manila, but we ask them to do so in order that we may become acquainted and that we may hear something in a personal way of the brothers in the States and of the life of the individual chapters. All members of the association are subscribers to THE RAINBOW and so keep in touch, in a general way, with the work of the Fraternity; but we always hail with joy the arrival of a brother Delta from the homeland.



We promise you who come a warm welcome and a real Fraternal greeting, whether you may come to live among us for a time or are merely passing through on business or pleasure. If you are in China or Japan, be sure and call when in Shanghai on our vice-president, Brother Shengle, of the Asiatic Mining Corporation; your visit there will be of much greater interest and you will have reason to rejoice that there are Deltas in the far East (I speak from experience, for I have tried it myself). Manila itself is not without interest to those traveling through the Orient, and we hope that visits here from Deltas will be more frequent as time goes on. We shall be glad to receive letters from chapters notifying us of brothers who are starting for this part of the world, so that we may make connections with them on their arrival and possibly be of some use to them in getting themselves adjusted to the life here in the tropics.

MAX L. MCCOLLOUGH, (Beta Omega 1900).

Secretary-Treasurer, Manila, P. I.

## A Vanishing Feature—The Literary Society.

The banquet of the Western Division is past, and it was in its way a wonder, It was the largest in our history; every detail of arrangement was perfect. Surely such college yells, such songs, such enthusiasm never attended a college dinner before. But these are not the things that made the dinner remarkable for me. If I am personal in these few lines, it will be because I am willing that honor should fall where it is due. The one feature of the dinner that will be prominent in mind when many of its minor details are forgotten, was the toast of Brother Hestwood, of our new Kansas Chapter, Gamma Theta. Brother Hestwood is yet a college boy, but never from any speaker have I heard more polished diction; his words were very simple, there was no flight of meaningless oratory, but Delta Tau Delta has never heard his toast surpassed. The enunciation, the ease of address and the perfect control of voice,—these were not accidents, they were the result of training.

Kansas is an old-fashioned State, and many of the innovations that now dominate most colleges, have not yet gained foothold there. The literary society which has largely disappeared as an educational factor in these times still holds a place of honor at Baker University. I hope the boys of the college appreciate their privilege and blessings. The athlete is a hero for four years, but there is little about professional athleticism that survives that period, little that causes a demand for the services of the man who is an athlete only, when he has finally gotten his degree. The same is true of the social leader; it is a great honor to lead the Junior hop, or to



be the lion of a college reception, but here again the honor is short lived. That education that fits a man to appear to advantage when he speaks, that teaches him to form his sentences logically and correctly, to preserve his pose in the presence of an audience,—this education is not to be despised.

I receive many letters from college men, that would be a disgrace to high school pupils of the first year; and while we have many excellent chapters in and about Chicago, chapters that are far above the average of such organizations, I should rarely have the courage to call on their members for an impromptu speech. The only reason for this deficiency is that the boys have not had training along this line.

This boy from Kansas was not an orator in the general oratorical-contest acception of that word, but he spoke quietly, fluently, fascinatingly. If Baker University and its literary societies can turn out such finished products, then Baker is conspicuous among the colleges of America. If literary societies are a vanishing feature of modern college training, the students are the losers, and they will more and more realize this as they go out into the world.

FRANK WIELAND,  
President Delta Tau Delta.

## Conference Western Division.

The Nineteenth Annual Conference of the Western Division opened for work with fifty Delts present. Brother Harry Hewitt, President of the Division, was in the chair; the address of welcome was delivered by Brother Harry Hart, of Gamma Beta, and fittingly responded to on behalf of the delegates by Brother Charles Steele, of Gamma Alpha. Before the routine work of the session was taken up the delegates listened to a very delightful and interesting talk by Dr. Wieland, President of the National Fraternity, who informed us of general conditions and the era of unusual prosperity that is being enjoyed by the entire National Order.

At the afternoon session reports were read from the twelve chapters of the Division. It was a matter of general regret that their distance prevented Beta Kappa, Beta Rho and Beta Omega from being represented except by proxy; their reports, however, were interesting and indicative of a very healthy condition. Delegates were present from all the other chapters. During this session Brother Elmer Scott, as advance agent for the banquet of the evening, admonished the delegates to turn loose all the noise and enthusiasm that such an occasion would deserve. Later events showed that the Brother's advice was not spoken to deaf ears.

The Conference banquet is always the crowning feature of the occasion, and this banquet of the Nineteenth Conference and the Chicago Alumni Chapter was far from being an exception to the general rule. The hard work and careful forethought of the committee having the banquet in charge had assured the perfection of every detail that would contribute to the success and pleasure of the occasion, and the enthusiasm developed by the one hundred and fifteen brothers who were



present was something that is only known at such gatherings of Delts where both the physical and mental side of man is looked after. The excellence of the menu was second in importance to the excellence of the toasts provided. Brother Elmer Scott as toastmaster was ably seconded by the speakers of the evening in making this feature the most enjoyable of the entire Conference.

In fact, from the opening of the business session to the hour when the time-honored "Walk-Around" brought the Conference to a close, the true Delt spirit had full swing, and as our enjoyment was keen so was the enthusiasm developed and fostered equally prominent. Too much credit cannot be given the Chicago Alumni Chapter, Beta Pi, Gamma Alpha and Gamma Beta for the way in which they attended to the arrangements and contributed so largely to the success of what was the "greatest yet" Conference of the Western Division.

R. A. HERR.

## Conference Northern Division.

Brother Deltas, I feel more like worshipping at the shrine of Morpheus this morning than like attempting the pleasant task of writing a few words concerning the recent Twenty-third Conference of the Northern Division. To account for my soporific condition, it is enough to say that I had the exquisite pleasure of attending the excellent banquet held last night at the Claypool Hotel. So many things transpired in the short time of our Conference—so many things of importance—that it is no small task to select those which would be of most interest when they appear upon the printed page.

Brother Eberth could not be with us, so the privilege of presiding over the noble band of young men fell to the lot of Brother Carl C. Tarbox. I do not know Brother Eberth personally and am not aware with what grace he might have wielded the gavel, but I do know that he must be very graceful indeed if he could have excelled our brother upon whom the pleasant duty devolved. Some of our loyal brothers arrived on the evening of the twenty-fourth, and no one would be wrong if he should venture the guess that Sherman Arter, that perennial bunch of enthusiastic Deltaism from Cleveland, arrived in the van-guard. Others of the fellows came on Thursday morning and still others on Thursday afternoon—in fact it seemed as though new faces kept continually bobbing up until the very night of the banquet which brought the Conference to a close.

Brother Tarbox called the first meeting to order Thursday afternoon, at which session some usual matters of routine were attended to—including the appointment of the various committees, and, later, of hearing the report of the committee on credentials. Friday morning the real work of the Confer-



ence began when the reports of the various chapters of the Division were given. Every active chapter and four of the six alumni chapters had representatives present, and the interest these several delegates displayed was certainly inspiring. The reports, without exception, were good, well given and showed a healthy state of affairs prevailing in the thirteen active chapters of the Division. The cross examinations were not very severe, inasmuch as the reports themselves covered nearly all the points of interest concerning each chapter. Of course, plans and methods of doing things were freely discussed and occasionally some very pertinent questions elicited answers that were profitable, not only to the listeners but also to the delegate who was required to answer concerning matters in which, perchance, his own chapter was deficient. The spirit in which these reports, these questions and these answers were given is worth remarking. There was no bitterness, no envy, no jealousy, no wrangling, no grand-stand efforts. There prevailed a spirit of charitableness, of helpfulness and of sympathy which bids fair to bring the chapters of the Division very closely together. This spirit of helpfulness and of a desire to profit by whatever might be said characterized the entire Conference. No one came with a pet hobby or an axe to grind, there were no fancied grievances to be aired. The fellows generally expressed themselves as being well pleased with the excellent spirit which the proceedings of the Conference evoked.

A very commendable sentiment developed in these business sessions, and that was that more system should be injected into the affairs of the Division. This sentiment took tangible form when Brother Tarbox was elected to the office of Secretary. It seems hard for the undergraduates to become disciplined in the matter of doing things systematically, but system is such a vital element of success in whatever avenue of life one may enter that it is greatly to be desired that the habit of doing things methodically and systematically be ac-

quired early, not only for the sake of the chapters which may be represented, but for the sake of the individual members of the chapters.

No account of our Division Conferences would be complete without reference to that lighter but no less enjoyable feature—the social side; and certainly this remark is true of the Conference that has just closed if were ever true of any of its predecessors. On Thursday evening a reception was given the visiting Brothers by Beta Zeta and the Indianapolis Alumni Chapter at the Columbia Club, probably the most desirable place that could have been obtained for the function in the city of Indianapolis. There the visitors had a chance to meet the Delta girls, and judging from the remarks that were dropped now and then, it appeared to be the universal verdict that the ladies present were true exponents of that much-lauded and idealized individual—the “Delta Girl.” There was just enough form about the reception to lend it tone and dignity; but do you know that a true Delta function cannot possibly be *formal*? Formalism and conventionality mix with Deltaism no more than oil with water. The Delta spirit refuses to be bound, hampered or limited—it is pervasive and irresistible, breaking down and trampling upon and laughing at rigid barriers of formalism. The floor, the music, the floral decorations, the refreshments left nothing to be desired. The most unsatisfactory feature of the occasion was the fact that the hour finally arrived when it behooved all good people, who respected the canons of common decency to depart in order to snatch a few hours of rest before the weightier matters of the day were to be considered later in the morning.

The crowning event, of course, was the banquet. Sixty-six Deltas gathered around the table and, though there have been many larger banquets in point of numbers in the history of Delta Tau Delta, I don't believe a more loyal or a more ardently enthusiastic body of men ever graced the festal board



than that which assembled at the Claypool on Friday evening. The bill of fare was good, but after the evening had been spent, no one thought of the good things he had eaten; his thoughts were turning over again and over again in his mind the many good things he had heard, the thoughts and words that had fallen from the lips of the true Delta sons, who in their speeches gave us the best of which they were capable. But here again it was not so much *what* was said but the fact that all that was said was prompted by that eternal and all-pervasive spirit of Deltaism. The president of the Indianapolis Alumni Chapter, Judge John L. McMasters, presided and, in a few well-chosen words, introduced the speakers of the evening.

Our beloved President, Brother Wieland, was the first to speak; and, fellows, it is certainly a treat to see that man and hear him talk. He is so genial, so whole-souled, so polished and graceful and lovable. If ever the active boys had a friend in the President of the Fraternity, they have one now. Dr. Wieland made a fine speech, but I don't believe he will be offended if we suggest that it is not so much what he said that will be remembered, as the manner and spirit in which he spoke. His words may soon fade from our minds, but we will never forget the man. Brother Jason Elstun next responded to the toast "Us Kids," and gave expression to that desire that should take firm hold upon every one of the "Kids," and that was that every active Delta should make his sincerest effort to exemplify in his own character the high eternal principles of Deltaism. Sherman Arter was next. He responded to the toast of "The Old Goats," and what Sherman did not say on that subject that could have possibly been said for our edification would not have made a very large book. The toast to "The Prophecy" was responded to by Brother Martin, of Mu, in a few well chosen and beautiful words. As his remarks were beautifully formed and well delivered, so were Brother Boyle's remarks vigorous and delightful. No Delta banquet would be

complete without, in some fitting manner, recognizing the Delta girl. This was beautifully done in the speech of Brother Boyle, of Beta Alpha, in his handling of the toast "Every Delta Loves His Squaw." When Brother H. G. Hill, Theta Prime, of the local alumni chapter, had "At Last" brought the prearranged program to a close with his stirring appeal for the perpetuation of the fundamental principles of Deltaism, the fellows had such a good taste in their mouths that they wanted more. Brother Buell, of Delta, the newly-elected President of the Division, was called upon, as was also Brother Potts, of the Indianapolis Alumni Chapter.

One thing was yet in store—the "Choctaw Walk-Around." Headed by Judge McMaster, we threaded our way through the balconies, the lobby and up and down the stairs, keeping step to the familiar strain:

"Wah—Ne—He,  
Wah—Ne—Ho."

And so the Twenty-third Conference of the Northern Division of Delta Tau Delta passed into history.

CARL R. LOOP, BETA ZETA.



## Conference Eastern Division.

It began Friday evening, February 19, when some forty odd fellows met at Broadway Theatre to see "The Medal and the Maid," and after that the crowd adjourned to Café Francis, where they whiled the rosy hours away in reminiscence and jest until necessity compelled them to take rest for the work next day.

The session of the Twenty-second Eastern Division Conference opened about ten o'clock at Hotel Manhattan (where, by the way, we were treated 'brown') with President McClary in the chair. After the opening formalities and appointment of committees, His Most Puissant Majesty, Maas, delivered the address of welcome, in the midst of which (amongst other things charmingly put) he told what it was up to us to do in preparation for the Karnea of 1905. And we said we would do it, every man of us, only Brother White, of Gamma Zeta, put our answer in words that were fitting. The oration which seemed the best delivered in a long time was given by Brother Elliott, of Beta Nu, and after the Historian's good report, the regular Conference business was taken up.

The chapter reports were almost uniformly excellent and the customary questioning of delegates was helpful, and the more animated it was, the more interesting. The actual business, which will be duly notified to the chapters, was neither epoch-making nor startling; much was of the nature of routine; but the undertone of the whole Conference and that forming the background of nearly all that the fellows talked of either publicly or privately was the next Karnea, to be held in New York city in 1905. We pledged ourselves to do at that time (and before) the great things that are expected of us. The last session adjourned early, after reëlecting nearly

all the same officials. Every chapter and alumni association was represented.

The dinner Saturday evening was splendid—food excellent and toasts excellent. The King was supreme and all were his most devoted subjects. The Delts were seated by chapters at small tables, and the older men and speakers at one long table. The yells were deafening (and were all right, too) and Omega's songs were splendidly sung by two tables full. The toasts were responded to by Prof. C. L. Edwards, Lambda Prime; Rev. C. H. Wells, Beta Mu; Prof. Paul. M. Pearson, Beta Pi; Herbert McKennis, Gamma Gamma; James B. Curtis, Beta Zeta; Prof. Wm. Kent, Rho; Chaplain Dickins, U. S. N., Beta Mu, and our Patriarch, Brother Hunt, who captured our hearts once more. Brother Hunt is all right. "The Choctaw Walk-Around" was a long one—one hundred and thirty-five strong—the third longest in Delta history.

But two members of the Arch Chapter were present, Brother Bolard and Brother McClary, and we missed all the rest very much; but there were several of the "Old Guard" there whom we know only to love. "Sunny Jim" was the cynosure of all eyes.

CHAS. HENRY WELLS.



# DELTA REGINA.

(Air: "Drink to me only with thine eyes.")

Arr. by HOWARD L. FORTINER, Omega, '05.

Words by FRANK F. ROGERS, Beta Rho, '99.

Oh Del-ta Tau, our ra-di-ant Queen, Orbed of the star-ry night

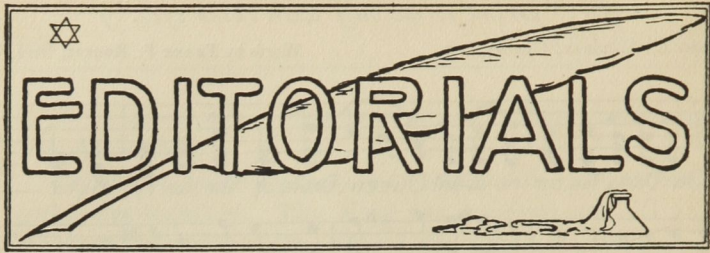
Sceptered thy sway from sea to sea Rules with an e-qual might

Clear, bright and plain thy four stars chart, By the poles of good and right

Cres-cent they gleam as year by year We near the sunset light

Eager we sought thy altar fire,  
And knelt at thy sacred shrine;  
Our Oath and Vow we gave to thee,  
Pledged to a cause sublime.  
The Purple thy rustling robes of night,  
Blend with the Gold of time,  
Nestling the White in trailing folds  
For banner of song and rhyme.

Faithful and staunch to our Delta Queen,  
True to the badge we wear;  
E'en from the uttermost ends of the earth  
Tribute and love we bear.  
Far-tossed on the sea of life we go  
To strive, and work and dare;  
Still to the foot of thy towering throne  
Our hearts and steps will fare.



# EDITORIALS

## THE MAN

### BEHIND THE BADGE

For any fraternity that, in this day and age, would claim high rank among competitors, several fundamental principles and lines of policy are necessary. There is also a need of material equipment and executive organization, just as any great factory that would successfully transform raw material into the finished product must look well to its machinery and working force. We believe, though, a fraternity's greatest strength lies in its men and their high quality. The badge of Delta Tau Delta has become a trade mark for a high type of man, and the wearing of it a distinctive honor; but its value has been given it by the men who wore it in the past and who, by their lives, have kept its lustre untarnished. We may grow in strength and prestige, own more chapter houses year by year, and in every way improve our material equipment; but our greatest strength will—and must after all—be our men. If these, the blood and fibre of our Brotherhood, are of first rank, the Fraternity will inevitably take the same place without any need of self-advertisement or blaring of horns on our part.

The great responsibility for this result must, in the natural course of events, rest with our active chapters. The Fraternity can enact wise laws and hold to safe lines of policy; the Arch Chapter may guide our Fraternal bark with caution and a firm hand—but to the active chapter we must look for the major part of the work. Its first responsibility consists in the selection of the new material that from year to year feeds our ranks of active members. Too great caution cannot be exercised in this important part of the work. A mistake made



here is almost irremediable; but, on the other hand, caution cannot be pushed to the extreme of supineness that will defeat the end. Only second in importance is the attention the chapter gives the new material after it is secured. It is an axiomatic truth among fraternity men that even the best type of freshman still needs training and attention from his chapter, to produce a finished article of the best stamp. In the training of its men the chapter should not only have in view polish and finish, but it should seek to implant so deep in the hearts of its members a love for Delta Tau Delta, and should nourish it so well, that, when the man's four undergraduate years are over, this love will be deep-rooted enough to be a strong factor in all his after-life. It is men of this stamp who are the life of our alumni chapters, and the steady, persistent workers for the Fraternity.

The strong men of Delta Tau Delta are of two classes,—though often the attributes of both are combined in one individual, and then we have the ideal Delt. We draw our strength from the workers, those alumni brothers for whom some form of Fraternity work has become an absolute necessity; and, too, we are strengthened by those who, in their lives, exemplify the finest type of clean-cut manhood. One loyal, untiring worker, like the hundreds we could point to on our alumni list, is of more value to a fraternity than a score of brilliant names of statesmen and prominent men who have allowed their fraternity and her interests to be crowded out of their lives. When we recall what an inspiration to ourselves the labors and devotion of many of our Fraternity "war-horses" have been, we cannot but believe that the example of such love and loyalty accomplishes as much for Delta Tau Delta in its inspiration and stimulus for others as did the services themselves. Our care for the Fraternity and her principles becomes a more sacred trust and a greater responsibility when we think of the consecrated services that, year by year, her loyal sons have given to her cause. In many an avenue

of Fraternity work we have seen how one hard, faithful worker has been able to leaven a whole mass of less active brothers. The success and very life of many an alumni chapter has been due to the unflagging exertions of one or two of its members.

Every wearer of the square badge should be a well-rounded man. His very personalities should be a source of strength to the Fraternity. Many a chapter has had the pleasant experience of finding a freshman already won to Delta Tau Delta because sometime and somewhere he has known, respected and admired a Delt. Such an alumnus will serve the Fraternity unconsciously, and fraternity men of this stamp are doing more to remove the ignorant prejudices against fraternities than has been accomplished by any other means. The general observer or business man is impressed when he finds a man whose qualities he admires, proud of his fraternity affiliation and maintaining his interest to the end. We can hope to drive home this truth no better than by quoting a passage from a personal letter, though we conceal the names. \* \* \* \*

—————"Just now I am taking a census of M————— and the name of ————— is an 'open-sesame' anywhere in the town. I haven't seen an honest man yet who does not know and love him. One of the first men I met, a large importer of carpets in Boston, spotted my badge and said: 'What a strong fraternity you are in. Why,' said he, 'that's Dr.—'s fraternity.' Well, I smiled all over my face and half way down my back and agreed with all the gentleman said. Well, God bless the good brother. It is a pleasure to the rest of us to find a record such as he left here."

#### ALUMNI

#### CHAPTERS

The Fraternity has occasion to feel gratified at not only the rapid increase in the number of our alumni chapters, but even more on account of the excellent work they are accomplishing for Delta Tau Delta. The alumni chapter would well justify its



right to existence if its only line of work was to keep its members together and in touch with the Fraternity and its interests through RAINBOW subscriptions. Most of our alumni chapters are doing much more than this. Some of them are entertaining Karneas and Conferences, and assuring a much greater measure of success for these gatherings than was possible when they were left entirely to undergraduate management. Several of the alumni chapters are doing splendid work for nearby active chapters. Especially active in this line of work has been the San Francisco chapter in its relations with the Beta Rho and Beta Omega. The Philadelphia chapter has kept in even closer touch with Omega, whose graduates compose the larger part of the membership of this alumni chapter. The brilliant success of the movement to purchase a house for Omega has been largely due to the intelligent and energetic efforts of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter.

In many instances an alumni chapter has been called into being through the efforts of some active chapter, and, reversing the process, several of our active chapters have been the result of the efforts of an alumni chapter first in the local field. Where a case of proposed extension has this backing of a local alumni chapter, the move is far more attractive, other considerations being equal; for we know that the success of such a new chapter and the rapidity of its growth will be much more certain when it has the experience, care and assistance of a good, live alumni chapter back of its own efforts. Both for itself and the Fraternity, an alumni chapter is making the wisest move when it enrolls among its members the recent graduates of our active chapters. It helps such men to maintain an unflagging interest in the Fraternity by engrafting upon the undergraduate attachment they have just severed by graduation an outlet for Fraternity labor along lines of alumni activity. The chapter is increasing its own effectiveness by securing for itself this fresh enthusiasm,

blown to white heat by the undergraduate life just left behind. Then, too, the recent graduate is generally the more enthusiastic worker. He has not yet formed the outside, distracting interests of the older men and, unless unusually foolish, he has not yet had his Fraternity enthusiasm diluted by the attractions of a home and wife.

In this number we have given the account of the organization of the Association of the Far East the space usually assigned the introduction of a new active chapter because, for one reason, we feel that the organization of this association will be far-reaching in its influence. As a general rule, the more pleasures and avenues of enjoyment that are cut out of a man's life, the more he loves and labors for what are left. From their local surroundings it will be natural for our brothers in the Orient to be more closely drawn together, and, knowing personally most of the members of this association and their former records for loyalty and Delt enthusiasm, we are confident that their existence as an organization will be an active one. They have a large field of work among those of their brothers who come to them with all the homesickness of a stranger in a strange land, and they can give the strength of the common bond of our great Brotherhood a stronger and deeper significance.

Our Brothers should bear in mind that our Constitution and Laws provide for but two kinds of alumni organizations, —chapters and associations; and that the former must take its name from the city in which most of its members reside or where the meetings are held. Of late, mistakes have been made on both these points. Associations are chartered when local conditions do not make possible a compliance with some of the constitutional regulations for the existence of an alumni chapter.

**CHARTER** During the current college year the Arch  
**PETITIONS** Chapter has had presented to it in various forms some six or seven petitions for charters to establish active chapters. Of this number, perhaps



two bodies of petitioners will receive charters. Both of these institutions have been pretty carefully considered in past years, and the Fraternity is already of one mind as to the desirability of entering them when they offer us petitioners of the right quality. In the case of the petitions we have refused, various considerations have played a part, though in no case could objection be taken to the personnel of the petitioners. In some instances the field has already been too crowded or the institution too small to make the extension attractive for us. In other cases the future of the college has not been sufficiently well assured to invite consideration from us at the present time.

Delta Tau Delta has no arbitrary number to which she either wishes to restrict or raise her chapter roll. To our mind our present strongest feature is our geographical distribution, which makes us, in the fullest sense of the term, a truly "national" Fraternity. Filling in the gaps in our chain of continental distributed chapters does not mean that we have gone extension mad or that this is the most important feature of our Fraternity policy. But we do not need to discuss this matter further in our public journal, especially as we may later desire to use these few remarks as a text for a more expanded editorial.

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We shall try to place the June number in the hands of our actives before the close of the college year, and we wonder if we are making any unreasonable request by asking *every* chapter secretary to furnish us with his chapter letter promptly on the date designated. We should like to have each chapter represented in this number, but this, and an early appearance of the number, can only be secured by prompt coöperation on the part of the secretaries.

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The Editor has produced these three numbers of THE RAINBOW under conditions that have made his part of the

work unusually exacting, and perhaps he has not had sufficient patience at his command to meet the extra work and harassment occasioned by delinquent and careless secretaries. We do not wish to degenerate into a common scold, and we trust the secretaries will help save us from this fate by the promptness with which they forward letters for the June number.

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The Conference of the Southern Division will meet at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., April 29, 1904. With the Brothers of Beta Iota as hosts, no further inducements should be necessary to insure a large attendance. As president of this Division, Brother Armistead has made a splendid record, and the chapters themselves have accomplished such results as should make this Conference an unusually enjoyable and interesting gathering.





### ALPHA—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

“Old Alleghen” at the time of the writing of this letter is in the midst of its preparations for the greatest college event of the year, the Washington’s Birthday banquet. Each class has appointed its several committees and from all reports this year’s banquet will be a “howling” success. We of Alpha also have a banquet in sight for February 22,—one in New York.

It was with keen interest that the various fraternities watched the outcome of the *Pan-Heavenly*, or Inter-Sorority, agreement, which ended the first Monday of the present term. Representatives of the Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma and the Alpha Chi Omega sororities met before the opening of the fall term and drew up a contract in which they agreed not to talk frat, or “bid” any of the new girls, until they had been in college one full term. Bidding-day has long since passed but the girls have not yet ceased to congratulate themselves on the grand success of their compact. The Pan-Hellenic Association would do well to follow the precedent set by their wide-awake, up-to-date sisters.

Brother Dewey, our senior member, has been quite ill with typhoid fever, and it is with a spirit of great thankfulness that we welcome him once more in our midst.

The Choctaws take great pride in introducing to the Delta world Arvin Chester Clark, of Cleveland, O., and Claude James Aiken, of Butler, Pa., both of the Freshman class. We are also glad to announce that Hermann Fowler, of West Newton, Pa., has pledged himself to Delta Tau Delta.

The basketball team has not met with a single defeat thus far, having defeated Hiram College, Marietta College and Oberlin University. On February 12, the team meets the Buffalo Germans, the champions of the world. During the early part of March an eastern trip is to be made. State College, Bucknell, and Franklin and Marshall are among those scheduled. Brothers Hastings, Harper and Aiken are the Delt representatives. In the first game of the interfraternity series in basketball, Delta Tau Delta defeated Sigma Alpha Epsilon by the decisive score of 24 to 6. The excellent team work of the Delts was the feature. So fast did they play that the Sigs failed to get a single score in the second half.

Coach Lewis made a call for track candidates in the fore part of the season, and, by his persistent efforts, hopes to take a winning relay team to the intercollegiate meet to be held in Philadelphia in April. Brothers Clark and Hastings are doing creditable work. The interclass debates from all present indications promise to be hotly contested affairs. Brother Stockton represents the Senior class in its debate with the Juniors.

Alpha is indeed proud of her progress within the last two years. Four years ago the Chapter had dwindled down to one man and things were looking mighty "blue;" to-day she has a lusty Chapter of seventeen men and everything looks bright and rosy. Two years ago the Chapter had neither a frat house nor a hall in which to meet; now she is the proud possessor of a frat house having the finest location of any at the college.

In closing, the Choctaws desire to extend their best wishes to all sister chapters.

D. A. BOLARD.

#### BETA—OHIO UNIVERSITY

This year will ever remain one of the chief mile-stones in the history of Ohio University. February 18, 1904, was the one-hundreth anniversary of the passage of an act by the



Ohio legislature confirming the location of the Ohio University at Athens. One hundred years have rolled by since its founding; one hundred eventful years, they have been. Retrospection comes naturally at the close of any great period of time, and, looking backward over these one hundred years, we notice among them periods of struggling as well as those of prosperity. Retrospection also reveals upon the roll call the names of eminent men who have here studied and taught.

The first edifice, the old central building, was erected in 1817, and is the oldest college building northwest of the Ohio River. Since that time five other buildings have been erected, and the new Normal College, which is nearing completion, will add yet another to the list. The work on the new library building will commence soon. Andrew Carnegie has donated \$30,000 to the building fund.

Hand in hand with this outward expansion of form, there has been an inner growth of spirit. The student enrollment, as well as the Faculty, has increased gradually; while the relations between them have always been friendly.

Commencement Day, June 18, 1903, marked the close of the most prosperous year in the history of Ohio University, but the prosperity of last year will be easily exceeded by that of this year. With an able and energetic man like Dr. Alston Ellis as president, and an ever increasing revenue, we look forward to a glorious future.

In the spring-time, during Commencement Week, Ohio University will celebrate this anniversary, and many of her old alumni will come back to see her once again. Among them we expect to find some of the old Delts who helped in piloting the Fraternity through her early years and, anticipating this, we are planning to hold a sumptuous banquet at that time.

Beta still holds high rank in the fraternity life here. Our annual banquet, held at Hotel Berry, December 4, 1903, surpassed that of the previous year.

Since our last letter we have pledged two good men, and take great pleasure in introducing to the Greek world George C. Parks, Hopedale, O., and Chas. V. Carr, Sugar Grove, O.

All of our old men are back this term except Brother Kahler, who went South for his health. We miss him very much because he was always a willing and energetic worker.

We gave a dinner party to our lady friends on Tuesday, February 9, at the Hotel Berry. In closing, Beta extends hearty greetings to her sister chapters and also to the new alumni association organized at Columbus, O.

HARRY L. CONNETT.

#### GAMMA—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE

Since the last issue of THE RAINBOW, Gamma has held steadily to her course and merged, to a great extent, her interests in the general college activities. With fourteen active members and five pledged men in the preparatory department, the Chapter is in a position to maintain her own individuality and extend her influence in the college. Basketball, which occupies a place of great interest among the winter sports here, is well represented by Delts. Brothers Dickie, Moore and Jackson have made places on the teams and are distinguishing themselves.

There was some excitement in fraternity circles on Sunday, January 17, when the Kappa Sigma house caught fire. It is only a few doors above our own house and the Delts turned out to assist their fellow Greeks. The fire was not so serious as was anticipated and our own house was never in danger.

We have had several visits from our alumni since the holiday season. Brothers McCurdy and Iams, of Pittsburg, spent Sunday at the chapter house a few weeks ago. The old men are always welcome.

W. H. FERGUSON

#### DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

At Michigan we are now preparing for the closing of



the first semester, or, in other words, we are "boning" for examinations. Every one is anxious and busy, and wishing that the strain were over. And so it will be, at least the mental part of it, by the evening of February 12, for that is the date of our annual Junior Hop. About fifteen of our undergraduates expect to attend the hop this year, and we also expect to have with us several alumni. Brother George Hill, of Chicago, and Brother Forest Firestone, of Akron, O., have promised to join us in the festivities.

We shall begin the second semester in February, with two members less than we now have. Brother Packard, who is quite prominent in athletics here, leaves for the West in a few days on account of ill-health. He will probably be with us again next year. Our other loss for next semester will be Brother Samuel, alias "Silver," Horner. Brother Horner will receive his degree of B.S. (C.E.) at the end of the present semester, and so we shall lose one of our oldest and funniest fellows.

March 1st will be the thirtieth anniversary of the establishment of Delta Chapter. We have been discussing for some time a fitting way in which to celebrate so notable an occasion, and at last we have decided to give a ball. It is going to be strictly a Delta Tau affair, so far as the gentlemen are concerned, and we want all Deltas outside of Ann Arbor to realize that they ought to help us celebrate, if possible. The dance comes on Tuesday evening, March 1, and we shall be very glad indeed to have as many visitors as possible with us at that time.

Brother Thomas Buell, who attended the recent Delta Tau banquet in Columbus, O., reports he never had a better time in his life. Brother Carl C. Tarbox attended the recent installation of the alumni chapter in Detroit, and reports that the outlook for the chapter is very bright.

During the past few weeks we have received visits from Brother Colver, of Epsilon, and Brother Schantz, an alum-

nus of Beta Omicron. Brother Schantz is now living in Chicago.

WILL R. KIRN.

#### EPSILON—ALBION COLLEGE

Since last heard from, Epsilon has taken four new men into the fold and we are proud to introduce to the Delta world Mr. James O. Convill, of El Reno, Okla.; Mr. Will S. Bowers, of Orange City, Ia.; Mr. James H. Pope, of Bay City, Mich., and Mr. Fred Farley, of Battle Creek, Mich. At the time of the initiation the Chapter was honored by the presence of Brothers C. C. Tarbox, Dorr B. Duell and Claire C. Wagner, of Delta, and Brother Fred Cole, ex-'06, who is attending school at the U. of M. Following the initiation and banquet, Brother F. E. Allen, toastmaster, called for the following responses: "Epsilon," G. G. Bechtel, "Looking Backward," Dr. W. C. Marsh; "Climbing the Ladder," James O. Convill; "The Duty of an Alumnus," Edward R. Lond; "The Ideal Delta," Prof. C. H. Woolbert. Brother Farley, of Battle Creek, and Brother C. C. Tarbox were also called upon for remarks, which were enthusiastically received. Dr. E. L. Parmeter led the "Choctaw Walk-Around" which concluded the festivities for the evening.

During the term just passed Epsilon succeeded in pledging two more strong men—Mr. Clifford Hough, of Albion, and Mr. Lewis Striker, of Hastings, Mich. Mr. Striker is a son of the late Daniel Striker, formerly a trustee at Albion College. The ladies of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority entertained the boys of Delta Tau Delta with a sleigh-ride party to a near-by town on the night of January 6. On January 16, the Chapter enjoyed its annual sleigh-ride to the home of Brother F. E. Allen, of Tekonsha. Brother Allen proved himself to be the prince of entertainers, being compelled to extend his hospitality over a period of twenty-four hours, drifted roads and a severe wind and snow storm having made it impossible for the party to return until the afternoon of the follow-



ing day. The intense Delt spirit made itself manifest and even the ladies of the party participated in the time-honored "Walk-Around," to the amusement of the fellows, ending up by giving the Delt yell with a will.

During the vacation period the Chapter received visits from Brothers F. E. Church, of Duluth, Minn.; Chas H. Bryan, of An Sable, Mich.; Fred H. Cole, of Morence, Ore.; L. W. White, of West-branch, and G. C. Knickerbocker, of Bronson, Mich. Prospects for strong athletic teams in the spring are bright and Epsilon, as usual, will be well represented on the field and track. Eight men in the Chapter are entitled to wear the honored "A." However, the energies of the Chapter are not altogether concentrated in athletics. Not one man failed in a single study during the fall term and we feel that our efforts to maintain a high standard of scholarship are being rewarded.

Epsilon started the new term with an active chapter of eight men, Brothers G. G. Bechtel and B. D. Brown having failed to enroll. However, they will remain quite "active" and, with their assistance, together with that of Brothers White and Anthony, we expect to accomplish much. Our latch string hangs out to all visiting Brothers, and we hope that all who come this way may give us the pleasure of affording them entertainment during their stay in Albion.

E. L. KNICKERBOCKER.

#### ZETA—ADELBERT COLLEGE

A thing that presages much good, both for the college and for the fraternities themselves, is a movement on foot here to bring the different fraternities into closer and more friendly relationship. There are seven fraternities in Adelbert, and three years ago a split occurred, so that what was known as the "Big 4" lined up against the "Little 3." Since the strength of the two was about evenly divided, it became a matter of 'anything to beat the other side,' so that the "Barbs" were the great

gainers in the struggle. The fight even went so far as to completely wreck our athletics. If the captain of a team was from one side, the members of the other side would refuse to support the team. Recently, however, a representative meeting of all the fraternities was held, at which it was decided to cut out all political rivalry and to establish more amicable relations. Plans are now on foot for the formation of a permanent Pan-Hellenic organization.

Another change that is confidently expected to bring about good results is the adoption of a new Constitution for the Athletic Association. The object of change was to substitute graduate for student management. The new management has set to work actively, and has already secured a first-class football coach for next year. He is Paul Jones, from the University of Michigan. For two years he was fullback on the great Michigan team, and last year was assistant coach under Yost. He certainly has a good record, and, moreover, is said to possess a pleasing personality that makes him a natural leader on the football field.

Our basketball team has met with good success thus far in the season. We are well represented on the team with Brother Caldwell, '02, playing regular forward, and Brother Opperman playing substitute. Brother Pelton will captain the baseball team again this year. He already has the men out practicing in the cage. Burt Briggs, of the Chicago Nationals, has been secured to coach the pitchers. The publication of *The Adelbert*, for years our monthly literary publication, has been suspended, and its place taken by a weekly newspaper. Brothers Warner and Andrews represent Zeta on the new board of editors.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity-at-large two new brothers,—Alfred Albert Cartwright, '07, of East Liverpool, and Leon Prentiss Davis, '07, of Willoughby. We have also to announce, with regret, the fact that Brother Davis has been compelled to leave college since his initiation. He had been



undergoing treatment for his eyes for some time, and was finally advised by his oculist to quit school, under penalty of a partial, if not complete, loss of sight.

Brother Talcott entertained us at his home recently. We had on hand several high school seniors, and as a result of the evening's work, succeeded in pledging one excellent man for next year. We are planning for several more "rushing" parties for the near future, and predict that when the smoke has cleared away Zeta will be found to have her share of good men. Some fraternities here are even going so far as to pledge juniors in high school. While we are opposed to this "robbing the cradle," still we are on the lookout, and are prepared to act in self-defense if necessary.

Internally, the Chapter is in very good shape, and, far from having anything to complain of, we have many reasons for rejoicing. Best wishes to all sister chapters.

BUDD N. MERRILLS.

#### KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE

The mid-year examinations are over, and there is a little let-up in the usual grind of college work. Flunks and cons. have been sparingly doled out, and every one is feeling free to enjoy life again. Every Delta is looking forward with eager anticipation to our annual banquet, which will be held at the Keefer House on February 26. Over one hundred invitations have been sent out to our alumni and we hope to have a large number of them with us at that time. Our annual banquet is the formal banquet of the year and a time when every Delta is proud of his dear old Frat.

The people of the college and the city of Hillsdale enjoyed a rare treat a short time ago, when Brother L. A. Crandall, '73, delivered a series of six lectures in the college chapel. Dr. Crandall's lectures were on American history and were very interesting. Baseball practice has already begun in the gymnasium, and we are sure of a winning team this year as all of

the old team will be back, except two, and some good new material is showing up.

Professor H. C. McRae, of Beloit, Wis., was added to our faculty list the first of the year. Mr. McRae will have charge of track athletics and baseball. It is too early as yet to make any predictions regarding the oratorical contest which takes place soon, but Kappa has several men in the field and we are looking forward to the victory.

Brother C. H. Mann was elected by the faculty committee as business manager of the *Collegian*. He takes the place of Brother Tripp, who left school at the first of the year to accept a position with an automobile concern of Buffalo. Kappa will be glad at any time to entertain visiting Deltas.

ALLEN P. RICE.

#### LAMBDA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

The beginning of our second term finds Lambda getting along nicely. We have just finished our intermediate examinations and a general feeling of relief prevails.

Several things of interest have taken place since our last letter, noteworthy among which was the initiation into the mysteries of Deltaism of Brother Thos. H. Epperson, of Nashville, Tenn. We are sorry, however, to report the loss of a good man, Brother Love, who has been compelled to leave school on account of his father's ill-health. He was pitcher on the 'Varsity nine last year and will be badly missed because of the loss of another one of our twirlers, who has entered the ranks of professionalism.

We have been pleased to have with us lately Brother George B. Voorheis, '02, of Chi, who is located in the city now, and will be with us for some time. If Chi is going to graduate any more like him this spring, we would be glad if they would send them all to Nashville to locate. We also enjoyed a visit recently from Brother Matthews, '92, of Eta. We are always glad to see any Delta who may come our way,



and hope none will fail to favor us with a visit in passing.

INNIS BROWN.

### MU—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

The dawn of the new year brought only grief and deep sorrow to the members of Mu Chapter, for with it the realization that one of our number had gone to join the eternal chapter in heaven. Brother Will McLaughlin—"Mac," as we called him—lost his life in the Iroquois Theatre disaster, while displaying the qualities of a true Delta:—courage, utter fearlessness and unselfishness, and a performance of duty in defiance of death. We know that he deliberately gave up his own chances of safety in order to rescue seventeen helpless women and children. He lived long enough to tell the story of his deed and express satisfaction at his course, regardless of the fearful penalty he paid.

Mu has received tokens of sympathy from many of our sister chapters and alumni over the loss of one of our most prominent active members. In the hearts of Deltas, both at Wesleyan and at the places where he had visited—Butler and Northwestern Universities and Armour Institute—McLaughlin occupied a place that no one else could fill. His triumphant death will remain as an example of highest heroism. Mu has started a movement looking to the erection of a suitable memorial tablet in the chapel here to the memory of McLaughlin. The Sophomore class, to which he belonged, is nominally conducting the movement, but contributions will be acknowledged from any source. McLaughlin did not belong to Mu alone; the glory of his death reflects honor on the whole Delta Brotherhood.

January 29, Mu, to a man, went to Columbus to assist in the installation of the new alumni chapter of the Deltas of Central Ohio. At this meeting the proposition was made by our delegation that the name of the new organization should be changed to that of the "William L. McLaughlin Memorial

Association." Then, when the men who were immediately associated with McLaughlin and knew his heroism have passed away and new men have taken their places, the latter may be reminded of the deeds of one who came nearest to attaining the ideals of the Fraternity. Since the winter term opened, we have pledged John Sanford, of Frankfort, O., a man who turned down several other frat bids to accept ours.

At this writing, the uppermost question in 'Varsity circles concerns athletic finances. Our Athletic Association is \$1050 in debt and the Faculty insist that a portion of this be liquidated before any further negotiations are made for athletic events. A subscription of \$500 must be raised by the student body before we can be assured that our institution will be represented on the gridiron next fall. We all feel that the prestige of our school would seriously suffer if intercollegiate relations were broken off, owing to financial difficulties. Brother Branch Rickey is president of the association, and the members of this Chapter have set an example to the other fraternities and student organizations by subscribing a sixth of the amount asked from the students. To put our athletic relations on a firmer basis, the Trustees have been petitioned to add a dollar per term to each student's incidental fee, which sum is to be devoted to athletics. The decision is as yet unannounced.

JOHN H. MOIST.

#### OMICRON—IOWA UNIVERSITY

The whirl and confusion of the holidays passed, Omicron finds herself poring over her books and looking forward to the coming mid-year exams with no little pleasure. Since our last letter we have initiated Dick Cornelius Rhynsburger, whom we wish to introduce to our brothers.

There has been considerable strife over "Iowa's" athletics recently between the "Barbs" and the "Greeks," the former carrying off the laurels. A shadow was cast over the univer-



sity last week by the death of Dr. Harriman. School was suspended for two days in honor of this eminent and beloved physician and instructor.

We were glad to receive a visit from Brothers Ink, Clapp and Gorrell a few weeks ago. We have not entertained since Christmas, but have planned to give an informal on February 12. Omicron is always glad to have any wandering Delt, while in the vicinity, make us a visit.

FREDERICK R. COOPER.

#### PI—UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

We are now in the midst of the dullest term of the college year, football being a thing of the past and it being most too early for baseball and track. We have fine prospects though, for a good ball and track team and have no doubt but that we will make a fine showing in the Athletic Association. A great deal of interest is also manifested in track work and tennis, and we hope to send a creditable team to the meet in Texas in the spring.

As for Pi, we think she has made a very satisfactory showing since our last letter. The editor-in-chief of the *Annual*, and also the chairman of the Junior Hop Committee were elected from her ranks. With best wishes to all her sister chapters.

THOS. B. HARDY.

#### RHO—STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

The second term of the college year is always a busy one for Rho, and the work always seems to come during the month of February. During the first part of the term the house was greatly improved by several coats of paint, and new wall paper wherever it was needed. The work was just about finished when Rho gave her annual tea, which occurred on February 15. It was largely attended by the fair sex and by Deltas living near us. The Junior Prom., which was also a complete success, was held February 5, in the Carnegie

Laboratory. Then came the Conference, February 20, followed by the banquet in the evening. There is no need of discussing it in detail here, as that will undoubtedly be done in another part of THE RAINBOW.

Rho sees very little of her alumni and hopes that all who can will make an effort to visit us next term. Brother Denton, who has returned from abroad, has not yet resumed his work at the Institute, owing to his health. Rho sends her best wishes to all her sister chapters and promises every brother a warm welcome at Rho. L. A. HILLMAN.

UPSILON—*No Letter.*

PHI—WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Phi begins the mid-term by introducing to her sister chapters two more Delts, Brothers Henry Wilson Withers and Lee Pretlow Holland, of Abingdon and Suffolk, Va., thus bringing her membership to a total of sixteen, the largest in her history. With such a number the goating was necessarily an enthusiastic occasion, especially with the six goats of last fall, the memory of the previous experience being still fresh in their minds.

The university gymnasium team will give its usual exhibition about March 15. Under the captaincy of Brother Stone it is already in fine working trim. Brothers Boice and Withers will take active parts in the contest, Brother Withers, already being possessor of the cup awarded for first place on the horizontal bar in last year's tournament.

Prospects for a fine baseball season are bright, and the promoters of other spring amusements are beginning to grow active. The boat crews are getting together and several Phi men will try for places. Bro. Stone stroked his crew to victory in both races last season.

The mid-term is generally a dull period in all college activities but the congeniality of Phi's members enables them to wile away many leisure hours that otherwise would be-



come wearisome. The Chapter's pool table is a favorite during the hours when books may be conscientiously thrown upon the shelf, though a game is seldom found in progress at any other time.

Phi has received several letters from sister chapters during the past months and it is pleasant to note the cheerful and encouraging tone of each. Brother John W. Warner, '03, paid us a short visit during the Christmas holidays. While the word "us" is used, it is feared that the reason of his visit is better known to one of the fairer sex who wears the square badge. "Jack" is at present a "Prof." and is instructing future statesmen up the Valley.

Phi extends best wishes to all her sister chapters.

JAS. J. CHAFEE.

#### CHI—KENYON COLLEGE.

At the writing of this letter Chi is on the brink of the semester examinations, a condition well calculated to bring terror to the hearts of all. We think, however, that all the Brothers will pass safely through the ordeal. When the examinations are over the Chapter may look cheerfully forward to the spring term, which is always the most pleasant term we have, both socially and otherwise.

Chief among the social events that are scheduled for next semester is the Junior Promenade, February 15. We look forward to this event with an unusual amount of pleasure and enthusiasm for it is our best opportunity to show our lady friends and visiting Brothers the social life at Kenyon. The annual initiation of the "Barbs" at Kenyon Military Academy to our pledge Chapter at that institution was held January 20. The initiates were A. R. Hutchins, B. H. Mohler, Geo. S. Southworth and W. G. Hall.

On Friday, January 29, the installation of an Alumni Chapter, called the Central Ohio Alumni Chapter, was held at Columbus, O. Our worthy president and many of the

old boys of Delta Tau Delta were present, and their speeches aroused great enthusiasm. The members of this Chapter are the alumni of Beta, Beta Phi, Chi and Mu Chapters. Brothers Jackson and Zoch attended from Chi.

JAMES H. NEWBY.

### OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

At present your brothers at Pennsylvania are in the midst of mid-year's and are leading the strenuous life always associated with them. At such a time one is likely to forget many of the pleasures and the good fortunes that he has enjoyed during the college year and, in writing a letter, neglect to mention many things which might be of interest.

During the last month it has been our fortune to see—in the assurance that before the ending of this college year we shall be the owner of our house—almost the fulfilment of the hopes and prayers of all those closely associated with Omega Chapter. It is due entirely to the unceasing efforts of the Philadelphia Alumni, and to them we give all honor and praise. They have not only supported us in everything we have attempted but have, in many ways, offered their services; and one cannot help, in the face of such loyalty, but feel a spirit of fellowship which is not known beyond the portals of our Fraternity.

We have held one initiation since the last issue of THE RAINBOW and we beg to introduce to you Brother William Henry Norris, '05.

A reception given on January 8 to the friends and alumni of our Chapter, and a Fraternity dinner given on January 22 to celebrate the founding of Omega, comprise the social functions since our last letter. There were fifty at the dinner, and the enthusiasm shown is a good indication of what the future of Omega must be. We had the pleasure of the society of Brother Charles O. Maas, who, among other things, told us of the expectations of the New York Alumni for the Confer-



ence, February 20. Omega will, without doubt, send a large delegation, and cherishes the hope of meeting many Brothers.

WALTER D. BANES.

### BETA ALPHA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Indiana University is now in the throes of mid-term examinations. The issue of "smoke-up" is an event of the near future, and the student who has been lax in his work is sure of a present from the university in the form of an unsatisfactory notice.

The eighty-fourth birthday of the university was celebrated on January 20, with the Foundation Day exercises. A large number of prominent educators, distinguished alumni and visitors were present to participate in the commemoration. A most interesting number was that of the Hon. Isaac Jenkinson, who gave a history of the university from the time of stage-coach travel to the present, when our beautiful campus is enhanced by so many great stone buildings. Another structure will soon be erected on the campus. It is our long-expected Student Building. Nearly all of the subscriptions have been collected and its gracing the campus is looked forward to by the whole student body.

Beta Alpha, after having started the year under a cloud of undergraduate ignorance of spiking methods, has forged to the front under the able guidance of what few old men remain with us. Through the return to college of Brothers Buzzaird and Shields and the acquisition of Brother Earl Taher and Brother Thomas Branman, who was mentioned as pledged in our last letter, we have increased our ranks to seventeen. Next term we expect to have with us Brothers Starr, Boren and Purnell, who are now teaching in their home cities.

This month occurs our big "annual" We are making every necessary preparation to cause this dance to be one of the best that has ever occurred in Bloomington. It always has been regarded as *the* social event of the school year, but this

year we intend to surpass all previous records. Everyone looks forward to its outcome and the fair co-eds regard an invitation as a great honor. In our fine new hall we can certainly make a grand success of it.

We still continue to help compose the athletic teams of the university. Brother Taher is playing guard on the basketball team and Brother McIntosh will soon be playing, also. Brothers Boyle and McIntosh will soon begin indoor practice as battery of the baseball team. The team will take an extended trip through the West next spring, stopping over at St. Louis to visit the Exposition.

Beta Alpha has received visits during the year from Brothers Pond and Brehm, from Beta Alpha; Brothers Kane and Harshbarger, of Beta Psi, and Brother Horr, from Beta Upsilon, who came with the Illinois football team.

In closing we wish to announce our new pledge, Charles F. Adelsperger, a brainy man, and one who will make an out-and-out Delt. We regard him as an excellent man. The sister chapters have our best wishes for their success during the present year. We also hope that no Delt ever in Bloomington will neglect to walk into the Delta Tau house, which is open the year round to Brothers.

NOBLE T. PRAIGG.

#### BETA BETA—DEPAUW UNIVERSITY.

Under the administration of President Hughes, DePauw is gaining ground. New ideas and new life have come. There is an increase in attendance. For the first time we have a basketball team capable of meeting the other teams of the state. Having won all games thus far played, we have reason to expect other victories to follow. The state oratorical contest is to be held February 5, in Indianapolis, Ind. We do not offer a prophecy, but we do expect DePauw, "as usual," to win.

Beta Beta is working, and is glad to introduce to the



Fraternity Brother Porter J. Ewing, '07, of Lima, O. We initiated Brother Ewing into the mysteries of Delta Tau on Saturday evening, January 23. In him we have a loyal brother. Brother Markin, because of the illness of his father, was not able to return to school this term. This leaves us with five active and with three pledged men. However few in number, the Chapter is well represented in all college enterprises.

We were pleased by a short call from Brother Tabor, who was here with the Indiana University basketball team. We invite all other Deltas to call on us when in Greencastle. We will welcome them.

ARTHUR H. HAYS.

#### BETA GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Just now we are nearing the close of the semester of the college year and Beta Gamma finds herself strong and flourishing. The first semester just about past has been one of the busiest periods in our college career, both intellectually and socially. Our aim has been throughout to maintain our university work first at the high standard which we have attained in the past, and, withal, to be a leading and potent factor in the social affairs of the university. We rather boasted at the beginning of the year of having the most promising lot of freshman pledges that fell to the fortune of any fraternity here, and our confidence has not been misplaced for they have proven to be confirmed "true-blue" Delts, well meriting the highest respect of both professors and students in whose association they have come and being full of merit and zeal for the Fraternity and the university.

In athletics we are aspiring for honors. Hal Week and Walter Lueders are out for the freshman crew; Peter Fisher is trying for a place on the 'Varsity crew; Arthur Kuehnstedt will try for the track team; C. B. Fisher, who was one of the leading pitchers last spring of the Fraternity League,

will try for the 'Varsity baseball team. The *Cardinal*, our U. W. daily newspaper, is an important factor in shaping public opinion in the university, and furnishes, at the same time, opportunities for achievement in journalism. We are pleased to note that Edward Hoffman, '07, has merited a place on its staff of reporters.

It was not until recent years that the university attempted to furnish opportunity for developing its latent dramatic talent. But at last it has found a place for two strong organizations which have already achieved prominence. They have presented for the approval of the public some very strong U. W. talent. The Haresfoot Club will present "The College Boy" on February 13, the night after the "Prom." Asa M. Royce, '04, and Edward Hoffman take prominent parts in this play and are also members of the Edwin Booth Dramatic Club, which will present "The Merchant of Venice" in the near future.

From all reports we are led to believe that the University of Wisconsin will have one of the best baseball teams in its history. Several freshmen who have heretofore won honors in the baseball world before entering the 'Varsity will no doubt strengthen our last year's team. Isaac J. Dahle, '04, one of our most popular Delts, was elected manager of the team. Since our last letter we are pleased to announce the marriage of Henry J. Saunders, '03, to Caroline Virginia Hayner, '02, a member of the Pi Beta Phi Sorority. They will make their home in New Mexico, where Brother Saunders has a responsible position with the U. S. Engineering Survey. We have pledged Harry Abbott, of Madison, and we are confident he will be one of our most enthusiastic members.

As the season approaches we are awaiting the appearance of the U. W. Glee and Mandolin clubs. Those who are able to judge claim that the present organization is one of the finest that has sung under the cardinal colors for a long time and we look forward to its first appearance with a great deal



of pleasure. We are assured that, as it sings of the fair name and fame of the University of Wisconsin throughout the Northwest, it will meet the patronage it deserves and strike a chord of harmonious response from the hearts of the people who are our foundation and support. Delta Tau Delta is well represented, William G. Hamilton, '05, being leader of the organization, and Blake Nevius, '07, one of its first bassos.

The memory of our pleasant informal party, held December 16, and of our formal party of January 19 still lingers with all. Our formal was an evening delightfully spent and we all feel there was not an incident to mar our pleasure. At our last meeting we elected Asa M. Royce, '04, and Clarence B. Fisher, '04, delegates to attend the Chicago Conference, at which Brother Royce will respond to a toast. On their return we shall all catch and share the warmth and spirit of Fraternity fellowship in which this meeting will no doubt abound.

As the examinations wane, and before we begin the work of the semester which leads a senior to be the proud possessor of a "sheep-skin" of his *Alma Mater*, the whole social body of the university is indulging in preparations for the university social function of the year, the Junior "Prom.," in which an endeavor will be made to surpass former attempts at splendor in post-examination festivities. Walter Darling, '05, chairman of the reception committee, and who is also chairman of the photo committee of the *Badger* Board, informs us that the preparations under way will give to this year's Junior "Prom." a prominence that has heretofore never been attained in a like festivity. Delta Tau Delta will keep in line with the procession and endeavor to keep herself in the front rank as a royal entertainer. She will make the house party, theatre party, and general "Prom." festivities find a place in the heart and memories of her friends which time cannot blot out.

We feel that there is a strong feeling of fellowship among the fraternities of the University of Wisconsin—such

as never existed before in so marked a degree. The strife and bickerings resulting from the race for political prominence, athletic honor and social prestige, which are so often the cause of strained relations and which have a depressing influence on the success of any university, are as uncommon in the University of Wisconsin as they are unwelcome. This is to be commended, and is as it should be. Of course, for the sororities we cannot speak except upon information and belief, but it is too evident to be contradicted that with the sororities the relations of the fraternities are most cordial and friendly. This will always be so.

We, like all other fraternities, take pride and pleasure in our home, and are glad of the opportunity to welcome, at any time, brother Deltas, visitors and alumni, and extend to them the hand of welcome and fraternalism that only a Delt can offer.

WILLIAM W. STORMS.

#### BETA EPSILON—*No Letter.*

#### BETA ZETA—BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

When Everett Halloway returned to us with the new year, we all felt that it was good luck. But he said that thirteen men in the Chapter, and he the thirteenth, would never do. So we pledged Owen Kuhn, of Frankfort, Ind., who entered college this term. Kuhn is a desirable man, and his pledging is a victory which we owe largely to the gratifying interest and activity of our freshmen Deltas. With him we are fourteen active Brothers, the largest Beta Zeta Chapter has been in ten years.

It was with poignant sorrow that we heard of the death of W. W. McLaughlin in the Iroquois fire. A year ago he was our guest at dinner one evening, and we can never forget that bright, clear-eyed fellow who completely won our hearts. The beautiful story of his death has touched us



deeper than we can tell, and his life shall be part of us all for better as long as we shall live.

Six of the actives took the opportunity of attending the January luncheon of the Indianapolis Alumni Chapter. Brother Edwin H. Hughes gave a short talk that brought us close to him. Plans for the coming Conference were discussed, and the hearty coöperation of the Indianapolis Chapter was pledged for its success. We came away, as we always do, prouder of our square badge. These meetings with the alumni are inspirations to us "kids" in Delta Tau.

Brother Stett Thompson won the freshman debate prize in the interclass debate. Jason Elstum is busy organizing the minstrel company, and several Deltas will take part. Stanley Norton had the misfortune to break his leg during the Christmas vacation and has been out of college this term. He is almost recovered now and expects to be in the midst of things again next week. Henry G. Hill, Theta '97, has removed to Irvington and shown his colors. Several weeks ago at their home, he and Mrs. Hill and the two little Hills (Deltas all) gave a delightful evening to the boys of the Chapter.

When this is published, the Northern Conference, towards which we are now working, will be over. With the Indianapolis Chapter, we will entertain by giving a party at the Propylæum, February 25. We intend that the banquet on the 26th shall be a great Delt gathering, from the invocation to the "Walk-Around." Finally, we hope that you who can attend this Conference in our city will get as much lasting pleasure from it as we shall from your companionship with us.

HORACE M. RUSSELL.

#### BETA ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The Xmas vacation passed quickly, and soon after our return to college we found ourselves in the midst of final examinations. During these strenuous days Brother Hewitt made us a visit. In spite of our inability to see as much of him as

we wished, his short stay with us was very helpful to us and has given us more of the true incentive to labor for dear Delta Tau.

The most vital subject for us at present is the building of a chapter house of our own, which we are certain will soon be in the process of construction. Right after the examinations, the Chapter gave a very pretty card party at the house. There were about fifty present. We are now making preparations for the annual formal party, which we look forward to with a great deal of pleasure. The Junior Ball, the most elaborate social function at college so far, occurred on Friday evening, January 29. Brothers Fisher and McCartney were members of the association. Several actives and alumni of the Chapter attended, and reported a most delightful time.

The Mandolin Club, of which Brothers McCartney and Ribble are members, and the Glee Club, will make a week's tour of cities in the northern part of the state. In athletics, we have reason to feel proud of our basketball team, which is now on an extended trip through the eastern states. It has made a most creditable showing against the eastern colleges. Last year an event of considerable novelty—a university circus—was successfully presented, and it is to be given again this year at the university armory, under the management of the athletic director, Dr. Cooke. It is distinctly a university affair and is very unique.

Beta Eta extends her very best wishes to all, and will be glad to receive a visit from any Delt who chances to come in to our city.

G. B. RIBBLE.

BETA THETA—*University not in Session.*

BETA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

At the beginning of the new year and the opening of another college term, the members of Beta Iota find themselves ready again to buckle down to books with a purpose, notwith-



standing the many frivolities of the Xmas holidays just over. Brother E. O. Drake left us early in January to accept a position in Atlanta, Ga., but the timely arrival of Brother Burdett to resume his studies in law evened up in numbers, and soon we expect to initiate another man in every way worthy of the square badge.

Virginia's prospects for baseball are very bright. Most of the members of the 1903 team will play again this spring, and in addition there is a good deal of new material which will be tested as soon as the weather permits. Brothers Harris and Carter will represent Beta Iota on the diamond as one of the batteries. The baseball schedule, too, is exceptionally good this year. During Easter week we have games here with Yale, Lehigh, Pennsylvania, Princeton and Cornell, and later the team will take a trip to St. Louis, where we expect to meet some of our western friends on the diamond.

The Dramatic Club has just returned from an unusually successful trip to Staunton, Richmond and Harrisonburg, at all of which places the show was well attended and favorably commented on by the newspapers. Brother Harris, who has recently been elected president of the club, was unable to accompany the troupe on its last trip on account of sickness, and Brother Drake, who took one of the female roles, left college a short while before, but Brother McVeigh managed to hold up Beta Iota's end very creditably.

We have received very enjoyable visits lately from Brothers Henry F. Clark, of Beta Gamma, and J. H. Drake, B.L., '02, and we trust that all Deltas will remember us and stay at our house while in Charlottesville.

P. G. BUNTING.

#### BETA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

The first semester examinations are over and everyone can now find some time to call his own. Socially this is probably the most pleasant time of the year. With dances and skating parties, there is something going on all the time and this

tends to make one forget the hard grind of the class-room. The great event of the season was the Leap Year Dance given by the Woman's League of the university to its friends. On this occasion it was very pleasant to be taken care of by some one else, to have your program filled out, and to be the protected. While the girls did not rush out between dances to smoke cigarettes, they made fairly successful college boys,

This is usually the dull season in college athletics but it is not the case here this winter. As usual, the basketball team is playing out its string of victories and defeats. But by far the most of the athletic energy is being devoted to track work. The track squad, under the direction of Coach Cropp, is working faithfully every day. On Saturdays there is a cross-country run and some shorter races on the track.

We believe this year's track team will be the best that has ever represented the university. Most of the point winners of last year's great team is again in the school, while the new men will more than replace those lost. On this team we have Bell (captain,) Brickenstein, Kingsbery, and perhaps others, while one of our pledges is sure of being a point winner. These men are among the best in the squad and will carry off their share of the points. The track team will meet Nebraska and Utah in dual meets, and have a three-cornered struggle with Missouri and Kansas, besides entering the State meet. This is evidence of the ability we feel it possesses.

The baseball team is also sure to be a credit to the university, and we hope to have as successful a season on the diamond as is surely coming to us on the track. Delta Tau will be represented on the team by at least three men, and perhaps more.

LESLIE O. HAWKINS.

#### BETA LAMBDA—LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Beta Lambda is now in the midst of mid-year exams, and what the result will be we can only surmise. Still we have no fear of losing any one, although there will be, as is usually customary, quite a few dropped from the college roll.



We take pleasure in this letter in introducing to the Fraternity-at-large Brother A. S. DeHuff, of Lebanon, Pa. He comes well recommended and has already proven himself a good worker in college.

The election for assistant football manager resulted in a tie between Brothers Adams and Watson; the other candidate has withdrawn and now it only remains to be seen which of the two will win. The Junior "Prom." of which Brother Corsa is chairman, will be given on the night of February 11. This is the mid-year dance and will in all probability be largely attended. We were very sorry to hear of the death of Brother R. Neilson, who died from an operation for appendicitis, on December 18, at Williamsport, Pa. He was a supervisor on the Northern Central Railroad, and stationed at Milersburg, Pa. He is survived by a widow and one child.

We are all looking forward to the Conference at New York, and expect to go down with a large delegation and come back brimming over with Delta Tau Delta spirit.

W. U. MUSSINA.

#### BETA MU—TUFTS COLLEGE

The members of Beta Mu are unusually quiet at the time of this writing, and go about their business with a sober and applied earnestness which could only be explained by one accustomed to their ordinary manner as due to the influence of some terrible calamity. And that calamity is not difficult to discover. It is examinations. We are now in the midst of that period, which only comes twice a year, thank heaven! but which forcibly brings to college-men the realization of what they came to college for; a period of calm in so-called college activities when college itself is altogether active. We utter a prayer that we may be safely delivered from the "exams," and extend our sympathy to all others in their grasp.

Since our last letter we have added to our number another member of the freshmen class, and Levi Newell Sanborn is the

latest initiate whom we introduce to the Delta world. We have also been relieved of one great anxiety by the final arrangement which has been made to release our chapter house. This house is, especially for location, by far the most satisfactory one available, so it is very good news that we may have it five years longer. On Friday, December 4, we gave a card party at the house, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. It was so successful that we are already making plans for another.

Tufts has not been represented this year by a basketball team, but the series of games for the class championship aroused much enthusiasm. The senior team, which was captained by Brother Bond, was victorious. We are now promised a contest between teams representing the college of letters and the medical and dental schools, to take place in the near future. The annual mid-winter concert of the Glee and Mandolin clubs is scheduled for Friday evening, February 5. So popular has this event become with the undergraduates and alumni, and so great is the demand for tickets, that the seating capacity of the chapel is inadequate, and an extra concert has been advertised to take place on the following Saturday.

The date of the Division Conference in New York is being eagerly looked forward to by those who hope to attend. It is the wish of everyone to go, but unfortunately all will not be able to do so. We shall be represented by two, at least.

E. B. ARMSTRONG.

#### BETA NU—MASS. INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

After recovering from the effects of the short rest at Christmas, the members of Beta Nu settled down to hard work in preparation for the semi-annuals. The result of this hard work has been to cause such a scarcity of news that this letter will be short. Perhaps the weather may have had some effect, also, by congealing our ideas, since this is the hardest winter Boston has seen for many a year. The semi-annuals are over by February, and, after ten day's vacation, the second term



commences, with no let-up until June 1, except for three legal holidays.

Every room in our house is now filled, and all of our members living in Boston are in the house. Brother Gaylord is a frequent visitor, and Brother Wells dropped in not long ago to make our acquaintance. Several of our members are looking forward to the Eastern Division Conference, and we hope to send as large a delegation as last year. The reports of last year were so glowing that all of us want to go.

By the time this letter is printed we shall have added another member to our list. We introduce George T. Hobson, of Lowell, Mass.

The annual indoor meet of the classes has been held. The freshmen won the event. The only athletic work now going on is the preparation of the track team for the spring events. With the beginning of the second term, active work will commence on the annual "Tech. Show," which is the crowning event of Junior Week in April.

F. N. TURGEON.

#### BETA XI—TULANE UNIVERSITY

At present all students of Tulane have begun—or ought to have begun—to cram for examinations, only separated from us by a few days. Beta Xi is, of course, included in this general semi-annual "hauling in," and we hope that by the time this is published we will have passed,—all of us.

We have pledged a couple of men for next year, and some more or less active rushing is now going on between three fraternities, including Beta Xi. Our year, so far, has been quiet, and, aside from football and "Pit parties," there has not been much on hand. However, as soon as the exams are over, we intend to indulge in quite a little fun and jollification.

It is now an established fact that in a very short time there will be an alumni chapter situated in New Orleans. The "old men" alumni have decided not to let this movement fall

through, and the "kid" alumni certainly view the matter with the right spirit. You, dear reader, may expect to hear of a large alumni chapter at New Orleans 'ere many more decades roll by. The "kid" alumni just mentioned are, by the way, doing splendidly, quite contrary to the usual youth having "quituated" from college.

Just before the holidays Beta Xi was visited by Bro. J. L. Clem, of Beta Theta, and during Christmas week by Brother Hart, of Gamma Beta. Bro. Challie Jameson, who has been attending V. M. I. this year, is home on account of sickness. He will not return this session.

Beta Xi pays her respects to all her sister chapters, north, south, east and west, and in the words of Rip Van Winkle, "Here's to you and your chapter; may you all live long and prosper."

ALLEN G. MILLER.

#### BETA OMICRON—CORNELL UNIVERSITY

During the last two weeks our attention has been directed most diligently toward the mid-year examinations, and from all indications the results ought to be most gratifying. At this season, however, we are particularly unfortunate in suffering the loss of Brother Dempster, '04, who has completed his necessary work for graduation in the Law School. His loss will be keenly felt as in him was centred the Chapter's chief representation in the activities of the university and his position made him invaluable to us. However, it is with especial pleasure that we may announce the affiliation of Brother Arthur E. Ferguson, who comes to us from Gamma Beta and enters our class of 1905.

Junior Week with its round of festivities is at hand and we are looking forward to the coming pleasures with a great deal of anticipation. Everything points to its being the greatest Junior Week this university has ever seen, by reason of the fact that several of the fraternities that have not previously enter-



tained are to this year enter the field of entertainers. On Tuesday evening the "Masque" gives its annual play, and we are particularly fortunate in having three of the nine in the cast, Brothers Dempster, Seipp and Wilkins. Following the "Masque" are dances to be given by Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi and Phi Kappa Psi. After the concert on Thursday are dances to be given by Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, and Phi Sigma Kappa. The chief events of the week are the Sophomore Cotillion on Wednesday evening, and the Junior "Prom." on Friday. We will have our usual house party and will entertain on Thursday afternoon at our annual reception at the Lodge. On the same day Psi Upsilon gives its theatricals and Delta Phi gives a reception.

We have recently received a most pleasant visit from Brother Dorn, '00, and his wife, who are on a trip from their home in Mexico. On this occasion we had an informal dance in their honor. We have been also most pleasantly surprised to receive flying visits from Brothers Cooley, '99, and Ferguson, '01.

Beta Omicron sends greetings to all sister chapters.

H. S. WARNER.

#### BETA PI—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

We are just at the close of the first semester and the regular mid-year examinations are staring us in the face. Before this letter appears in *THE RAINBOW*, however, examinations will have been passed and the second semester will have begun, bringing with it the more important social events of the year,—the formal parties.

Early in March, Brother Harry F. Ward, of the class of '97, will have charge of a series of religious meetings conducted in the interests of the student body. Brother Ward is at present in charge of a very important church in Chicago, and we are looking forward to the week he will spend in Evanston with anticipation of an exceedingly profitable time. The first number of the new *Northwestern Magazine*, a monthly,

will be issued about the middle of February. Brother F. O. Smith is the founder and publisher, while Brother Odell Shepard is verse editor. The new magazine will be strictly literary in character and will doubtless take rank among the best of American college journals.

The election of the *Syllabus* Board for the coming year was held recently and it resulted in our being represented by three men,—Brothers R. W. Snell, Hubbard and Shibley, Brother Shibley being chosen as the business manager. In the first annual joint concert given by the Northwestern Band and the Glee Club, we were well represented in both organizations. Brother Hubbard has won a place on the preliminary Northern Oratorical League contest; and Brother T. S. Snell is on the Trig-Cremation committee. Perhaps the most signal honor, however, that has recently come to Northwestern and to Beta Pi is the victory in debate won from the University of Chicago in the Central Debating League series. This places Northwestern in the final debate for the western championship, when representatives from the University of Michigan will be the opponents. Brother H. G. Smith is our representative on the Northwestern team. In this connection we might say that Beta Pi has had a representative on each of the three winning debating teams that Northwestern University has had within the last eight years.

We wish to express, by mention in THE RAINBOW, our appreciation of the kindness of Brother Elmer Scott and Brother "Drew" Pearson, who are "at home" on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, respectively, to all the members of Beta Pi and their friends. Many are the royal good times thus afforded. We were delighted a few evenings ago to have a visit from Dr. Wieland. This Chapter counts itself especially fortunate that such visits are not infrequent occurrences.

The entire Chapter is looking forward with pleased anticipation to the coming Conference of the Western Division.



Beta Pi will have, if possible, every active member in attendance.

ROSCOE S. VAN PELT.

### BETA RHO—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Since our last letter but few things of importance have happened at Stanford. We were unfortunate in losing one of our men by the mid-year examinations. We also lose Brother Clarence Stephens Crary by graduation. He begins his chosen profession in the "St. Francis," the new fourteen-story hotel facing Union Square in San Francisco. Generally our alumni leave us to go to some distant part of the country. In fact, Brother Crary is the seventh out of our fifty-one alumni to locate within the State. This scattering of their alumni is one of the hardest things for all chapters at Stanford. So we are exceedingly glad to have Brother Crary go into business so near us.

The January class is smaller, and, as is usually the case, it contains very little fraternity material. All Greeks are keenly going through the possibilities and turning them one way or the other. The prep. school rushing is becoming a more and more important part of the work of Stanford chapters. Since our last letter we have pledged two of the best men in Belmont School, and we are still keeping a sharp lookout for more.

During the holidays, the combined Glee and Mandolin clubs enjoyed a successful trip up the Coast, through Portland, Seattle, Victoria, and Vancouver, playing, in all, at twenty-one different places. Brother May, '06, who played on the Mandolin Club, reports royal entertainment and a jolly good time for every one of the twenty-six days during which the trip lasted.

As important an interfraternity organization as has been affected here for some years was consummated immediately upon the return after the holidays. It consists of a practically

perpetual Baseball League, which will play annually for the possession of a loving cup. Of the fifteen fraternities here, twelve of us have entered the League. We hope that this League will bring the Stanford Greeks closer together.

Out here on the coast, spring athletics are in full swing. The 'Varsity baseball and track teams are both hard at work on their preliminary schedules, with every outlook for a successful season.

J. FREDERIC CAHOON.

#### BETA TAU—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Since the last RAINBOW letter, the membership of Beta Tau Chapter has been increased by the initiation of Fred C. Ayer, '07, of Omaha, and Elmer W. Arnold, '07, of Redfield, S. D. Brother Ayer is registered in the engineering department and Brother Arnold in the medical college. These initiations brought the membership of the Chapter up to nineteen men. At the end of the first semester we lost Brothers King and Bridge, the former being engaged in business in Omaha, while the latter received his diploma at the mid-year Commencement. This leaves seventeen men on the active list, and we hope to hold another initiation before the close of the college year.

Everything is in a prosperous condition in the Chapter, the finances being in the best condition that they have been in for a long time. We believe that we had a very creditable report to the Western Conference, and will try to keep improving. At a recent meeting the Chapter adopted a rule which, it is hoped, will be productive of much good to the members. It is to devote three minutes of each meeting to asking and answering questions on fraternity history, ritual and constitution.

The university is still wrestling with the problem of raising one third of one hundred thousand dollars for the J. D. Rockefeller temple, for which the oil man will furnish the



other two-thirds. Everyone connected with the university, directly or indirectly, is given a chance to subscribe.

E. M. MARVIN.

### BETA UPSILON

When this letter appears in print, the Beta Upsilon's "annual" will be an event that is very near. The dance and banquet take place this year on April 22 and 23, and, while at this writing April seems a far cry, already we are beginning preparations for the affairs, which we hope will be attended by the largest growd of Delts in the history of the Chapter. Last year an attendance of fifty at the banquet was pleasing, but this year the committee is hopeful of ranging at least seventy-five fraters about the board. At this date we extend a cordial invitation to Deltas, wherever they may be, to come and have a good time with the Illinois "bunch." We are hopeful of having a good-sized delegation from Chicago, headed, of course, by Dr. Wieland and "Wes" Mahan, without whom the banquet would seem incomplete. The toast program has not been arranged but it is hoped to have the best set of speakers we have ever had.

There is a movement on the part of the Faculty to induce the fraternities to give less costly functions. Some time ago representatives of the different chapters were called into conference and asked what they thought of the present social tendency at Illinois. When there were but four or five fraternities, the "annual" question was simple; now, when the number has doubled and each organization feels in duty bound to strive to eclipse its rivals, the matter has become serious. What with dancing clubs and informals, the path of the society girl is beset with myriad invitations these days and the Faculty feels with some justice that she is having too much of a good thing. Next year may see a concerted effort to do away with the "annual," as regards the dance, but it is a question as to whether it would succeed. It is argued that

any rule could be easily evaded by giving the function under another title.

Beta Upsilon was unfortunate the first semester (which closed January 29), in that three men were lost. Brother Chester Olcott was obliged to go to his home in Keithsburg, where his services were required by his father in his business. Brother Rehm left to learn farming by practical experience, and Brother Frank Doyle, of the Freshmen class, was obliged to go to Arizona for his health. We are pleased to dwell on the hope that at least one of these men will return next September. All were excellent Delts, worthy of all the traditions of the organization. In the initiation of Harold Barter last semester, Beta Upsilon acquired a good man. Brother Barter is one of the strongest men in the Senior class, a general favorite and an athlete of note. He is likewise a member of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary engineering fraternity, to wear the badge of which is the ambition of every engineering student. The departure of Brother Rehm was made the occasion for a farewell banquet of an informal nature in the chapter home, and hereafter, whenever a brother leaves, he will be given a similar "God speed."

The Beta Upsilon house-fund is slowly struggling to its feet and will soon be able to walk, we think. The house question is one that is the bugaboo of all the chapters except the extremely fortunate Phi Gamma Deltas and Sigma Chis, who own their own places. The Sigma Chis a few weeks ago completed a deal by which they paid \$7,000 for the property they occupy at present.

This is the day of the local fraternity at Illinois. With crowds dreaming of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Delta Upsilon, another organization is being groomed, it is reported, for another national fraternity. Then it is believed to be only a question of time and the best opportunity when Phi Kappa Psi will enter. Phi Kappa Psi's path will be rendered easier if she chooses to enter when she has such excellent members



in school as are here at present. Affairs are very harmonious between the fraternities and there appears to be little bickering and back-biting.

The report that President Draper may go to New York, to accept a new office to be known as Commissioner of Education, is a topic of great interest. There is little belief, however, that the Empire State will be able to secure the local executive, who is thought to be too firmly wedded to the university. In an article in an eastern magazine, the statistics quoted show that Illinois is sixth in rank of all the universities in point of attendance. The registration is 3,661; and the university, in addition, is fourth in the number of instructors. The unusual advance in registration is partly explained by the acquisition of a dental school at Chicago, but even then there has been a great steady growth. A recent appropriation of \$100,000 by the state legislature enables the college of engineering to install a department of engineering extension—an engineering laboratory, in fact—the prospectus of which has already attracted much attention. Beta Upsilon hopes that this letter will find all sister chapters in the midst of a most prosperous year.

GEORGE T. DONAGHUE.

#### BETA PHI—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Although we are not troubled with semester examinations, as many colleges are, this is a very busy season of the year for us. The beginning of the term is a second rushing season and we expect to secure several more men before it is over. In athletics, the track and basketball teams have begun their work, and both have good schedules and every prospect for a good season. The basketball team has rolled up high scores against its opponents and has been defeated but once and that in a close game with Minnesota. We have two men on the team: Brother Klie plays guard, and Brother Raymond is the center. Several of our men are in the track squad and will probably

make the team. The young ladies of the university have been granted permission to organize an athletic association and to meet other colleges in basketball, tennis, and similar sports.

The Glee and Mandolin clubs took their annual trip through the state during the Christmas vacation. Brothers Bemie, Crumune and Gibson are in the Glee Club, and Brother Guilford plays in the Mandolin Club.

The town men gave a dinner-dance at the house during the holidays, and had Brothers Scarlett and Dill with them. The Junior "Prom.," is the center of the local social world now, and informal class dances and sorority dances are adding to that side of college life.

An Alumni Association including Columbus and central Ohio has been organized. This has been one of the Chapter's hopes and ambitions for a long time and we are very happy to have these hopes realized. The association has four chapters within its boundaries—Mu, Chi, Beta and Beta Phi—and they have all shown great interest in its organization. The Alumni Chapter was installed by Dr. Frank Wieland on January 29. This was followed by a large and enthusiastic banquet at which about eighty alumni and actives were present. Representatives from Chi, Beta, and Delta, most of Mu chapter, all of Beta Phi and a large number of alumni, sat down together and, after caring for the inner man, listened to some fine toasts and impromptu speeches and then followed Dr. Wieland in the grand "Walk-Around."

J. RUSSEL COLE.

#### BETA CHI—BROWN UNIVERSITY

Since Beta Chi's last letter to THE RAINBOW, Brown has been gladdened by the opening of Rockefeller Hall, a gift to the university from John D. Rockefeller. In the building are rooms for all student organizations, a rushing room, trophy room, reading room, billiard room, barber shop, book store, boarding accommodations and a restaurant. On the second



floor and running up through the third is a large hall that will seat five hundred. The use of the building belongs exclusively to an organization known as "The Brown Union," among whose first list of officers is the name of Brother Chas. S. Hascall, as secretary.

Our basketball season is progressing with very fair success, and on the 'Varsity are Ingalls, '05, and Rackle, '06. Brother Wm. C. Hascall captained the junior team to second place in the interclass series

At the end of last term we lost two Brothers from college—Lawrence, '06, and White, '07. We have pledged two freshmen this term, and can introduce them later.

CHARLES S. HASCALL.

#### BETA PSI—WABASH COLLEGE

Beta Psi feels honored at the opening of this letter to introduce to her sister chapters Brother Emmet C. Stopher, of Harlow, Ind., whose initiation took place on December 11. Brother Stopher is the kind of man who will do Delta Tau Delta good, both during his college days and as an alumnus. This initiate brings the number of our active membership up to twelve, the largest for several years. We see some good fraternity material still in sight, and we shall add a name or two to our roll before the end of this term. We have not lost a spike this year, nor do we intend to do so.

Brother Stevens, who has been kept out of college since February, 1903, on account of sickness and a surgical operation, is again back in the Chapter and as active as of yore. At present the Chapter is looking forward to the Conference of the Northern Division, to be held at Indianapolis during February. Beta Psi is planning to take practically her entire membership to this meeting. We recognize our opportunity to get Fraternal enthusiasm and spirit at first hand by having our fellows there to meet Brothers from all parts of the Northern Division. Having this meeting right at our door we feel it to be a privilege that no one of us can deny himself.

The Greek chapters at Wabash are planning for the great annual interfraternity social function, the Pan-Hellenic Ball, which will occur late in February. This event always brings brethern here from neighboring chapters of all the fraternities having chapters at Wabash, to have a share in the festivities of the occasion, and we hope to have our share of guests at that time. Wabash is enjoying unprecedented prosperity this year and has a spirit of consequent enthusiasm. Our Chapter is sharing this sentiment and we are confident of great days ahead for Beta Psi. We feel that every Delt has a right to be optimistic and that it is his duty to breathe this spirit into his Chapter. There are results and growth in it.

With kindest regards to all sister chapters, Beta Psi pledges her best and most loyal support to everything truly Delta Tau.

A. R. VAN NUYS.

#### BETA OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

The opening of college for the spring semester finds Beta Omega with a chapter roll of fourteen. Brothers R. S. Springer, C. P. Holt and R. P. Wheelock were graduated last December and have gone from our ranks. Their places will be hard to fill. The last initiation was held on the evening of February 6, when one freshman, G. C. Whitmore, successfully rode the goat. The banquet was well attended, and good, stirring Delta speeches were given by prominent alumni.

The University of California is rapidly adding to its equipment and buildings. Work has commenced on the new stone structure to be known as California Hall. Brother Armin O. Leuschner, Delta '88, Professor of Astronomy, has been instrumental in procuring new buildings and equipment for his department. Their dedication took place on the evening of January 30, and brought many prominent astronomers together. In the will of the late Mr. Charles F. Doe, of San Francisco, provision was made for a gift to the university of six hundred thousand dollars for the erection and equipment



of a new library building. The university has long been obliged to make use of a building wholly inadequate to its needs; hence this latest donation is doubly appreciated.

Nothing of especial interest has happened in athletic lines. The baseball and tennis teams are yet to be chosen; competition for the various positions is very keen. Both of these events, as well as the field-day with Stanford, are sure to be closely contested.

J. H. MCCOLLOUGH, JR.

### GAMMA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

With this issue of THE RAINBOW, Gamma Alpha desires to introduce to the Fraternity-at-large six initiates, taken in since the beginning of the winter quarter on account of the university rule forbidding initiating until the candidates have credit for a quarter's work. Our new men are Victor S. Rice, Charles F. Axelson, Gordon Mabin, Harlan Steely, Clark C. Steinbeck and Lyle Starks, all of them fine young fellows who will make good Delts. We have at present one other pledge, who will be initiated at the beginning of the spring term.

At the end of the winter term we lost three men, one temporarily and two permanently. One of the three, Brother Nelson Buck, has gone to Deland, Fla., to spend the winter term at Stetson University, which is affiliated with the University of Chicago. Of the other two, Brother Robert S. Butler has graduated and gone into business with his father, and Brother Harvey Trimble has left college to go into business. Partially to compensate for the loss of these three men, we have the satisfaction of having back with us Brother Fred Fleet, who was unable to return during the fall on account of sickness.

With the present set of men we think we are justified in saying, without boasting, that Gamma Alpha has never before been so well represented in so many college activities. Brother Burrows, who played football on the 'Varsity team

during the fall, has recently been awarded his "C". Brother Mabin, one of our freshmen, was captain of the freshman football team. Of the other freshman, Brother Alexson, is treasurer of the Freshman Debating Club, and Brother Steely is one of the illustrating staff of the college literary monthly, to which Brother Burrows is a frequent contributor. Brother Rice, another of the new men, is proving a strong rival of Brother Blair as a sprinter on the track team.

In track work, indeed, Gamma Alpha's prospects are bright. With Brother Blair, captain of the team and holder of the western college record for the 100-yard dash, are associated Brother Taylor, winner of the quarter mile in last year's Conference meet; Brother Lightbody, an affiliate from Beta Beta, who is giving great promise as a distance runner, and Brother Rice, a sprinter. With these men and Brother Mabin, who is a member of the freshman track team, Gamma Alpha hopes to carry off honors for Delta Tau in the spring contests on the cinder path.

Athletics at the University of Chicago have received a great boom during the last month in the completion and dedication of the new Frank Dickinson Bartlett gymnasium, a magnificent building costing \$265,000 and presented to the university by A. C. Bartlett, a wealthy Chicago merchant, in memory of his son, a Harvard man, who died three years ago. The university is also rejoicing in other gifts received at Christmas time from John D. Rockefeller in the shape of \$1,500,000 in real estate, and \$1,400,000 in cash from the same donor. In this connection it is worth while mentioning another gift to the university. This is the Reynolds Club house, which was dedicated last quarter and which is already exercising a marked effect on the life of the university. The Reynolds Club is a student organization corresponding to the Harvard Union or the Houston Club of the University of Pennsylvania. It has proved the one thing lacking in the social arrangements of the University, and its influence in



bringing about a more intimate fellow-feeling among the students is invaluable.

Among the fraternity men, also, there has appeared this year a remarkable spirit of coöperation. For the first time in the history of the university, a Pan-Hellenic dance is to be given in the spring. During the last few weeks an interfraternity bowling tournament has been in progress, each of the twelve fraternities in college playing all the rest. Brother Watkins has been the captain of our team, which finished in the first division. Gamma Alpha is fortunate this year in having with her in the house two Brothers from other chapters,—Brother W. F. Dickinson, of Beta Gamma, and Brother A. C. Stockton, of Gamma. In the house with us is also Brother Walter Francis, '03, who is working in the city.

In closing we wish to extend hearty greetings to all the other Delta chapters and to invite all Delts passing through Chicago—as many must every week or month—to feel assured that a warm welcome will await them at our chapter house.

CHARLES M. STEELE.

#### GAMMA BETA—ARMOUR INSTITUTE

Since the publication of the last RAINBOW, with all its good news and hearty greetings from our Brothers in Delta Tau, Gamma Beta has passed through a regime of pleasure, sorrow and hardship. All these combined have made an interesting time for us. Shortly after the publication of our last letter, Gamma Beta had the pleasure of conducting four more new neophytes to the Delta shrine, and it is with pleasure we introduce to the fraternity world our four new Brothers: Henry W. Clausen, Chicago, '04; Ralph Torrence, Chicago, '06; Ralph Dixon Speers, Davenport, Ia., '05, and Horace B. Kimmey, Austin, Ill., '07. It may, perhaps, seem queer to some of our Brothers that a mid-year initiation should take place; it was, however our second initiation and brings our total number up to date to eighteen active men. We are glad to say that we are once

more getting back to the old-time swing; with these eighteen fellows pulling at the ropes we are bound to succeed.

So far as social events are concerned very little space can be used for that, since the inauguration of some new plans by our president, Dr. Gunsaulus—that of setting aside certain dates for the different social affairs, which shall hereafter become precedent but which heretofore have been given on dates set by the students themselves—most of these events fall on dates later in the year; consequently there have been no social affairs of any importance given as yet. We are looking forward with pleasure, however, to the meeting of the Western Conference, as we expect the opening meeting to be held in our quarters, February 19, and we hope there will be even a larger attendance than at the last one, at which every chapter except one was represented.

No doubt every Delta who scanned the pages of the last RAINBOW read of the tragic death of Brother McLaughlin, of Mu chapter, in the awful Iroquois fire, but few will probably realize what true worth and manhood was in this boy—this true sample of “ideal Deltaism.” It was said by an eye witness that he saved the lives of at least a dozen women and children, even after his clothes were a mass of flames. People were yelling to him to save his own life before it was too late, but his only answer was a smile as he waved a beckon of silence back to them, never for a minute faltering in his task. And when it was all over and he knew the end was near, his first and last thoughts were of his home and his Fraternity. Let it be known that the last of the mortal remains of this young hero were laid to rest by six of his Delta Brothers, who performed this last fraternal service with saddened hearts and tear-stained cheeks, their hearts going out to a father and mother in a far-off land, yet rejoicing in the knowledge that he died a martyr in the humble performance of a fraternal duty, and a hero before the whole world. What lessons can be gleaned from this short but eventful life?



Since our return from the holiday vacation, "old Sol" has been rather backward about showing his smiling countenance, and "Jack Frost" has been making periodical visits to our quarters. For the past three weeks our house has been turned into a cold storage plant, most of the fellows wearing earmuffs, felt-boots and overcoats to study in. The cause of all this change was the furnace which has flatly refused to work; and to add to the pleasantness of the situation our landlord seems disinclined to fix the same. For the above reasons we are at the present writing negotiating for the lease of a new house, which, if secured, will be a great improvement over the old. Should the transaction terminate favorably, we will be in our new quarters in time to receive the visiting Deltas to the Conference.

In closing our letter, Gamma Beta extends her heartiest greetings and best wishes to her sister chapters, and calls attention to the fact that all visiting Delts will be received with open arms at our chapter house at 3254 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

HARRY A. HART.

#### GAMMA GAMMA—DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

If there is one period of the year in which the college man will care to take life seriously, that period surely consists of the week or ten days devoted to semester examinations. In the midst of our own exams., we are hoping for the best; but most of us will breathe more freely when the few remaining days of the period have passed.

Since the last letter was written we have welcomed into our fellowship three new loyal Delts: Brothers Harry R. Blythe, of Quincy, Ill.; Fred D. Ordway, of Milford, N. H., and Julian C. Harris, of Northfield, Mass.

Our annual initiation banquet was held immediately following the initiation of these three men, on December 3. To the presence of Brother Wells, Beta Mu '95, and Brother

Gilbert, Gamma Zeta '95, we owe a large measure of the success of that occasion.

On December 12, Dartmouth was successful in the annual debate with Brown University. Of the four men on the Dartmouth team, two were Delts. Since the Christmas vacation Brother Savage, '07, and Brother Brackett, '03, Medical College, '06, have left college for a limited time. We hope to welcome them back in the near future. Brother Wayland Dorothy, '05, was recently elected business manager of *The Dartmouth* for the coming year, a position of considerable prominence. He has also been elected a member on the Magazine board. In the Senior elections just held, Brother McKennis was chosen a member of the executive committee.

We are in hopes of sending a good delegation to the Eastern Division Conference at New York, on February 19. This affords us about the only chance we have of meeting many Delts from other chapters. We should be happy to welcome to Hanover any and all Brothers who would pay us the honor of a visit.

JOHN A. LAING.

#### GAMMA DELTA—WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

We ask for room in this number of THE RAINBOW for mere representation. Not to say that we are inactive—adding no spirit and force to the better college life of our state, for such we feel must be the inevitable effect of a Delta chapter—but we have no write-up of a special feature that may serve to further the general enthusiasm of Delta Tau. We say no *write-up* of a special feature of our work, for we *do* have the special feature. Gamma Delta has moved into a home of her own. She now stands in no secondary rank in fraternity life in this university. As boys in our own home, we feel that we are enjoying the fraternity ideal. With the next letter we promise a picture and description of our home and, unless negatively petitioned by a majority of the chapters, a picture of ourselves.



In February we shall have a house-warming, when our friends may see us as we live. The alumni are expected to be with us on that occasion in full force.

Before this is read through Deltadom C. D. Kirkpatrick, '07, will be joined to our fraternal band.

D. E. McQUILKIN

#### GAMMA EPSILON—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

At present the most important topic for Gamma Epsilon is the mid-year exams., for at the writing of this letter we are in the midst of them, and, therefore, matters around the Chapter are exceedingly quiet. However, everyone is planning to go in for a good time when the ordeals have passed away.

Perhaps the most amusing incident that has happened this winter was our fire of a week ago. Although it was only a small one and no great damage was done, yet it has afforded the Chapter much amusement. It was one of those extremely cold nights, when it was so hard to keep warm, that one of the Brothers took an electric light to bed with him. He had hardly closed his eyes when he smelt something burning and upon immediate investigation found that his bed was on fire. He made repeated efforts to extinguish the blaze by sitting on it and carrying water in a small tea-cup—but all in vain. Finally, he carried the bedding into the bath room, put it in the bath-tub, turned on the water and the fire was soon quenched. Yet he was so afraid that the fire might break out again that he bundled himself up in a blanket and spent the rest of the night on the bathroom floor.

The Chapter is in a most flourishing condition and numbers twenty-one active members and one pledged man. Six of the Brothers are associate editors of *The Spectator*, the college daily paper; one is on the Glee Club; one on the Mandolin Club; two are trying for the crew; one was in the Soph. Show, and two have made the 'Varsity Show, which takes place in March. Brothers F. Y. Keeler, '06, and C. C.

Ertz, '06, have been appointed on the committee for the Karnea of 1905. Brother Ertz has also been appointed as delegate to the Twenty-second Annual Conference of the Eastern Division, which meets in February. Our last rushing party, which was held just before the Christmas vacation, was a pronounced success.

FRANK C. HALL.

#### GAMMA ZETA — WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

At Wesleyan the winter term opened with the thermometer at twenty-five below zero; but we were quite comfortable in our new home, which is more than we could have said last winter. Our hearts were soon warmed toward our alumni by their present to us of a complete set of dining china decorated with the Delta shield in purple. And now, as our mid-year "grind" begins, we are saddened by the loss from the Chapter of active members Brothers Leavens, '06, and Goldbacker, '06.

In college activities we are ably represented in the literary department by the editor-in-chiefs of the *Literary Monthly* and *Olla Podrida*, the junior annual soon to appear; also the business manager of the *Literary Monthly* and an editor on the *Argus* board. With four men on the musical clubs; two on the basketball team, including the manager, and the presidents of the Senior and Sophomore classes, we are fairly well represented in every line of activity.

The Chapters finances are in better condition than ever before; bills of this year are paid to date and there is money in the treasury. Moreover, various amounts have been paid on bills of previous years and the balance will be met when the credits for those years are settled. Our new, 1903, financial by-laws allows a generous rebate when all dues for the year are paid by November 1, and require all room-rents to be in by January 15. Under this arrangement only eight men owe on dues of this year and but two active members owe on accounts of last year.



Chapter officers for the next half year were elected January 22. One reception and one dance were held before the holidays and a musicale is planned for the near future.

HOWARD A. JONES.

#### GAMMA ETA—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY

Oh December 17, 1903, Gamma Eta conducted her first initiation and conducted it in the name of Gamma Theta. The one to be so honored was Homer Hock, an Alpha Omega fraternity man of Baker University, and now in the first year Law at Columbian. Brother Meyer, also of Alpha Omega, graduated last year from Columbian Law, and went back to Baker last fall to become a Delt with his old chapter.

Two days later, December 19, our first regular initiation was held at the chapter house as a result of the fall's rushing, and the following eight men were made eligible to have their names go down in fraternity history as Delts: Otho L. Ferris, Iowa; Guy S. Saffold, D. C.; Dallas G. Sutton, D. C.; Benj. G. Steenerson, Minn.; F. Patrick Machler, D. C.; John A. Lee, Washington; Donald W. Wilke, D. C.; Raymond F. Kirkman, D. C. A large number of local alumni, as well as Delts of neighboring chapters, and Brother Brück, of the Arch Chapter, were present, and every detail went off without a hitch. The Chapter then adjourned to the Shoreham Hotel, where an elaborate repast was waiting its arrival. Brother Conch, of Zeta, '00, acted as toastmaster, and Brothers Pierce, Beta Eta, '92; Smith, Omricon, '97; Neff, Alpha, '—; Adams, Beta Omricon, '93; Corsa, Beta Lambda, '05, and Meyer and Hock, of Gamma Theta, were among those from outside of the Chapter who responded to toasts. The Chapter very much regretted the absence of Mr. Fred Living, a pledged man, who was stricken with typhoid a few days before the initiation but who is now, we are glad to say, on the road to recovery.

The presidents of the various classes in the different de-

partments of the university recently organized under the name of "The Association of Class Presidents" and elected Brother Thom, president of the Senior class in the Arts and Sciences, as its president, and Brother Hemmick, president of the Sophomore class in the same department, as its secretary. The object of the association is to promote matters of interest to the whole university and tend to create a genuine university spirit. Brother Kelly is to manage the baseball team this spring, and Brother Bielaski has been elected captain of the football team for next year. The Dramatic Club, under the management of Brother Klawaus, is hard at work preparing for the play to be presented at one of the leading theatres of the city late in the spring. With six men on the Glee Club, we feel that this, at least, should be a success.

Brother Petty, of Alpha, '88, who last year received the degree of Master of Laws from this university, recently paid us a visit for a few days while he was in town and stayed at the chapter house. We have recently exchanged Columbian pennants for the school pennants of most of our southern sister chapters; and as the ones received make such an effective means of decorating the house, we hope to extend our field and exchange with all Delt chapters. We want visiting Deltas to feel at home here, and if the sight of their old school pennant will help in any way, we want the pennant.

We have not been doing very much lately except study, but now that mid-year examinations are over things will come a little easier and we hope to have more time for that most enjoyable form of work, labor for old Delta Tau.

CLAIR W. FAIRBANK.

#### GAMMA THETA—BAKER UNIVERSITY

Altho' we are yet the baby of the Fraternity, we are beginning to sit up and notice things and are becoming stronger every day. We soon want to be able to get along without requiring so much assistance from our Delta officers. As a



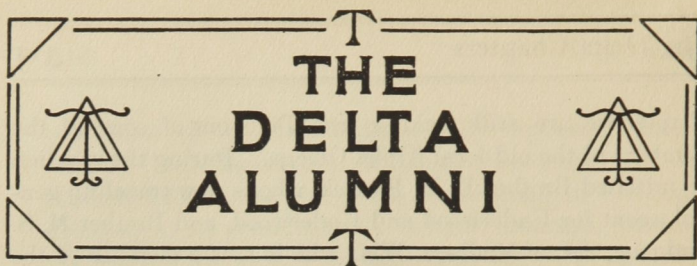
Chapter we are still making true Delts out of some of the members of the old local Alpha Omega. During the vacation we initiated Brother D. M. Parrick, who is now traveling general agent for Underwood and Underwood, and Brother M. S. Dudgeon, '94, of Madison, Wis., who is now a member of the Wisconsin legislature. Inside of a week we shall initiate four more into Delta Tau, three old Alpha Omegas—W. M. Hudson, who will come from St. Joseph; also Ray Torrey and Newton Clark, who have returned to school to finish their courses. Then we have recently pledged a sophomore who came in this term. We wish at this place to express our sincere thanks to Gamma Eta for their initiation of Homer Hock, '02, through courtesy to us.

In athletics, Gamma Theta still progresses. Baker is having many basketball games, of which we are winning a fair share. We have two men on the team, one substitute and the other manager. In a literary way we strive hard for our dues and we think are well rewarded. Brother Geo. Nicholson has won the local oratorical contest and will represent Baker at the state contest. On the intersociety debate,—Baker's strongest debate—we had two men, the leader and third speaker. We failed to get but two judges so the result was a tie, one voting each way.

We recently had much pleasure in entertaining Brother W. P. Borland, Dean of the Kansas City Law School. Of course, we kept him in our home. He was here to serve as a judge on a debate between Nebraska, Wesleyan and Baker. Baker won.

We wish our sister chapters success in all their undertakings.

O. C. HESTWOOD.



# THE DELTA ALUMNI

## CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER.

We are making a special effort this year to increase our membership and also the attendance at our regular monthly dinners. The dinners are still held at De Jonghe's Restaurant, and in that connection, as one of the many benefactions of our enthusiastic president, Brother E. L. Scott, we have the use of well-appointed and commodious club rooms in which we finish our evenings in various enjoyable social pastimes. Forty were present at our January dinner, which is just about half of our membership.

As we have the rare good fortune to have the president of the Fraternity, Brother Wieland, among our numbers, it is needless to state that we keep in close touch with the conditions existing in many of the chapters and in the Fraternity generally. Brother Wieland's informal talks are one of the most interesting and stimulating features of our meetings.

On February 20 we will have our Alumni Dinner, which is always the big event of our year. We expect this time to surpass all previous occasions and set a new record. Like last year it will be held in connection with the banquet of the Western Division Conference, which meets in Chicago at that time. Arrangements have already been made to hold the sessions of the Conference in the club rooms at De Jonghe's, and for the entertainment of the delegates by the chapters at Armour Institute and the University of Chicago. Our Alumni Association is coöperating with Brother Hewitt, president of the Western Division, to make this Conference the most successful yet held.

ROBERT S. MCCLURE.



## CINCINNATI ALUMNI CHAPTER.

Again comes the opportunity for the Cincinnati Alumni Chapter to communicate with the larger Delta world. We esteem the opportunity a privilege, for the Delta bond grows steadily dearer. We seem to value our Fraternal associations more truly as our easy college days slip farther into the past, because our Fraternity, and our Fraternity alone, connects those times with the present. So our Alumni meetings serve the double purpose of bringing us into touch with the men of other chapters, broadening our acquaintance with the Fraternity-at-large; and also of revivifying the happy scenes of our active Fraternity life. Our Alumni Association is particularly fortunate in having so large a number of enthusiastic alumni, and especially among the older men. It excites the emulation of the younger generation to show that the Delta spirit has not abated. This fact, in its varying phases, adds much to the pleasure of our Chapter life. "Chapter life" is perhaps a mis-used phrase in this connection, for chapter life properly only exists where there is an active chapter. Still it has a very definite meaning with us as well. It means the regular monthly meetings and dinners, the individual friendships formed by the members, and the welcoming of the casual Deltas who may come within our sphere of influence.

This last is a very pleasant feature indeed; and the more so as we are proud of the *quality* of all our visitors who have worn the square badge. Some of these who have recently attended our monthly dinners are the following: The Rev. J. C. Molloy, Maysville, Ky.; W. D. Blake, Carthage, Mo.; Fletcher R. Jackson, Chi, '04; P. E. Irvine, Chi, '04; Harold B. Williams, Chi, '03; George C. Lee, Chi, '06; Howard P. Fischbach, Chi, '06; Frederick E. Hall, Chi, '06.

We were also glad to welcome Brothers W. G. Heiser, of Maysville, Ky., and C. R. Foster, Mu, '04, who have been in the city, but not at the time of the Chapter function. Brother Foster had just been to Chicago to attend the last rites

paid to W. M. McLaughlin, Mu, '04, the Delta hero of the Iroquois fire. The message he bore of his death was both touching and inspiring.

Most of the Chi men above mentioned were present at one of our meetings last autumn. At that time the Kenyon football team, four of whose members were Deltas, was in the city to play the local university. So much football spirit was stirred up by the players' appearance at the dinner that the entire Chapter turned out the following day and had the pleasure of seeing the University of Cincinnati defeated by Kenyon by a score of 18 to 0.

Another meeting that brought together several Deltas from other folds was that held on the last day of the old year. This was the Annual Banquet and was very well attended. Among our out-of-town guests was the Rev. J. C. Molloy. Brother Malloy is a polished and accomplished gentleman of the old school. Although well known to many of our members, this is the first occasion in some years that he has attended one of our gatherings. Brother Malloy is well versed in the history of Deltaism. He himself is an old RAINBOW man. His account of the old times in the youth of the Fraternity, and of its trials during the troublous period of the Civil War, was the feature of that evening. With Fraternal regards to all Deltas,      CONSTANT SOUTHWORTH.

#### SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNI CHAPTER

As was told in our last letter to the RAINBOW, we have started on our plan of meeting with the two far-western chapters once every year. Our meeting last October was with the Beta Rho, at the chapter house, Stanford University, and our meeting this year, on February 6, was with the Beta Omega, at the new home of that chapter in Berkeley. We were particularly fortunate to be with Beta Omega on this date, for it was the occasion of her fourteenth initiation and sixth anniversary celebration.



One of the noteworthy features of the evening was the presence of Brother John Milton Kile, Lambda '86, the chairman of the committee from the Rainbow Fraternity on consolidation with Delta Tau Delta. The ceremony of initiation was performed on Brother Kile, along with the initiate from Beta Omega. At the business meeting, the following members of the Fraternity were elected to membership: Thomas Fortner Lee, Omega Prime '78; John Milton Kile, Lambda '86; Ernest Ralph Odle, Beta Alpha '93; Julius Cæsar Hammel, Beta Alpha, Beta Rho '94; William Henry Middleton, Beta Omega '06.

Our next meeting will be an informal dinner in March followed by our fifth annual banquet in the early part of May.

HERBERT SAMUEL BONIFIELD.

#### BOSTON ALUMNI CHAPTER

With the new year, new life and new energy seems to come to the Boston Alumni Chapter. The Alumni organization at Boston in days gone by has ever been an easy-go-lucky organization; but the last meeting, held at Tufts College at the home of Beta Mu, on January 7, showed a general determination on the part of the members to keep pace with the rest of Deltadom. The officers for the coming year are: President, Oscar Storer, Beta Sigma; vice-president, Charles A. Beam, Beta Mu; secretary, A. S. Gaylord, Beta Chi; Treasurer, Louis S. Murphy, Beta Mu.

The Constitution is to be reconstructed so as to be fitted to the wants and needs of a normal man rather than a creature of idle fancy, as some of its clauses would seem to indicate. This will strengthen the organization at the Hub beyond measure. Many Deltas have long felt there is no particular reason why Boston should not have a strong and enthusiastic organization. The New England chapters of Beta Mu, Beta Nu, Beta Chi, Gamma Gamma and Gamma Zeta are sending men here each year, and Harvard College, at nearby Cambridge, annually

attracts still more to our flock. Under these circumstances we look for a prosperous future.

On the evening of February 9 a dozen Deltas gathered around the banquet board at the American House, Boston. Brother Storer was master of ceremonies, serving with his accustomed grace. It was a great success, and next time we hope to have double the number at the Alumni gathering.

ARTHUR S. GAYLORD.

### TOLEDO ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Toledo Alumni of Delta Tau Delta have held their monthly meetings at which they will have a dinner in the Spitzer Café. Meetings are held on the last Friday of every month and all Delts are welcome. We have about twenty members, some of whose vocations compel them to be in and out of the city. Any Delt sojourning in Toledo will be welcome, and will always receive a glad hand if he happens to be in the city on the last Friday of the month and can be with us. Dinners are always at 6 o'clock.

GEORGE E. SENEY, JR.

### INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI CHAPTER

Since the last issue of THE RAINBOW, the Indianapolis has elected new officers, or rather, has continued the old men in office, with a reorganized membership committee. The election results follow:—President, John L. McMaster; vice-president, Alfred F. Potts; secretary, Carl R. Loop; treasurer, Edward H. Clifford; and a Membership Committee composed of Carl R. Loop, Harry L. Fuller and Oscar L. Pond.

We had the pleasure of having with us at our January luncheon, Brother Edwin H. Hughes, president of De Pauw. He dropped in on us rather unexpectedly, but was soon very much at home with us. He has a "common," congenial, brotherly way about him that wins for him a way to the hearts of all those with whom he comes in contact, and es-



pecially is this true of Delta Taus. We feel that DePauw is to be congratulated in being so fortunate as to secure the services of so gifted and versatile a man.

Three members were taken in at the same luncheon: O. P. Foreman, Beta Alpha '95; H. S. Chamberlin, Alpha '96, and Harry G. Hill, Theta Prime '97. With these additions, we now have on our roll 48 names—over half of the resident Delts. By the way, if the writer may be pardoned the digression, it always gives him a feeling akin to sadness whenever he is compelled to write "Prime" after the word Alpha, in referring to the Bethany chapter. He thinks it's too bad that the Fraternity found it necessary to withdraw from the institution in which she was born!

Our local active chapter, Beta Zeta, is making active preparations for the entertainment of the Northern Division Conference, which will have met here ere this appeared in print. The Alumni Association appointed a committee to coöperate with the active boys in their plans, and, as the result of the combined activity, we are assured of the best Conference ever held.

CARL R. LOOP.

#### ST. LOUIS ALUMNI CHAPTER

Everything good in the line of conventions, organizations, societies and clubs is coming St. Louis-ward with the great World's Fair. It is but natural, therefore, that this year should see the establishment of a promising alumni chapter of Delta Tau Delta in St. Louis. However, this association will be far more than a mere "Fair" gathering; it will *last*, and is working to be one of the forerunners of the Delta Tau development of the Southwest. Ever since the Karnea, Brother Moorehead, of Beta Upsilon, has gradually been gathering the clan, until now we reach the number of about twenty-five. Differing from many alumni chapters, we do not depend greatly on any one chapter for our membership,—we have men from the four quarters of the Delt world—and it is most pleasing to find

that it has taken us such a short time to get acquainted; to feel that we know one another. The first time the majority of us were together was on Thanksgiving Day, when we went in a tally-ho to see the Iowa-Washington game, afterwards taking dinner at McTague's Café. We will never forget how, on that day, we rushed a man who intends to enter Vanderbilt. The fellows could hardly realize that they did not have the right to bid him. It seemed too good to again be sizing up a man and feeling after him, even if he was only a "sub-fresh."

Since that day we have met on an average of once in three weeks, one of the pleasantest evenings being spent with Dr. Seidlitz, a charter member of Omricon. Another enjoyable, happy meeting, at which we also transacted considerable business, was at the dinner just given us at the Missouri Athletic Club by Max Kœhler, of Delta. Six of the fellows live in the same house, so that it is almost like having a chapter house again. We are making many plans for the future and one of them is to have an installation banquet as soon as the printer can get our charter ready, which we hope will be early in March. Meanwhile, from the newest recruit to the oldest man, we are all becoming Missourians and southerners; we expect to "show you all" next summer at the Exposition; we anticipate having the pleasure of seeing many Delts, and we hope to inaugurate some plan whereby we can have occasional Delt "get-togethers" and "jolly-ups."

CHARLES JUDSON CRARY.

#### ALPHA

'80—Rev. Ned Locke, who, for several years past has occupied the pulpit of the Delaware Avenue M. E. Church, of Buffalo, has accepted a call from a church in Brooklyn, N. Y.

'81—Chas. W. Fish is one of the leading physicians and surgeons of southern California. His office is in the Laughlin Building, Los Angeles, California.



'96—Abner Neff, who was recently married, is now a resident of Washington, D. C. He occupies a position as private secretary to Congressman A. L. Bates, from the 26th District, Pennsylvania.

'97—A. L. Irvin is traveling salesman for the Manifold Works, of Franklin, Pa.

'98—A. W. Thompson has been appointed division superintendent of the B. & O. R. R., with headquarters at Cumberland, the appointment to take effect December 1. Brother Thompson is only 28 years old, and his advancement is regarded as an evidence of the high appreciation in which his ability is held by the management of the road.

Ex-'04—H. L. Smith is attending Columbia University, where he is doing special work. He will, however, return to Allegheny in the spring to graduate with his class.

'03—George T. Davenport is at Parkersburg, W. Va., in the employ of the B. & O.

#### BETA

'71—Prof. D. J. Evans attended the Convention and became one of the members of the alumni association lately organized at Columbus, O.

'92—H. R. Higley was here recently to attend the funeral of his mother.

#### GAMMA

'65—George Purviance is assistant surgeon-general of the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service in the Treasury Department. He is located at headquarters in Washington.

'03—J. F. Paull is spending the winter in California.

#### DELTA

'75—Dr. Hiram W. Austin is surgeon in charge of the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service of the Treasury Department, at Detroit, Mich.

'75—Silas B. McMenus, the author of "Rural Rhymes"

(Curtis & Jeannings, Cincinnati, O., 1898), is located at Lima, Ind.

'91—D. R. Anthony, Jr., is mayor of Leavenworth, Kan., having been elected on the Republican ticket last April for a term of two years.

'99—Forest Firestone, Law, was married, January 20, to Miss Ruth Loomis. Mr. and Mrs. Firestone will reside in Brother Firestone's home town, Akron, O.

#### EPSILON

'71—J. G. Brown is president of the Commercial and Savings Bank at Albion, Mich.

'76—E. B. Bancroft is one of the most influential members of the Board of Control of Albion College.

'78—Judge E. A. Chase is conducting a real estate business at Lansing, Mich.

'80—George E. Bowers has located at Orange City, Ia., where he is conducting a very successful business.

'87—A. W. Connable, who is an active worker of the Chicago Alumni Association, is located at No. 409-145 La Salle Street, Chicago. Mr. Connable is a successful broker.

'92—F. E. Allen is conducting a very successful banking business at Tekonsha, Mich.

'92—C. B. Allen is pastor of the Detroit Tabernacle M. E. Church, at Detroit, Mich.

'93—R. C. Ford has resigned his position in the normal school at Marquette, Mich., to take up similar work in Upsalanti.

'94—C. E. Allen is located at Saginaw, Mich., and is one of the most popular ministers of that city, being pastor of the First M. E. Church.

'94—H. W. Cushman is cashier of the Tekonsha Savings Bank at Tekonsha, Mich.

'94—Newell Coat is Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Physics at Albion College.



'95—E. C. Allen is preaching at Preston, Mich., being pastor of the First M. E. Church, at that place.

'97—Leo D. Woodworth is practicing law at Rochester, N. Y.

Ex.-'00—F. T. Coppens is dividing his time between traveling for D. M. Ferry & Co., of Detroit, and his agricultural implement business at Grand Ledge, Mich.

'01—Webster Davis is teaching in the public schools at Kalamazoo, Mich.

Ex.-'01—D. S. Ford is in the employ of Benjamin Moore & Son, 208 W. Lake Street, Chicago, Ill.

Ex.-'02—C. D. Dunsker is pursuing a course of study at the Houghton Mining School, Houghton, Mich.

Ex.-'04—Don. B. White is stenographer and bookkeeper for the Jackson Engine Motor Co., at Jackson, Mich.

Ex.-'05—B. D. Brown has been appointed assistant cashier of the Commercial and Savings Bank at Albion, Mich.

#### ZETA PRIME

'66—The Hon. William Charles Norcross is president of the American Bank at Wichita, Kan.

'67—Rev. David Nicoll, Gamma '64, honored as the founder of the Zeta Prime, is now living at Red Oak, Iowa.

'69—Daniel Marion Hammack, although engaged in private practice, is dean of the Law Department of the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

'70—Rev. Reed Stuart is now pastor of the First Congregational Unitarian Church, Detroit, Mich.

'72—James Alexander Grier is Professor of Systematic Theology at the Allegheny Theological Seminary, Bellevue, Pa.

'73—Dr. A. R. Small is practising medicine in Chicago, with offices at 1109 Venetian Building.

'74—Robert J. Grier is Judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit Court of Illinois, Monmouth, Ill.

## ZETA

'88—G. F. Smith, who is at present teaching in East High School, in Cleveland, narrowly escaped being in the Iroquois Theatre disaster in Chicago.

'88—S. S. Wilson is now at the head of a large printing concern in Cleveland. It is his intention gradually to change his department store in Willoughby, O., into an employees' stock corporation.

'94—C. L. Swearinger is taking a great interest in athletics at Reserve, and was the prime mover in obtaining an efficient coach for the baseball team.

'96—R. H. Tanner is an instructor in the Central High School, of Cleveland.

'96—F. M. Wood has resigned his position as principal of the High School at Willoughby, and is now an instructor in Latin at Central High.

'00—C. W. Thomas is house physician at Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland.

'00—B. C. Shepherd is practicing law at Painesville, O.

'01—Dr. P. F. Southwick is a practicing physician at Sandusky, O.

'01—W. G. Rose represents the alumni on the new athletic board at Reserve.

'02—H. L. Findlay is now private secretary to the president of the Youghiogeny Ohio Coal Co.

'03—G. F. Thomas is a sophomore at the W. R. U. Medical School.

'03—W. D. Spengler, I, R. Watts and S. B. Tryon are employed as civil engineers with the Erie Railroad.

Ex-'04—C. B. Shaw is now general manager of Wilson's Department Store at Willoughby, O.

## THETA

'84—Francis Marion Dowling is pastor of the First Christian Church, at Pasadena, Cal.



## IOTA

'85—Ed. A. Bartmess is special agent for the Standard Oil Company, at Yonkers, N. Y.

'89—Frank M. Seibert, M.D., is engaged in the practice of medicine, at San Mateo, Cal.

'89—J. H. Wheeler is president of the Bank of Commerce, Oklahoma City, Okla.

'92—Ed. M. Devendorf is in the hardware business, at Arbuckle, Cal.

## KAPPA

'74—Wallace Heckman now has sole charge of the investing of the funds of the University of Chicago. His salary has been increased from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

'75—Arthur E. Haynes is a very influential member of the faculty of the University of Minnesota. In a recent letter to President Mauck, he said he worked the greater part of his way through college by wheeling dirt in a wheelbarrow, and he now has that wheel mounted on the top of his book-case in his study.

'83—Hon. H. A. Myers is a lecturer in the new law school of Omaha, Neb.

'94—E. P. S. Miller graduates from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, of Chicago, the coming spring.

'99—Duane T. McNabb was married during the holiday vacation to Miss Winifred Hill, of Hillsdale. Brother McNabb is a prosperous lawyer of Bad Axe, Mich.

'03—Arthur Berry and Miss Grace Harpham, of Quincy, Mich., were married, December 9. Brother Berry has been very successful as secretary of the Reading Robe & Tanning Co., with which he has been connected for several years.

'05—Arthur L. Higbee was recently married to Miss Besie Charles, of Marion, Ind.

'06—Connie L. Taisey is teaching school in Mancelona, Mich.

## LAMBDA

'84—Seth Millington, formerly Judge of the Superior Court, has now resumed the practice of the law at Colusa, Cal.

'85—Robert A. Long is the district attorney of Glenn county, Cal., with office at the county seat, Willow.

## MU

'89—In a letter to the *Palladium*, a DePauw publication, Edwin W. Dunlavy, a student who has known Dr. Hughes for many years as preacher and friend, gives this estimate:

"Not long since a man who is widely known in Methodist circles as an author, teacher and pastor was heard to say that no man of his years so commanded the confidence of the church as did Edwin H. Hughes, and he might well have added that those who knew him best were also the ones who most loved him.

"To one who occasionally sat beneath his preaching in his Malden church there came gradually the overpowering conviction that while many of the seven or eight hundred people who crowded into the church Sunday after Sunday may have first come there to hear the brilliant preacher, that the power which held them through eight years was a deeper power than mere intellectual force. We would not depreciate in the least the intellectual power of the man in saying that he was in the highest sense a spiritual force. He touched as no other man the lives of the thoughtful men of his city, and men heard him with an awakened desire to live better lives. His congregation was remarkable for the number of middle-aged men, many of whom had been led in the quiet of the office or home to know God through the personal work of Dr. Hughes. He was pre-eminently known as a man among men.

"His power is better understood when one comes beneath the charm of the man's personality. Coupled with his wide knowledge of men, his splendid self poise and administrative ability, there is a simplicity, a directness, a hatred of all cant



and pretense, a deep humility which somewhat reveals the power of the man and the preacher.

"One of his characteristics often remarked upon was that his friendships were with young men and with laymen, even more than with his associates in the ministry. He is pre-eminently a young man's man, filled with a young man's hope and optimism and courage. Indeed it is more than whispered that one of the determining factors in his consenting to come to De Pauw was the great interest in the problems of young men. He has always mingled with young men. He is a college fraternity man of the highest type. He was for several years editor of his fraternity magazine and president of his organization. He embodies all the high ideals of the college fraternity man but hates every form of littleness and jealousy which sometimes characterize the fraternity life of the smaller colleges.

"He has always been a brilliant and successful speaker. While a college boy he won the interstate contest, with our man Wilkerson so close a second that the victory has sometimes been claimed, but not justly, by De Pauw. As a speaker he is simple and direct, always giving the people the feeling that he has perfect grasp of himself and of his subject—that feeling of inexhaustible force, of energy chained down, which marks the greatest speakers.

"Unless one student's impressions are all wrong, our new president comes to De Pauw with every interest and every problem of the student body upon his heart. We will find him always approachable, always interested in our problems and always fair. A man who believes in our young manhood and who has gathered into his own personality those highest characteristics of the American man, tremendous energy, a boundless will power and a great depth of spiritual vision. Under his administration De Pauw will see more prosperous days than she has ever known."

## OMICRON

'85—C. H. Pomeroy, journalist, 4305 California Avenue San Francisco, Cal.

'85—Frederick E. Pomeroy, lawyer, Red Oak, Iowa.

'86—James F. Clark, member of the medical faculty of Iowa University, and practicing in Fairfield, Iowa.

'87—Charles R. Keyes, state geologist, Jefferson City, Mo.

'89—W. T. Summers, cashier of the Anglo-Californian Bank, L't'd, San Francisco, Cal.

'92—Fitz Warren Thompson, claim attorney for the United Railroads of San Francisco, Cal.

'95—W. L. Yason is with the Yason Carriage Co., Davenport, Iowa.

'96—Yax Koehler is a managing member of the American Brewing Co., St. Louis, Mo.

'97—John V. Littig, physician, Los Angeles, Cal.

'01—J. W. Hospers, lawyer, Orange City, Iowa.

'03—S. C. Williams, dentist, Knoxville, Iowa.

'03—H. S. Fairall, Jr., physician, Northome, Minn.

## RHO

'80—J. W. Lieb was elected one of the managers of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers at its recent New York meeting.

'82—N. S. Hill, Jr., chief engineer of the department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, New York, submitted, in the early part of September, a third report on the water waste investigations which have been in progress for nearly a year. The report is printed in full in *The Engineering Record* of September 19. In the same issue of the journal appears a sketch of Brother Hill's successful career in the engineering world.

'85—Charles E. Machold, formerly general manager of the Philadelphia office of A. D. Granger, is now senior member of



the firm of Machold and Riddle, contracting engineers, 1020 Stephen Girard Building, Philadelphia, Pa.

'90—E. W. Frazer has succeeded to the business of his father, recently deceased. The firm, Frazer & Co., is at present actively engaged in a general import and export business in Japan. Brother Frazer is also interested in various industrial enterprises, being managing director of the Tokio Saw Mills and the Yokohama Dyeing and Finishing Works.

'96—Stuart Cooper, in addition to being manager of the Annapolis Cold Storage Co., of Baltimore, Md., since May 7, 1903, has been treasurer and largest stockholder of the Bernhard Dietz Co., manufacturers of printers' rolls and roller composition.

#### SIGMA PRIME

'77—John Adam Metzler is principal of the St. Helena Union High School, St. Helena, Cal.

#### SIGMA

'96—Dr. William W. Hartwell was married to Miss Jennie M. Child, at Malden, Mass., June 16, 1903.

#### TAU

'94—F. C. Sweeton is a conveyancer in the real estate department, Pennsylvania R. R. Co., at its Broad Street offices, Philadelphia, Pa.

#### PHI

'92—Kev. J. Mercer Blain is a missionary to Kashing, China.

'93—Rev. Harry W. Myers is a missionary to Tokushima, Japan.

'95—Dr. Hugh M. Blain is assistant principal at the Fishburne Military School, at Waynesboro, Va.

'99—Dr. H. M. McIlhaney is resident secretary of the Y. M. C. A., at the University of Virginia.

'99—T. J. Farrar is teaching at Agnes Scott Institute, Decatur, Ga.

'02—Brother Page is a professor in the Shenandoah Valley Academy, at Winchester, Va.

'03—W. G. Pendleton is teaching at Williamson, W. Va.

'03—John W. Warner is at the head of a school in Charlestown, W. Va.

'03—Chas. C. McNeil is engaged in church work at Savannah, Ga.

Stockton G. Turnbull is in the lumber business in West Virginia.

#### BETA ALPHA

'93—E. R. Odle is practising law in San Francisco. His home is 3024 Harper Street, Berkley, California.

'03—Brothers Pinks and Smith are studying law at Columbia.

'03—Otto and Adolph Geiss are at their home in Evansville. Brother Otto is practicing law and Brother Adolph is with a tailoring firm there.

'03—Brother McKee has resigned his position as cartoonist on the *Fort Wayne News* to continue his studies in art in New York.

'03—Francis Ingler is dean of the Indianapolis Law School, Indianapolis, Ind.

'03—Robert Spratt is operating his photo studio here.

'03—P. J. Boyle is studying engineering at Michigan.

'05—Geo. Brehm is cartoonist on the *Indianapolis Star*. He will soon start for Washington, where he will act as staff artist for the *Star* during the session of Congress.

#### BETA IOTA

'99—Hugh Mercer Blain, Ph. D., is professor of English in Louisiana State University.

'96—Charles G. Smith, M. D., is a surgeon in the United States navy.



'00—Robt. W. Miller, M. D., is practicing medicine in West Virginia.

'00—Graham C. Painter is farming near Covesville, Va.

'00—Wm. Alfred Pinkerton, M. D., is practicing medicine at Covesville, Va.

'01—Allen C. Hutcheson, B. A., is studying medicine at College P. and S., New York City.

'01—Benjamin Vaughan Jones is in charge of a tannery business at Petersburg, Va.

'02—Lewis P. Chamberlayne, M. A., is teaching in the Chestnut Hill Academy, near Philadelphia. Pa.

'02—Arthur B. Harris, M.D., has recently moved to Birmingham, Ala., where he will practice medicine.

#### BETA MU

'96—Ralph H. Cheever is pastor of the Universalist Church, at Rockport, Mass.

'00—Clarence A. Cushman is with the Mirvin Sacking Co., at West Haven, Conn.

'01—Roger W. Armstrong is doing engineering work under John R. Freeman, and his address is 107 Angel Street, Providence, R. I.

'01—August I. Eriksson has received an appointment as physical director and instructor of mathematics at the Cascadilla School, Ithaca, N. Y.

'03—Harry T. Merritt is principal of the West Newbury High School, West Newbury, Mass.

Ex-'04—Roland G. Holt is studying in the Columbia Medical School, and is residing with Benjamin F. Adams, '04, who is in the automobile department of the White Sewing Machine Co., at 201 West 53rd Street, New York City.

#### BETA NU

'02—John R. Morse, who is employed by Stone & Welster, of Boston, is at present stationed with the Street Railroad Co., of Houghton, Mich.

'03—Ralph B. Yerxa is engaged in research work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, as private assistant to Prof H. O. Hofman.

#### BETA OMICRON

'93—Oliver S. Shantz, M.M.E., is at present employed as chief engineer for the Rand Drill Co., New York City. Brother Shantz is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Engineers' Club, of New York.

'01—W. D. Strait is secretary to the Inspector-General of Customs, in Shanghai, China.

'02—J. P. Kittridge is assistant to the superintendent at the Sharon, Pa., plant of the National Malleable Casting Co.

'03—H. M. Diemer is with the Wellman-Seaver-Morgan Co., Cleveland, O.

'03—Peter Fisher, Jr., is practicing law at Kenosha, Wis.

'03—E. J. Sterns is with the Alignum Fireproof Co., New York City.

'03—L. P. Warner is with the New York Ship Building Co., at Camden, N. J.

'04—L. R. Clinton has been with the Lestershire Lumber & Box Co., at Lestershire, N. Y., for some time.

'04—G. G. Parkhurst is at present attending Yale University.

'05—W. W. Cushing is in the office of the Baltimore, Md., Water-Works.

#### BETA UPSILON

'99—William Frazer is working a mine at Mojave, Cal.

'99—Ralph W. Weirick is studying architecture in Paris.

'99—Howard Ely is located at Danville, as resident engineer of the Danville water-works.

'00—Chas. L. Logue is now at Waukegan, Wis.

'03—Ellworth Story has opened an office as architect at Seattle, Wash.

'04—A. W. Errett is with the Westler Tube Works, at Kewanee, Ill.



'04—H. W. Fraser is at present in Mojave, Cal.

'04—H. T. Wheelock is located in St. Louis with the Terminal R. R.

#### BETA OMEGA

'02—R. S. Springer and C. P. Holt are engaged in business in Stockton, Cal.

'03—H. P. Phillips is in business at San Bernardino, Cal.

#### GAMMA ALPHA

'00—Ernest E. Irons, who is now in Rush Medical College, has been appointed an interne in the Presbyterian Hospital.

'00—Joseph C. Ewing was married, on November 1, to Miss Louise Currier, of Greeley, Col. Brother Ewing is now practicing law in Greeley and Denver.

'00—Robert S. McClure has been elected secretary of the Chicago Alumni Chapter.

Ex-'02—Frank M. McKey is continuing the business of receiver which was built up by his father, E. B. McKey, who died last year.

'03—Walter Edward Francis is working in the credit department of Franklin MacVeach, wholesale grocer.

'03—Robert S. Butler is at present working for his father, who is engaged in manufacturing farm implements. Brother Butler expects to enter Columbia University next fall to study mining engineering.

Ex-'03—Harvey D. Trimble is traveling for Brother William Harmon, '99, who is the owner of a thriving coal business.

Ex-'03—Benj. G. Lee is advertising manager for the firm of H. Herpolsheimer, of Lincoln, Neb.

#### GAMMA BETA

'02—Harry R. Harbeck, superintendent of construction for a construction company at Chicago, Ill.

Victor S. Persons, assistant engineer for the C. E. I. R. R., at Thebes, Ill., on construction work on the Thebes Bridge.

'03—George B. Robinson, in the engineering corps of the St. Louis Terminal Transfer Co., St. Louis, Mo.

W. C. Matthews, with the Matthews Gas Machine Co., Chicago, Ill.

Charles T. Brimson, division engineer, C. B. & Q. R. R., at Youngstown, Mo.

George Niestadt, chief draughtsman for Vierling McDowell Structural Iron Co., Chicago, Ill.

John F. Strickler, with Magnetic Equipment Co., Chicago, Ill.

E. E. Edgecomb, with Edgecomb Mill Co., Missouri Valley, Iowa.

John H. Mueller, General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Ex.-'04—R. W. Hammond, secretary of Hammond Printing Co., Fremont, Neb., has recently been married.

Ex.-'04—Otto A. Kruetsberg, engineer for Contractors' Supply Co., Chicago, Ill.

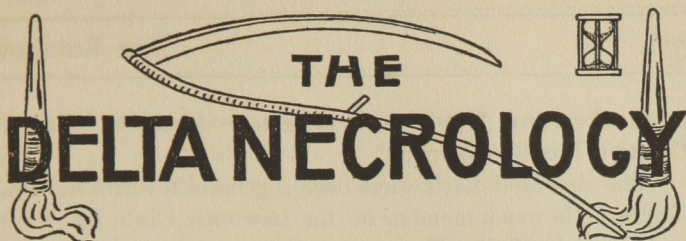
Ex.-'06—Howard L. Corthell, superintendent of construction for O'Rourke Construction Co., New York.

#### GAMMA ZETA

'03—Olin M. Caward is studying theology in Boston University, and is making a religious census of Malden, Mass.

'03—Ralph C. Lathrop is a student in the Law Department of Harvard University.





# THE DELTA NECROLOGY

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## ALPHA.

WILLIAM LEE JOHNSON, '92.

William Lee Johnson, one of New Castle's best known and most progressive young business men, died Wednesday evening September 23, 1903, after a very brief illness. Many of his friends did not even know that he was ill, so that the announcement of his death came as a severe shock. Mr. Johnson suffered an apoplectic stroke on Tuesday evening at 8:30 o'clock, lapsing into unconsciousness in a few minutes. The best medical skill was summoned and everything possible done to revive him but he could not be brought back to consciousness. He grew gradually weaker until 7:20, Wednesday evening, when the final summons came.

William Lee Johnson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Johnson, of Highland avenue. He was born in this city on October 16, 1868. He attended the public schools here and afterward went to Allegheny College, where he graduated. Upon completing his education he went into the limestone and other business with his father. He at once showed an aptitude for the work and made rapid advancement.

At the time of his death he was president of the Shenango Coal Company and a director in the Lawrence Savings and Trust Company. He was also interested in a number of other enterprises, being treasurer and director in the following companies: The George W. Johnson Limestone Company, Pennsylvania Limestone Company, Isabelle Lime-

stone Company, New Castle Limestone Company and the Crescent Powder Company.

The deceased has always been a general favorite in social circles. He was a member of the Lawrence Club, the Elks, and the Golf Club. He was a young man of very pleasant and agreeable disposition and one who had a large number of friends in the city. Besides his parents, one brother, Charles H. Johnson, survives. Much sympathy is expressed on every hand for the bereaved family.—*New Castle (Pa.) Herald*.

#### EPSILON

ABRAHAM A. WILSON, '86.

Died at his home in Detroit, Mich., December 26, 1903, Abraham A. Wilson, who, for several years, had been a salesman for Janeway & Carpenter, of Chicago.

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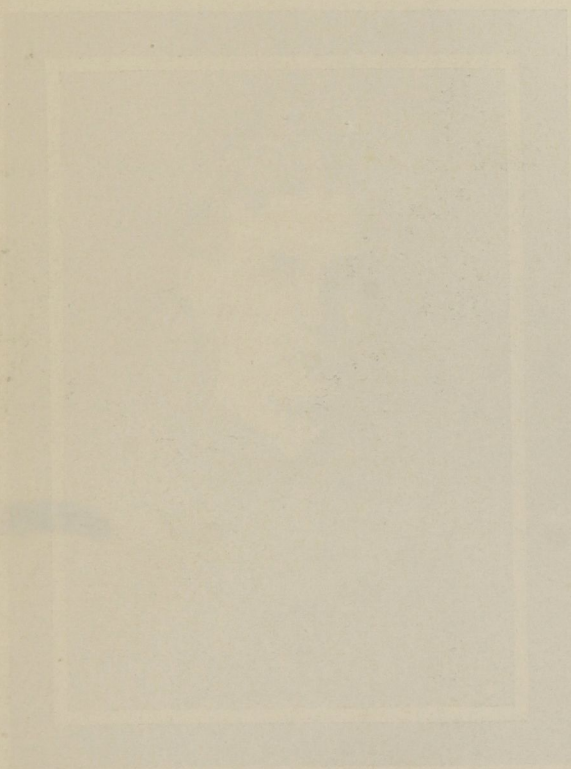
WILLIAM L. McLAUGHLIN, '06

The terrible fire at the Iroquois Theatre, Chicago, December 30, 1903, claimed among its victims, William L. McLaughlin, one of the most popular young men attending the University. He had left here at the close of the fall term, December 17, to spend the Christmas holidays with his uncle, the eminent Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, of Chicago. Among other anticipated pleasures, he was to be in attendance at the big wedding of the daughter of Dr. Gunsaulus, Miss Martha Gunsaulus, on New Year's eve.

Dr. Gunsaulus, in a letter written to the local chapter of Delta Tau Delta, thus describes the manner in which the young hero met his death. In part, he says: 'Will certainly saved the lives of more than fourteen women and children,

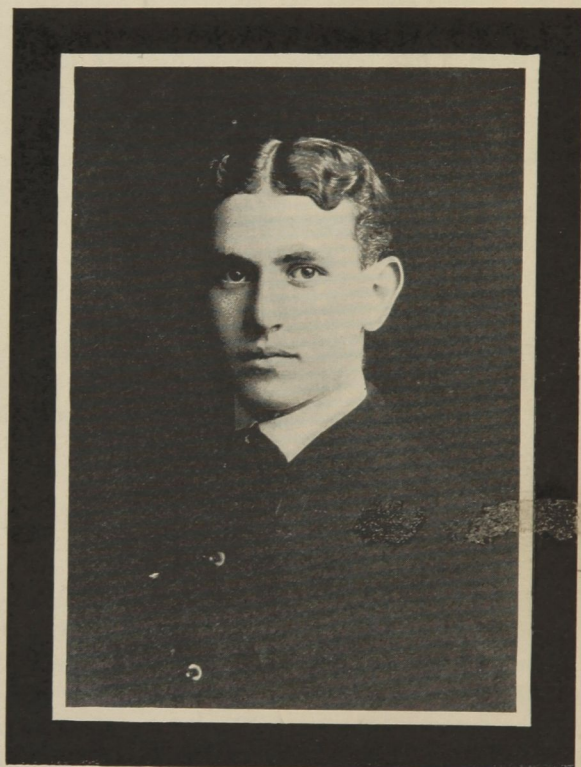


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WILLIAM L. McLAUGHLIN, Mu.



and he probably saved more than twenty. He was on that portion of the dreadful fire-escape immediately opposite the third story windows of the Northwestern University Law School. Up to that moment when he landed on the second-story steel platform he had not been burned. He was bare-headed, and pleading with the men, who were fighting their way over women and children, to hold back and save the helpless. Over in the Law School lecture room, calciminers were at work, and after a good deal of excitement in which many persons fell burning into the alley below, the workmen pushed across the alley a long plank, which was taken hold of by a young woman, who went across safely.

"When Will got to the end of the plank on the steel platform of the fire-escape, which was very small, he was kicked by a rough man, who ordered him out of the way. He promptly administered a corrective to this brute, and then for five or six minutes stood there, while he might have saved his own life more than fifteen times. He guided women and children upon the plank and helped them to such confidence as brought them across in safety; but there were iron doors immediately upon the platform, and they burst open, and then came bursting forth the dreadful fire, which had been only partially held imprisoned in the burning theatre.

"Will reached forward and seized a woman who was all on fire, and was soon seen to be on fire himself. Then the crowd from above, on the steel stairway, came tumbling down, and at last he was released from beneath eight bodies, seven of them being entirely lifeless. It was while fastened in this way that he received his fatal injuries, being held down so that he could not escape the flames.

"These charred his legs and arms so badly that, even if he had lived, they would probably require amputation.

"He was carried from the window of the Law School to a lecture hall and was found suffering severely. He had just raised his smoking hand and said: 'I am going to die. Give

your attention to the women and children. I am going to die and am prepared to die.' He expressed a desire to go to the Presbyterian Hospital at once. It is our finest hospital, and instantly he was cared for by the best which the hospital could afford, and he was relieved from his suffering almost entirely. In spite of his horrible burns death did not come for nearly twenty-eight hours."

At the chapel session last Thursday, the services were given over to the memory of our fellow-student so recently deceased.

The principle tribute was paid by Dr. Gunsaulus, who, by special arrangement, could be present. His words were impressive and eminently fitting. The students were wrapt in profound silence while he spoke, and that they were in sympathy with the speaker's every word was evident. The manner of McLaughlin's heroic death was so simply and tenderly told that the effect upon those who listened was the natural one—they were filled with the desire to live more nobly themselves.

Among the other exercises of the hour was the reading of the faculty minutes by Prof. Stevenson.

#### FACULTY MINUTES.

"The prodigal years have spread upon the records of our University life a multitude of ennobling memories. Our share in the revenue of honor and toil and love and courage and the Soul of Man—for which no price can be set, and which do not die with death—has been noteworthy.

"The latest picture in our lengthening gallery of the noblest contempt for self is that of a lad pausing half-way down a fire-escape. He had left us halfway up the curriculum. As he looks out towards the charmed future he calmly chooses to go back up the dreadful ascent and sacrifice himself for others more helpless than himself—and so gets on the honor roll of heroes.



"In William McLaughlin's death we are sorely bereft, but also highly exalted. We recall his bright intelligence, his eager interest in his studies, his excellent rank in his classes, his readiness to challenge all comers for a race on the track, or for a speech on the platform, his fine mingling of polite deference with a dignified self-reliance, his hope and courage and pure purpose. The future must have shone with a genuine radiance for McLaughlin. It drew hard on all that was noble of man. But death drew harder.

"His classmates will remember that towards the close of last term he was asked to read, for the class in English History, one of the stirring war speeches of Henry V. In his rendering of the great lines of Shakespeare his voice rang out true to his life, 'But if it be a sin to covet honor, I am the most offending soul alive.'

"The spirit of the King was his, and on the fire-escape he joined the noble company of martyrs, and of all defenders of the faith in the glory of service for others. We miss him, we, the Faculty, yet we shall find consolation in the guardianship of his memory. We thought his life was to make us rich in his manhood activities. Rather have we become opulent in the heroism of his death."—*The Ohio Wesleyan Transcript*.

#### GAMMA DELTA

ALEXANDER G. MCCHESENEY, '00.

Alexander Gallatin McChesney died at his home in Morgantown on Monday evening, October 26, 1903, after an illness of several months. Services were held at his residence Tuesday afternoon, and Tuesday night the remains were taken to Charleston, the home of his parents, where the funeral was held in the Presbyterian church, of which he was a member. His parents, who came before his death, and his sister, Miss Alice McChesney, a student in the University, also his

wife and child, and A. B. Cole, of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, accompanied the corpse.

Mr. McChesney entered the University in 1896. He was a popular student, and a member of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. In 1900 he received the degree of A.B., and the same fall was given an A.M. For two years he was Professor of Latin, first in West Kentucky College and then in the Montgomery Preparatory School. For more than a year he has been an energetic district agent of the John Hancock Insurance Company, with headquarters in Morgantown.

The wife of the deceased was formerly Miss Mona Bittle, of Morgantown, who left the University in her senior year to become his wife. He is also survived by a little daughter, two years old.—*Morgantown Athaneum*.

#### GAMMA DELTA

CHARLES B. HICKMAN, '01.

It is with sincere regret we chronicle the death of Rev. Chas. Benton Hickman, which occurred Thursday morning at 3 o'clock at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hickman, of the South Side, Fairmont. Although his illness had been of a long duration, his death came rather as a surprise to his many friends, as it was not thought that the end was so near. He was taken worse during the night and passed quietly away at the time mentioned.

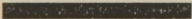
For the past few years Mr. Hickman had been in declining health, suffering from tuberculosis and other complications. Last winter he spent in Texas, and, failing to be benefited, returned to this place in the spring. He went later to Parsons, where he spent the summer months, and about four weeks ago came to the home of his parents here. He was gradually growing weaker, but possessing an energetic spirit, continued to go about and remained up as long as his weak condition



would permit. About two weeks ago he visited in the country but since has been unable to leave his home.

Mr Hickman was a graduate of the Fairmont Normal School and also attended the State University at Morgantown. He was in his last term of his graduation year at the latter school when he was compelled to give up his studies on account of his declining health. Last year he entered the Louisville, Ky., Theological Seminary and was taken sick with typhoid fever. After his recovery from that disease he went to Waco, Texas, remaining there for the winter.

Deceased was twenty-nine years of age. On Christmas Day, 1901, Rev. Hickman was married to Miss Lenore Dudley, of Parsons, who graduated from the Fairmont Normal a few years ago. She survives him. Mr. Hickman was a young man of splendid qualities and an ambitious nature and had a bright future in store for him. His death has cast a gloom of sorrow among his numerous friends, and the sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved wife, parents and sisters. As a minister he was well qualified, and was meeting with much success. Deceased was a minister of the Baptist denomination.—*Fairmont Herald*.





Gamma Phi Beta held its annual convention in Denver, November 10—13, 1903.

Kappa Alpha (So.) has installed a chapter at the Louisiana State University.

Dr. Taylor, the recently-elected president of Georgetown College, is a member of Kappa Alpha (So.).

Locals at the Georgia School of Technology are said to be petitioning Chi Phi and Phi Kappa Psi.

On January 15, 1904, the Alpha Eta Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta was installed at Vanderbilt University.

Despite the fact that Delta Upsilon was founded sixty-nine years ago, five of the founders of the parent chapter are still alive.

Theta Lambda Phi, a new legal fraternity, has entered Cornell. The organization has also chapters at Dickinson College and the Detroit School of Law

The Randolph-Macon Chapter of Phi Delta Theta has rented a chapter house. This is the first Virginia chapter of Phi Delta Theta to take such a step.

Phi Beta Phi has chartered a local at Dickinson College, and another local at the same institution is petitioning Kappa Alpha Theta.

The membership of the chapters at Wittenberg College is: Phi Kappa Psi, eighteen; Alpha Tau Omega, thirteen, and Phi Gamma Delta, nine (all freshmen).

A new honorary senior society, known as Skull and Bones,



has been started at Case. It is a secret organization, with the object mainly of friendship and good-fellowship.

Chas. H. Darling, A. B., *Tufts*, '84, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, was elected president of Zeta Psi at that fraternity's recent convention in Minneapolis.

S. A. E. follows the excellent example of Kappa Alpha Theta in having a yearly meeting of its governing body, in this case called the Supreme Council. The last gathering was in Chicago, December 21—24, 1903.

"We have been hard at work on the preparatory schools here in town, thinking that the freshmen would be in closer touch with the schoolboys now than at the end of the year, when they have drifted out of their influence somewhat. Our plan seems to have been a good one, for we have gotten a first-rate crowd together, two of whom have already been pledged."—*Beta Theta Pi* Correspondent, Johns Hopkins.

An athletic fraternity has been formed at the University of Iowa. At first chapters will be established only in the "Big Nine," but later it is proposed to have chapters in practically every American university. The chief object of the fraternity is to spread a bond of fellowship among college athletes and remove the feeling of distrust and suspicion which sometimes exists. Only wearers of the 'varsity initials will be entitled to membership.—*Purdue Exponent*.

"Theta Nu Epsilon now only exists at the Medical Department. It initiated no men at all last year, and if it goes on at its present rate it will be only a question of time before it surrenders its charter and passes into inactivity. Sigma Nu, although reestablished only last year, returned but one man to the academic department, and will have to do some strenuous work to continue in existence. The other fraternities, with the exception of  $\Delta \kappa \epsilon$ , seem to be holding their own—S. A. E. Correspondent Tulane University.

Unable to offer comment, we serve up to our readers in all their native grace, the following effusions from the pens of the Kappa Alpha (So.) correspondents at the Central University of Kentucky and the North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical College.

"The struggle for sisters still continues between the different "frats" here, and, although we have not the honor as yet of introducing any new sisters, still our chances are excellent, and before the next letter we hope not only to have one or two more girls, but also one or two new men." \* \* \*

"To each sister the chapter will give a neat box of Kappa Alpha stationery as a Christmas remembrance. Already attractive little cards have been made for use on that occasion. The paper will bear the badge in gold, with 'Alpha Omega Sisters' just below in crimson."

Three-fourths of the members of the Cabinet and the Supreme Court are college graduates, of whom a majority are fraternity men, and Princeton has no representative in either body. Of the Supreme Court, Chief-Justice Fuller (*Bowdoin*, '53), is a Chi Psi; Justice Harlan (*Centre*, '53), Beta Theta Pi; Justice Brewer (*Wesleyan*, '53), Beta Theta Pi; Justice Brown (*Yale*, '56), Alpha Delta Phi; Justice White (*Georgetown, D. C.*), non frat.; Justices Peckham and McKenna, non-collegians; Justice Holmes (*Harvard*, '61), Alpha Delta Phi; Justice Day (*University of Michigan*), Alpha Delta Phi.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

The following from the Virginia chapter letter of the *Alpha Tau Omega Palm* suggests several comments which we will deny ourselves.


"It was a source of no small amount of gratification to us to welcome a quintet of uncommonly good transfers to our chapter hall this fall; and it may be of interest to note that the general improvement in the quality of our transfers has been so great since I left the university in '96 that, instead of dread-




ing the very name of "transfer", as was more or less the case in those days, for fear that we should "catch a batch of undesirable lobsters," we nowadays look forward with a goodly amount of pleasant anticipation as the whirligig of Time brings back to us each recurring September with its bunch of A-1 transfers. So it is that we here in Virginia can realize the vast improvement in the condition of the chapters in other portions of the country."

We can reproduce the following from the *Kappa Alpha Journal* with a clear conscience, for "lifting," whether of chapters or individuals, is a practice Delta Tau Delta has always discountenanced. In several instances the temptation to backslide has been strong, but we need never regret that the badge of Delta Tau Delta has never been prostituted by adorning the breast of a renegade to another fraternity and his sacred oath.

"As a fraternity burglar on a wholesale plan, however, Psi Upsilon is not entitled to the belt without considering the merits of D. K. E., which has executed two beautiful jobs in surreptitiously making way with a whole chapter of Phi Delta Theta at Minnesota about twelve years ago, and repeating the joke at the expense of Phi Gamma Delta at Stanford some years later. The Delta Theta's kick against the Dekes' Minnesota maraud, however, is not very readily appreciated except on the distinction between petty and grand larceny, as the Phi's make no bones of embracing in membership single individuals who have proven disloyal to other fraternities. There is also nothing in Beta Theta Pi and some others which sees harm in the practice except when they happen to be the jokee."



# THE GREEK PRESS



After a year's service, the editor of *The Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta has resigned his position and is succeeded by Mr. H. DeWitt, of the Vanderbilt chapter, 1894.

The following excellent thought from an exchange is along the line of the most important policy that has been engaging the attention of our Arch Chapter for the last few years, and our success in just this line of work has been most flattering. For various reasons, many of them beyond human control, active chapters will have their ups and downs; but, if the fraternity's governing body gives such cases sufficient attention, there is no reason for the chapter's death unless the condition of the college itself is such as to make the outlook entirely discouraging.

"Every fraternity is troubled from time to time by what are usually termed 'weak chapters.' The student of the Greek-letter society will long, but never expect, to see the millenium when these phenomena of fraternity life, if I may call them such, will entirely disappear. The constant shifting and changing constantly going on in chapter life threatens to involve almost any chapter, and there is no man in our own fraternity, or in any other, who has not witnessed the sudden decline of a strong chapter to a pitiful weakness. It is useless to discuss or point out the causes that lead to such incidents; they are too well known to require explanation. In ten short years of watching the chapters of some of the strongest national organizations in one of our colleges, the writer can testify to having seen all of them on mountain heights of prosperity, and in the dark slough of despond. It simply remains for national fraternities to be always prepared for these emergencies, for frequently they come quickly. If a careful plan were adopted to nurse these individuals during their period of sickness, we should then find, instead of so many tombstones standing everywhere through the Greek world, seasoned veterans who, having run the course of their disease, had come to renewed vitality."—*S. A. E. Record*.



The following editorial contains a thought that has probably occurred at some time or other to almost every fraternity man.

"A man who may elect the army or navy as a life work, and go to West Point or Annapolis without first attending some collegiate institution, must forego the privilege of membership in college fraternities. In behalf of such young men, devoting their lives to our country's cause, we cannot but regret that this is so. While the strict class lines which are a predominant characteristic of each of these institutions have always been considered to preclude the idea of a fraternity chapter as operated in our colleges, we observe that in many of our colleges where fraternities lead a highly successful existence class lines are drawn with marked severity, though in none, perhaps, to the degree practiced in the national academies; and we observe further, that a man's association with his classmates, numbering a hundred or more, can never be on the intimate basis on which a fraternity man knows the members of his own chapter. And then there is the association with one's fraternity mates after college, the lack of which is a distinct loss. Army and navy regulations are strict, and great the power of tradition; we doubt not that a proposition to install a chapter at West Point or Annapolis would meet with rigid opposition. Nevertheless, we repeat, we regret that our fellows entering the army and navy are not to know what it is to be fraternity men."—*Scroll Phi Delta Theta*.

In an article written for Brown's *Liber Brunensis*, President Faunce, of Brown, has preached a little sermon that especially merits the attention of our chapters' upper-classmen.

We reproduce parts of it:

"Many a senior or junior has taken an irresponsible new-comer as a roommate out of sheer brotherly kindness, and trained him till he could go alone. He has taken the boy who was tempted to think that a ten-cent magazine was literature and a ten-cent show is the drama, and made him feel that cheap and vulgar pabulum means a cheap and vulgar mind. Again and again some of our fraternities have steadied and coached their younger members and saved them from disaster; and a fraternity that does not habitually do this has no right to exist among us. An organization with no sense of responsibility is an organization for which the university declines to be responsible.

"Upper-classmen can give to the narrow man, whose horizon has been the village street, a wider outlook and a larger sympathy. It has been happily said of Abram S. Hewitt that he had a 'national mind.' No eastern man can have this unless he has associated with western men. The man who has never (mentally) lived outside of New England is essentially provincial, and his judgment on national issues unsound. There is no more striking provin-

cialism than that of men who have lived all their lives on Manhattan Island, and whose ideas of Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago are derived from the comic papers. The northern boy needs to meet the southerner—the son of the abolitionist needs to know the son of the confederate general. Half the benefit of college life comes from being shaken up together with men of various pedigrees, convictions, talents and regions of the country.

“Now, that the smoke has partly cleared from the battlefields of the annual “rushing” campaign, I wish to present a few observations concerning the evils of the present method of pledging new members for the chapters. These evils pertain not alone to Alpha Tau but to all the other fraternities which adopt the same methods of securing new members. In all colleges great rivalry exists among the different chapters during the first months of each new year, and the number of men pledged is often taken as the barometer to indicate the prosperity of the chapter.

“During my ten years’ observation of the local chapters, I have often watched with alarm the apparent haste and lack of investigation displayed in selecting new members. I am pleased to state that up to the present time my fears have been nearly always without foundation, but Providence may not be as kind in the future.

“In a university, whose students come from distant points, it is improbable that all the desirable men have friends in college who can vouch for their fitness. The usual result is that members are selected who appear worthy after a few days acquaintance. Athletes and other men prominent for the moment are usually singled out by this custom, while many others of great ability and excellent character, who ultimately would make the most desirable of fraternitymen, are not known until after the annual initiation. The old method of pledging men before entering college has for the most part become obsolete, but the present scheme has little advantage over that plan.

“Many recommend that a fraternity should be considered only after a year’s residence at an institution. This period allows the new man to make his estimate of the fraternity and also permits the fraternity to take the candidate’s measure. The chief objection to this plan is the loss to the member of a year’s fraternity life when such life is most important in developing character; likewise the chapter is unable to do its proper work with no representative from the entering class.

“The choice of a fraternity is without doubt the most important event in the life of a college man. The initiation of desirable members each year is food upon which the chapter depends for its existence. The greatest care should be taken on both sides to issue a correct choice. The ideal scheme seems to the writer to be briefly as follows: The annual initiation should be held during the first two weeks in December, after the football season has terminated and before the social season has commenced.



"No new men should be asked to join until one month previous to the initiation. Each new candidate should be intimately acquainted with all the members of the chapter before giving his pledge. All men, after being asked to join, should have an opportunity to investigate the character of the chapter from neutral sources before making the final decision.

"The men who are actively engaged in the pledging should avoid reference to any thing derogatory to any other fraternity, and candidates should by all means avoid pledging themselves to any chapter which adopts this method of securing men."—*Alpha Tau Omega Palm*.

A thoughtful word is spoken in the following editorial. Pan-Hellenic organizations have not proved themselves the ideal means of uniting the competing chapters at the same institution, but we believe another movement, that has become widespread, will develop into the strongest and most healthy means toward this end. We refer to the interfraternity athletic contests of various sorts that, of late years have become so common in most of our colleges.

"A fraternity chapter should avoid combinations and cliques. Pan-Hellenic leagues are worthy when tending only to promote true interfraternity comity; when used simply to dominate class and college politics they are curses. Honors, to be honors indeed, must be fairly earned; those gained by 'log-rolling' are mere shams. Every fraternity chapter must remember that it owes a duty to its college as well as to itself. An insistent avoidance of these college combinations will appeal to the innate sense of righteousness which lies within the breast of non-fraternity man and fraternity man alike.

"With every fraternity member and every fraternity chapter adhering to these tenets, the non-fraternity element in a college will have respect for the fraternity system, and will not by a single word attack it. A carping few, indeed, may, 'wail and gnash their teeth,' but their own individuality will cause their efforts to die of their inherent weakness. Perhaps in a very few very small colleges where the fraternity system has become congested, we will still hear of unseemly struggles, and find that faculties are fighting the battles of non-fraternity men. The only and proper solution of such cases will be the prompt withdrawal of the fraternities from the institutions. And that such a course would be a welcome one to many fraternities no one will deny. Chapters in these weak institutions, established as they were in the days of fraternity infancy, have in most instances become sources of weakness, and any struggle to hold them will not be entered into. The game is not worth the candle."—*Caduceus of Kappa Sigma*.

Supplementing a brief note in our last issue in regard to the warfare being waged in some southern colleges between the fraternity and non-fraternity elements, the following clipping from the official organ of Pi Kappa Alpha may be of interest:

"The bonds which unite students of the same institutions are often slight and the need of a closer union is felt. The college fraternity, which has for its ends 'the cementing of friendships, the encouragement of manliness, and the development of sociability' is the natural result of such instincts and propensities. Here the jealousies, the animosities and the strifes of college life are swallowed up in true friendship. Here, and only here, in college life are realized those longings for fellowship and society which are a part of every student's nature.

"Then with this progress along educational lines came a corresponding increase in the number of college fraternities. Thirty years ago the number of chapters was comparatively small, while now there is scarcely a university of college in the South where one or more chapters of these Greek-letter organizations are not to be found.

"In the wake of this increase in the number and power of the fraternities has come the anti-fraternity movement, in the shape of secret organizations, created for the benefit of non-fraternity students, disclaiming any semblance to the fraternity of the Greek-letter type—though in some instances they have later developed into such—their aim being to allay strife and protect and vindicate the rights of that element.

"As to its origin: it's based nominally the same as that upon which the fraternity is founded, a natural and legitimate desire for sociability and fellowship. Its purposes are apparently high and noble. Within these limits no exceptions can be taken. In regard to the spirit, however, which often prompts such organizations and which is often evidenced by them, the presence of bitterness, enmity and an inordinate desire for strife is too obvious to be denied. Nor, be it confessed to their shame, are the fraternity men entirely exempt from their share of the reproach for the presence of this spirit. By their conduct, by thoughtless words that fall on the ears of eager listeners, by an undue amount of arrogance and pride, they fan into a flame the sparks of resentment which break forth in a consuming fire of hatred.

"This question, we are aware, does not appeal to all the colleges in the South. In many places the fight is inter-fraternity, a healthy rivalry exists, and much good is accomplished. But the movement is spreading and in those colleges in which these organizations are to be found it has in many instances assumed alarming proportions. We do not deny to them the right to organ-



ize, nor do we deny the right of labor unions to organize, but when the union begins to intimidate and prevent honest men from joining their interest with those of capital, we protest such interests and deny them such assumption of authority. So when the anti-fraternity begins to decry the fraternity, to malign it, and by gross misrepresentations to attempt to prejudice the minds of innocent men, who know nothing of the fraternities, against them, it is the right and the duty of the fraternity man to use every means in his power to refute such allegations.

"It is in the college election, perhaps, that this malevolent spirit is most manifest. Here is furnished abundant field for political martinism, and unscrupulous means for accomplishing unworthy ends. Let it be understood we do not condemn men for joining their forces to secure the election of deserving men. But here the anti-fraternity organizations leave the defensive, forget the nobler purposes which called them into being, assume the offensive, and, with the war cry of "Down with the Fraternities," go into the thickest of the fray. Their tickets are often stated months in advance, and every member of the organization pledged to support it. The fraternities, on the other hand, unsuspecting and lacking organization, are unprepared."—*The Shield and Diamond*.

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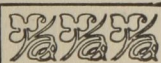
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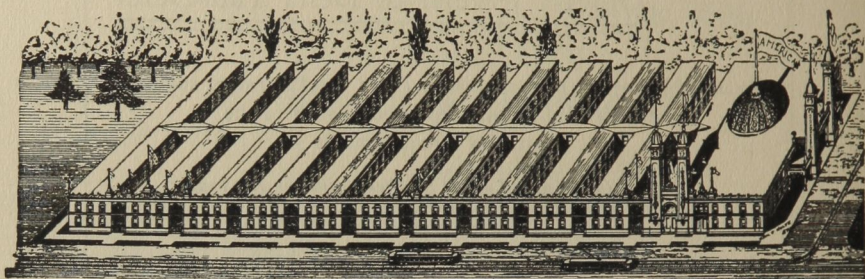
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