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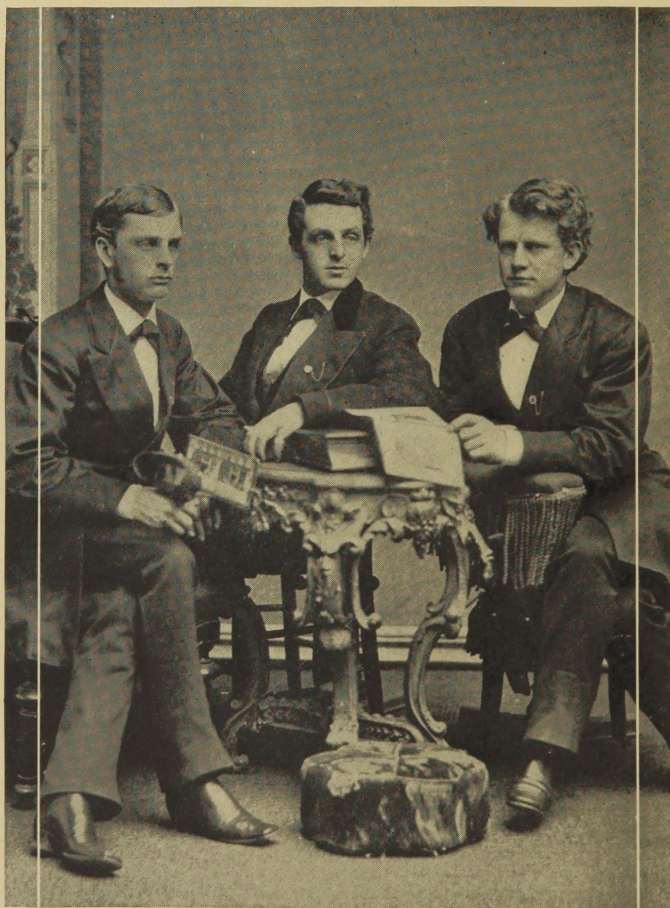
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A Fraternal Friendship

A Remarkable Bond that has Held for Nearly a Half Century Among Three Members of Kappa Chapter

Friendships of college days are not peculiar in the sense that they are exclusive in spirit or savor of a "better-than-thou" sentiment. Humanism and wide-reaching fellowship are of the essence of college ideals, and he who does not exemplify them is not responsive to those ideals. But college ties are peculiar in that they are formed during the years in which one is entering upon the sober thought and plans of the adult and acquiring the traits of his permanent character.

This short sketch treats of the friendship of three men who, in the academic year 1870-71, entered the preparatory department of Hillsdale (Michigan) College; one from Hillsdale County, another from Ashtabula County, Ohio, the other from Gallia County, Ohio. They were respectively Otto Fowle, Fred A. Williams and Joseph Wm. Mauck.

They soon became close friends and were members of the same literary, Greek letter and musical societies, in class and society quartettes, in informal social coteries—informal and natural, for their democratic college has no semblance of caste. They were familiarly known as Otto, Fred and Will, and their associations were so marked that the mention of two of these names easily suggested the third.

Fred and Otto were chums in the old dormitory, which was destroyed by fire in their Junior year. During the

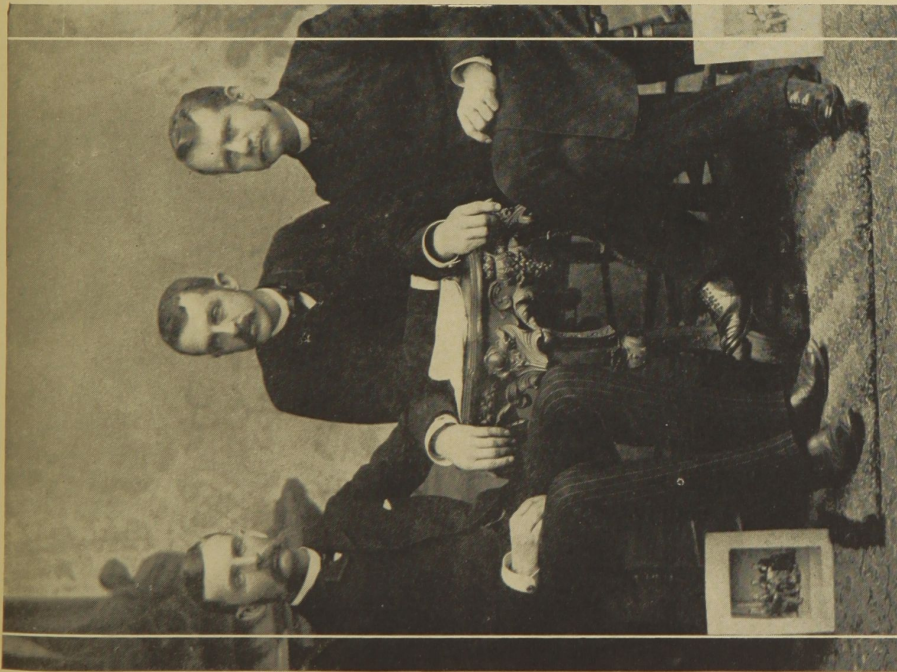
last year the three occupied a suite of rooms. A draft from home for one was of the nature of common property; and a practice of borrowing and keeping accounts "in the head" resulted in perplexities which necessitated a periodic "jumping of accounts" and a new start. For two scores of years each has tried to collect from the other two some fancied loans which he claims were never paid.

In 1875 before graduating they sat for a group photograph, and formed a compact to repeat the act five years later. Since that time they have met during the general Quinquennial Reunions of their Alma Mater.

Their friendship in the intervening years has been marked by a free correspondence and by exchange of visits which have often involved significant effort and cost. If one in travel has come near the home of another he has either stopped or wired to his friend to board the train for a run to another station.

Otto—they call him Senator because as such he has for two terms served his state—quit the law and organized the oldest bank, of which he is the president, with other business interests, at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Fred has remained in Ashtabula, Ohio, whence he went to college, and is prosperous in the real estate, insurance and building-loan business, and active in library, school and other civic affairs. Will was twice professor in his Alma Mater and has been its president since 1902, following business activities of a dozen years in Chicago and Minneapolis and six years as president of the State University of South Dakota.

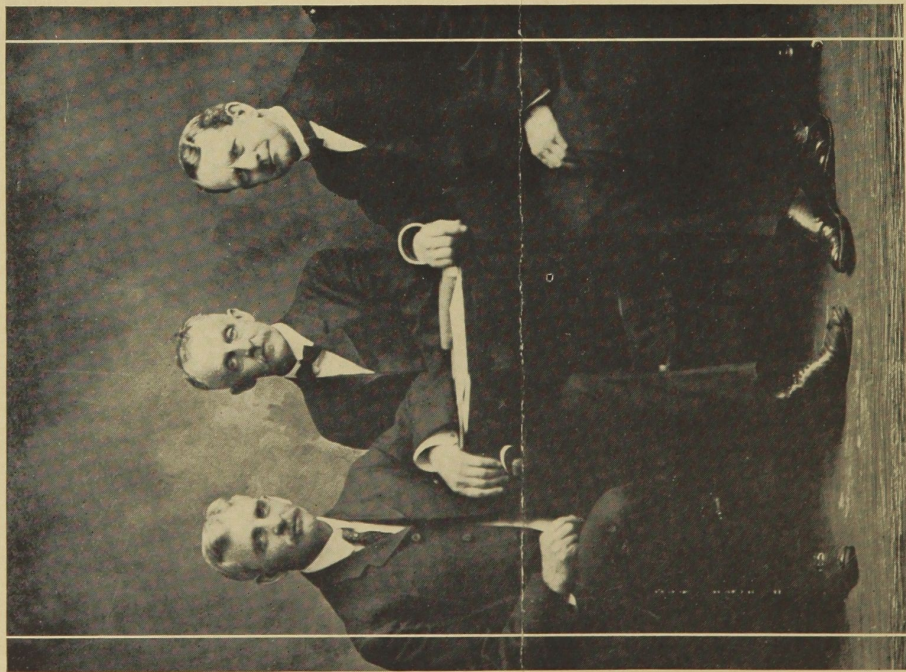
In each of the following groups of the three, Otto is on the left of the reader, Fred in the center, and Will at the right. It was good form, when they were in college, to adorn style with touches of Latin and at that time they might have adopted Cicero's "*De Amicitia*" as a title of a tribute. Now they prefer the homely "*Old Friends are Best.*"



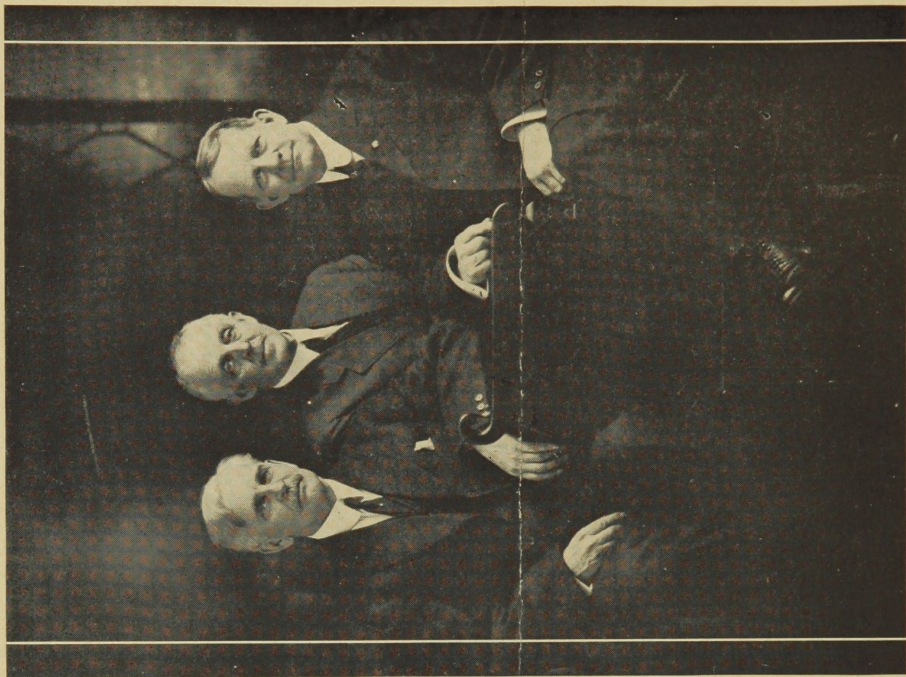
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The Handwriting on the Wall

By Oscar Beckmann

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One bracing day last September I finished reading Walter Lippmann's "Drift and Mastery," a fascinating interpretation of the chaotic, changing age we live in. It concluded with a vision of new ideals. As I rode down to a Delta luncheon that noon I reflected on the probable influence of a revolutionized world on the college fraternity. How must the ideals of my Fraternity expand to keep pace with those of a newly inspired world?

One of the biggest tasks of our day is the formulation of progressive ideals to fit the new conditions we see around us. An observation heard every day is that scientific invention has caused more world progress in the past century than in a thousand years that went before. Invention has not alone supplanted mechanical processes. It has shattered concepts, convention and conservatism. The rock of ages has been dynamited. It is not to be expected that we can hold fast to the ideals of our ancestors. We can no more live in conformance with New England respectability, Victorian manners, Jeffersonian politics or Cotton Mather theology than we can travel by stage coach or wear knee breeches.

The machinery of society—of every day life—has not been remodeled to fit the inventions of industry. The automobile of civilization is equipped with a 1916 chassis and a prairie schooner top. Bewildered and confused with the consistency of things, we grope for new aims and ideals to take the place of the discredited absolutism. Perhaps the old ideals are good enough for ex-President Taft or John D. Rockefeller, but they do not satisfy progressive thought in American universities today.

Infinite problems confront us in the readjustment of society. The complexity of modern life is almost maddening. There are so many problems before us that many of us refuse to be bewildered—thus accounting for the “stand-patter”. One need only mention the labor problem, immigration and miscegenation, political and judicial reform, prohibition, the negro problem, the woman’s movement. Library shelves bulge with books written in an endeavor to solve them. Propagandists are as vexatious as beggars in Italy.

We may escape or avoid some of these problems, but no one can well escape some phase of the all-inclusive problem, the alteration of the existing economic machinery. Few will deny that it must be changed. Festering ulcers have grown on the giant of commercialism. Bitterness and bullets between employer and workman, exploitation of labor and cut-throat business methods: these are the shame of industry. The elimination of swollen fortunes and the business profiteer is the most vital problem of the day. Both worker and consumer are demanding a voice in industrial management.

New problems require new ideals. No matter how you phrase these aims democracy will be their bull’s eye. Genuine democracy, not nominal freedom; equal rights and opportunities in the necessity of earning a living as well as casting a ballot. The oft-mentioned “arousal of public conscience” only means that we are becoming ashamed of the way we are treating millions of our fellow men in the economic world. This “conscience” is apparent in the demand that big business be brought under government control. It shows itself in the increasing arbitration of labor disputes and in co-operative enterprises. Industrial democracy is on the way.

The inevitable changes in society will affect the function

of the universities. They are already readjusting themselves. In years gone by the colleges were mainly storehouses of historic wisdom. Students were expected to soak up facts as a sponge soaks up water. Whether the ancient learning did them any good depended on themselves. It might be compared to giving an Indian a watch and having him wear it only for ornament. Students were seldom taught to use their education in the formulation of new thought.

While in college the student's attitude towards knowledge was a passive one. And after graduation there was no incentive for the man to use what he had learned. Until recently higher education was a special prerogative of the wealthy. A knowledge of the classical studies was quite as necessary to the reputability of members of the upper classes as an ostentatious display of clothes, servants and habitations. Like manners, an education lent an enviable distinction to those who were able to pay for it. Conspicuous leisure, in the sense of non-productive labor, was necessary to attain it. And as long as the leisure class disdained to associate with anything that touched vulgar handiwork, the benefits of an education were not applied to the enhancement of life on the whole.

More recently, students have come to take the sporting attitude towards their college work. Competition was encouraged, just as it was in business. Collegians battled for a diploma with the same enthusiasm that they battered the line on the football field. But together with the fighting spirit comes blind loyalty and partisanship. The thought: "My country, right or wrong," is applied to college and fraternity and the life's ideal. Blind adherence of this kind fails to fit a very discriminating world.

Scientific invention is changing the university ideals. Already an entirely different spirit actuates the schools of

science and engineering from that which inspired the old classical college. University laboratories are pioneers in new discovery. The students learn by doing. The instinct of workmanship, buried for ages under the pride and scorn of the leisure class that patronized the old colleges, is again coming to the surface. The old-fashioned courses are deemed hopelessly dull compared with the professional courses where the student may accomplish work of actual, practical value. The abstract principles are still there, but they are practically applied. Instead of memorizing the dimensions of Fulton's steamboat engineering students are conceiving new ideas for submarine development. There were no industrial schools when the industrial era began; now there are hundreds, each doing more for the advancement of civilization than their fellow departments in the universities.

This leadership will not be permanent, however. With the adjustment of society to its technical progress, other departments will cry "fore". At present the universities are endeavoring to accommodate educational activities to social demands. They are striving to make college courses dovetail with life; in fact, to make them a part of life itself. When the "practical" spirit takes hold of other departments in the university the colleges will house the economic, political, judicial and sociological laboratories of the nation as well as its scientific laboratories. Advanced research work in business administration, in popular government, in judicial readjustment, in the conservation of resources, in social service work and social efficiency: this is the work of the new university. The cultural studies will be turned into power. The universities will be the workshops of a greater democracy.

In the new order of things the college fraternity will also be forced to seek new purposes. To cling to aristocracy is

to be torpedoed along with the rest of the world's orthodoxy. It cannot be denied that fraternity membership is sought because of the enviable distinction it confers; it is a special privilege.

With progressive ideals I believe college fraternities will live for centuries. Men gather in societies, like sheep in a flock. They are made for co-operation, like the rows of the upper and lower teeth. Fraternities have within them the seed of their success, for the reason that men's thoughts are perpetually recurring to the pleasant associations of their youth. Whenever a man is tired or afraid, whenever he fears to look into a forbidding future, he finds consolation in the past. He dreams of a golden age. The golden age of life is youth and its banner years are those of college. If fraternity friendships and ideals are sincere and true they will last through life.

This is true more particularly because the fraternity is of vital influence in moulding habit and character during a very impressionable age. The importance of progressive, inspiring, fraternal ideals is apparent. As long as the fraternity clings to the ideal of snobbish superiority, of class distinction, it will fail to accommodate itself to the changing ideals of contemporary life.

The fraternity is no longer a literary society, a loose-jointed social club or a drinking crew. Its ideal has shifted to providing a real home for its members while they are in college. Unfortunately some of our fraternity houses are roistering imitations of big-city clubs. Its occupants are interested mainly in cocktails, cards and co-eds. They will soon belong to a past age.

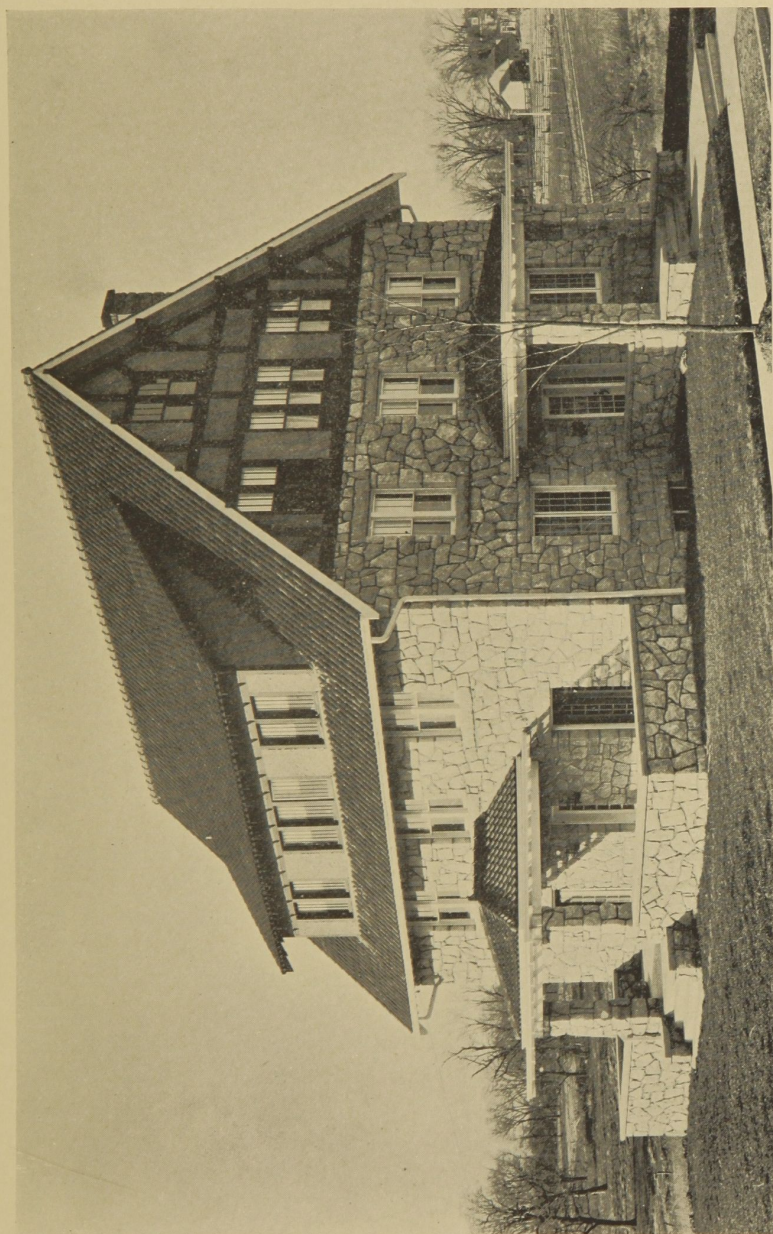
But the fraternity must be more than a home for its members. Its influence on the lives of its members must be more than that of a boarding house. An important step towards the higher ideal is the gospel of scholarship,

nationally inaugurated among fraternities by our own president, James B. Curtis. Fraternity members are taking larger parts in the affairs of student unions and other campus organizations. They are "mixing" more than they used to. But if fraternities do not read the handwriting on the wall they will be rendered of no account by the student union.

With the extension of college education to the sons of the working class the fraternities cannot delegate to themselves the heritage of aristocratic tradition. They must open their doors. Already it is apparent that less admiration is wasted on the boy whose father sends him to college with \$5,000 a year, a French roadster and bone where his brain ought to be. Because a youth dresses like the street car ads is no indication that he is good fraternity material. Fraternities are coming to take their mission seriously. Their members are beginning to realize that efficiency and co-operation are just as important during the precious years of college as they are after commencement in a business office.

With broader democracy within and without the fraternity, the outlook of its members widens. Within the chapter will be a variety of types, each of benefit to the other; a wide variety of interests extending the vision of the group; genuine representative government in miniature; every member working in harmony with every other in sifting the problems of contemporary life.

The fraternal ideal must necessarily accord with the progressive ideals of the new university and the new world. It must be consecrated consciously, seriously and vigorously to the achievement of the finest there is in life—a perpetual source of inspiration in subsequent trial and trouble.



Gamma Kappa's New Home
Missouri

Gamma Kappa's New Home

University of Missouri

By Nelson Hill

In two respects the new home of Gamma Kappa Chapter is unique among fraternity houses at the University of Missouri—in location and arrangement of the ground floor. Gamma Kappa's house is the only one in Columbia that is situated out of ear-shot of other houses. On three sides no buildings are even visible. On the fourth side the nearest neighbors are the Kappas and the Alpha Tau Omegas, four hundred yards away. Yet in spite of our isolation we are only six hundred yards from the main campus of the University. Furthermore, our lot is bounded on two sides by University property, so that we will never be entirely surrounded by residences. Our location is one of the highest points in town; and, most important of all, it faces the University golf links with a beautiful view of the open country south of Columbia. Tee Number One is scarcely a hundred feet from our door. During the fall months our home seemed like a country club, with golfing togs and sticks all over the place. Our solitary situation has given rise to a number of good-natured jokes at our expense, but we are more than satisfied with the quiet and seclusion of Home. In situation the Delt house can never be equaled in Columbia.

As for the other matter which gives individuality to our house—it can be equaled, but so far no other fraternity in town has such an efficient first-floor plan. There are only two rooms on the ground floor, the living room and the dining room, separated by a central stairway. Entrance is from the east directly into the living room, with the staircase opposite the door. The living room is forty feet by eighteen. At one end is a large stone fireplace with built-in

bookcases on either side. On either side of the stairway is a pair of glass swinging doors opening into the dining room, which is of the same size as the living room. Both rooms are decorated alike in harmonious shades of brown, tan and green. The advantage of our ground-floor plan is that it gives two large handsome rooms, with windows on three sides, in place of a number of dark and stuffy little rooms, while for dancing it is perfect, being in effect one large hall. It can accommodate more dancers than any other house of its size in Columbia.

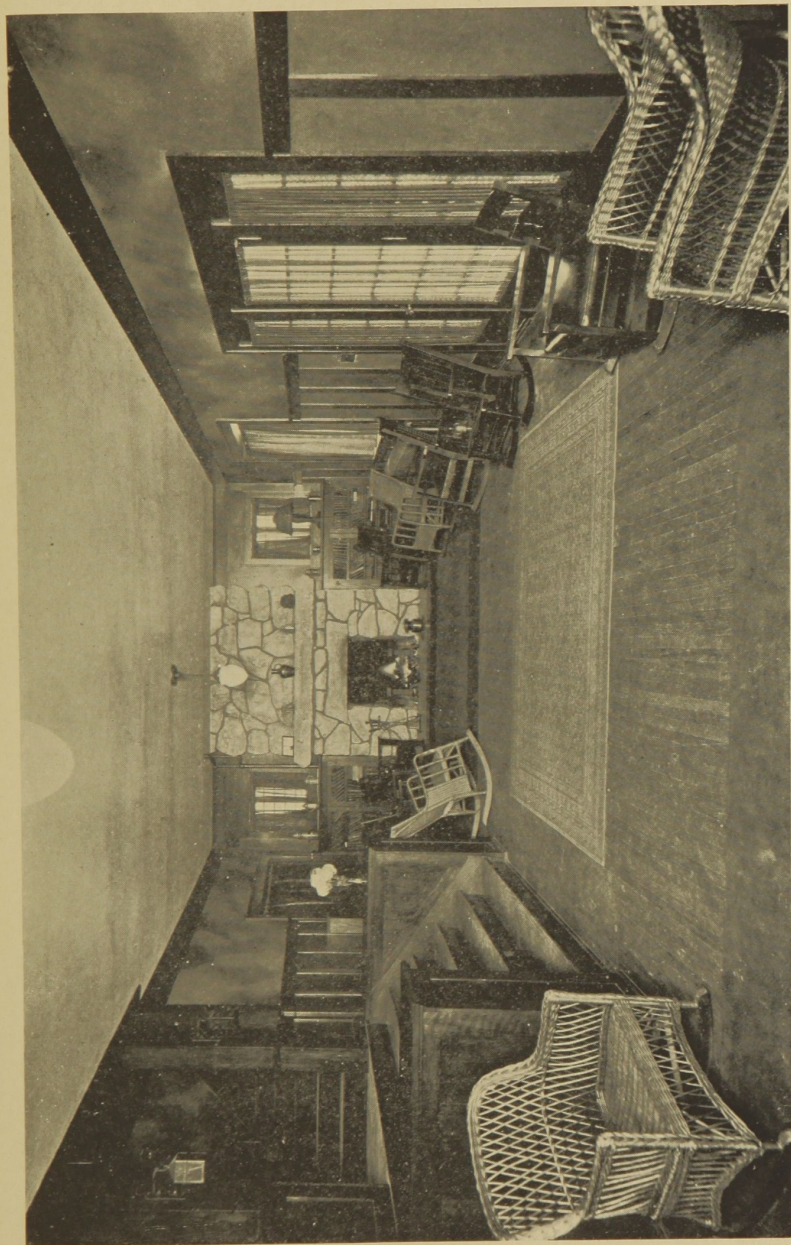
The second and third floors, as well as the first, are finished in hard wood. There are six rooms with bath and shower on each of the main sleeping floors. A fourth floor has been added to the original plans. There are two rooms on this floor.

The basement is divided into kitchen, chapter room, trunk room, coal bin, furnace room, store room and servants' quarters. The kitchen is connected with the dining room by a dumb waiter. Electric light and steam heat are used throughout.

The house is of stone for two stories and timbered stucco for the third and fourth, with a roof of red tile. On the south side next to the golf links is a partly covered porch running the length of the house, forty-three feet. On the north side there is a driveway and a porte-cochere.

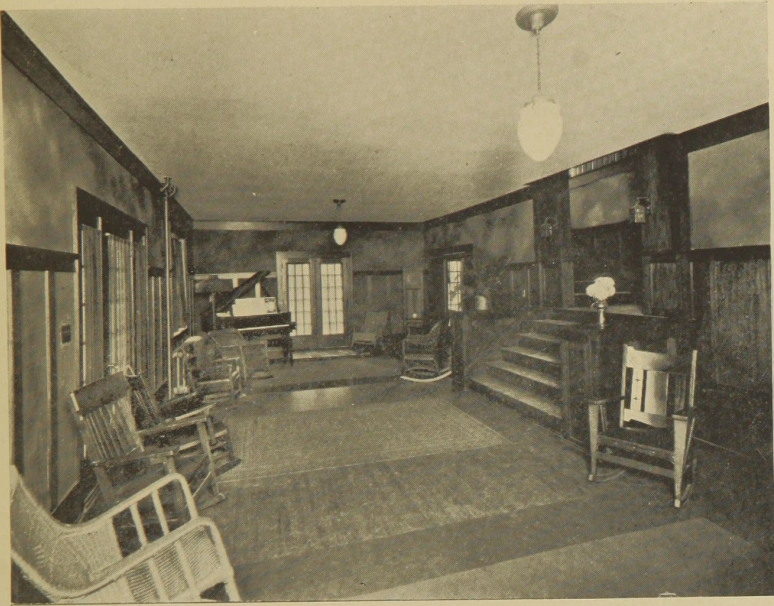
The dimensions of the lot are eighty by one hundred and twenty feet. Last fall more than a hundred shrubs were planted around the house and by spring these will have added considerably to the appearance of the place. The total cost of the house and lot is \$20,000. It has been occupied since September and has given perfect satisfaction.

Chief credit for making the house more than a "castle in the air" is due to Brother L. R. Long. For several years the chapter has desired a new house, but nothing much was



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done from year to year except a desultory collection of house notes. Brother Long with the assistance of a few other brothers worked a year raising money. By the summer of 1915 the necessary amount was collected, and construction began at once. Brother Long stayed in Columbia all summer overseeing the job until the house was finished early in September. The gratitude of the chapter is due Brother Long for the part he took in securing for the chapter the tremendous advantage of living in adequate quarters.



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Time Enough

By James B. Curtis

Mid-year has come and gone. The Conferences of all our Divisions have been held. Reports have been carefully analyzed to determine the progress of our various chapters. Some of them were most gratifying; others were disappointing. In the latter cases, vigorous comment was made by delegates from other chapters. These were heard and, no doubt, heeded by the delegates present.

It is a fact that but a few members of each chapter get the benefit of discussions at Conferences of the different Divisions. This arises from the duty to the chapter as a whole, which prevents many who would like to attend from doing so. The result is that the individual members of our chapters get only fragmentary reports as to suggestions made and advice given. There are so many things of importance discussed in a Conference that the delegates can hardly be expected to carry back to their chapters all of the benefit derived by them as individuals. There are many defects shown by the reports which should be known to every member of our Fraternity. This is true because there is time enough in the present college year to bring about reforms wherever they are necessary. Reforms cannot be effective without the hearty co-operation of every individual in a chapter.

There is room for improvement in reference to the management of finances. Many reports showed that chapters are still permitting actives to accumulate an indebtedness which will add to their alumni delinquent list, which should be decreased until it is wiped out of existence. An active chapter has no right to burden a future generation of college men with the debts of its present members.

This should be thoroughly understood and appreciated by every man. This is especially true because in far too many instances the debts are owing by men who have allowances which are spent in a frivolous manner and the chapter is forced to carry them as a burden. Such men should not be carried. If one who is partially earning his way through college cheerfully meets his liability from month to month, denying himself all luxuries, it certainly follows that every man in the chapter should do likewise. While there is still time enough in the college year a careful scrutiny should be made by the men in each chapter of business ideas to the end that an arrangement be effected now that will enable every chapter to collect every cent of indebtedness from every member before he leaves the college at the end of the year.

The financial returns from a half dozen chapters show that their weak spots are in their business management. This is an age of business efficiency and college men applying for positions are quickly put to the test. If they have learned to manage their own affairs in a business-like way while in the University, they quickly make a place for themselves in the business world. If they have been careless of their obligations while in college and have failed to heed the business methods recommended by the executive officers of the Fraternity, they are doomed to disappointment while learning this necessary lesson. There is time enough left in the present college year for every active in each chapter to master the simple problems of chapter business management. If these are mastered, the man has a general knowledge of what is necessary to run a small corporation. This will be found by him to be invaluable when he accepts a position any place. Is it not worth while, then, for him to improve the remaining time of the present college year in mastering the financial problems of his chapter and in helping to solve them?

The Conferences came so closely upon the end of the first semester of the college year that complete reports were not received as to the scholastic standing of many chapters. Of those received, a large number were most gratifying and showed that the majority of our chapters appreciate the importance of the matter which has been given so much attention in our Fraternity for the last decade—namely, improvement in scholarship. Again it is evident that our chapters hold first, second and third places in a large number of institutions. This record, however, is marred by reports from some chapters which demonstrate that there is still indifference to the very thing for which colleges were established. It is a fact that all of our institutions were established to give to the young men who attend them a liberal education. Does a young man deserve to be permitted to remain in a college unless he shows that he is there for the purpose of getting an education? Is he getting an education if he is satisfied with the fact that he belongs to a fraternity and is prominent only on account of his interest in certain activities which have nothing whatever to do with scholarship? If so, he will certainly be a disappointment to his parents, friends and neighborhood. He will be another living example for those opposed to colleges and fraternities and they will make the most of it.

The day has passed when the mere statement that a man has attended a certain university, even though he received a degree, will be taken as proof that he has a solid education. He must prove this himself, and he cannot do it unless he has availed himself of the opportunities afforded him at the institutions which he attended. A man may fool himself, but he cannot fool the hard-headed business man. If he fools himself, he will soon find that other college men are being promoted over him and then he will awaken to the fact that he lost his golden opportunity.

No one can do the work of a college boy except himself. Others can suggest and show him how, but the real mental discipline must be the result of his own determination. Some of our chapter reports showed that the standing of the whole chapter was the result of poor or indifferent work done by two or three men. These two or three men were not fair with their brothers nor were they fair with themselves. They should be too proud to drag down their associates and have too much common sense to neglect their own opportunities. For such, there is time enough in the present college year to make amends. By doing so, each man will be playing fair with his chapter and will be doing the thing which will benefit himself. Is not selfishness alone sufficient to cause each man to make an unusual effort?

There has been a great improvement in our chapters in reference to general house management. Without an exception, rules and regulations have been adopted which should lead to a life above criticism. However, many instances are discovered where these rules are not enforced or are forgotten. This leads to deterioration in the personnel of a chapter. Rules and regulations should be enforced or repealed. Don't permit any high-sounding phrases to delude you into the belief that they will elevate your chapter or the members thereof. As our chapters are nearly all living in houses, they should, as has often been said, make them real homes. As a matter of fact, every man should have a sufficient amount of pride in his home not to do anything which would cause him to blush were his mother or sister present. If every man lives up to this rule, there will be no occasion for any man to be his brother's keeper.

Your Fraternity has attained too high a position to permit it to retrograde in any part of the country. It should

not be injured by any chapter in it and no chapter should be injured by any member in it. In other words, an injury to a part is an injury to the whole.

While there is *time enough left* of the present college year, will not every member of our Fraternity analyze himself and his actions and see to it that he is doing the things and living a life that will be a credit to himself, as well as elevating his chapter in the college community? One should not wait to be called upon the "green carpet" by those in authority, but he should once in a while have a session with himself and discover his own defects. When these are discovered, if a man does not want to improve them, he is not worthy of membership in our Fraternity. The problem, therefore, for the balance of the college year is an individual one. If each of our brothers will make it such and do his best in everything he undertakes, he will find that the record made during his college year will be one which will materially benefit Delta Tau Delta.

Northern Division Conference

By Avery P. Morrow

Beta Zeta

The Thirty-fifth Conference of the Northern Division of Delta Tau Delta convened at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana, on Friday and Saturday, February 18th and 19th. The Conference was a great success both in the enjoyment that the assembled Delts derived from its sessions and entertainments and from the standpoint of the official business dispatched at the business sessions.

Registration was opened on Friday morning at the Palm-room of the Claypool Hotel and soon delegates began to pour in from the four states of the Division. Each of the fifteen active chapters was represented by two delegates and there were also delegates from the Toledo, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Warren, Columbus, and Indianapolis Alumni Chapters. Many other Delts besides those bearing credentials as delegates were on hand for the Conference and attended the business sessions.

The first of the business sessions of the Conference was called to order at 10:30 o'clock by Brother Clarence Pumphrey, president of the Division. The appointing of standing committees and the work of the Committee on Credentials occupied the major part of the morning session. However considerable progress had been made in the reading of chapter reports before adjournment.

Much enthusiasm was demonstrated upon the arrival at the hotel of President Curtis during the noon recess. The reading of chapter reports was resumed at 2:00 o'clock with Brother Curtis as chief "Inquisitor." The reports occupied the remainder of the session.

About two hundred Delts assembled in the Palm-room on Friday evening to enjoy a jollification and smoker.



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Indianapolis, February 19, 1916

Brother Bob Heuck, of the Indianapolis Alumni Chapter and chairman of the Committee on Arrangements for the Conference, was ring master of the performance. The boys made themselves acquainted all around and all joined in on the good old Fraternity songs. A number of vocal duets were rendered by the famous team of "Kadel and Ball-Ball and Kadel," or, more specifically, Brothers George Kadel and Clarence Ball of Beta Beta. Brothers Clifford Kirby and Reid Sprague, of Beta Zeta, put on a black-face stunt that made a great hit with the assembly. Miss Ione Booth sang several numbers after which there was some more good fellowship with plenty of "eats" and an abundance of "rauchen".

On Saturday morning business was resumed at 9:30 o'clock and the remainder of the chapter reports were soon despatched with. The reports were in full and very instructive, and, from them and the wise counsel of President Curtis, the delegates undoubtedly went back to their respective chapters bearing many suggestions for their improvement. A short recess was taken at noon, after which the reports of the standing committees were received. The Committee on Nominations reported the names of Brothers Clarence Pumphrey, O. C. Clement, and Harold B. Tharp for President. Brother Pumphrey withdrew his name from the nominations and Brother O. C. Clement was elected President of the Northern Division. Brother Clement is of Gamma Xi and now a member of the Toledo Alumni Chapter. The other officers elected were: Vice-president, Brother Budd N. Merrills, Zeta; secretary, Brother Howard Mills, Zeta; treasurer, Brother Sherman Arter, Eta Prime. The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following resolutions which were approved by the Conference:

By the Thirty-fifth Conference of the Northern Division here convened, be it hereby

RESOLVED, That we extend most hearty thanks to the Indianapolis Alumni and other hosts in full appreciation of their hospitality exhibited during our visit here.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Beta Zeta be congratulated on the example they have set as Delt hosts and successful college men, so shown by their splendid report.

WHEREAS, Brother Pumphrey, now retiring from the Presidency of the Northern Division, has served not only this one but two terms of office, and during that time has devoted himself to the interests and the progress towards the fulfillment of the Prophecy of our great Fraternity with a love, loyalty, zeal, and self-sacrifice not to be thoroughly appreciated by us at once,

BE IT RESOLVED, That this Conference of the Northern Division give Brother Pumphrey a rising vote of our most hearty thanks, assuring him that he will ever hold a place in the heart of every Delta who has known him and his work.

RESOLVED, That we also pledge our sincerest support to Brother Clement, our new president.

AND FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, That we vote to our President, Brother Curtis, the heartiest support in our power in the carrying out of his plans for the prosperity and success of Delta Tau Delta and an expression of our recognition of his strength as the guiding power of our Fraternity.

Respectfully submitted,
A. R. McKECHNIE, Chi,
Chairman.

J. H. MEEK, Beta Psi.
H. BIRMINGHAM, Delta.

The delegates voted to accept the invitation extended by the Cleveland Alumni Chapter and hold the Thirty-sixth Conference of the Northern Division in that city. The final business session of the Conference was adjourned at 3:30 p. m.

The Conference came to a fitting close in the banquet held in the Chateau room of the Claypool Hotel. One hundred and twenty-five attended the banquet and relished the good food and the good speeches. Brother John H. Oliver, Beta Zeta '78, officiated as toastmaster and introduced as speakers Brothers James B. Curtis, Beta Zeta '82; James C. Sexton, Phi Prime '91; Camden R. McAtee, Beta Alpha '06; Henry F. Campbell, Beta Lambda '02; Clarence Pumphrey, Eta Prime '72, and O. C. Clement, Gamma Xi. President Curtis made the big speech of the evening, dwelling upon the growth and operation of the Fraternity and urging a loyal zeal for all its ideals and principles.

After the conclusion of the toasts, President Curtis led one of the greatest Delt "Walk-Arounds" that Indianapolis has ever seen out into the lobby of the hotel.

Southern Division Conference

By Rhesa M. Norris

Gamma Eta

"Happiest of all are the days we spend in college"; and those of us who attended the Atlanta Southern Conference will ascribe no small part of our total happiness to the many joys found in Georgia's Capital City on February 21 and 22, 1916. We found out just what the Solid South meant—in fraternalism at least—and will long cherish the fond memories inspired by our recent trip to the heart of the South.

Through the efforts of Brother Kenyon Zahner and the Atlanta Deltas it was decided at the Cincinnati Conference that the Division needed a real "Old Home Coming" in the South proper, after two of joint Conferences held on its borders, and so the Atlanta Deltas came to be a committee on the whole—hosts, as it were.

On Sunday afternoon, February 20th, we began to arrive. One batch of us had been arriving for some time—the train from the north was two hours late—but about 3 p. m. on that particular afternoon six begrimed and sleepy-eyed brothers piled out of the Savannah Special—glad of two things, that we had arrived in the Atlanta we had heard so much about, and also that we were at the end of our seemingly interminable trip. There were dignitaries among us—Frank Delta Tau Rogers of the Central Office, (sounds like Scotland Yard) Carlos de But—Man of the Hour as it were, being as he had only to mention anything during his stay and some Atlantan had it for him—and the active delegates and assistants from three of the Southern chapters located way up in the northeast section of the Division. We assembled along with our suitcases, hat boxes, etc.—Oh, yes, Dabney had his high hat—but we were allowed to stand in bewilderment only a moment.



Southern Division Conference
Atlanta, February 22, 1916

Bill Gibbens was upon us—he even beat the whole Atlanta reception committee to it by bribing the guard to let him through the gate. It was good to see Bill again, he always goes to every Delt assembly, you know. He sure was “way out front”, this time, all dolled up, and sweetly scented with *eau de lily*. Just up the steps the receiving line awaited us, headed by Zahner, Green, Miller and the local executive committee. Then we were whisked off—well, not just as the porter had done it, but in machines at 87 miles an hour, right through the thickest of the traffic, to the Ansley House, our headquarters for the next three days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ansley, had done very well; the whole lobby was draped in Delt flags and placarded with labels; they had moved the Head Porter even, and installed the registration booth right at the door. Here we were duly enrolled and bedecked with beribboned buttons, which boldly announced the reason for our presence in Atlanta and tended to make us feel much safer. They were equal to special press, fire, police and speed passes. We also were presented with cards of admission to Atlanta’s choicest and most exclusive clubs—what could we have done without those cards? Very little; they sure were thoughtful, those Atlanta brothers. Most of us immediately repaired to our rooms and put on our other suit and collar—did you ever notice how those Southern Railroad cinders stick?

The rest of the afternoon and evening we spent in the pleasant occupation of getting acquainted with the brothers, clubs and scenery. A number were taken on fine motor trips, in Brother Green’s Paige and Brother Wash’s Oakland as well as sundry other cars. We noticed with much joy that no speed laws were enforced, and consequently we were whizzed over a great deal of city and suburban territory in even the few remaining hours of daylight. What

strange juice it is they feed their autos down there we couldn't learn, but it must be mighty powerful, for Bill Green took his car unhesitatingly up a 90% grade, the sight of which would have caused an army tractor to tremblingly fall apart.

By 9 p. m. the Ansley lobby was filled with a constant buzzing; the Delts had the floor and the other guests were forced to the wall and the "mezzanine" gallery where they seemed to feel safe to watch the joyous juvenile reunion. Shouts of "Hi, Bill," and "Hello, Charlie," were ringing from every corner; Delt news and new stories were swapped until a very late hour, when the lobby assumed its customary Sunday evening atmosphere, "these Boys" having retired for a much needed rest.

The enthusiasm of Sunday night kept us up so late that it was hard to get up early enough the next morning to answer the call for the business session at ten o'clock. The first session of the Twenty-fourth Southern Division Conference was called to order by Brother Butman, at 10 a. m.; there followed the Ritualistic invocation by Brother Rogers, and a cordial address of welcome by Brother James L. Key, who represented the Atlanta Alumni Chapter. The writer was appointed to reply to the same but feels that his words of thanks were too inadequate to mention. The Committees were appointed and began their work; the credential committee reported all active chapters represented, and two alumni chapters; following which business started off with a hum not to be interrupted until 12:30, luncheon time.

We were all late to the afternoon session, probably due to our endeavors to consume all the famous Southern dishes on the menu, and were scolded. Chapter reports were in order; and each and every delegate trembled in his shoes when Frank dragged out his big black book and told him

just what he and the rest of the A. C. thought of delinquent chapters, either financially or "literarily". He has a way of making you feel that yours is the booby prize chapter of the lot. We were kept busy all the afternoon, but finally the last active chapter report was read and we adjourned.

Immediately after we adjourned the dance of the evening took full possession of our minds. Hardly taking time to enjoy the good food and music offered us in the hotel grill we hastened into our dress clothes, cutting our faces in a million places in our efforts to look our very best and do credit to our Atlanta brothers. The East Lake Country Club looked like a scene from an Arabian Nights' tale. It was certainly a treat for sore eyes from the outside even, but the ballroom, superbly decorated with college and fraternity banners, George Washington hatchets and simply full of pretty girls, fairly took away your breath. As an innovation for fraternal gatherings it certainly proved a success. It lasted real late, the music was fine, the eats and punch in plenty, and the girls—Good Lord you can't expect a man to describe true Southern Peaches.

The final business session Tuesday morning satisfactorily completed the work allotted. The treasurer's report showed all chapters paid up to date, which saved lots of time; and then we took up the principal work of the day, the election of officers for the next two years. Of course we re-elected Carl Butman president; none other than he was in our minds as especially qualified to complete the tasks he had so well started. Burt Webb Henry of Beta Xi, a dark horse, but reported to be a "live" one in New Orleans, was elected vice-president; while L. K. Roberts, who has done fine work in the Savannah Alumni Chapter, was deservedly accorded the office of secretary.

Through Brother Thomason from Texas, the Dallas

Alumni made such a strong bid for the next Conference, and backed it up so well with letters, telegrams and the promise of financial assistance in defraying the additional expense of a meeting so far west, that there was nothing to do but grant them the privilege. Mark it down somewhere—"Dallas, 1917". The exact date will be decided by the president after a conference with the other Division heads to avoid a conflict.

The registration had now reached around eighty-five and a large number of Deltas gathered at the Atlanta Athletic Club for luncheon. After which auto trips were made to the Cyclorama of the Battle of Atlanta, the Federal Prison and Stone Mountain, while a few blasé ones took in the Forsyth Show.

That night came the banquet in the big dining room of the Ansley, when nearly seventy brothers seated themselves around the big "T". Away up at the head sat the worthy Toastmaster, Dean of True Deltas in the South, ex-president of the Division, etc., etc., Brother Armistead of Phi. He was flanked on the port by Brother Rogers and on the starboard by Carl Butman, while Brothers Kelly, Green, Key, Colvin and others sat nearby. Before they'd let us eat they took a flash-light (perhaps Frank will reproduce it) so they'd know who sat where in case any silver was missed, and then it began with cheers and songs led by Brother "Irrepressible" Reynolds. From Blue Points to *demi tasse*, it was there forty ways.

In his clean-cut, suave and benevolent manner which wins at once the hearts of all, Brother Armistead started the talks by introducing Dr. Samuel Green, of Atlanta, who told us of progress both in that big Dixie City and in Delta Tau Delta, and drove home the fact that it was Spirit in each case, urging us to keep it up, especially in the South. He included another welcome to his city, and thanked us for coming to visit them.

Brother Butman was next with a "Dutch" speech which seemed to vouch for the origin of his first name. His subject was "Preparedness" as applicable to fraternities, but he had many suggestions to offer in regard to war and strife in general. "Ven it is over, dis var, mit our army now in der hands of General Disability, General Prosperity will be at der head, Corporal Punishment vill be discharged, Private Property vill be safe, und everything vill be fine already yet." By way of illustrating the grand mix-up in Europe, he related a comical personal experience wherein three men became entangled in a Pullman wash-room and washed the wrong faces.

Dr. Armistead asked him if he had an encore prepared, but was told that he was "Unprepared" for that.

Brother Wilbur Colvin, was next introduced. He is an ex Arch Chapter member, having served some years ago as the first general secretary, and a great big Delta Tau Delta. For his subject he chose "The Progress of Deltaism in the South", and he was prepared for it, though we firmly believe he could talk on any phase of Deltaism. In a pleasing manner he recalled the early days of our Fraternity in the South—his own days—brought to mind by the old songs just rendered by the Atlanta octette in the far corner. He spoke of the Georgia, Sewanee, Texas and other chapters, and mentioned the union of Delta Tau Delta with The Rainbow, presenting his thoughts in a strong, forceful manner which was most typical of himself—brave, sincere and appreciative.

Frank Rogers, the inimitable, followed with a talk from his heart on "A Lifelong Enlistment" in Delta Tau. Most of us agreed that Frank talked real poetry—not jingly rhymes, but poetry with a real life pulse which made your own quicken, and a choice of words so apt and purposeful that no one could believe his utterances to be other than

true doctrines and religion. The Fraternity means a lot to him and he gives to her all his efforts, love and loyalty—so should we after listening to such inspiring words.

Rev. O. L. Kelly, who has done so much for Beta Epsilon, especially in their fraternity scholarship work, spoke on "Loyalty"—and he surely meant what he said. The particularly charming features of his face seem to signify geniality by his wide and everpresent smile, and determination by his strong aggressive chin. "What we need to make a success in fraternalism," said Brother Kelly, "is 'Corn in the Basket', something to give every new brother and to the world; without it we achieve little." He was undoubtedly a boy once himself and knows human nature. He believes that no man can help but be loyal to his fraternity, that it comes natural, and is a sacred privilege. Altogether Brother Kelly is a living example, worthy of much emulation.

Brother James L. Key was introduced as an added attraction—which was well put on the part of Brother Armistead. Brother Key has solved the fraternal problem—he has answered the question, "why are we attracted to it?" "Because," says Brother Key, "it teaches a religion we all understand and believe—love for our brother men".

We closed our evening with a good old style "Walk-Around", which led all over the lobby and the mezzanine, and ended with the Choctaw yell.

It was all over. Then brothers began to disappear in the direction of the station, but some of us hung on a day or two, fascinated by Atlanta's girls, buildings, cars, clubs and general spirit. Dabney nearly lost his suitcase, and some delegates we hear lost their hearts—it's a pity the pin rule went through.

Two days is too short for a Conference with so many attractions and so many thoughtful brothers with their many kindnesses too numerous to mention. In parting we all agreed that it was the best Little Old Karnea-type Ninety Horse-power Conference we had ever seen. "Long live the Atlanta Deltas!" said we.

Western Division Conference

By Albert F. Lippmann

Beta Pi '16

The Thirty-first Western Division Conference of Delta Tau Delta opened with a smoker at the Gamma Alpha Chapter House of the University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, on February 25, 1916. After supplying the visiting brothers with cigars and "distinctively individual" cigarettes a preliminary business session was called to order by Brother Charles F. Axelson, president of the Western Division. The address of welcome on behalf of the Beta Pi, Gamma Alpha, Gamma Beta and the Chicago Alumni Chapter was made by Brother Lippmann and the response on behalf of the visiting brothers by Brother Galvin of Gamma Tau Chapter. Brother Frank Rogers of the Arch Chapter and Brother Powell of Gamma Alpha also made short addresses. The committee on credentials reported and as all the chapters had not been accounted for the work of the committee was continued and the session adjourned to meet at 9 a. m. the following day at the Hotel LaSalle.

Following the business session there was a real get-together party and the Gamma Alpha brothers brought forth a spread of free lunch and cider. After the eats came more smokes and when old friendships had been renewed and new acquaintanceships formed the men gathered around the piano and joined in singing Delt songs. The time passed all too quickly but everybody went home—or in that general direction—full of "jazz" (Forty-third Karnea "pep") and looked forward to the morrow and the banquet which was to be the crowning event of the Conference.

The business meeting convened Saturday morning at 9 a. m. at the Hotel LaSalle. After hearing the report of the Division President the various chapter reports were read



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Chicago, February 26, 1916

and criticised. Those who attended the business meetings, and by the way the attendance was so large that there was hardly room for all, surely took back to their chapters much valuable information gained from the reports of sister chapters and from the constructive criticisms of Brothers Curtis, Rogers and Hewitt. The reading of chapter reports lasted until late in the day and following the reports of the various committees the business session closed to meet in Chicago in 1917.

The officers elected were as follows: president, Charles F. Axelson; first vice-president, Conrad Loring of San Francisco; Second vice-president, J. Sullivan of Seattle, Wash.; secretary, Brother Hill of Gamma Alpha Chapter. Resolutions were presented thanking Brother C. F. Axelson for his work during the past year, the Pacific Coast Delts for the great entertainment provided for the Karnea and the Chicago Delts for their hospitality during the Conference. The most important resolution passed recommended the wearing of the official badge by members only.

As the old adage goes, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy"; so to reward the delegates for their efforts the big event of the evening was sprung. The banquet was scheduled for the Red Room of the Hotel LaSalle, but late in the afternoon it was learned that the number of tickets sold had so far exceeded the earlier estimates that a larger dining room would be required; and so the Gold Room was obtained. As soon as the tables were filled the fireworks began. The college yells of Northwestern, Armour, Chicago, Illinois, Wisconsin and Nebraska boomed out like the roar of a German howitzer. Not to be outdone Brothers Dan Forbes and Barry Hillard of Gamma Eta gave the George Washington University cheer, which was followed by a Purdue cheer from several of the Gamma Lambda men.

In order to make sure that there would be plenty of good music the entertainment committee imported Brothers Ball and Kadel from Beta Beta Chapter. They need but little introduction, for those who have heard their melodious voices will never forget them and we were indeed fortunate to have them with us. Before the banquet was half over another important discovery was made in the form of a concealed Ukelele and to the accompaniment of this weird music the brothers joined in singing the songs of Delta Tau.

And when the last course had been served the official starter—none other than the genial and capable Brother Frank Wieland—brimming over with wit and enthusiasm introduced as the first speaker Brother Brandt C. Downey of Indianapolis. Brother Downey is one of the masters of the art of speaking and it is a real pleasure to listen to such a man. He spoke of the spirit of good fellowship that prevailed on such occasions. We wish that every wearer of the square badge might have been present to hear him. He said we should never allow the flame on the altar of love to grow dim and we know that had all members been present the flame would have been fanned to large proportions by his speech.

Brother Wieland next introduced Frank Rogers. But in reality no introduction was necessary for Frank Rogers is known to all. I believe that it was the first time that he ever spoke at a Western Division Conference Banquet, but after a speech like he made it will not be the last time. If any doubt existed as to his ability it was soon swept away. The words he spoke rang out true and came from the bottom of his heart, and as they came from him full of conviction so were they impressed upon every Delta gathered about the banquet board. Words cannot describe his oration and so no attempt will be made to do so. In concluding he offered a toast which will be remembered by all. "Love

one mistress only, cleave to her and worship her by years of noble deeds." And as he has so ably practiced this so may every man resolve to follow in his footsteps and may we all be able to give this toast with the feeling that we too have truly loved and worshipped Delta Tau Delta.

Even though a man cannot be all that he ought to be in this life he may at least hope to be a fair Delta Tau in the next. With this introduction Toastmaster Wieland presented Mr. F. W. Shepardson, Executive Secretary of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. He spoke on Fraternity Men. There are two things he said that a man must recognize, and unless he does so he cannot be a good member. The first is opportunity; the second, obligation. He appealed to fraternity men to place the college first, for unless the college life is sweet and pleasant the chapter will share the lack of essential things. By placing the college first you give away no loyalty but you get a new vision. He praised the work of Delta Tau Delta in her campaign for better scholarship and demanded that the fraternity men, being the "selected" men, should take a decided stand on leading questions. They should not be standing back but should be the leaders in the campaign for better college life, better scholarship and for checking the evils of booze. His speech was forceful throughout and contained much valuable information. "Friendship's bond will never break—it will bind our hearts forever." With these words he closed.

Time was taken out at this point to allow Brother Hillman, president of the Chicago Alumni Chapter, to announce that the two chairs which had been offered to the chapter selling the largest number of tickets and having the largest attendance present were won by the Gamma Beta Chapter. The Gamma Alpha and Beta Pi men may receive a little comfort from the fact that the Armour House is about equidistant from both and so they can drop in occasionally

and try them out. Brother Hillman deserves much credit for the success of the banquet, as it was largely through his hard work that 191 members were present at one of the greatest Conference banquets ever held.

Having given Mr. Shepardson a "glimpse into the promised land" Brother Wieland announced as the final speaker our great president Col. James B. Curtis. When the cheering had subsided Col. Curtis began and from beginning to end he held the strict attention of every man present. His subject was "Discipline". And it is needless to say that his speech could not have been better. Every man should be disciplined: business is run under a system of discipline, so he urged us to discipline ourselves in college work, devotion and usefulness for life. He pointed out that in athletics discipline was the factor which brought victory and discipline will bring success in everything. Slander gets no chapter of any fraternity anywhere and we are living in an age where this is recognized. Let us not forget these words and let us follow the wisdom of them. In concluding he said that a man must be disciplined by his fraternity, by his chapter and by a conference of a national and a universal character. We have been lucky to have had such a man at our head to give us this discipline and we sincerely hope that he will continue to lead us and give us the benefits of his wide experience.

This concluded the speeches, but Brother Wieland seeing several other members of the Arch Chapter were present called upon them individually to stand up so that we might give them the once over. He called upon Brother Henry F. Campbell, Treasurer of the Fraternity, and the man who put the Stutz automobile ahead of all others; Brother Harry Hewitt, Ritualist of the Fraternity, a true Delt; and Brother Charles F. Axelson, "perpetual" president of the Western Division. Other notables at the speakers' table

were Brother Willett of Gamma Alpha; Brother Harry Van Petten of Beta Pi; Brother W. F. McKay of Beta Tau; Brother L. Hillman, president of the Chicago Alumni Chapter and Brother C. F. Walling, Secretary of the Chicago Alumni Chapter.

And so the Conference ended and it is the hope of the Chicago Delts that the visiting brothers were well repaid for coming here. That they carried back to their chapters some of the enthusiasm which they absorbed while here and that they will so imbue the members of their own chapters with this "jazz" that the banquet next year will be the biggest ever. Some of the brothers remained in Chicago over Sunday and we hope that next year will find more of them paying us an extended visit. Brothers Rogers and Hewitt visited the Gamma Beta and Beta Pi houses Sunday and those chapters received many valuable pointers from them. Let us get together now and plan to be present next year and bring others with us so that we may see old friends again and meet new ones. Don't forget Chicago is the place, 1917 is the time, and we will all be here to welcome you.

Eastern Division Conference

By Howard C. Hillegas

Tau Prime

From time immemorial there has been a demand for a plain, unvarnished tale about a Conference of the Eastern Division. Heretofore the histories of these great annual gatherings of the effete Eastern members of the Fraternity have been very fanciful. Some, indeed, have surpassed fiction. Others have related a few facts as to the time and the place and imagined the remainder. On the whole, there has been a shocking disregard of facts in the word-paintings—which have passed in THE RAINBOW as true descriptions of the Conferences held in the munition manufacturing belt of our fair country. The writer knows this to be true for on several occasions he himself was the liar.

As every great historian knows, the opening sentence of a masterpiece is always the most difficult to write. Having weathered the storm, we may resume the journey in search of truth by setting down here our firm determination to satisfy that demand which has come from time immemorial by letting the chips fall where they may. We repeat, we shall spare no one! We shall mention names and dates and times and places. We shall make this history historic even if we are hanged for it and even if the editor of THE RAINBOW is thrown into jail for criminal libel. We were asked to write a truthful tale and we shall do it. If you are afraid of the truth, read no further. As they say in Europe: "Truth is mighty and must prevail"—and as all the belligerents over there are so busy lying about their victories you yourself can see that Truth's only chance to prevail is in America. Accepting the preceding presentment at its face value, you now are *en rapport*, as the French

will say when they reach Berlin, or *in der Stimmung*, as the Germans will say when they reach Paris, to be introduced to the truth.

The Thirty-fourth Conference of the Eastern Division was held in New York City. This is undeniable. There undoubtedly will arise some participants to declare that they have proof it was held in Philadelphia, Boston, Buffalo, or even Pittsburgh. These men may think they have proof it was held in one or the other of these cities when as a matter of fact they are certain only that they started it there. But there is no doubt that the Conference was held in New York on March 3rd and whatever day it was that followed. To expel all doubt, a photograph of a hotel room filled with Deltas is printed herewith. Any man with half an eye or who has ever passed Forty-second Street and Broadway on the sleepy side of midnight can recognize the unmistakable New York atmosphere in that picture.

Although the photographer—one of the dreamy, imaginative species of animals that carries the head perpendicular with the feet—insists there are human beings in the picture yet we shall cling forever to our contention that it contains nothing if it does not contain the unmistakable New York atmosphere.

It is very difficult to describe accurately the locality where the Conference started. Some of those who attended asserted that it was a sort of annex to the San Francisco Karnea and insisted on continuing stories and so forth which they had started while tearing themselves apart, like lovers, at the Golden Gate. Others talked about it as though it were an adjourned session of the big combination Conference in Washington. As a matter of fact it had numerous starts. It was like the drive on Verdun—it started at many places and it gained such a momentum that if it had not run against an armored, impregnable Sunday it would be running yet.

The Conference was officially declared open by the arrival in the city of Brother James Wakefield, of Pittsburgh, the official key-bearer, door-unlocker and convention-opener of the Fraternity. As everybody knows, no Fraternity conclave that is destined to continue longer than forty-five minutes can be opened without the presence of this distinguished Delta from the city which is washed daily and hourly by two great rivers and yet retains its grimy title. Never before has the truth been told about Brother Wakefield's fame as a convention-opener, but we are telling the truth. And when we pin the laurel on his brow we do it proudly and gladly—yet very gingerly, for palsied be the hand that tries to harm a hair on that loyal head and twice palsied the hand that punctures that brow with anything that even resembles a pin!

Hardly had the Sun of Pittsburgh entered the gates of the Delta Tau Delta Club House when the Delta regiments came streaming in from all quarters. They came from Maine, from Dartmouth, from Cornell, from Penn State, from everywhere where the Square Badge blooms—and they came in numbers such as no Conference ever witnessed. Cornell and University of Pennsylvania, Lafayette and Lehigh, Washington and Jefferson and Wesleyan—all the chapters had noble representations. It warmed your heart to see them come in such streams. There never was such a Conference—never such a joyous crowd—never such a happy outpouring. Columbia and Stevens sent their whole chapters to help in the welcoming, and as for the Club—why, everybody was there for that smoker which was put on the programme by Brother Vail's most efficient committee of arrangements as the opening event of the conclave.

Everybody thinks that the Club House is a pretty large, roomy establishment, but that night it seemed as small and



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cramped as a trench in Flanders or a subway car in the rush hour or the Mississippi river to a fellow who is trying to teach a fat female to skate. Long before the crowds filled the rooms on the second floor and the billiard room in the basement the throngs on the main floor had started the fun. Brother Stickles and his incomparable band of sweet singers performed what might be called the evening's overture. They gave many hits and received none—no greater praise can be given to any band of strolling minstrels. They worked on the levee, sang the glories of Lydia Pinkham, Uped and Downed Upidee, Watched the Rhine, told you what to do if you wanted to be a Tau Delt, and did so many other things in the Saengerbund line that presently everybody joined the Verein and there was so much singing that not a soul remembered it was a smoker he was attending. Among the best singers were some who had never sung before and—in the interest of truth we say it—others who ought never do it again unless they go to the front in Europe to raise their voices for peace.

Among those who gained immortal fame by refraining from singing that night was Brother Strauss of Pottsville, Pa., who has been an enthusiastic Delta for more than thirty years and who still prizes one of the huge badges that was designed in Civil War times, probably by the same man who made shields for the soldiers. Another man from afar was Brother Bostrum, of Montreal, as chipper and gay as a troubadour. Among those who were too busy electioneering to sing were Brothers Costello and Irving of Philadelphia, although down along the Delaware they are noted as the Schuylkill warblers. The booby singing prize having been awarded to Brothers Connor, Redpath, Hillegas, Pinks and Fairbank, the real contest of the evening caused the boards to be cleared for the undergraduates' "stunts". Brother Glenn Newell donated one of

his own magnificent paintings as the prize and the landscape displayed on a wall of the Club gave zest to the contest. Almost all the chapters participated and the competition was most animated. The judges, Brothers Maas, Fairbank and Pinks, awarded the prize to the Lehigh chapter which provided an amateur magician and sleight-of-hand artist, Brother Buchanan, of remarkable ability. Later there were amusing crew races among Columbia, Lehigh, Pennsylvania, Stevens and other chapters; but by that time the shores of the stream were so crowded that the official scorer fell overboard and lost his records.

It is recorded, however, that the smoker came to an end and that it was a huge and splendid success.

There were two business sessions of the Conference on the following day and they were attended by delegates from every active and alumni chapter in the Division. President Redpath expedited matters with commendable earnestness. The various chapter reports, which were models of terseness, will be printed and distributed through the usual channels. Colonel Curtis, the President of the Fraternity, and other elder statesmen gave advice and criticism whenever the reports called for them. Brother Redpath, who had served the Division for five years as president and who in that time had won the esteem, respect and admiration of the undergraduates from Maine to Pennsylvania, declined a renomination and Brother Geo. F. Brumm, of Pottsville, Pa., one of the most loyal, enthusiastic and earnest Deltas that ever was initiated into the glorious Omega Chapter was chosen unanimously to succeed him.

Two hundred and eighty-five Deltas attended the Conference dinner at the Park Avenue Hotel in the evening. There have been larger Delta dinners but never a one that was half so lively. Out in Chicago they put poison into the soup; here somebody put fun into the oysters, singing

into the soup, cheering into the fish and effervescence into the roast. Every chapter cheered for itself and then for the remainder of the chapters. Songs clashed with songs. One minute there was a Delta cheer; the next minute there was a Delta song. Some times the singers at one end of the room sang the same tune as those at the other end; more frequently the musicians were at sea, and nobody cared, for everybody was joyous.

Then arose from the centre of the seats of the mighty he whom we proudly call "King"—Brother Charles O. Maas, the toastmaster—and called for silence and more of it. And when he got it he gave a patriotic prelude, calling on all patriots to stand behind the president of the United States and all that sort of thing. Whereat he was mightily cheered; so mightily in fact that to hide his bashfulness he called on everybody to sing the National Anthem. This was done with such great gusto that all the metropolitan newspapers made mention of the fact next morning, placing the story next to and adjoining the war talk in Congress.

And then after the incomparable toastmaster had shattered the empyrean and scaled Olympus and performed some of those other feats which great orators perform but which escape our memory at this time he introduced the other orators of the evening. Dr. Frank Wieland, who came from Chicago for the occasion, received a rousing ovation. This noble ex-president of the Fraternity always has a message of importance for Deltas. Brother Willard Straight, of whose success the Fraternity is proud, gave a talk which roused the undergraduates and set the Cornell men to cheering their chapter-mate with many a "I-yell-yell-yell." President Curtis aroused the brothers with one of his stirring talks. Brother Floyd S. Leach gave reminiscences of other days and the newly elected president, Brother Brumm, gave to the undergraduates a foretaste of the ora-

tory they may expect from him if they fall behind the standards set by the outgoing administration and Brother Ernest E. Baldwin was right there with the Alpha and Choctaw brand of eloquence.

There were a thousand and one other incidents which ought to be chronicled in this narration in order that it might be complete. There ought to be a record of the Delta vows renewed, of the Delta spirit rejuvenated, of the Delta enthusiasm rekindled. But these things can not be pictured in type. The work performed at this truly great Conference, the results achieved, the plans laid out and the programme carried forward—these and matters of such serious import that their worth cannot properly be gauged at such close range. Certain it is that every alumnus and undergraduate went away from the Conference with a greater love for the Fraternity, with a greater faith in her future and with a greater desire to assist in raising her to the premier position among Greek-letter societies which already is almost in her grasp.

Indianapolis Interfraternity Banquet

By Harold B. Tharp

Beta Zeta

The first Indiana Interfraternity Conference Banquet was held at the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, on the evening of February 25th. About one hundred and sixty active and alumni fraternity men attended, and it was pronounced by all a decided success. Charles W. Fairbanks, Phi Gamma Delta, acted as toastmaster.

Delta Tau Delta was represented by more than her fair share, of the one hundred and sixty there being twenty wearers of the square badge present. Furthermore, two out of the three men who responded to toasts were Delts, namely, James B. Curtis, Beta Zeta and Thomas C. Howe, Beta Zeta. The other speaker was Dr. Francis H. Shepardson, National Secretary of Beta Beta Pi. All of the speakers praised the interfraternity movement and discussed the function of the organization in moulding character among college men.

A permanent state interfraternity organization was effected, with the following officers: George M. Cook, Phi Kappa Psi, president; Charles W. Fairbanks, Phi Gamma Delta, vice-president; Howard Adams, Beta Theta Pi, secretary, and Henry F. Campbell, Delta Tau Delta, treasurer.

All college fraternity men will be eligible to membership in the organization, and it was decided to hold an annual banquet.

Youth

By Dr. Howard P. Fischbach, Chi '06

A toast delivered at the Initiation Banquet of Gamma Xi at the University Club, Cincinnati, February 20, 1916.

We witness today in Gamma Xi
The birth of her babes with their husky cry
We know by their faces—shining and bright—
That they surely have seen the Eternal Light.

Youth came today and knocked at our halls,
Youth came, in earnest, and we answered his calls.
We've opened the doors and let him in—
Now is Youth ready this new life to begin?

Youth, with all his strength and vigor,
Healthy in mind and clean in figure,
Full of that latent, inherent, power
Which some day above others will make him tower.

How often have men when the years have sped
Looked back o'er their lives and sadly said:
"If only my youth I could but renew
How different I'd act, how differently do."

The minutes are short—never return again.
So quickly sped and they are history then
Full of goodness or grace, sunshine or rain,
Have they gladdened this world, or filled it with pain?

So Youth you've approached us and we now call you brothers.
Do you know what it means to you and us others
To feel Delta's strength, her pulsating force
From this day forth, during life's rapid course?

Delta Tau does not mean just that you are a Greek,
That o'er barbs you're superior, yea even to speak;
That a display should be made to friends or kin
Of our symbol, our badge, the pure gold pin.

Delta Tau is a law—a guide for your life,
To aid over troubles, to help you through strife.
To point you the way that is clean and right
To make you a man who is *square* in the fight.

The real Delt Tau is not known just by pin
Nor by the Greek house that he may live in
But by the force of his work, the strength in his face
That should distinguish him, any place.

Now Youth start your life in fair Delta's work
Learn to study her laws and her morals ne'er shirk
Plant her principles securely and firm in your heart,
That so long as life's blood flows they'll never depart.

I fain would go over each one apart,
But time won't permit; so I must be short.
Yet one there is which stands out so clear
That surely it must be mentioned here.

It has been the light of leading men,
It has been the thought that memory's ken
Has left on the world's ever-changing mart;
From which remembrance, alone can't depart.

'Tis the form in which our badge is made
'Tis the base on which the shrine is laid
'Tis the sign of all, that is strong and fair
Emblem of Truth, our badge, the *square*.

To be a real Delt you must be square.
You must have the nerve, the strength to dare,
To face the tempter's alluring smiles,
To avoid the trap of his winning wiles.

Though the plans of your life you may carefully lay,
And the price it may cost you will cheerfully pay.
Remember the journey is threaded with snares—
That appeal to the man who is caught unawares.

'Tis not so easy to hold straight to the course
When opportunities offer, with sufficient force
To hold up the prize, before your striving hand;
To tell you, that others throughout the land,

Are taking this way their ends to obtain,
Fundamentals forgotten, just so its for gain,
This is the test that places you, where
You're one of that crowd, or one of the *square*.

'Tis sad to relate, and still it's the truth,
These evils offer themselves most to Youth.
For his name is not made, he is striving still
With his hands and his brain, at the foot of the hill.


And it takes all his strength, his power, his nerve
Lest from his path he is made to swerve.
And to say to every man no matter where,
"I belong to a band, I'm one of the square."

'Tis Sunday I know and night time at that
Still I hope you'll not feel that in church you have sat
But I can't help but hope to make you see
The squareness of Delta Tau—our Fraternity.


A toast and a wish from your older kin
As life in Delta Tau you begin.
May your course be straight and your light burn bright.
May plenty of strength be yours in the fight.

May your progress be steady, as you mount to fame
May you make for yourself an honorable name.
May the wreath of success be placed on your brow.

May it brighten and glorify Delta Tau,
That queen of fraternities, so true and so fair,
Which helped you to win, because you were *square*!



EDITORIALS



THE SERIOUS AIM

The Greek-letter fraternity has its existence so intimately interwoven with that of our colleges that in most lines their interests and welfare are common. Therefore, what will contribute to the advancement and greater usefulness of our colleges will in equal measure result to the benefit of the fraternities. It also follows that inasmuch as the active chapter is an integral part of the college and depends on the college for the recruiting of its members, it is only just that the fraternity should co-operate with the college in every way possible, and naturally the local chapter is directly amenable to the laws and regulations of the college.

Fortunately the fraternities have out grown their early attitude of opposition to all faculty regulation, and as the years have brought to our university faculties an increasing number of fraternity men the relations between chapter and faculty have become increasingly harmonious and a better understanding has resulted. With only a few exceptions, the fraternity system at its best has met with the approval of our college faculties and most of them have recognized the strong element for better college discipline and a more satisfactory college life the fraternities have become. We believe that a great deal of the attention of fraternities in the future should be given to assuring even more harmonious co-operation with college faculties in all measures designed to insure better results to the individual from his college course.

In recent years the greater part of the criticism of fraternities has been directed against the low standing in scholarship of their members as compared with non-frater-

nity men. We believe that a great deal of this criticism is undeserved and based on false premises. We have not felt that high scholastic standing is always the surest criterion of the real benefit a man is securing from his college course, nor an absolute guarantee of his future success or value as a citizen. In fact, as our average college curriculum is today arranged some of the most important elements in character building and broadening of the student's mental horizon are entirely neglected by the college faculty. The student receives some of the most valuable of his college training from his participation in athletic, literary, musical and other college activities which are outside the college curriculum. Naturally, the time devoted to these interests must be taken to a certain extent from the regular college work. While the college authorities allow no credit for such really valuable training, and excellence along these lines makes no showing in a man's marking or scholastic standing, still our colleges are perfectly willing to avail themselves of the advertising they receive from a good football team, the glee club and the college papers. It seems hardly fair that our colleges should accept these benefits and still practically penalize the men who sacrifice their hours of recreation to these enterprises, as well as time they must necessarily take from their studies. The fraternity chapter offers perhaps more valuable training for after life than any other feature of college activity or any scholastic course, and we doubt if in the long run what demands on its members' time it makes seriously interfere with their attention to their studies.

There should be several things taken into consideration when we compare by the arbitrary and inaccurate college markings the class-room attainments of fraternity men with those of non-fraternity men. In the first place, a fraternity man is very seldom selected with a view solely to any one ability; whether it is athletic, musical, social

or scholastic. The aim is to secure the all-around, normally efficient man, and we do not think that any member of a college faculty would question that the men so qualified are the very backbone of the student body and the best raw material for the college's production of efficient citizens. These are the men who most of all give their time to the athletic teams, the college papers and the musical clubs; and they are the men who best represent the college to the world at large and give it its most valuable advertising. The man who secures the highest marks is generally the dig who contributes nothing to college spirit, who absorbs nothing of college loyalty and whose value as an alumnus is the least. On the other hand, the primary reason for a man's attending college is the acquisition of knowledge and culture for a development of those powers which will fit him the best to take his proper place in life and discharge his duties as a citizen.

We have already expressed our belief that in producing the last result the college fraternities and those activities outside of provisions of the college curriculum are the most important factors; and if we take into account the type of student who either has not learned how to study or is too indolent, who is kept to his college work by the older members of his chapter, we can give the fraternity considerable credit as an agency in maintaining a fair rank of scholarship. Still, we would not at all belittle the responsibility of every fraternity man, both for the reputation of his fraternity and for his best interests, to apply himself to his regular work with sufficient closeness to maintain at least a satisfactory standing in scholarship.

For the first semester of this year the scholastic work of most of our chapters was excellent and several of them secured first place, while still more of them ranked well toward the head of the list. To secure or hold such a lead

means more work today on the part of every member than it did some years ago when President Curtis inaugurated our scholarship campaign and Delta Tau Delta was the pioneer in this field. For now practically all fraternities have awakened to the importance of this phase of work and the competition is keener than ever before. We trust that every chapter and each individual member appreciate all the importance of placing the prescribed studies before all else, but not necessarily to the exclusion of other interests; and we confidently look forward to a better scholastic showing at the end of the college year by all our chapters than ever before.

In these columns we have frequently protested against the objectionable extravagance of rushing entertaining and we are glad to see that the Interfraternity Council at the University of Pennsylvania has taken a step in the right direction by adopting a rule forbidding any entertainment of a prospect by *or through the influence of* a fraternity at any other place than the university campus or in the quarters of the fraternity. This provides for the only legitimate purpose of rushing entertaining, which is to enable the fraternity to judge of the man's qualifications for membership and the man to become acquainted with the personnel of the fraternity and understand its ideals, aims and the character of its home life. Such a rule is especially necessary when an institution is located in a large city with the greater temptation for extravagant entertaining offered by theatres and expensive restaurants. It would also be of value in those colleges where sororities are used as rushing adjuncts.

The four Division Conferences recently held were all unusually successful and well attended. We trust that our

readers will approve of our delaying this number of THE RAINBOW to secure for it while the events were fresh the excellent stories of them that will be found on other pages. We wish to thank especially the brothers who supplied these accounts for their promptness. The actives who attended these Conferences should take back to their respective chapters the inspiration, wise counsel, valuable advice and broader conception of Delta Tau Delta which they gained from these important gatherings of the four sections of our great Brotherhood.

We had thought that by this time our Badge Regulations were thoroughly understood by every active member at least. But as we are constantly receiving inquiries we will state them again.

1. All badges must be purchased through the Central Office.

2. No undergraduate may wear any except the *Official, Standard, Plain Gold Badge*.

3. No member may lend, sell or give a badge to anyone not a member of the Fraternity, except his *mother, wife or sister*.

The sister pin may be worn by any female relative or the fiancée of a member.

In reprinting in the November number of THE RAINBOW a review of Brother Charles E. Jefferson's book "Christianity and International Peace" we inadvertently credited Brother Jefferson to Chapter Alpha, while in fact he is an alumnus of Mu. Alpha has plenty of illustrious alumni of her own and we apologize to both Chapter Mu and Brother Jefferson for our unintentional transfer of his membership.



DELINQUENT CHAPTERS

Beta Epsilon	_____	Emory
Beta Xi	_____	Tulane
Beta Tau	_____	Nebraska

ALPHA

ALLEGHENY

Allegheny has taken tremendous strides forward in strengthening its scientific departments by the addition of two new buildings which have been opened to the students this semester. The Carnegie Hall of Chemistry, built at a cost of \$115,000 has been made possible largely because of a gift from Mr. Andrew Carnegie. So well is it equipped and so interesting and practical have the courses been made by Dr. Richard Edwin Lee that nearly every student in the school is taking at least one course in chemistry. In the presence of the faculty, students, and a large representation of trustees, alumni, and friends of the school, Alden Hall was formally opened on February 4th. This building will be devoted to biology and geology under the direction of Dr. Chester A. Darling.

According to all indications Allegheny is going to turn out another championship basketball quintet this season. The team has shown great strength to date in their victories over Mt. Union, 55 to 18; Geneva, 60 to 18; Wooster, 49 to 16; and Ohio University, 42 to 18. Other games on the schedule include contests with Ohio Wesleyan, Grove City,

University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Tech. Alpha holds down both forward positions in Brother R. A. Cox, captain, and Brother L. G. Bash.

Brother Frederick B. Palmer '93, the famous war correspondent representing the American Press at the British Front in Flanders since the outbreak of the present war, returned recently to pay homage to his alma mater and to renew his allegiance to old Alpha Chapter. During his visit here he delivered an address on "My Year of the War in France," had the degree of Bachelor of Arts conferred upon him, and last, but by no means least, was the guest of Alpha chapter.

Another prominent Delt who has paid us a visit since our last RAINBOW letter was written was Brother Charles Bayard Mitchell '79, of St. James' Methodist Episcopal Church, Chicago. He also delivered an address before the student body.

Class rivalry was intensified on the evening of the annual sophomore-senior banquet which was held at the Hotel Iroquois at Conneaut Lake, February 12th. All the Delts escaped getting their heads shorn by the furious freshmen and juniors with the exception of Brother Richie.

JOHN LAING WISE.

BETA

OHIO

On Wednesday, February sixteenth, Beta held her annual initiation. We are glad to announce the following eight brothers who entered the mystic portals of Deltaism: J. A. Laverty, Wellston; Edward McNamara, Portsmouth; George Chapman, Zanesville; C. O. Williams, Buffalo, O; Harold Ebert, Ashville; Robert Bone, Xenia; Harold Frederick, Circleville; and Dewey Goddard, Amesville. We also are glad to announce the pledging of Gordon K. Bolon, of Bethesda, O.

The basketball season has been rather a disappointment to Ohio fans. Several games were lost that should have been victories. Only the stellar work of Brother Hendrickson has kept us in the running. Brother Goddard has been elected captain of the track team for this year, and also pulled down the presidency of the Y. M. C. A. for the next year, succeeding Brother "Tiny" Downing.

Our formal dance, February 19th, brought back quite a number of our younger alumni, among whom were found "Hen" Eccles, both old and young "Doc" Gahm, "Cupid" Blosser, Arleigh Geib, Roger Williams, "Artie" Lynn, "Cres" Tewksberry and "Middy" Hahn. We also had Brother "Em" Arnold of Beta Phi Chapter at the initiation and Pledge Martin of Beta Phi at the dance.

We have discovered that our annual banquet this year will fall on the fifty-fourth anniversary of Beta's birth, June 21, 1862, and so we are working to have some big celebration. We have hopes that the alumni will repeat their successful dance of last year.

F. DARRELL MOORE.

GAMMA

WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON

About two weeks after our return from the Christmas vacation several cases of scarlet fever appeared among members of the freshman class and by January 20th five cases had broken out. After a hasty consultation the college authorities and the Board of Health decided to close the school until February 7th. Hays Hall, the freshman dormitory was declared under quarantine, but by the time the guards had arrived the majority of the occupants had made a "clean get-a-way". Those that were caught had the bright outlook of being "cooped up" for eighteen days. By January 24th most of the fellows outside of the dormi-

tory had managed to leave town, not without much red tape and several conflicts with the local and state authorities however.

This enforced vacation did not meet with much approval since it has been announced that it would cause the loss of our Easter vacation. In addition to this it caused the first half of our basketball schedule to be abandoned and put the Glee Club trips completely on the "bum".

The few brothers who remained in the house during the vacation with the aid of town brothers "livened" things up a little by holding a house party on January 28th. Evidences of the house party were not lacking upon the return of the brothers who had gone home, for none of our "junk" was in the place where we had left it.

Brother Jewell '18, is one of the three members of the Pan-Hellenic Dance Committee; Brother Keck '17 has been appointed to the Student Senate by the faculty and has been elected manager of the junior Prom and assistant manager of the Buskin Club; Brother Ripple '17 was elected one of the two assistant managers of the junior Prom and is on the *Pandora* board; Brothers Keck, Ellis, McPherson and Cheeseman are members of the Glee Club.

Brother "Chuck" Flick, Alpha '15, paid us a visit last week. We were all glad to become acquainted with "Chuck" and are eagerly looking forward to his next visit. Brothers Frank Busbey '11, Jay Gates '13 and J. J. Sherrard have also been around this term. To them we say "call again", to all others "Look us up".

K. P. RIPPLE.

DELTA

MICHIGAN

The freshmen of Delta chapter did not come up to the standard set by the class of nineteen-eighteen as far as

scholarship is concerned and for that reason we will be unable to initiate two of them. However with the additions of Pledges Cameron and Wood, both of Chicago, six new men will be taken into the fold the first week in March. As to the others we have adopted a very strict set of rules governing them and will keep a very close watch on their work. Two upper classmen have been assigned to each freshman and it is their duty to visit their protegee at least twice a week and see that he is in his room studying. These visits will be made at unannounced times so that no previous knowledge can let the fresh be on hand only at the right time. Reports to the chapter must be made by the upper class advisers at least twice a month so that we feel sure that in June there will be no delinquents.

The upper classmen as a whole came through with flying colors and our chapter average is well above grade C and we naturally feel quite proud of that fact. Our rules regarding finances and also a very strict set of house rules are due in a large measure for our improved work.

On February 11th, 12th and 13th, the chapter gave a J-Hop house party that most certainly was one of the best and in the opinion of the writer the best that the chapter ever gave. Our new chef is a star when it comes to the food and we were royally feasted and dined for that weekend. The Hop itself was much larger than usual, some five hundred couples attending and dancing to unusually good music until three o'clock in the morning.

The conference of the Western Division so recently over has furnished Delta with a lot of good points that can and no doubt will be followed up to great advantage. We hope that Brother Clement our newly elected Division President will take advantage of the fact that he is only two hours distant from our doors and pay us many visits.

Our initiation will come off on Sunday, March 5th and

the banquet will be held one week later. We hope that any brother within hailing distance of Ann Arbor at that time will make particular efforts to be with us.

In closing Delta wishes to extend her very best wishes to all her sister chapters and wishes them the very best of luck during the coming semester.

HAROLD E. O'BRIEN.

EPSILON

ALBION COLLEGE

This period of the year, between the closing of the winter and the beginning of spring, must be confessed to be the dullest of the year. Why? Our efforts are more or less scattered, bringing the winter activities to a focus and the spring plans to organization. Nevertheless we feel proud to be able to state that conditions were never better than at the present.

Our college basketball season seems to be again broken into by the apparently annual small pox epidemic. Three M. I. A. A. games have been cancelled and we have won one from Alma by 26-23. Although this has put basketball in the background, it is receiving its share of interest. Both baseball and tennis aspirants may be seen any afternoon working out in the gymnasium.

March 10th is the date for the Albion-Hillsdale debate. Brothers Brake, captain, and Hunter are on the team. The question is resolved: That the U. S. Should Adopt the Administration Plan of Preparedness for War. Albion has the negative.

The annual college banquet has been postponed to the middle of March. Brother Chamberlain is to give the junior toast.

Practice for the junior play has started and we find Brothers Hunter and Chamberlain carrying major parts. The date, as yet, has not been definitely decided, but will

occur shortly after the spring recess. "The Servant in the House" by Charles R. Kennedy it is reported has been selected.

Brother E. H. Hughes of Mu lectured on "The Perils of Knowledge" on February 8th. He attended our informal gathering after the lecture. Professor and Mrs. Harrop, personal friends of the Bishop, acted as chaperones.

Epsilon takes this opportunity of announcing the initiation of Ralph D. Hale of Easton Rapids on February 28th.

The second semester finds us with three new pledgemen: Stuart G. Sproule of Ludington, Mich.; John H. Robson, Jr., of Ovid, Mich., and Kenneth C. Clapp, of Grand Rapids, Mich. You will hear more of them, we trust, in the future.

Permit us to close reiterating our invitation to all Deltas passing by to pay us a visit.

HERBERT E. CHAMBERLAIN.

ZETA

WESTERN RESERVE

The first semester of the college work being completed Zeta chapter has entered the second lap of the race for the year 1915-16. We feel that the first semester was one of success for the Chapter from more than one point of view. Although the scholastic standing of fraternities has not as yet been given, we feel that our standing will be far above that of last year. The grades of nearly all the brothers have been given out and from all present observation the outlook is bright. It may be mentioned that since the awarding of a scholarship trophy, competition among the fraternities has been exceedingly keen and the difference in percentage has been so small that it is difficult to predict any outcome.

We feel proud of the fact that every freshman completed sufficient work to be initiated. There is a stringent rule in

regard to this, and freshmen are obliged to pass ten out of twelve hours' work during the first semester. Our initiation will occur on the 3rd and 4th of March, and we are looking forward to a most successful event. We have deviated somewhat from custom and will hold the initiation banquet at the house. We feel that brothers of the past and present will have an opportunity of mingling in true brotherly fashion to a greater extent than is possible at a hotel or club banquet room. We expect delegates from some of our neighboring chapters namely Chi and Mu. Zeta sent three delegates to Chi initiation and from reports they surely had a wonderful time on the hill at Gambier. Some of the brothers are also planning to attend Mu initiation which occurs in the near future.

The Northern Division Conference which convenes at Indianapolis on February 18th and 19th will undoubtedly be of interest to all of us, due to the fact that a new Division president is to be elected. Our new president will undoubtedly be known to all the chapters of the Fraternity before this letter is published, but in all events we surely join in unison in our praise of Brother Pumphrey. Hail to "Pop". We sincerely hope that his successor will prove a worthy and loyal worker in the interest of the greatest Fraternity. Our delegates to the Conference are Brothers Cragin and Mulligan, and they will be accompanied by several more brothers including "Old Faithful" Arter.

In regard to activities in the University it may be said that the Musical Clubs now hold the rostrum. The basketball season is about completed and the team finished a good season. Incidentally in regard to the Musical Clubs, Zeta Chapter claims about one-fourth of the membership. We are represented on the Glee Club by several members and on the Mandolin Club by four members. Numerous concerts are scheduled for the future and the spring trip is

something which every one would be glad to take. If all the brothers are fortunate enough to take the trip, we feel that we will be exceedingly well represented.

The Dramatic Club, with Brother Ross as president and Brother Russell as manager expects to put forth a worthy production when the annual show comes off. Brother Ross will undoubtedly assume the leading role which he has held in the last two years.

The important social event of the year in connection with the University is the junior Prom which takes place in the near future. It will give the brothers an opportunity to limber up their joints and uphold our social standing.

At a meeting of the Delta Sigma Rho honorary debating society, Brother Jackson, who has represented the school in debates for the last two years, was elected to membership.

Don't fail to pay us that visit when you are in the Sixth City. Join us in a round of chatter, partake of one of our good meals, enjoy a night's rest in our outdoor sleeping compartment and you will never regret the time that you spent with us.

RAY T. HANKS.

KAPPA

HILLSDALE

Kappa wishes to announce the following full-fledged Delts to the Greek world: Edgar Gordon '16, Lyle Turner '18, George C. Buchheit '19, Stephen Jessop '19, Royal Green '19, Lundy Parker '19. The regular initiation took place on the afternoon of February 9th, and was followed by a banquet at the Keefer Hotel in the evening. A goodly number of the local alumni were present and gave the new men the right sort of a start on their Fraternity career. Several of the freshmen were called upon by the toastmaster and from the spirit exhibited, we do not fear

for the welfare of Kappa when the reins of control come into their hands.

It gives us genuine pleasure to introduce pledgeman Clarence Miles of Allegan, Mich., who had an opportunity to wear the button shortly after the beginning of the second semester. Clarence is a piano player of promise and he does put lots of steam into those Delt songs.

Brother George Mark '17, who affiliated at the opening of the year with Zeta chapter, is now back in Hillsdale making good on the basketball team, and getting in trim for the State tennis championship in the spring. Brother Glen Worden has also entered college again after the absence of more than a year. Glen will no doubt hold down his old berth on the Varsity baseball team.

The basketball team, with Brother Miller at the helm, started the season with a defeat to the fast Kazoo College team, but came back the next week to swamp Adrian by a score of 69-17. Brothers Thompson, Pullen and Mark are assisting Captain Miller on the squad.

Under the management of Brother Harwood the men's Glee Club has completed arrangements for one of the most extended trips in its history. The longest trip will include Joliet, Rockford, and Chicago and other points, as well as several Michigan cities on the return home. Kappa has eight men on the club and we are not egotistic when we say that it sounds better than it has for years.

W. N. SNOW.

LAMBDA

VANDERBILT

All the Delts at Vanderbilt are busy studying and making plans to attend the Southern conference at Atlanta. The Chapter expects to have a fine delegation on hand when the roll is called. Brother Andrew West will represent Lambda.

Since the publication of the last RAINBOW, the Chapter

has moved to a new and better home. Here it can accommodate more of the members and at the same time it is more convenient for the members of the various departments of school.

Athletic sports demand their share of attention now. In the race for the cup in the Interfraternity Basketball League, Lambda has entered the finals undefeated, having beaten the Sigma Chi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Phi Delta Theta teams in succession. We believe the cup will find its way to our chapter hall, but are not over-confident.

Vanderbilt expects the Southern Championship in football, basketball and baseball this scholastic year. With the football championship safely tucked away, the basketball team winning all its games, and the brightest prospects for the baseball team, this seems thoroughly probable.

Brother Harold Parker is a member of the Varsity basketball team, and Brother Ammie Sikes, a former member of the team, has played his allotted four years of college athletics, and is therefore ineligible. The lineup of Lambda's basketball team is: Wiggs, center, Casey and Jordan, forwards; and Floyd, Curry, Denton, Dunavant, guards. Some team!

Besides the active members of the Chapter, a number of alumni attended all the meetings, among whom are Brothers Preston, Lewis, Evers, Taylor and Joseph.

Brother Jack Peavy is very busy (for a change) with his duties as editor of the *Commodore*, the college annual. Brother Simpson has joined the ranks of the benedicts—and he, too, is a busy man. Brother Don Campbell, '14 was in the city in January, and visited the Chapter as he always does. Of course, we were more than glad to see him. Call again.

F. B. EVERS.

MU

OHIO WESLEYAN

Since our last letter we have the pleasure of announcing two new pledges to Mu Chapter—Waldo E. Stephens of Delaware and Ebbert M. Hughes of San Francisco, son of Bishop E. H. Hughes, former president of our Fraternity. These men show great promise of upholding the high standards of scholarship and character of our Fraternity, as well as bringing much credit to the Chapter in general lines. Also before this letter goes to press, five freshmen will have joined the ranks on the golden shore, having successfully met the scholarship requirements. On February 5th, K. S. Campbell was initiated, the ceremonies being followed by an informal banquet at which Brothers H. V. Campbell ex-'13 and G. W. Eckelberry ex-'14 were present.

In basketball the Varsity has been setting a fast pace for Conference teams, having defeated Ohio University and taking two each from Miami and Denison, losing but two of seven games. Brother Anderson has won state-wide fame for his remarkable playing at center, out-pointing much touted opponents. Following the spectacular defeat of Denison, January 29th, a universal cut was declared by the student body in celebration of four defeats administered to them within less than a year. In company with one other fraternity, Mu Chapter entertained all the men of the student body on that day, January 31st.

Inter-class basketball and track teams without exception have Delts taking active part, as well as interclass debate teams and class social affairs. It is interesting to note that in the three lower classes the chairmen of all social committees were Delts with a member on the senior social committee.

The Interfraternity Basketball League is just now claim-

ing much attention and enthusiasm, and we, though not the most successful team in the league, have contributed to the most interesting game of the year in our clash with Phi Kappa Psi. Following our lead, most of the losing fraternities are now entertaining their successful opponents at smokers. These informal smokers at a very slight expense are doing much to keep inter-fraternity relations the most friendly, a condition which has always been characteristic of Ohio Wesleyan and which we believe to be a vindication of the fraternity system at large.

Outside our occasional dinner-parties, our most pretentious social affair was our informal Christmas party on December 17th. The big Christmas dinner at six o'clock was followed by a gathering around the monster tree where Santa Claus found presents for all. Though the fun lasted well into the night, no one cared, for the next day was the first of the Christmas vacation.

Lest you get the idea that our attention has been turned entirely to outside affairs, remember that semester exams are now passed. In addition to the two Phi Betas already elected this year, there are enough aspirants that our scholarship record will not suffer seriously this year and we hope we shall again lead the list. The advice and inspiration given us by "Pop" Pumphrey on his recent visit does much to keep us awake to our opportunities and our duty both to our college and to the Fraternity.

We haven't fixed the lock on our front door and it still stands wide open to all at any time.

CARL C. DAILY.

NU

LAFAYETTE

With the mid-year examinations passed and junior week over, Chapter Nu is now able to look with pride at her record in scholarship and activities during the first semester.

All scholastic records heretofore made were broken by the present actives in spite of the fact that one brother failed. Our society "Bears" were much in evidence during junior week, which was a wonderful success. Brothers Wyckoff, Cain, Stipe, Ken Kressler and Bill Gaynor attended everything on the calendar—and some things that were not on it. Brother Blackburn, our all-around athlete, disappointed the fair sex by not attending.

Brother Dann acted as chairman of the Music Committee and the orchestra he produced was a revelation. House parties were a prominent feature of junior week this year. This privilege was obtained through action of the Interfraternity Council.

Brothers Dobson, Hackett and Welde have reported for track and if past records show anything they are sure of a place upon the team. Brother Blackburn is captain of the baseball team and Brother Dann is assistant manager.

HERBERT K. ROLLINS.

OMICRON

IOWA

The event of the greatest importance on the Iowa Campus at this time is the appearance of our new football coach, Howard Jones. Jones has started things off with a jump, and spring football practice is already going good. Pledge Karl Kuehnle is out with the squad with his eye on a half back position, and we prophesy that he will land it easily if he displays the form of last fall.

Iowa closed a very successful basketball season at home playing Minnesota. The team this year has been exceptionally light, but has made up this deficiency to a large extent with marvelous speed.

At the beginning of the school year the Chapter offered a scholarship trophy to the freshman making the best record

for the freshman year, and this plan has worked out with very gratifying results. Every freshman has been working hard to win the trophy and as a result, we will be able to initiate all the pledgemen.

At the end of the first semester we lost four good men. Brothers Kords and Sedgwick were forced to leave school on account of sickness, but we expect to have both back again when the bell rings next fall. Pledge John Hungerford decided to pursue a different line of study and entered Ames the second semester, but John is again wearing the little square pledge button. Pledge Wier Sears was called home to help his father in filling a few large war orders for the Allies; it seems that Ike knows so much about his father's business that he is almost necessary during the big rushes. But we all hope that he will soon send the Allies their new artillery harness, etc. and resume his work at the University.

Brother Donald Hunter has resumed his law studies at the University this second semester and we are all glad to see Blondy's sleek black head and all back with us again.

Brother Leroy Rader has been elected to membership in Sigma Delta Chi the honorary journalistic Fraternity, and Brother Fred Clarke has been pledged to Phi Delta Phi.

At the Sioux City Alumni Banquet held on New Year's Eve a number of the active members proposed a new house proposition which met with instant and unanimous approval. A corporation was formed with some of our most influential alumni at its head, and now Omicron sees a new house ahead in the not distant future.

Along Social lines the most notable event for Omicron was the Delt Formal Dinner and Dance. Everything went along swimmingly thanks to the party committee, and the girls pronounced it the best ever.

Junior Prom is the next big formal school party of the year here at Iowa. Brother Kroppach as president of the junior class promises us some party. A. C. FEDDERSEN.

RHO

STEVENS INST. OF TECH.

The much dreaded mid-year exams are now history and we are very happy to say that Rho Chapter did not lose any members because of low standing. We are very sorry, however, to announce the withdrawal of Brother R. R. Johnson '18 from College. Brother Johnson was very active in the Chapter and while we hate to see him leave us we wish him success in business.

The junior Prom was held in the Castle on February 4th. Eight of the brothers attended and enjoyed what I am sure was the finest Prom ever held at Stevens.

Early as it is the fellows are starting to talk about spring sports. Brother C. C. Throp of Omega is again going to coach the baseball team and from the way the indoor practice is progressing it looks as though they will give a pretty good account of themselves later on. Brother C. H. Memory will probably be seen at his position on third base which he has held for two years.

The lacrosse team is not as fortunate as the baseball team in that they have to wait until the snow clears before practice can begin but with a good coach and ten veterans of last year's team still in college the prospects for a successful team are unusually bright.

In closing Rho extends her best wishes to her sister chapters and cordially invites any Delta who may be in New York to drop in and pay us a visit.

M. MIDDLETON.

TAU

PENN STATE

Penn State's mid-winter athletics are in full swing now, both basketball teams and wrestling teams being in the middle of their schedule. The former has been quite successful, having lost only one game so far, out of six played. Brother Wagner, our one-hundred and ten pound forward, is giving an excellent account of himself, as are also Brothers Miller and Hunter, who are pushing the regulars hard for a position on the team.

The football schedule for next season has been announced and has occasioned much surprise among the student body. Offers with several large Eastern institutions were turned down, in order that the development of the team would be gradual. All of the games played will be with Pennsylvania teams.

The period which offers so striking an analogy to Sherman's description of war, or to the vividness of Dante's *Inferno*, has just passed—meaning of course, the examinations. Several of our brothers emerged from this transitional stage not wholly unscathed, but the Chapter as a whole gave an excellent account of itself. The grades of the different fraternities have not as yet been published, so it is impossible to state just how Tau Chapter stands in the Interfraternity Scholarship Contest. For the past four semesters, we have consistently held a place among the first five chapters, and we are hoping that we have not fallen below our average this time.

Just to show that we have a real freshman class, Brother Judd won the coveted position of class historian in a competitive contest in which a large number of manuscripts were submitted. In line with Brother Kistler's former achievements in scholastic work, he received his election to Phi Kappa Phi, the honorary scholarship fraternity, which,

in state institutions, parallels the work of Phi Beta Kappa in classical institutions. Brother Holmberg, having completed his third season on the Varsity soccer team, is now warming up for baseball. He is also, by the way, making a few grades in his college work that will put him near the top of the class when graduation time comes around. Brother Sauerhoff expects to be in New York on March 3rd and 4th with the College Glee Club; he of course, will take in the Eastern Conference at that time. Brothers Burrell and Fleming, both being experienced in tripping the "light fantastic", are out again for the Thespians this year.

Penn State is now experiencing her third annual religious campaign. For the past three years, one week of the year has been set aside as Campaign Week, and the Y. M. C. A. each year has brought prominent men to the college, who, by personal interviews, and by lectures, have striven to raise the moral standing of the students. This year the principal speaker is Raymond Robins, an eminent national economic and political figure. Mr. Robins has been unusually successful so far in his appeals for a more rational Christian life, and his work bears evidence of great fruitfulness.

The boys have felt real satisfaction in the fact that the last payment on the three lots owned by the Chapter has been made. The land is now entirely free of all debts, and the chapter feels free to go into its house proposition with greater vigor and renewed confidence in the final outcome.

The opening of the new semester finds two of our men gone. Brother Jay Jackson, who joined us in the spring of 1914, has returned to Pittsburgh, where he expects to take some work in the University. The best wishes of the Chapter go with Jay to his new work, and his earnest work for the good of Tau Chapter will always be remembered by our members. Brother Bathhurst has withdrawn from college because he expects to enter West Point next fall.

Tau Chapter extends a cordial and insistent invitation to all Delts in this vicinity that they may come to see us whenever possible. We are a little out of the way up here and for that very reason as well as for many others, we will be very glad to see some Delts from the outside world.

R. E. GEARY.

UPSILON

RENSSELAER POLY. INST.

Exams are over! Happy words! Our jolly, bright-eyed bunch of boys are badly worn, balled up and slind. But virtue has its own reward and most of us fared pretty well. And now we are all ready to take a rest during the new term—only seven hours a day in school and all night to study in. (End of Introduction.)

Lots of things have happened since last we wrote and lots have continued to happen. Brother Woolsey still gets more than his share of points in basketball; Brother Thompson still plays hockey when there is ice; Brothers Reid and Breese still set the pace in bowling.

Brother Breese still captures all the tennis cups; Brothers Johnson, Ughetta and Thompson still sputter and fume over ads, manuscripts and pictures on the *Transit* board; and Brother Johnson still helps manage the hockey team.

Our Christmas party was a great success—the best we ever had. Many of the brothers had friends or sisters from out of town; and it really seemed more like a house party than a regular dance.

We are mighty proud of Brother Harper. He has recently been elected “Treasurer for life” of the senior class. This truly shows the esteem in which he is held by his classmates and the extent of their trust.

Brother Hoyt has been elected to the “Sophomore Soiree” Committee and is striving to uphold our laurels in the social

end of school activities. Brother Crockett on the Mandolin Club, and Brothers Warren and Anderson on the Glee Club are our other "Social Lions".

Brother Cummings, Gamma Nu and Brother Russel, Upsilon came around to see us and it seemed good. You're always welcome, Brother Delts. Drop in.

B. E. THOMPSON.

PHI

WASHINGTON AND LEE

Following Phi's last letter, came the first term examinations, which resulted in a fine showing for the Chapter. Our pledges, with a single exception, made excellent grades, and these coupled with the steady good records of the old guard brought the total average above the usual point. Owing to persistent illness, Pledge Parker was unable to pass the required number of tickets, but the youngster has since proved his ability beyond a doubt and bids fair to register a high mark in all of his studies for this term. Those most interested in scholastic effort of the Chapter will note a distinct improvement over recent years.

Exams over, most of us left Lexington to spend two long and joyous weeks of vacation at home. Brothers Estes and Faulkner, however, remained. By January 10th, we were all again on the job, and since that time, little of interest has occurred. Not that the place is dead by any means, but things are kind of dull after the bustle and stir of the football season.

The basketball season opened with a bang early in January. Out of about seven games played thus far, the Generals have lost but two, defeating their opponents by healthy margins in five engagements. As most of the material this year is raw, this is regarded as a fine showing,

and next season promises to be highly successful. Class and interfraternity basketball will begin sometime this month.

The new hundred thousand dollar gym is proving itself a wonder. The doors were thrown open after Christmas, and immediately a steady stream of athletes and psuedo athletes formed daily to attend classes and frolic about in its spacious interior. The apparatus includes every known device for exercise and sport. A seventy foot pool is probably the most popular of all.

As to the activities of the brothers, some few may be noted. Brother Faulkner is starring in the Glee Club as a member of the best quartette known to the campus, and is also a pledge of the Sigma honorary society. Brother Howell is still pursuing track laurels. Brother McDougle, since the close of the football season, is interested in Y. M. C. A. work. Brother Christian, as president of the Cotillion Club, is busy arranging for the coming dances on the 28th and 29th of February. Brother Holden is doing work for the *Calyx*, the Washington and Lee annual, and of course, we are all working steadily in classes.

The initiation of five Pledges took place January 22nd. We are indebted to Brothers Peck and Farrar for assistance rendered on this occasion. The Chapter Hall has been recently renovated, so that the paraphernalia is now complete in every detail. Pledge Parker will be initiated some time in April.

Phi expects to have two representatives at the Southern Division Conference. Brother Boyd has been selected as one, and the second will be chosen at once.

In conclusion, a word—just a reminder to all Phi Alumni—about our Reunion here in June will be pertinent. We have letters from a large number of prominent alumni say-

ing that they will surely be on hand for the Reunion. An active campaign is just about to start now. This year is Phi's twentieth anniversary. Come ye back, ye ancients!

H. C. HOLDEN.

CHI

KENYON COLLEGE

This is the thirty-fifth year of Chi's existence at Kenyon. During this time Delta Tau Delta has made great strides in the fraternity world. Chi has seen and helped fight this great battle and she rejoices with the Fraternity at large at the extraordinary success of the beloved organization. In celebration of this thirty-fifth anniversary it is the intention of the Chapter to hold a "little Karnea", made up of Chi men and visitors, in the little village of Gambier during Commencement week.

Now, to have gone to Kenyon is a blessing, to have belonged to Chi is an honor, and to visit Gambier is an experience. A complete program will be arranged for this "little Karnea" and such speakers as Bob Harris, former president of the Northern Division, Pop Pumphries, retiring president of the same Division, Evan B. Stotsenberg, attorney general of Indiana and Duke Hammond, president of Chi's Alumni Association, will be heard. It is also our intention to invite President Curtis and Frank Rogers to this celebration.

As to the activities of the Chapter we can only say that we are maintaining our former standing with the exception of scholarship. For four years Chi had a higher scholarship when taken as a whole than any fraternity in Kenyon. This semester we dropped to next to last. We have no excuse except that our freshmen are a bunch of "boneheads" and their poor grades were due to no lack of inspiration on

the part of the rest of the Chapter. However, we are on the job and each man has signified his intention of doing his share in the recapturing of this fallen treasure.

The largest Initiation that Chi has ever held took place on February 5th. Forty-one men seated themselves around the festive board in the old Lodge and heard stories of Delta Tau. The Alumni Association is now getting a campaign under way for money to be expended on the Lodge. This campaign is under the direction of Mell Southworth and about two hundred dollars has been collected.

We wish to introduce into the Delta world the following men: Dale White, Elyria, Ohio; Kenneth Edwards, Findlay, Ohio; Frank Gunn, Leeland Gunn and Robert Lowrie of Toledo, Ohio, and Earl Wood of Fremont, Ohio.

But do not forget Commencement Week, ye brothers of Delta Tau. It's a Conference in itself and all are invited.

S. J. DAVIES.

OMEGA ¹³¹⁶

PENNSYLVANIA

Since the last issue of *THE RAINBOW*, Omega Chapter has been saddened by the unfortunate deaths of two of the brothers. Brother Junius Sarrum Raboteau, affiliated from Gamma Zeta, and a student of architecture at Pennsylvania died of typhoid fever on December 27th, 1915. Brother James Munroe Hess of Nu Chapter, who was studying law at Pennsylvania, was killed by a train on February 5th, 1916, while at his home in Mauch Chunk. These men had made many friendships while at Omega and it was with extreme sorrow that we learned of our loss.

The mid-year examination period has just passed and we are proud to say that everyone of the brothers passed creditably. As the result of an active campaign our standing has

been greatly improved and we are doing our best to live up to the high ideal of scholarship insisted upon by Brother Curtis.

Omega is now in the midst of a strenuous rushing season. Our prospects appear very good and we expect to come through with colors flying. Many letters of recommendation have been received and the men are being brought around as quickly as possible. Every rushee is being given careful consideration before being dropped.

With the advent of the spring season we are greatly renewing our activities along every line. Brothers Eberle and W. B. Freihofer are rowing on the second Varsity crew and Brother S. H. Freihofer is assuming his duties as assistant crew manager. Brother Gilmore is catching on the Varsity baseball team while Brother Todd is sure of a berth in the infield. The recent appointment of class committees finds Omega well represented as usual. Omega also has men in all of the managerial competitions. Brother Keeler is again dancing in the Mask and Wig chorus.

The Intercollegiate basketball season is more than half over and Pennsylvania is still in the lead. Our hopes of a championship are brighter than ever and basketball may soon become a major sport. "Joe" Wright, of the Argonaut Boat Club, Toronto, Canada, has been elected crew coach at Pennsylvania. Mr. Wright is extremely popular among the undergraduates and has taken hold of the situation in a manner which augurs well for a fine showing of Pennsylvania at Poughkeepsie.

We have been visited lately by several out of town Delts and Omega extends a cordial invitation for all visitors in Philadelphia to drop in at 3533 Locust Street.

F. S. SCHOFIELD.

BETA ALPHA

INDIANA

Beta Alpha is just starting on the second half of 1915-16 school year with bright prospects for a successful completion after an encouraging beginning. Only two men were lost by graduation at the end of the first semester, and although these two were the oldest men in the Chapter, the roll is large enough to insure plenty of interest and activity among those who are left. Brothers John W. Jordan and Harry C. Muth have both succeeded in wresting their coveted degrees from the hands of the authorities and are now engaged in wresting a few dollars from the hands of the public in general.

We have eleven pledges and hope to convert them into wearers of the square badge in a few weeks, as soon as the grades have been sent out. Everybody is now looking forward to the Division Conference at Indianapolis and the annual dance which comes a few days later. All of the actives and pledges are planning to go to the Conference, as it is the first time that it has been close enough to us to make a full representation possible.

Baseball, basketball, track and wrestling, all occupy a prominent place in University life these days. The basketball team has been very unfortunate in having to contend with a congested schedule and so far only two Conference games have been played. Purdue proved to be too strong for the Crimson in the first game, but Ohio State was successfully repulsed, 26-17. Allan Williford is coaching the team this year and expects to win a few more games than last year, although he does not anticipate a high ranking in the Western Conference.

The Boosters' Club conducts a State High School Basketball Tourney the second week in March. This gives the fraternities a good chance to "rush" and Beta Alpha is always fortunate enough to pledge several promising men at this time.

The new baseball coach, Frederick Beebe, arrived the first of February and indoor practice was immediately inaugurated. There are many more candidates than usual and the new mentor will have plenty of good material from which to pick a team. Coach Childs was interrupted in his winter track program by the mid-year examinations but the work has now started in earnest. Several point-getters have not returned to school and the scholarship requirements will make several ineligible, so prospects in this sport are none too good. Brothers Slick and Sellers, both 1918 numeral men, are out for the mile and pole vault respectively, and both stand a fine chance of making their letters this spring. The first Big Nine wrestling meet is not far off, and Coach Davis is out to regain the Western Collegiate championship surrendered to Nebraska last year. Wrestling is a major sport at Indiana, as the Crimson team always places high in the big meets.

Interfraternity basketball is in full blast while the Bowling Tournament will get under way immediately. The Sigma Chis are out in the lead in the basketball race and promises to annex the bowling championship as well.

The chapter is pleased to welcome Brother Poindexter of Beta Pi to its midst. Brother Frank T. Stakton, who is connected with the Economics Department has returned to the University after a semester's leave of absence. A number of the alumni are candidates for offices on county and state tickets and the Chapter has received visits from several of its politicians.

CHAS. W. CUSHMAN.

BETA BETA

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

With the opening of the second semester Beta Beta is turning over a new leaf. Our endeavors this year to raise

our scholarship have been very successful along one line. Although the college authorities do not make public the grade standings of the different fraternities this semester, we were able to learn from a reliable source that the initiated men of the Chapter rose from seventh to third place. The new chapters of Beta Phi and Lambda Chi Alpha, both installed here last year, stood at the top.

With our gratification over this result we learned that we have several F's and C's among our freshmen, and have resolved to use more strenuous methods during the remainder of the year.

The politics of the underclassmen, which are now in the mixing pot, are attracting the attention of our freshmen and sophomores and we have several men in the race for offices.

The basketball season at DePauw has not been, and does not promise to be, a very successful one. As it is our first year in the sport, however, we are not disappointed and are looking forward to the baseball season for revenge. Under Brother Morrow's guidance as captain, we expect to round out a nine which will thrash the State. Delta Tau will land at least two permanent berths on the team. In track we will have three participants.

We have received several answers from our recent issue of one hundred and fifty alumni letters. Quite a few of these have been returned, indicating a change of address. We would appreciate any present location of a globe-trotting brother that can be given; as we wish our alumni list to be perfect.

Again we implore our alumni to cooperate with us in the rush we will carry on this spring. The large number of fraternities at DePauw now makes very valuable any data on a good man. The name and address of any prospect would be highly appreciated. Brother alumni, keep that letter in your pocket as company for the others that are

coming. We are alive and intend to keep you in the same condition.

Our visiting list so far this year has not been large. Come see the old bunch at the old school. We'll make you welcome. The Beta Beta Booster is coming with all the news. Come down and verify the facts. Brothers from other chapters, drop around—our door has three hinges, all well greased.

FLOYD DIX.

BETA GAMMA

WISCONSIN

Examinations are now over, and we have come out on top, again raising our scholastic average. As usual it was a time of storm and stress, a marked contrast to the series of events immediately following, which in common parlance were collectively styled Prom. This was easily the greatest social event in the history of the University, due in part to the fact that it was held in the new State Capitol. Beta Gamma was especially fortunate in having the privilege of using the splendid offices of Brother Mickey Cleary for a haven of rest. Brother Jack Campbell in the capacity of first assistant Prom chairman has been receiving congratulations for his share in the affair.

By the time this letter reaches the editors Pledges Willis H. Durst and John D. Sullivan will be Delts, and by the time it goes to press, judging the future by the past, Pledges Pat Nolan, Ralph Smith, Paul Rudy, Norbert Markus, Ernest Adams, Paul Semrad, Bill Schoeniger, Floyd Hewitt, and Fritz Mann will also be among the brothers. That we have been able to initiate the latter is due to a recent faculty ruling which makes it possible for us to initiate second semester freshmen in good standing.

We regret to announce the loss of Brothers Turk Turner

and Don Bird, the former departing for Michigan University and the latter for Milwaukee, money and perhaps matrimony. Our best wishes attend both.

Brother Whale Rogers is well up in the running for business manager of the 1918 *Badger*.

Pledge Norris Sinclair is knocking down records in the hurdles with the frosh track team. He recently won the highest honors in the freshman-sophomore track meet.

Pledge Mike Rudy is showing up very well with the frosh swimming team, winning the 40 yard swim in the last meet against the Varsity.

Our bowling team this year is bettering its excellent last year's performance. We started out in the lead, and we are still very much there. Brother Durst has the highest individual average of the league.

This week-end we expect to send a large delegation to the Western Division Conference at Chicago; in fact, we have high hopes of securing the prize given to the chapter which is the best represented.

We hope to see many of you there.

WILBUR LAMBERT.

BETA DELTA

GEORGIA

As the first half of the college year is brought to a close the University of Georgia finds herself enjoying a successful year in many of the fields of college activities. Georgia played the Atlanta Association for the Southern Championship in basketball, but lost in the last few minutes of play. But even if we did see our team beaten, we showed considerable progress since the last year. We are however looking forward to greater success in our baseball team. Regardless of all which seems against us we know that the Georgia spirit is still existing, and with that much left, we can expect

to have a good team and one which will make the other teams hustle. Each candidate is going out with the determination to make the other man show that he is the man for his respective position.

Beta Delta is still standing among the foremost Fraternities here at Georgia. There has been a chart recently made out here which shows the standing of each Fraternity. We stand fourth out of the twelve and hope to stand first at the time of the next RAINBOW. In the recent election to the Sphinx, Brother Quarterman was honored. This makes three out of the seven, the other two Brothers, Tanner and Myer, who have been elected to the highest honor in college. Brother Lippet has been elected to be president of the Athletic Association, and Brother Brock assistant circulation manager of the *Red and Black*.

Few of us attended the Southern Division Conference and report an extra good time. We have had visits from Brothers U. H. McLaws and Kenith Roberts from Savannah, and Brother Norris from George Washington University. We hope that the future will see a great many more come to our ever open door.

BENJAMIN BROCK.

BETA EPSILON

NO LETTER

BETA ZETA

BUTLER

The second semester opened with all the actives and pledges back in school with the single exception of Brother Charles Good, and one of our old brothers added to the list of actives, as Brother Toon has returned to school after an absence of two years.

Much interest has been shown by the students in the basketball season at Butler which is now more than half finished. The team this year has been fairly successful

winning a majority of the games played so far, and now faces the easiest end of the schedule with high hopes. We have been represented in basketball this year by Brothers Charles Good and Agnew, and Pledges Mullane and E. Good.

Brother J. W. Paul, who was graduated from Butler last June, was made graduate manager of all athletics at the beginning of this school year. This is the first time in the history of the school that the athletics have been under the immediate direction of a graduate manager. Brother Paul has been very successful in the management of both the football and basketball teams, and through his careful financing the Athletic Association has been enabled to pay off a substantial amount of its indebtedness.

Butler has a promising season ahead in the field of public speaking, having a dual debate with Indiana University and a triangular debate with Miami University and Wabash College. We are represented on the debating squad by Brothers Selleck, McCallum, and Stephenson, the only brothers who entered the tryout.

Another national fraternity entered the field of competition at Butler College when Delta Alpha Phi, a local fraternity which was organized last year, was installed as Alpha Zeta of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity on December 17, 1915. The new chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha has nine actives and seven pledges and occupies a fraternity house.

The fraternity standing in scholarship for the first semester has not been announced as yet. Indications are that Beta Zeta will not equal the high standing set by the Chapter for the last four semesters, but it seems that the grades throughout the student body are not as high as usual.

We are eagerly looking forward to the Conference of the

Northern Division to be held in Indianapolis on February 18th and 19th. We are contributing all we can to make the Conference a success and the Chapter will attend the sessions en masse.

RALPH E. STEPHENSON.

BETA ETA

MINNESOTA

The preliminary Tom Toms have been beat. The preliminary war whoops whooped and the quiver sent the rounds of the alumni. On the twenty-ninth we formally initiate—you read initiated—tattered remnants of some thirteen yearlings. Tattered I say, through a severe scholastic winter. It has been much the case of the “ten little Indian boys”. With the dice to their favor eight will go through. The initiation and banquet will be held at the Radisson Hotel roof garden. Meanwhile the ever decreasing probation week is in vogue—the worst of it being the tales the seniors tell of what happened “when I was a frosh”.

The mardi-gras, the social creation of Beta Eta did much to vary an otherwise hum drum year. You know the stuff—confetti and serpentine up to your knees—horns making an awful racket and oh girls, the costumes. Perry Johnson was a perfect scream—etc. ad infinitum. In unison we choir “some party—some party”.

And just to demonstrate their versatility—that they are not wholly social lions—the boys have been cutting capers on the ice, on the bowling alleys, even in the class room. The bowling team has won seventeen straight games. We have already selected the niche in which we shall place the cup. It will look very well there on the mantel post to the left of that one we took back in '65. I mentioned ice, didn't I? Well we haven't started yet but we plan to win all our games—and only a pennant for that when we could hold another cup. Scholastically we are as able as usual. No further need to expound—'twould be but bragging.

Perhaps you have noticed that Minnesota has solved the summer baseball question by adopting the honor system. That shows how a good virile institution takes the bull by the horns and throws him out. Truth has ever been the toreador's most able weapon. The rest of the big nine might well do away with the time worn shovel.

In passing I take license to ask any or all of you to drop in and see us. Tea is served on Wednesdays and Fridays from two thirty until five. Dancing if so desired.

R. S. BENEPE.

BETA THETA

UNIV. OF THE SOUTH

The old mountain top forgot that it was winter for a few days and all the fellows forgot their books when the girls arrived for the Mid-winter dances. The dances were a big success and everyone had a great time. Of course quite a number of our Delta Brothers could be seen roaming around the campus and along the walks to the views with some fair dame.

In order to have something to make the time pass by more pleasantly, the fraternities instituted a series of Inter-fraternity Tournaments. Beta Theta came out on top in the basketball series. We were not quite so successful in the other tournaments that have been completed. Tennis, track, and billiards will be taken up later in the year.

Brother McGuistion was elected delegate to the Southern Conference. Quite a number of the brothers expect to go to Atlanta for the occasion.

Arrangements are about completed for placing a tablet in the University Chapel in memory of Brother Clark who lost his life on the battlefield of France. Brother Hudson Stuck has been very active in raising the necessary funds.

At a meeting of the Alumni and others interested in the

University, held in Chattanooga, plans were completed for raising \$350,000.00 to pay off all debts and improve the buildings. Bishop Knight, the Vice-Chancellor, has been working on the plan for some time, and has been very active in arousing interest in the University throughout the South.

Beta Theta extends best wishes for success to all Delts and an invitation to "drop in".

PAUL D. BOWDEN.

BETA IOTA

VIRGINIA

Since the holidays the Chapter has sustained a great loss in the form of three of its members who have withdrawn from college. Brother H. H. Balch, to practice law in Easton, Md., Brother L. H. Williamson, who leaves on an engineering job in Chile, and Brother Alonzo Rinehart, who is with a cold-storage plant of this city. Brother Rinehart's position is not in keeping with the warmth of his heart, however, as his engagement to Miss Lois Smith, of York, Pa., has been announced. The nuptials are to be celebrated in June. Although we are lamenting the departure of these three we congratulate them on the successes which have fallen in their paths.

On the track team Beta Iota is well represented by brothers Stone, Pace and Wallace in the dashes. Brother Stone is also on the relay team. Brother Harwell is out for the mile and bids fair to develop into an exceptional runner and bring glory and success to the institution in this event. Brother Lunsford is bidding strong for a place in the hurdles.

Although baseball practice has not commenced as yet, Brother Stearns will be a strong contender for a job at second base. Bill Rixey is debating the question of going out to uphold the honor of the Rixey family as slab artists, which was established by Brother "Epp" of National League fame. He will also retain his place as Virginia's mainstay in tennis this spring.

The Glee Club is fast rounding into shape for its performances and Brothers Martin and Cabell, our vocal stars, are nightly chirping the different refrains. The Mandolin Club commands the services of our other musician, Harman.

We are glad to announce that another Delt will have the honor of coaching the football team next fall. Brother "Pat" Evans will succeed to the position so admirably filled this past season by Brother Varner. Brother Varner is now serving an internship in a hospital in New York City.

The students of the University have just raised \$1000 to equip an ambulance for service in France, it is reported that this ambulance will be driven by Brother Bobbie Gooch who has enlisted for Ambulance Service from Oxford, England where he is a Rhodes Scholar. Brother Jimmie Drake, another of our alumni, is in the "Suicide Squad" doing active duty on the front.

The contract to erect a porch to the house has been signed and work is to be begun in a few days. Much talk of a houseparty for Finals is circulating through the walls of the house and the idea is finding favor with many.

The Chapter enjoyed a visit from Brother Duerr, Head Master of the Stone School, New York, during the past month.

R. E. POUND.

BETA KAPPA

COLORADO

Beta Kappa has finished the semester well satisfied. Five new men are now wearing the square badge as a result of our annual initiation on February 5th. Let us introduce them, Robert M. Burns, William M. Williams, Harold Thompson, John Harrington, Jr., and William Carroll. Bobbie Burns has been a long time coming into the fold but will make up for it now. He is a post-graduate in chemistry having taken his B. A. last June. He is a Phi Beta Kappa

and a member of Kappa Delta Pi, the honorary educational fraternity and Alpha Chi Sigma, the chemical fraternity. Williams, Thompson and Harrington are freshmen with four years ahead of them to show what they are made of while Carroll is a sophomore, having come to us from Colorado College. He is on the debating squad and promises to make a showing in this line in the future. All however, have started out to do their best in the time that they have.

Brother C. C. Eckhardt, Gamma Kappa, consented to act as our toastmaster at the initiation banquet and his ready comeback of snappy stories enlivened the evening. All the old standbys of the Denver Alumni Chapter were back for the evening and a good time was had by all. We were very glad to welcome back after an absence of fifty-four years Brother John A. Coulter, Gamma '64. He gave us a very interesting talk on the early days of Delta Tau and an account of the installation of the Gamma Chapter by the members of the old mother chapter at Bethany. We hope to have many more visits from Brother Coulter whenever he can get around.

Socially we have been so busy preparing for finals that little has been done since our winter dance on December 4th. For this the house was decorated with evergreens and Christmas trees. The music was furnished by a Hawaiian orchestra from Denver and was the surprise of the evening. Our annual Christmas Tree given in honor of the local alumni was held December 15th. It began with a banquet at six thirty and ended with a big walk-around. When old Santa began his rounds there were many interesting developments. Phil Worcester was made official water-wagon driver for the year, Bill Wright was given a saw to help build the new house, while Dr. DeLong received some paints to help paint the house. During the Christmas vacation "Dad" Andrew entertained the leftovers with a dance at

his home. The following week most of the brothers attended a reunion in Cheyenne. Our last social function was a formal seven course dinner at the house just before the Junior Prom. Just before the Christmas vacation Beta Kappa and the Denver Alumni Chapter held their annual joint banquet at the Metropole Hotel in Denver. There was an attendance of forty-five men who enjoyed the speeches and jokes of Rae P. McGee, Beta Alpha '98.

A few days ago we received a visit from Brother Greenstreet, Gamma Tau '15.

While the average grades of the various organizations are not yet available, Beta Kappa feels that in spite of the fact that this semester finals were generally considered harder than ever before that we will find ourselves not very far from the top of the list.

NED K. MYERS.

BETA LAMBDA

LEHIGH

Although at the date of this writing, the mid-year examinations, which annually wreak such havoc among our college mates here at Lehigh, are fast becoming ancient history, it is still with a sigh of relief that we take up the pen to announce the success of the members of Beta Lambda. Our chapter is intact and is now the largest which we have had in years.

Our freshmen have caught the right Lehigh spirit and are swinging along with the rest of the class, or we think somewhat ahead of the majority, at a fine clip. The beginning of the second term saw the return of Brothers Shannon and Clarke and they have entered active collegiate life with renewed energy. We also have the pleasure of introducing to the Delta world Brother Richards John Heuer of Philadelphia. Although still a freshman, Brother Heuer has

already distinguished himself by winning his "L" on the Varsity football team and bids fair to be a permanent half back in ensuing seasons.

The basketball season is in full swing and Lehigh is justly proud of her team, which at the present leads the intercollegiate league of Pennsylvania. It is largely a veteran team and they are surely outdoing themselves this year under the direction of a new coach. In other branches of athletics, particularly wrestling, our teams are very promising and have made several notable conquests recently. Wrestling is a very popular sport and the college looks forward with hopeful anticipation to the intercollegiates. Brother Keiser is this year's manager of track and is working hard to arrange an interesting schedule for a team of which we have great hopes.

In social affairs and extra curriculum activities Beta Lambda is as usual well represented. Several men have been taken into class clubs. Brother Keiser was recently elected president of the Arcadia, the student governing body, and Brother O. L. Carlson, secretary. Of course we are represented in the Interfraternity Bowling League, of which Brother H. S. Carlson is president, and although we have no shining lights in this line we still have hopes and are trying to act the part of the traditional dark horse. The freshmen have organized a house basketball team and have cleaned up about everybody in sight and are looking for new worlds to conquer.

We are planning to have a house party for junior week and if everything goes as well as it promises, it will be one of the best on record.

Since the last letter we have received visits from several alumni among whom were Brothers H. F. Campbell, C. R. Camp, A. W. Zahnizer and J. E. Gough. We are surely

glad to see any of the boys again. Be sure and climb the hill if you get in the neighborhood of the Bethlehems for we have a corking big house and a place waiting for you.

O. L. CARLSON.

BETA MU

TUFTS

Beta Mu has successfully passed the Scylla and Charybdis of mid-year examinations and now has safely entered upon the second semester of the college year.

The scholarship and ranking of our freshmen delegation, for there was not a single failure recorded among their marks, was a source of great gratification and a matter of pride to the Chapter. It might be worthy of space to mention that a greater part of this excellent showing of the first year men is due to the fact that the graduate adviser of the Chapter has made the personal overseeing of the scholarship of the freshmen his duty.

The star of Tufts seems to be on the ascend. Without undue boasting, everything on the "Hill" is "booming".

In athletics, if intercollegiate contests and schedules are to be taken as a criterion, Tufts is ranked in a high position among American colleges. The baseball schedule of this spring with a card of twenty-six games includes contests with Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth, Army, Navy, and Georgetown, and various smaller institutions. Next fall's football schedule is the most ambitious in the history of the pigskin game at Tufts. Harvard, Princeton, Syracuse, and in an intersectional contest at Indianapolis the University of Indiana are the main opponents, listed for the Brown and Blue football team of next year.

Not alone in athletics, is Tufts endeavoring to increase her prestige, but the college publications, debating organ-

izations and dramatics have been launched towards bigger and better futures.

This winter at Tufts there has been no intercollegiate competition in any form but the usual interclass basketball series have been played. Beta Mu has had representatives on each of the class teams in this sport, Brother Nellis '16, playing center on the championship senior five, and Brothers Bratt '17, Hawker '18, and Jeffery '19 on their respective class teams.

Brothers Teele '16, Davies '17, and Crocker '19 are members of the Varsity tennis squad which has been holding winter practice on an indoor court.

Baseball is now well under way and, although the personnel of the Varsity team is not yet known, most of the Varsity berths are undoubtedly filled by veteran members of last year's nine of championship fame. Brother Armstrong '16, easily holds down third base on the Varsity with no possibility of being ousted from that position. His hitting and fielding in the cage practice and during the few outdoor sessions to date bid well towards his leading the college third-basemen of the country in those departments of the game, as he did last year in the position of shortstop.

Brother Jeffery '19 and Pledge Haworth '19 are making a fine bid for the Varsity but will find it hard to break into this year's veteran combination. However, after a year's college experience they will in all certainty make the Varsity.

Delta Tau Delta landed second place to date in the Interfraternity Bowling League but captured the individual honors, as Brother Armstrong '16 easily led the league in individual pinfall.

This year, Beta Mu expects to win the championship of the Interfraternity baseball league, as a well-balanced team,

composed of a nucleus from last year's organization and new material from the freshmen, seems to be in the Chapter.

Phi Epsilon Pi has granted a charter to Tufts for a chapter to be known as Omicron. Phi Epsilon Pi is one of the leading non-sectarian fraternities in the country and it has enjoyed phenomenal growth since its birth in 1912 at Dickinson College. This fraternity has chapters at almost all the leading Eastern colleges, especially among the Southern Atlantic institutions.

Brother Frederic Hodgdon '94, of Ginn & Company, educational publishers, recently made a large and generous gift of books to the College Library.

Among the Alumni who have visited the chapter house during the past few months, we were glad to welcome: Brothers Bennett '08, Goddard '08, Hansen '10, McCurdy '10, Morton '11, Stryker '13, White '13, Foss '14, Messer '15, Newton '15 and Johnson '17.

In closing, Beta Mu wishes that all her sister chapters and all Delta Taus may enjoy a joyous and prosperous Spring.

ROLAND CROCKER DAVIES.

BETA NU

MASS. INST. OF TECH.

Our mid-year examinations have come and gone and after a short vacation of a little over a week we are all back and on the job again. Last year we rose twelve places in the scholarship list, and we hope that the reports from this set of examinations will give us a place still higher. During the recess the Musical Clubs made their annual trip through New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts, accompanied by four of our men.

The All New England Banquet was held at the Copley Square Hotel on the evening of January 15th. Beta Nu had a full attendance and the entire attendance totaled to

one hundred twenty-three. Every Delt pronounces it a grand success. This was the largest New England Banquet ever held in this section of Deltdom, the previous high-water mark being eighty-nine.

As in previous years Beta Nu claims the author of the annual Tech Show, for "Rusty White" has completed his book and a call for men for the parts has been issued. Likewise we are represented in practically every activity in the Institute.

The Institute has formulated a plan at last for the housing of the fraternities at our new home across the Charles. This year two wings of the new dorms are to be open to the fraternities, by lot, and later accommodation for all the fraternities is to be provided for in the near future. Beta Nu owns her lot across the river and as yet has not decided whether or not to enter in the scheme and try for one of the available quarters.

We are now starting our spring rushing campaign. We plan to increase our present freshman class by at least four men, and are actively out after them.

The dedication of the New Technology takes place on the 12th, 13th and 14th of June and with it an all Technology reunion. The committee in charge has provided a ripping program and there is going to be something doing every minute. All of the old Beta Nu boys will be on deck and there will be open house at "234". We hope that any of the Delts who may be in this territory will be able to drop around and join in the fun. Remember the dates, and in the meanwhile, any time you are in the neighborhood of Boston, don't fail to pay us a visit.

Brother Reader, Omega, has honored us with several visits lately, and Brother George S. Lehman, Gamma Lambda, who is on the business staff of *Vogue* has dropped

in a couple of times during the past few weeks, as well as several from all over the country. Beta Nu welcomes you all!

GEORGE DAVIS KITTREDGE.

BETA XI

NO LETTER

BETA OMICRON

CORNELL

The dreaded final examinations for the first term are now over with, and we feel confident that Beta Omicron will lose none of its members because of scholarship delinquency. Three terms have now passed without our having any of the brothers on the list of "bustees". We strive to maintain this record by means of an upperclass committee which has direct supervision of the work of the underclassmen.

Brother Douglas Leslie '16, who was compelled to leave school in his freshman year because of illness, returned this winter and took a short course in the College of Agriculture. "Doug" has regained his former pep and has left to devote his time to poultry raising.

A re-iteration of our list of undergraduate activities would be superfluous at this time, but it is necessary to make a few additions to our "honors". Brother Windnagle '17, has been chosen to captain the 1916 Cornell Cross Country team, while Brother Woodman '17, has been elected captain of the Varsity swimming team. On the hockey team, the Chapter is represented by Brother Hill, who held down the position of cover-point, and by Pledge Watson Harding '17, who played at wing. Brother Windnagle was elected to the Student Council, which is the supreme body of Cornell's new system of undergraduate government. Brother Heffernan '17, was appointed to the Student Conference Committee, which deals with relations between faculty and students.

We begin the rushing of freshmen on February 27th, and feel confident that in the next issue of *THE RAINBOW* we can announce to the Delt world a list of pledges of high caliber.

Brother Willard D. Straight '01, has recently given a much appreciated gift to the military department of the University. It is a donation of \$10,000 which provides for the establishment of a summer military camp along the shore of Lake Cayuga. Members of the student cadet corps will thus be given an opportunity to obtain a few weeks of practical field service previous to the opening of the University in September of each year.

Basketball is the center of attraction in athletic circles and the Cornell team bids fair to become a strong contender for the championship of the Eastern Intercollegiate League which consists of Columbia, Dartmouth, Yale, Princeton, and Pennsylvania. Baseball practice has begun in the form of a series of lectures which Coach Sharpe is giving to the candidates. Brothers Keeler and Coulter are out for positions on the team.

Cornell suffered a severe loss by fire, when Morse Hall, the chemistry building, was destroyed on the morning of February 13th.

A. C. FRANK.

BETA PI

NORTHWESTERN

A Chicago newspaper has been publishing a series of articles on the greatest athlete of each college and university, and when it came the turn of Northwestern the honor went to Brother Joseph A. Hunter, Beta Pi '00. Brother Hunter had the rare distinction of being elected football captain four times, and in addition he was a man of great prominence in baseball and track.

Of course basketball is in full swing now and the per-

formance of the team has made us all very proud of it and hopeful of carrying off Conference honors. The team is at present a topnotcher on the list and going at a terrific pace. Brother "Pat" Patterson, captain of the team, had a shoulder injured early in the season and was out for a time, but is now back in the old form and going strong. Another line of athletic interest is the swimming team. Northwestern's swimming team has held the Conference championship for three years straight and is well on the way towards maintaining its position. At a recent meet Brother "Dick" Simonsen laid the foundation for a career of aquatic distinction by setting a new mark in the 220-yard swim, breaking both the Conference and the Western Intercollegiate records. Varsity track has not been very successful so far and we are expecting a turn of the tide when the members of the team fully realize the pace they must go and set out to do it as they have done before. Brother Willmarth is already doing that, particularly in the half-mile, and is confident of steady improvement. Pledges Carney and Krumm are devoting part of their energies to the pursuit of distinction in freshman track, and Gerding and Lotholtz are discovering that there are good possibilities for them in swimming, although their efforts at present must be confined to freshman-Varsity work.

Meanwhile other members of the Chapter have been conspicuously active in their respective specialties. Brother "Irv" Fathschild has followed a meteoric career in the realm of dramatic art, and is now polishing up on one of the principal parts in the next production of the "Campus Players", in the intervals between doing considerable studying and advancing the social standing of the Chapter. Brother "Charlie" Baker as editor of the "*Daily Northwestern*" has resolutely steered the paper away from the ever-imminent shoals of fulsome flattery and "soft soap" editorialism, and

is making it an organ for the expression of student sentiment for needed reforms and refinements in college life and affairs. At the first election of the year, in December, Brother Shaffer, the Chapter's only representative in the chemistry department, was elected to membership in Sigma Xi, the honorary scientific society.

Brother Randall E. Poindexter has left Northwestern to enter the University of Indiana, and Brother Frank Ball has registered in the dental school, a step which removes him from the active list owing to the distance of the dental school from Evanston. We are very fortunate, indeed, that Brother Edwin Byers, who was obliged to drop out last semester because of illness, at last decided to register again the second semester and be with us once more, for we have need of his companionship, his personality, scholarship and his athletic ability, although it is probable that the last will be of little use to him for the rest of the year because of the after effects of the illness.

To attempt to chronicle the succession of events in the social life of the Chapter necessitates confinement to a bare summary of the most important. The only dance so far—we are allowed but one each semester—was held December 11th with the fullest measure of success that was expected of it. On December 16th, just before the beginning of the Christmas vacation, the annual Christmas dinner was given with three alumni acting as fathers of the family and doing the carving. Every one in the Chapter was there and the complete demolition of several fine large turkeys paved the way, literally, for a joyous evening before a log fire, with a Christmas tree and a Santa Claus who distributed appropriate gifts to all. On New Year's night the opportunity was taken to run a small vacation house dance, intended to be a small and quiet affair, although the number who were careful to return in time to take it in almost swamped the promoters.

The annual Tri-Chapter Promenade held at the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago, January 7th, was carried off in the usual style this year, although there was but small representation from Beta Pi Chapter.

Of immediate interest is the event of the annual initiation, coming Monday night the 21st, at which we are arranging to accommodate a large gathering of alumni to witness the entrance of nine good men into Delta Tau Delta; and following that a few days later comes the Western Division Conference and banquet, to which Beta Pi is planning to send a large number, especially the freshmen, and at which we expect to see and meet many brothers from other chapters.

A. M. SHAFFER.

BETA RHO

STANFORD

The Chapter weathered the examinations in fine shape. We did not lose a man and have added two new names to our roll, Brother Spencer Hall, who was initiated on January 30th, and Brother Kline Grieb of Beta Kappa who was affiliated earlier in the month.

The University Glee Club made a Christmas tour of the Hawaiian Islands that was an unqualified success. A large part of the credit for this success is due to Brother Joyce's work as president of the organization.

The Chapter has greatly enjoyed a series of exchange dinners with the other houses of the campus. Dinners have been held with Sigma Chi, Delta Chi, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Zeta Psi.

Several house dances have been given and more are planned for this semester. Several of the Beta Omega boys have put in an appearance at these affairs and have helped to draw the chapters closer together. The annual ball game "for the smokes" will be pulled off this spring and will be

augmented by the presence of many of the local alumni and the awarding of the Karnea Delt banner to the winning chapter.

Brother "Doc" Howard has been appointed managing editor of the *Daily*. Brother Warde Hatch was recently "discovered" by the swimming coach and will probably land a berth on the team. Brother Sid Ryan is playing regularly with the freshman baseball team and Brother Ray Hatch is hard at work in the freshman boat.

Perhaps the most important University event of recent years was the installation of Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur as president of the University. Dr. Wilbur is the first Stanford graduate to serve as president of the University and we are expecting much of a president who is so much a part of the University. His installation was the occasion of a more than welcome visit from one of our old guard, "Judge" Hugh Brown '96, of Tonopah, Nev. "Judge" was a classmate of Dr. Wilbur's and one of the charter members of this chapter.

Among other recent visitors have been Brother Mauck, President of Hillsdale, Brothers Houghton, Langer, Bailey and Moser of Beta Omega, and "Mase" Ross, "Jack" Cassel, "Jud" Crary and "Mick" McConnell of our own alumni.

ALFRED D. WILKIE.

BETA TAU

NO LETTER

BETA UPSILON

ILLINOIS

Recently the Senators of the Conference sport world sat in state and decreed that baseball should be abolished in the big nine. Whereupon several of the schools raised a dismal howl of disapproval and the senators hastened to mend their ways. At the present writing few know just how the situa-

tion stands. Coach Hoff informs us that this year's schedule will be played and that June will find him before the tribunal pleading for the attention of the great national game in the sport calendar. Moreover he tells us that his plea is likely to be the plea of many and that Illinois will not be forced to seek pastures new wherein to display her prowess. If by chance baseball is ruled out of the list of sports, it is the prevailing opinion that Illinois will withdraw entirely from the Conference and attempt negotiations with Michigan and the Eastern University. Students are eagerly awaiting the June decision. Of social events, the spring house party is the most popular. The time is drawing near and already preparations are being made. Brother Stoddard and his trusty lieutenant, "Potty" Burnside, dream of white latticed walls and bizarre bunting—and the Chapter rests in peace knowing full well that by the able efforts of this committee, the house will be a scene of beauty and therefore a joy forever, when the Great Day dawns.

Beta Upsilon continues her upward climb toward the top of the scholastic ladder. Reports turned in to "Major" Pool, custodian of the average indicate the Chapter scholars are paying strict heed to the well known wishes of President Curtis. Many messages of congratulation have been received from alumni, who take a personal interest in the Chapter affairs, and we feel very "cosky" over our accomplishments.

Brother "Kyke" Allan's withdrawal from the University marks the only note of minor key that must be sung. Every one was sorry to see "Kyke" go; the new electric bell on the door jamb is hidden by deep black mourning. We take such consolation as we may in the knowledge that "Kyke" will return in the fall. Brother "Cal" Simms completed the necessary 130 hours and has left the house to

take up quarters across the way. He will remain in school this semester and take his degree in June. Brothers Wallace and Jabst are again with the Chapter this semester.

February 14th saw eleven freshmen wear for the first time the square gold badge. The new brothers we wish to present are: Frederick Drew Morey, Perry Smithers, Edwin Lin Covey, John Wellington Foster, Robert Waller Grieser, Wilbur Maurice Burns, Jacob Paul Schnellbacher, Lawrence Currier, Robert Keith Hoskins, William Percival and Kenneth Hopkins Edgerley. Eleven good Delts and true, of whom the chapter is exceedingly proud and who profess eternal regard for the fraternity. Here's hoping they may all be good Delts and as good men as some of the earlier initiates. A most impressive initiation ceremony was followed by the initiation banquet. Under the able direction of Brother "Mike" Tobin, the event was a howling success. (Ed. note; consult passersby.)

Several alumni have been recent visitors during the past few months. Brother "Dunk" Reeves, "Jeke" Currier "Nig" Healy, "Churchie" Churchill and "Robbie" Burns, have all lent their pressure at diverse times. The latter two were present at the ceremony that marked the entrance of Brother "Ham" Berger into the ranks of the Benedicts. "Ham" passed around the cigars and our best wishes followed him and his blushing bride forever and a day.

The new electric bell on the door jamb is working excellently and we hope that many way-faring brothers will have occasion to push the mourning aside and punch it this spring.

EARL SWAIM.

BETA PHI

OHIO STATE

This letter finds all of the boys back in school for the second semester and already hard at work. We are very

glad to say that everyone is still with us and with but one or two exceptions everyone passed all of their work.

We are very glad to have pledge McCormick with us again this semester and were also very glad to have Brother Joy drop in from Fremont, Nebraska, and inform us that he had accepted a position in Columbus.

The new school year was started out in a very enjoyable way by giving a big informal dance on the evening of the first day of school. We had the honor of being the first Fraternity to hold a dance at the new Elks' Home.

The annual junior Prom with Brother Bill Dougherty as chairman of the committee and Brother Rankin also a member, will be an event of the 18th of the month. Delta Tau will turn out in full force.

Our basketball team captained by Brother Ginn got a poor start at the beginning of the season but are coming fine now. We were unfortunate to have Northwestern trim us twice, but evened matters up by taking two games from Purdue. The track men have started in earnest to train for the coming meets and we expect to have a winning team despite the fact that Brother Brown our speedy quarter-miler is at present ineligible.

We were very sorry to lose Brother George Thomas from amongst the list of active Delts. George was a very popular man around school and a dear friend of everyone who knew him. He was a member of the Varsity football squad and also captain of the sophomore team. George was one of our best students and a good fellow.

The Interfraternity Bowling League has almost completed one half of its schedule and finds Delta Tau in second place. We won the cup last year and are going to make a strong bid for it again. Our basketball team is not faring as well in the Interfraternity League. We have yet to win a game, but then we have only played four.

We have been fortunate in receiving visits from many alumni of this Chapter and from men from other chapters. Among our visitors have been Brother "Pop" Pumphrey our prexy, Brother Clemment from Toledo, Brothers Briggs, Wieland, and DuPre. We are always glad to have any of the brothers drop in and hope that every one who comes to Columbus will make an effort to get out to 1857 Indianola Avenue.

TRESS E. PITTENGER.

BETA CHI

BROWN

Mid-years are over. We say this with a feeling of great relief, and not without a touch of satisfaction. For the results of the half-year's work have, on the whole, been very encouraging, and we are looking forward to a much higher place on the scholarship list than we occupied last year. Our freshman pledges, with one exception, are eligible for initiation, having successfully completed twelve semester hours of work. Pledge Underkuffler, who failed to meet the eligibility requirements, has felt the need of better preparation, and has gone to Morris Heights School, from which he has promised to return next fall, and make good. We think he will.

The opening of the new semester brought back to us Brother Goggin '18. "Gog" was obliged to drop out last year on account of illness. But ever since he has been plugging away at his studies, and passing an exam now and then, so that he is now able to return in good scholastic standing.

Brother Fraser, who made the western trip with the football team, has given us a glowing account of his travels. He says that Brown alumni and their friends gave the team a royal good time all the way from Providence to Pasadena. At every stop there were banquets, receptions, theatre

parties, automobile trips, mountains to climb, and what not. The game with Washington State on New Year's Day was played in spite of very unfavorable weather. The football field was covered with a liberal layer of mud and water, and its condition was not improved by a brisk shower of rain which fell during the second half of the game. The score was 14 to 0 in favor of Washington State. The contest was declared one of the best ever seen on the coast.

We have recently received a visit from "Father" Thompson, the founder of Beta Chi Chapter, and president of our Alumni Chapter. He was accompanied by Brother Healey of Beta Mu. Brother Ewer, Beta Chi '99, head of the Philosophy Department here at Brown, was also present at the special meeting held in honor of "Father" Thompson. The latter gave us a brief outline of the circumstances under which our Chapter was founded, and many humorous anecdotes about the early years of its existence. Brother Healey told us about the part he played in helping to initiate, at Tufts, the charter members of our Chapter. Brother Ewer related some of his experiences with Delts in the Middle West and on the Pacific Coast. He said that from his own observations he had come to the conclusion that Delts were pretty much alike, that they were a distinct type of men, no matter in what part of the country they were found.

With the approach of spring our baseball artists begin to limber up. Brother "Rube" Richards '17, is practicing every day in the cage, and according to all reports, he should be the mainstay of the pitching staff this year. Pledge Hall '19, is working hard for a position behind the bat, and has good prospects.

In class basketball, Brothers Bowman and McKay '17, have been doing good work for the champion Sophomores, who have won every game which they have played. Pledge

McSweeney is showing great form in the heavy weight class on the wrestling team.

Since our last letter we have pledged the following freshmen: George Garland Wilcox of Bristol, Conn.; Arthur E. Redfern and John J. Hall of Providence, R. I.; William M. McSweeney and Glenn B. Burt of Springfield, Mass. Pledge Burt has a brother in Gamma Gamma Chapter.

Brother Reeder, Omega '13, has been in Providence for several weeks on a business trip. He remembered that Beta Chi is always glad to see brother Delts, and consequently he has made our Chapter house his headquarters. We hope that all Delts who visit Providence will do likewise.

HERMAN W. WATJEN, JR.

BETA PSI

WABASH COLLEGE

For the first time in the history of the institution, Wabash College has closed a semester's work. Previous to the present, our school year was divided into three terms, but now it consists of the first and second half year. The final examinations are over and Delta Tau has come through in a fair manner.

Our basketball team continues its winning stride, having beaten every secondary school in Indiana and having also defeated some of the larger institutions. Delta Tau has her usual representatives on the Varsity five.

On the night of February 4th we held at our Chapter house, our annual pig roast. Our good alumni brothers, Crawford and Scott, supplied us with a fifty-five pound porker. Many of the old Beta Psi boys were present and not only filled themselves with meat but with enthusiasm for the chapter. Our only regret in this connection is that we could not have some brethren from nearby institutions

present, in order that they might witness the loyalty of our members who have graduated before.

Coach Sheeks has begun preliminary baseball practice and at least four of our members are going out to make places on the nine. This together with track and basketball keeps our athletic candidates sufficiently busy.

On February 13th, our regular initiation will take place. Four pledged members will at that time become brother Delts. We are quite frank in saying that these four represent the cream of the present freshman class and in our next letter we will with great pride introduce them to you as your newly found brethren.

When you are in the neighborhood of Crawfordsville, why not make it a point to drop in and take a meal with us or spend an hour or more enjoying the good fellowship which to the most casual observer is characteristic of our Chapter?

E. A. ROVENSTINE.

BETA OMEGA

CALIFORNIA

The semester started off with the usual bang of piano and drums and the brothers bounced in with their full quota of the old "Pep" and "Jazz" on January 17th. When we inspected our rooms we found them all stacked or stripped; but were we down-hearted? No! The floors had all been painted and the walls downstairs retinted.

When roll-call came the following places were found vacant: "Son" Parmalee, our president, graduated at Christmas time and found a job. "Mo" Moser also found a job and stayed in Seattle. "Woff" Wolflin transferred to the University of Redlands and "Bill" Duddleson has to finish his course by practical out-door work at the University Experiment Farm at Davis, California. Brother "Ludy" Langer climbed a boat for Honolulu on February

8th to be away from us for about a month. He has gone to defend his American and World's records as an Amphibian and show the Duke a few new speed strokes.

The surplus "Pep" and "Jazz" in the Chapter is being invested in activities as follows: Brothers "Rudy" Gianelli, "Coon" MacCabe, "Greek" Parrish, "Walt" Hulting, "Jazz" Newlands and "Chuck" Whitmore are out for baseball. Brother Fred Gibbons is showing the correct form for the 440. Brothers "Mick" Brett, Ray Gardener and "Fido" McManus are working out for crew with bright prospects. Brother "Jazz" Newlands has been playing on the 145 pound basketball team. Brothers Harry Adams, "Greek" Parrish and "Fido" McManus have been elected to the Glee Club making a grand total of five brothers in that organization. Brother David Shattuck is secretary of the Congress Debating Society. Brother "Steve" Stephenson has been elected a member of the Players' Club of San Francisco and has appeared in several of their recent productions. Brother "Chuck" Whitmore is working on the *Daily Californian*. Brother Ray Gardener is floor manager for the "Freshie Glee" and Brother Fred Gibbons has been re-elected president of the German Club. Besides all these activities Beta Omega is well represented on the main class and general student committees.

Since our last letter Beta Omega has started a new project which is surely worthy of mention here. It was the proposal of Brother "Billy" Middleton '06, that Beta Omega Chapter donate a perpetual trophy cup for forward passing to be known as the Percy Hall Trophy in honor of our brother Percy Hall '99, the greatest half-back that California has ever known. The active Chapter heartily endorsed this proposal and now with the support of our loyal Alumni we see it as a reality of the near future.

Beta Omega's social activity for the semester will center

in a dance to be given at the Chapter house on the evening of February 25th. The committee has some original plan for this function which they are keeping secret but judging by past performance of the same committee we expect it to be a dinner.

V. V. MILLS.

GAMMA ALPHA

CHICAGO

Since our last letter Gamma Alpha has initiated four new Deltas, Harry A. McGaughey, John P. Orendorff, Paul Y. Willett, all of Chicago, and Ove M. Olson of Edmore, Mich. Our freshmen did very well in the scholarship during their first quarter with the result that the Fraternity average was raised instead of lowered as has been usually the case. Indoor work for baseball has commenced and Brother Page hopes to have a championship team. Brothers "Bill" and "Doc" McConnell are two of the last year's regulars who are back and Brothers Houghton, McGaughey, and Allen bid fair to appear in the line-up. "Dolly" Gray last year's baseball captain, who marshalled the squad through the Orient is now living at the house (which by the way is full for the first time in some years) and is engaged in business. Brother Rothermel plays a brilliant game at guard on the basketball team. Brother Page has been seriously ill with the result that the team has been for sometime deprived of its mentor.

A full and complete account of the Varsity baseball team's trip to the Orient is given in Spalding's new baseball guide. Three Delts from our Chapter undertook the journey under the directorship of Coach Page.

Brother Gene Williams has donned the masked face and will appear in various University dramatic productions. Brother Willet is still a prominent soloist in the glee club and has been chosen Varsity cheerleader for next year.

Brother R. T. A. Johnson takes a prominent part in senior class politics and has been kept from participation in track by unfortunate trouble with his feet. Brother Roy Campbell who last spring established a new record in the Conference half mile and who was chosen on the All-American College track team, has graduated.

Some famous alumni have moved into the house. Brother Fred Walker, Varsity coach and ex-Brook-fed, is busy instructing young pitchers who aspire to twirl for the team. Brother Stanley Ikerd of Beta Alpha who has developed some new theory in advertising and Brother "Vic" Mingers who is well known in banking circles, are among us.

F. B. HOUGHTON.

GAMMA BETA

ARMOUR

Gamma Beta wishes to announce the pledging of Roberts Peters, Marquette, Mich.; John Wilbur, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Ralph Koch, Lake City, Minnesota; Gilbert Bradbury, Kansas City, Mo.; John Alexander, Grand Rapids, Wisconsin; and Grafton L. Parker, Andrew P. Sullivan, Louis H. Yeonians, Jasper J. French, Thomas J. Rowe, and Walter E. Mead, all of Chicago. The initiation of these men will be held Sunday, February 20, 1916.

During the month of January we initiated Pledgemen John R. LeVally, a senior who was pledged during his freshman year, but was unable to be initiated until this year. He is a member of Tau Delta Pi, the Armour Glee Club and is a live wire in all respects.

Besides several rushing smokers and parties, many of the brothers attended the annual Delta Promenade at the Blackstone Hotel, January 7th. Another one of the Gamma Beta's teas was held at the house February 13th.

Every one was there with one of the fair sex including many of our alumni and their wives.

Our house has been re-decorated throughout this year, and has been kept in the best condition possible. We have the finest bunch of pledgemen in our history, and the activity of every member has been noticeable in the co-operation and scholarship.

Many alumni and brothers from other chapters have visited us recently. We hope this will continue, for every one is welcome.

PHIL R. HOCKENBERGER.

GAMMA GAMMA

DARTMOUTH

The long winter season is half over and registers much already accomplished and much more looked for the few weeks left of this busiest season, until the break of winter and spring vacation come along and give the death blow to the brutally efficient machine that gets running so smoothly during these months of little distraction.

First semester finals are safely passed, and the good ship Gamma Gamma comes through with only two of those on board slightly affected by the characteristic indisposition. We did not lose outright a single man. Even the pledges came through with one man only on probation—the upper-classmen are not supposed to succumb. Pledge Clark is the one that faltered. Brother Schulz 1919 suffered similarly. We feel as though we can bear up under these two reverses upon the strength of the records of the other brothers and pledges.

The card and the advisory system for stricter supervision of the freshmen has proven its efficacy and soundness. No freshman delegation in college had a better record for the first semester than ours. Among the nine pledges, returns to date show:

3 courses flunked; 10 courses 50%—65%; 24 courses 65%—75%; 8 courses 75%—85%; 1 course 85%—100%.

The average for the above thus falls slightly below 70% which is, we feel safe to say, good work for the freshmen. The system, introduced at Gamma Gamma this year, provides for periodical reports by the several instructors, the reports being made on the regulation blanks supplied by us. These blanks call for class standings and incidentally advice, and they pass entirely between instructors and senior advisors independently of the freshman. The pledges are summoned once a week in formal meetings to report their activities and accomplishments for approval.

About college the following honors have been lately rung down for Delta Tau Delta. Brother Holden has won his "D" in hockey playing goal on the first team. Brother Early '18 was elected sixth man in his class to run for the assistant athletic managerships (which lead by the merit system to the managerships), and Brother Bemis was also elected by his class to run for the assistant non-athletic managerships. Brother Stanley was one of the sophomores taken aboard *The Dartmouth* paper in the February election. Pledges Hudson and O'Neill are on the freshman basketball and hockey squads respectively, while Pledge Bixby is out for the freshman battery, already practicing in the Alumni Gym.

We were glad to have Brother Penick of the depleted '17 delegation drop in on us unexpectedly to spend the second semester. Brother Penick has been living in luxurious ease we understand visiting the brothers of the middle west. Although he makes a first class delegate and we are proud to have our brothers elsewhere know him, we feel he has a place with us we hate to share.

The loss of another brother is however, a serious blow. Brother York has joined the Dartmouth Ambulance Corps

active in the Vosges. By the time this letter appears he will be at the front serving France. Already Dartmouth has lost one of its number in the person of the late "Dick" Hall 1915, who was killed by shrapnel while on an errand of mercy. We are praying nothing of this sort will overtake Brother York.

The Winter Carnival of Dartmouth is just over, and its success was so pronounced that we feel confident its existence as a function in our college year will never again be put in the balance as was the case this season. It is estimated that more guests were present than ordinarily attend Prom. The program was more complete than ever. Dartmouth defeated McGill University, of Montreal, completely in ski cross-country, dashes and jumps, and shut out Colgate also in cross-country. McGill excelled in proficiency and expertness. The record jump this year was 85-feet. Ski-joring races and ski somersaulting were particularly thrilling features. Gamma Gamma did not have a house party although a number of brothers had guests who were entertained considerably at the house.

Dartmouth has cast her lot with the advocates of military preparedness and has put her vote to action in the formation of a batallion, under the supervision of Captain Ward, U. S. A. Some two hundred undergraduates are drilling three afternoons or evenings a week. Brother Fitch holds the responsible position of first-lieutenant. The time devoted is as yet given gratis to the service, but agitation is under way toward granting course credits for this work. The issue is doubtful.

Brothers will find no more delightful spot than Hanover in the spring. Stop off when you are on your way and take a turn on the golf-course or watch a baseball game. The brothers of Gamma Gamma are ever at your service.

HENRY A. BATES.

GAMMA DELTA

WEST VIRGINIA

The big event in history since the last letter was our sixteenth annual initiation and banquet. Eight new brothers were added to the roll and they are all well pleased with the change in their relations. The new brothers who are very enthusiastic and promise to do much for Delta Tau Delta are: Jack Vernon Abbott, Fairmont, W. Va.; James Harvey Furbie, Mannington, W. Va.; Seth Burleigh Henshaw, Charleston, W. Va.; William Frank Knode, Mannington, W. Va.; Henry Brinson Montgomery, Charleston, W. Va.; Francis Horatio Stubbs, Morgantown, W. Va.; Samuel Greenberg Williamson, Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Glenn Audubon Wilt, Franklin, Pa.

A large number of our alumni were back and the banquet was the best for several years. Those present were: Brothers Simeon Smith, Beta Mu '98, toastmaster, James D. Groninger, Arthur Dayton, Brooks Hutchinson, Houston Young, Frank P. Corbin, Ernest R. Bell, S. R. Harrison, Samuel N. John, Dalton D. Simon, G. Merle Amos, O. H. Davis, John B. Windsor, Ira S. Hardman, Charles S. Adams.

The Military Ball was held between semesters and although the attendance was not as large as expected every one voted it to be a great success.

The Chapter has entertained at several dinner parties and although they have not been elaborate they have been very enjoyable. There will probably be more elaborate affairs later in the spring. The basketball team has improved wonderfully in the last month and we have now one of the best teams in the country. We will easily trim West Virginia Wesleyan, our greatest rival, on February 26th. We are represented in basketball by Brother Colebank.

The Interfraternity Bowling League is on full blast and

we are keeping right up with it. We are not at the top, but we are so near it that the team at the top is greatly worried. Turley, Jolliffe and Colebank compose the team and Jolliffe now holds the high individual score of the league.

The averages of the first semester have not yet been announced but we are expecting to be right up near the top.

Although Gamma Delta does not have a large Chapter every active is active and we are well represented in college circles as follows: One member Theta Psi, the honorary Engineering Fraternity; one member of the Engineering Society; captain of reserve basketball team; assistant basketball manager; four members of the Owl and Cap, a Sophomore Honorary Society; one member and head of the English Club; President of Phil-Hellenic Club; one member of the editorial staff of the college weekly; one member of the *Monticola* board, the college annual; vice-president of Beowulf Club; president of junior class; president of Interfraternity Council; vice-president of freshman class; four members of the University choir.

Brother Lake of Beta Omicron visited the Chapter and we were glad to see him as we will be glad also to see any other Delt who happens to be in this part of the country.

HOMER F. BARNES.

GAMMA EPSILON

COLUMBIA

At the time of this writing the chapter is just staggering out from under the gloomy burden of Mid-year examinations, and there is nothing to put into our letter except a long sigh of relief. At this time there are a number of announcements which we would like to make—and when could there be a better opportunity? Since the last letter almost nothing has happened, for it has become winter, and

outdoor events have had to suspend—but not winter enough yet for basketball and hockey to begin. Indeed, the latter may never begin, for already Brother Webb's team has had seven postponements of games because the rink would insist on melting—evidently flirting with the swimming team.

But to get back to those announcements we were going to make—whether they are true or not doesn't really matter, for they all ought to be: for example, it would be a real joy to announce that Brothers Bellinger and Countiss had not flunked any courses. News like that would, of course, need to be broken gently. We would probably have to announce one at a time, though the news could scarcely fall as heavily on those who would merely read it, as on us who might surge idly up to a bulletin board in Hamilton Hall and see the passing marks without a moment's warning for a long breath or an ambulance call.

Consider again—what greater announcement could there be than that declaring Brother Strang has shaved all the hirsute excreta from his northern lip, or another proving that Brother Hutton was seen in a shirt of plain pattern. It would not be divulging a secret to announce that Brother "Discontented Lulu" McCarthy has become so proficient a ballroom dancer that the management of Delmonico's has kindly promised to lay a new floor for his special use at the junior Prom. This floor will be of special construction and is said to be very soft. A further vital bit of news belonging to the juniors which we nearly neglected is that Brother Chauncey Stone has been elected president of a new civic organization. It is rumored that its name is "The Amalgamated Union of Parlor Snakes, Ltd.", but we wonder! Brother Fisher would be president of that.

An important zoological announcement would deal with our new annex—an alligator house. Not only have we the

house but we have an alligator to live in it, and he seems to prefer it to Brother Dick's bath tub, where he lived for a while after being shipped from Florida. As soon as Brother "Dutch" Klugescheid gets the monkey cage with the sound-proof annex for vocal culture which he has promised himself for a birthday present our storage needs will be satisfied, unless Brother Dunn decides to build himself a small model of Whittier Hall—perhaps to keep his nose in when he is not singing through it. Speaking of singing—but no—that's too easy; and besides we've given "Klugie" his space only one sentence above; and then too, not everyone calls it singing. Our piano could, if it would, announce more than a few who can strangle in F-sharp, and up or down at will from that key.

One of the fine points of easing the Delta conscience in this fashion is to be careful to keep all the strongest specimens on the writer's side. That accounts for the easy way Brother Fisher was treated, and why we make practically no mention of those two renowned weight-lifters, Brothers Barrett and Criswell. If we weren't afraid of his grandmother's bull-dog, Susie, we would announce one or more reasons why "parental objection" prevents Brother Jauss from doing the little things he doesn't like to do, and we would append a brief review of his masterpiece of sanitary engineering, "Sewer Cleaning Simply Explained". Then there is that room-mate, Brother Will F. Collins, far-famed as an imitator of F. P. A., and called "Clink" because most people are too polite to refer to his walking, dancing, or skating by calling him "Crash"—we could talk about the way he meets Philadelphia trains an hour late and what he says when he talks in his sleep Friday nights—if we dared. Another scrap of interesting reading (unhappily suppressed, as explained above) is the graphic account we could give of how Brother Shaw memorized the mazes of the Astor Hotel

so perfectly that he is now able to pass many a pleasant evening entering and leaving this hostelry without having to apply at the same door twice. Again, if anyone, having reached this point and seeing the end in plain sight, should be filled with gloom that there is to be found no instructive mention of Brothers "Brock" Henderson or "Admiral" Smith, our self-confessed married men, let us deny publicly any present knowledge of that vulgar phrase—"Hush money". But we won't argue with Brother "Simp" Studwell, that flagrant lawyer, or with any other catch-as-catch-can talker that our phrase "present knowledge" *doesn't* mean that we have hopes. We most certainly have, for there is still another letter to be written this year—and just consider what lack of time and space and a congenital distaste for violent exercise have compelled me to leave out.

R. E. McINTOSH.

GAMMA ZETA

WESLEYAN

Since the last letter to THE RAINBOW, affairs have been going very smoothly at Gamma Zeta, and with our mid-year examinations completed we look forward to the coming spring and its gay gaieties. In our new home we have already entertained the faculty and the college body as well as about twenty of the members of the gentler sex who were guests at our opening house party. It is rather interesting to note the attitude of the faculty on our new acquisition, for to a man they can say nothing too praiseworthy of Wesleyan's youngest recognized fraternity. In fact, at the reception many of the guests expressed their opinions verbally and in such a way as to amply repay us for our efforts. Regarding the college body, our guests at the first smoker of the new year:—it has been the first time that Gamma Zeta has been able to entertain the students in her

own house, and it is needless to say that everyone was loud in his unstinted admiration of our house.

It is with some pleasure, yet some disappointment that we announce the abolishment of the Common Scrap, a traditional Wesleyan affair, but owing to its secret fatality in a somewhat similar occurrence the faculty as well as the student body have decided against it. The sub-freshmen will be rushed as per usual however, and elaborate plans for February 22nd are already under way.

In the athletic world Gamma Zeta is as customary right up in the front row, with active representatives on almost every team. Brothers Lawson and Whitney are reliable members of the relay squad, a representative team which easily defeated Harvard second in the recent B. A. A. meet in Boston. Captain Harmon who is the mainstay of the basketball team and Brother Hanson are both achieving reputations for themselves, while Brother Thompson is practically assured of a position on the swimming aggregation.

In its interfraternity sports, the boys of Gamma Zeta stand second in the basketball league and second in the bowling league. Almost every body in the house is interested in some sport and the third floor is frequently the scene of our interfloor football game.

Everybody is looking forward to the Division banquet in New York and they expect to make a great try for honors in attendance. Until then—.

L. S. TIMMERMAN.

GAMMA ETA

GEORGE WASHINGTON

On January 15, 1916, Gamma Eta Chapter initiated eight neophytes into the mysteries of our great Fraternity. The new Brothers are Harold R. Davis, W. Waverly Taylor,

Deane Childs Howard, and Philip R. Fowle, all of Washington, D. C.; Henry J. Richardson of Arkansas; Chas. W. Jacobson, of Georgia; Norman B. Ames, of Virginia and Ira D. Lucal, of Ohio. All of them have the earmarks of real Deltas and more will be heard of them later on, we are most certain.

Through the efforts of the faculty director of athletics, football is practically assured for next fall. Since athletics were cut out of the curriculum of George Washington University some years ago the students have fought steadily for its reinstatement and we all feel satisfied that we will once again be represented in most branches of sport. Our basketball team has fared rather badly but most of the games lost have been by small scores.

Mid-year kept the boys from engaging in the strenuous social whirl of Washington for a while but just as soon as the exams were over they started brushing their silk "kellys", and you may see them treating the ladies with their presence at almost any social function of note in the Capital. Brother Robinett, late of Beta Mu, has announced a "free-for-all" at the Columbia Country Club for the second week in March. Yes sir! He's going to set the Deltas and lady friends up to a real dance. The Chapter has been invited, as a body, to several functions of late, which goes to show that none of us is an individual star.

We have received many visits from Delts of various chapters in the last couple of months. Brother C. F. Griswold, of Beta Phi has recently made his appearance at the house and is with us to-day.

Our married brothers of Washington have organized. They told us that we could have our dance but that they have a monopoly on cards. Well, we wish them luck, but a queen in your arm is worth two in your hand.

GEORGE A. DEGNAN.

GAMMA THETA

BAKER

Examinations are over and the second semester is on in full sway. A great deal has happened since our last RAINBOW letter. The Christmas holidays have come and gone, and the month of January fairly flew by and at its end the time worn examinations "hove" into sight causing many a sleepless night for some of our more care-free students. But that is now all passed, and we are once more on the final half with renewed pep and energy to bring Delta Tau to the front in every form of activity.

Perhaps the event of greatest importance at this time of the year is the basketball season. Four games have already been played by the Baker team. The team this year is coached by Brother Zabel who has been ruled out of the role of player by conference legislation. But old man "Zip" could not resist the call of the inflated sphere and the netted iron rings and consequently accepted the offer to turn out a winning team for Baker this winter. This same team is captained by Brother Trotter who plays a guard. Out of a picked squad of eight men, there are five Delts, Brothers Trotter, Jaggard, Cox and Kinzer, and Pledge Bruner. There is rarely a game in which all of these men do not take part. A championship is well on the way to Baker.

Soon after our return from the holidays Brother Zabel startled the brothers by passing around "ten-centers" to all who desired to smoke. It was only Brother Zabel's unselfish way of announcing his engagement to Miss Ruby Kress, a junior in the University and a member of Alpha Chi Omega. "Zip" was very coy and bashful in making the announcement and the boys helped him celebrate the event at the Alpha Chi house at a very informal reception. Some say that Zabel is not only engaged but was actually married during the holidays. However, we have no exact data on

that subject. But we do know that he intends to take her with him to the training camp of the Cubs next month.

On February 4th we gave our annual winter party. Everything was worked out to the smallest detail and the 108 guests enjoyed the evening to the greatest degree. A musical comedy was staged by a few of the musical brothers, and afterwards a supper was served to the guests at the Chapter house. Brothers Mickey and Wolfe from Gamma Tau helped us enjoy the evening.

In other forms of school activities Brother Rigg has been chosen as Baker's representative in the State Peace Oratorical contest. Brother Rider is hard at work on the University debate squad.

It is yet a little early for in-door work in track and baseball, but when the call comes for these two sports Delta Tau is sure to have her share of men answer the call, and a great majority of these men will have excellent chances of making places on the teams.

In a week or two we hope to introduce several new initiates to the Delt world. Out of our freshman crop for this year there are about eight men who are ready to be introduced to our mysteries. The other eight have preferred to wait until later on for various reasons.

When we returned from the holidays one of our brothers did not make his appearance. Brother Campbell of the class of '17 has given up school to go into business with his father who has recently purchased two new telephone exchanges in Missouri. "Friday" has been given complete charge of the two exchanges and now his headquarters are Butler and Rich Hill, Missouri. We were sorry to lose Brother Campbell who was always active in Chapter affairs. He has paid us one visit since his departure and we are anxiously awaiting another soon.

Visits from our alumni have been few and far between since our last letter, but we hope that with the coming of spring all the old boys will gradually roll back to the halls of Gamma Theta and renew acquaintances with the brothers whom they know and meet the new men in the chapter. Don't lose all your old fraternity loyalty. Whenever you chance this way the house is yours.

Gamma Tau men are constantly exchanging visits with our men, and a warm friendship is growing up between the two neighboring chapters. We do not want to be selfish about this, but desire visits from brothers of other chapters whenever they happen around this way. We promise to make you feel at home.

FREDERICK VANDEGRIFT.

GAMMA IOTA

TEXAS

The results of mid-term examinations are indicative of the fact that Gamma Iota has a determination to make a "smoke" in scholarship this term. A stiff dose of "pepto-zone" has created a desire on the part of every man to equal, if not better, the standard of last year, when we ranked third among all the fraternities and sororities. The increased restrictions, placed by the faculty, on fraternities has proved entirely successful thus far, although it has worked a hardship on some chapters, who have been unable to initiate.

It is a great satisfaction to announce the pledging of Mr. Finley Ewing, of Brownwood, Texas; Mr. Elmer Maud, of Austin, Texas; Mr. Hans von Carlowitz, of Fort Worth, Texas; and Mr. Warren Knox, of San Antonio, Texas. Hans is decidedly musical, and Freshman Warren is a social youngster. "Fin" is a man about town with a big future ahead of him, while pledge Maud has already secured a

place on the soccer team. The Chapter's freshmen are certainly exhibiting an aptitude for annexing themselves to school activities. Willis Lowry has made *The Magazine* staff, Pledges Mathes and Angly are on the *Daily Texas* staff, and the others are aggressively getting into things.

The advent of baseball and track is now eagerly awaited. Brother "Burning Daylight" Long will show up well in the sprints, regardless of the wiles of Madam Nicotine. Pledge Baldwin has deserted whilom amours, and attached himself to the track team. Brothers "Connie" Mathes and Post and Pledges C. Mathes and Wight are making strong bids for the baseball squad. Since Varsity returns only three regulars of last year's team, Coach Disch is compelled to compose his usually successful group of leaguers of new men, and Gamma Iota is assured of worthy representation. Brother Thomason takes off his "Arrow" each afternoon and gives fancy exhibitions in serving and lobbing for the benefit of those aspiring to make the tennis team.

Final bookings for the annual Glee Club trip have been completed, and Brother Holmes, who is director of the club, is strenuously working out his material. Brother Holmes' horse shoe luck in rounding out a quartet last year augurs well for the success of the coming season.

On February 4th, the Chapter gave an informal dance at The Cactus Tea Room. Brother Bob Lowry, with his customary dignity, after an arduous debate with himself as to the selection of the lady whom he should escort, led the grand march in great style. There were approximately fifty couples present, including a number of alumni who came back for the occasion. Delt spirit characterized the entire evening, and a Delta Tau Delta extra closed what was perhaps one of the most recherche of dances given this season. Plans whereby the allowances of five or six of the

fellows may be strained to permit the purchasing of motor boats are coming into evidence, along with the other things inspired by spring. Brother Lowry has recently bought a handsome motor boat, and launch parties are expected to soon become the vogue.

Brother Thomason, our delegate to the Southern convention, had no difficulty in impressing upon us, who were unable to attend the extent of our loss. From the effect of the "Jazz", in abundance at Atlanta, upon him it seems that "Preparedness" was forgotten entirely, likewise, other National problems in the genuine exhibition of fellowship and fraternalism.

Nothing is more gratifying to the actives of the chapter than interest shown by the alumni, either through visits or recommendations of new men. Considerable interest has been taken in regard to our House Fund. Plans for this were made last year. Brother Wight, of Sweetwater, who graduated last year, has charge of the committee to raise the required sum and his work in this respect is greatly appreciated. A trifle more co-operation and the dream of owning our own house will become a reality. Practically all the actives have arranged their subscriptions and we hope every alumnus will overcome his lassitude when he receives a communication from Brother Wight and donate his share.

Of late we have enjoyed the visits of a number of alumni, including Brother Parks of Houston; Brother Wight, of Sweetwater; and Brother Luther Hoffman of Denton, who, politically speaking is "going some" in the race for county attorney of Denton County. Brother Austin Anderson is another of our brothers who is a political aspirant. Brother Harry Brown, who graduated at Harvard last year, is located at the Rhode Island General Hospital at Providence.

WALKER W. SAULSBURY.

GAMMA KAPPA

MISSOURI

Anti-fraternity agitation at the University of Missouri has assumed a new angle since the appearance of the last RAINBOW. In January a certain student, not a member of any fraternity, published a paper called "*The Research*," the entire contents of which consisted of an attack upon the fraternity system as a whole and upon individual, though unnamed, fraternity and sorority members. This is the first encounter in recent years between fraternity and non-fraternity elements in Columbia. However, the stand taken by the author of "*The Research*" is not that of the rest of the non-fraternity men. In particular, his insinuations against women students have won him little favor. At the present writing his case is being taken up by the Student Senate, who will recommend to the faculty whatever steps they may deem necessary.

As for the news of happenings within our walls, the chapter life for the two months before exams was comparatively uneventful, the only diversions being occasional desperate attempts on the part of one or two of the more ambitious brothers to do a little studying against "The Day". When "The Day", or rather, "Week", was done and the grades began to appear, the result was encouraging as well as astonishing. We are not sure yet that we made enough credit as a Chapter to better the student average, but we are certain that we have raised our scholastic standing among the fraternities well above the lowly rung, on which we stood, with one foot on the ground, at the end of last year.

Last semester, Brother George Taaffe, having completed his work for his engineering degree, said goodbye to the Chapter, every member of which, from freshmen to seniors, has lived his chapter life under George's ancient eye. For

six years he has been a light and an inspiration in the Chapter. It seems strange to us not to have old smiling George around, and it must seem indeed strange to George's co-ed friends (that "s" is not absolutely necessary) not to have him around any more. Anyway we're sorry to see him go and we know he feels the same regret, though we don't take all the credit for that.

Brother Russell Richards and Brother Joe Palmer also received degrees at the end of the semester. Brother Palmer left school to take a position somewhere west of Kansas City. He is another of the old boys we hate to see go. Brother Richards thought a rest would not be amiss before taking the plunge into the icy waters of labor. So he signed up for a couple of snap courses just to keep his hand in and serve as a relief from the strain of eight hours a day of hard labor on the links. He also rented a typewriter in order to expedite the production of numerous bits of *vers libre*, short stories and a dozen or so Maeterlinckian fantasies.

Brother Tim Phillips has come back to us and the law barn, having been unable during the summer to find any other way of passing his time.

Brother Lucian Eaton is out for the track team, which he probably will make as he is already an "M" man. By the way, Brother Paul Hamilton was so hurt at being left out of the last Chapter letter, that I hasten to include him in the list of notables, belated as his appearance is. Brother Hamilton, sophomore, football player and "M" man.

NELSON HILL.

GAMMA LAMBDA

PURDUE

One semester of our present school year is completed. We are now on the last lap and running hard. Many things



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have been accomplished, but there are still many things left untouched. In many respects the semester has been a noteworthy one, but the one into which we are now entered gives promise of many more and greater things.

Going back in our rambles to September, we see twelve faithful brothers returned; twelve men ready to do the bidding of Delta Tau Delta. Realizing our lack in number we made up for it with "pep", and conscientious work, and as the curtain of the rush gradually lifted Gamma Lambda Chapter had pledged ten of the finest freshmen in school. We not only thought so then, but every day we are reminded of the fact.

Football season came. Along with that our fall house-party was a ripping success. Our dances and banquets were far above the average. Then came the Christmas stag, Christmas vacation and the end of the semester.

Through all our joy-making, however, we had one object always before us and that was scholarship. Under the guidance of Brother Ball we progressed with marked rapidity and as the records show we have by no means a poor per cent. However, we are not first, but with a running start and with four months ahead—well, we hope to make a report that will be deserving of honor.

Now a word about activities. We believe that the more a man does, the more he can do, and he that does nothing renders himself incapable of doing anything, so we act accordingly. Of the seniors, Brother Fat Bishop has represented us on the gridiron, Brother E. Badger in the Glee Club and a major in the Purdue Army. Brother Heidenreich also represents us on the cadet corps. Brother Abernethy is editor-in-chief of the *Purdue Engineering Review* and is on the Student Council Committee. Brother Dutchess is yell leader. In the junior class, Brother Cummings is a member of the junior Prom Committee.

Brothers Sterner and Shepard are on the 1917 *Debris* staff, and Brother Ball is assistant business manager of the *Purdue Agriculturist*. The sophomores are engaged in various activities, as are also the freshmen.

Going from the past to the present we want to repeat the slogan, "Beware the Ides of March." Next month is a big one for the freshmen. They are now waiting patiently but not without fear and uncertainty the completion of the soothsayer's forewarning augury. We are now intent in making their preparation for what awaits them a reaping success and a joy to old King Priam. And we hope after the smoke has cleared away that we can introduce into the fraternity world ten new men; ten men to further its principles and ideas.

Since the last *RAINBOW*, we have received many visits from alumni and actives. They are too numerous to mention, but we wish to express our appreciation of such visits. We heartily hope for many more.

D. M. SMITH.

GAMMA MU

WASHINGTON

Last month our new house campaign was announced for the first time in *THE RAINBOW* and the interval since the writing of that last letter has been a busy one indeed for the Chapter and the Alumni Association. Before this letter appears the fate of the new home will have been decided and we will know whether or not our campaign will have been successful. The prospects now are very pleasant and only some unforeseen accident will prevent the carrying through of the plan.

If the financial arrangements are successfully made Gamma Mu will be housed in one of the finest fraternity houses on the campus. According to the present plans it will be of Southern Colonial design with a magnificent

columned portico. The Alumni Association is now negotiating for a large square of property within half a block of the campus proper. The contemplated site embraces about four acres of land part of which is heavily wooded and sloping down toward Lake Washington. Such a house as it is the plan to build will thus have a splendid natural setting that will show it off to the greatest possible advantage, as well as affording a beautiful woody outlook from the windows.

During the first part of February, Seattle was visited by a blizzard, the worst since '93. Instead of the usual inch or two of snow that would melt before noon, the whole town was covered with three to six feet of snow drifts. Street car service was suspended for several days and the whole University was paralyzed. For more than two weeks we had a real taste of winter sports for the first time in the memory of several college generations.

Some professors and students came to classes on snowshoes. Sleighing, skating and sliding were the nightly diversion of all those who could beg, steal or excavate the necessary implements. Of course the snow proved a pleasant diversion to the freshmen. After they had taken care of our own roofs and had tunneled walks in front of our house, "Hap", lent them to the neighboring sororities. One of the pleasant social affairs of the season was the initiation into the Saphead Snowbird Society, which took place on the Delta Tau Delta lawn the first day of the big snow. The initiation ceremonies were held for anyone who was foolish enough to come within reach.

With the advent of spring and the disappearance of the last traces of winter (we won't have an opportunity to say that again for a long time) the fellows have begun to show an interest in spring athletics. Brother Robertson and Stuchell are out for track and Brothers Fleischman and

Will have moved down to the crewhouse. The Interfraternity baseball season is also scheduled for the near future and Gamma Mu promises to show her usual form and a little better in the annual race for the championship.

With spring has come also the rehearsals for the big annual Spring Opera and Gamma Mu boasts one of the important leads in the person of Brother Robertson. Pledge Weber will be out for tennis when the courts are put in shape for the tennis season.

The latest campus organization to take its place among the activities at Washington is the new Press Club which is growing into one of the strong campus bodies. As first president and one of the charter members Brother Seagraves is doing much to make the journalists' club a big success and an organization of sterling value. Brother Carrigan has been initiated into Sigma Upsilon, the national honorary literary fraternity.

In the social world the 25th of February marked the climax of the social season for Gamma Mu with the successful staging of the annual Delta Tau Delta formal. The dance took place in the Colonial Ballroom of the Hotel Sorento and a delightful supper was served after the dancing in the roof garden dining rooms. The affair was attended by fifty actives and alumni and was again declared by all the guests to be the keenest dance of the year.

The spring initiation exercises were held on Sunday, February 27th and at the initiation banquet held that evening at the Northold Inn, both actives and alumni welcomed the five new brothers into the fold. The new men who are now proudly displaying the Delta Tau Delta badge are Brothers Charles Fleishman, Kelley Reed, Rox Donaldson, Richard Robertson and Harold Shaffer.

JACK CARRIGAN.

GAMMA NU

MAINE

During the winter term we are obliged to resort to the minor sports. Class basketball, class hockey, relay and bowling, are those most prominent.

Bowling is something new as a college activity. An Interfraternity Bowling League was started a few days ago, which has created a great deal of interest. We have rolled but one match, that against Alpha Tau Omega, in which we won by a small margin. Maine was obliged to default to Bowdoin College in relay, owing to a bad injury to Zeigler. So much for college news. The thing that is of more importance is Gamma Nu.

It has been well said, "Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, others have greatness thrust upon them." Like men some fraternities are born great, some achieve greatness, others have greatness thrust upon them.

Gamma Nu was not born great, neither has greatness been thrust upon her, but she has achieved greatness, and achieved it only through hard work on the part of the members. There seems to be a spirit of hard work, a spirit of boosting Gamma Nu and Delta Tau Delta. There is that excellent quality of good fellowship. Selfishness and self importance are terms which are wanted here. That, "Where there's unity there is strength" seems to prevail. We cannot do it all. What we want is help, advice and encouragement. That proverbial latch string which we have recapitulated time and again does not bring results. Come and give us a good "look over". The invitation is sincere, and from the bottom of our hearts.

It is true that we are located in the most eastern civilized point of the United States, nevertheless, we have a house second to none, and just like home. Give that latch string a pull, it's on the outside.

Recently Brother W. L. Fletcher ex-'13 came up from Baltimore to see us. He did us a great deal of good. He set us all thinking about suggestions he made. Come on alumni give us yours.

The mid-year ranks are not, and we are still smiling. We have a right to talk too. Our rank will average more than ever before. The failures are few. The freshmen are doing exceedingly well. Brother Greene '19 a Varsity football man, has eight studies and all honor rank. Brother Boyd '19 an honor man, along with Brother DeCoster '19. So I might go on and mention all our men, with a very few exceptions with excellent rank.

We extend to all our brothers best wishes and good luck during the coming semester.

Gamma Nu is cosmopolitan. There is nothing worth doing that gets by without some one Delt. Brothers Perry '17 and Rich '16 were elected to Alpha Chi Sigma. Brother Hamblem '16, is a member of Alpha Zeta. Brothers Somers '18 and Spiers '18 are sophomore Owls. Brothers Watkins '17, Beck '18, Hamblem '16, and De Coster '19 are Glee Club men. Brother Winters '18 belongs to the rifle team. Brother Myers '16 leader of the University orchestra, and Brothers Hamblem '16 and Lackee '16 are captains of military companies. Brother Hamblem has been elected to Phi Kappa Phi. So I might go on and mention every man in the house, has in some way or other, great or small, done his share to make Gamma Nu second to none of the twelve fraternities here at Maine. In closing let me express our wish, that visitors are anxiously looked for—Come all.

R. F. COLE.

GAMMA XI

CINCINNATI

The semester examinations over and forgotten, Gamma

Xi is on the eve of its annual initiation after which there will be six more Deltas. We have not had any official report from the Registrar which shows the standings of the various fraternities and although individual reports of the men are about as valuable as the news which gets past the war censors, we feel sure that Delta Tau Delta will be at the top of the list when the reckoning comes.

The Supper Dance held at the Gibson Hotel just before the holidays will be long remembered by every Delt who attended. Gamma Xi was well represented in the Vaudeville Show which is given by the University each year. Brothers, you don't know what you have missed by not seeing Herb Shroth in a ballet costume. Some of you have had the privilege of hearing him sing, but that was nothing compared to the hit he made as a chorus girl.

In Pan-Hellenic bowling, Gamma Xi is tied for second but as the season is still young we have hopes of securing the cup. The Varsity basketball team has not been such a huge success this year, but the brilliant playing of Brother Conn and the parties we are having after each game make up for the disappointment we experience.

December witnessed the entrance of the sorority Delta Zeta into the Greek World at the University. This now makes an even dozen of sororities and fraternities at Cincinnati.

Mr. Millard Romaine is our most recent wearer of the crossed Deltas. Brother Bryant Butterfield will have cause to count January 12th as a red letter day in his life history for it was on that day he became a man, was married and became established in business. Our alumni evidently are succeeding in their life work as is shown by the number of marriages and engagements Gamma Xi has to announce in each letter.

Brother Ralph Dimmick was married to Miss Elsie In-

galls of Middletown, Ohio, on January the fifteenth, nineteen hundred and sixteen. Brother John Maesher has *formally* announced his engagement to Miss Lucy Frank.

Brother "Hughie" Davidson is the first man of Gamma Xi to hold a public office. He was made mayor of Williamsburg, Ohio, at the last election.

We are sorry to report the withdrawal of Brothers Tucker and James from college, however, Brother James will return in the fall.

It has been some time since we have had the pleasure of entertaining a visiting Delt. If you hit Cincinnati make a bee line for a telephone, call Avon 1833, and we'll jump at the chance to be at your service.

CARL L. GRAESER.

GAMMA OMICRON

SYRACUSE

Again the brothers are breathing freely. There is a reason. Examinations are over and all the brothers have weathered the storm. We are particularly proud of our pledges, and we expect that twelve will be eligible for the March initiation.

This year the "Powers That Be" within the University are enforcing new rules for initiation of men into fraternities. The sum and substance of the rules is that initiates must have been in college one semester and must have passed at least eighty per cent of the hours required in their course. Many fraternities are hard hit, but this Chapter expects to initiate all but one or two of its pledges. I doubt that any other of the Syracuse Chapters will do better. Our "Frosh" have not had a continuous round of pleasure, free from admonition.

Of course you know of the biggest event in the year. But get it straight. Brother James B. Curtis will help us to initiate our dozen of "Frosh" on March 11th and will speak

at the initiation banquet at the Onondaga Hotel. That's not all by any means. Brother Frank Wieland of Chicago will speak and Brother Charles Tobin of Rochester, N. Y., will be the toastmaster. Brother Paul Batzell of Buffalo, the Secretary of Arrangements for the 1917 Karnea, will also uncork a great lot of oratory and "such like". Not only that but the Gamma Omicron cabaret troupe will be in the evidence. Don't come late.

January was a strenuous month with examinations and the Senior Ball on the go. Senior Week occurred after examinations. Boar's Head Dramatic Club produced "The Lion and the Mouse", and won much praise. But the crowning event and the biggest social function of the college year was the Senior Ball at the gymnasium on February first. The "gym" prettily decorated to represent an English garden. About four hundred couples one-stepped and fox-trotted to the music of Conway's band and an orchestra. Gamma Omicron had a goodly representation. All the social lions of the Chapter were there and the Delta sisters were conceded to be the most beautiful, best gowned and best everything of all the fair ones there. It was a great success and most enjoyable.

Contrary to our former custom we held no formal party at this time. In the spring we expect to entertain at a dancing party that will be just right. Now and then we have small informal dances at the house—but space forbids.

Brother Peterson, who is anchor man on the Syracuse two mile relay team, is now in Boston at the Boston Athletic Association relay games. The team races Dartmouth.

Pledges Frazee and Gibson are out for the "crew".

Brother Victor Little has won a place on one of the debate teams, and with his team will debate either Brown or Cornell sometime during February.

Basketball is now the chief interest in University

athletics. Our team is not up to the usual standard this year. Several good players were lost by the ineligibility route.

Baseball will soon be the center of attraction. Brother "Bill" Ahearn will captain one of the best teams that we have ever had, and that is saying quite a "mouthful". We have nearly all of the members of last year's team available for this season.

One moment! Brother George Leslie Briggs, "the big noise" from Salem, N. Y., has returned to the college, we are glad to say, after an absence of a year.

We wish all the brothers would come to see us when passing this way. Several have lately. Here's hoping.

MILTON J. OGSBURY.

GAMMA PI

IOWA STATE

Since our last report was sent in to *THE RAINBOW* we have added three more men to the chapter roll. On December 21st, we initiated Earl B. Spencer of Boone, Iowa, and Leonard J. Griffith of Des Moines, Iowa. Owing to a mistake made in the Registrar's office "Griff" did not receive his "O. K." slip last spring, and we were all very glad when we could at last call him a Brother. "Spence" fulfilled the scholastic requirements last year, and we were able to initiate him only a few months after we had put a button on him. On January 25th, we initiated Arthur Quinton Adamson, a member of the old Hawkeye local fraternity which received its charter from Delta Tau Delta in 1911. For the past five or six years he has been actively engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in various parts of the country, and for the last three years he has had charge of Y. M. C. A. construction work in China. Arthur came back to the States to enjoy a little siesta, and we believe that he has doubly enjoyed his vacation since his initiation. We are doubtful

if Arthur will ever find any good Delt material in China, but we are certain that he can add to the measureless standing and bearing of the Fraternity during his extensive travels on our side of the great waters.

Ames has had just a little hard luck with her basketball team this winter, owing to the lack of sufficient good material and poor scholastic standing of some of her players. Brother Fred Green, who was called on to play at the first of the season, has of late made a very creditable showing. During the last game with Drake, Fred scored twelve of the twenty-three points that made Ames the victor.

Brother Harold McKinley is hard at work on the wrestling floor. He is in the heavy weight class, and from all indications has a splendid chance to make the college team. "Mac" is in almost perfect physical condition, having trained continuously since he entered college four years ago.

The track and baseball season is not far off, and several of the Brothers have begun to train for the coming events. Brother Scroggie is out for the half mile, Brother "Chick" Evans is out for the mile, and Brother Sam Green is beginning to size up the low hurdle events. Brothers Doty and McKinley will be strong contenders for positions on the ball team, and Glen Deffke is going to limber up his right arm and try to capture a few of the weight events.

The week between February 3rd and 9th was "short course week" at Ames. Almost all of the departments of the college conducted classes, lectures, and demonstrations of the most practical nature, for all who chose to come. About fifteen hundred agriculturists and engineers from all parts of the middle west enrolled. We believe that the short course was most successful because it was not only extremely beneficial to the visitors, but it proved instrumental in bringing about the much desired acquaintance of the general public with the college.

During "short course week" a number of our Alumni laid aside their regular duties and spent the week in Ames. Brother Roscoe Pollock did a little "brushing up" in farm work. Brothers H. K. Davis, Russel Smith, and Ralph Mullen came down to attend the engineers' meetings and take life easy at the Delt House. Brother Kendrick C. Babcock dropped in for a few days again. Brothers Arthur Karr, W. DeHart Buckey, and Jim Dowell recently made what we call "lightning visits", extremely short but welcome.

Gamma Pi has a number of social events scattered all through the semester. The biggest affair of all will be the annual formal party to be held on April 1st in the new Ames Hotel. The committee in charge promises the keenest party that has been held around the college in years, one that we would like to have visiting Deltas enjoy as well as ourselves. Don't be bashful writing to us about it.

J. EUGENE DYER.

GAMMA RHO

OREGON

Spring is here and the girls and trees are donning their new clothes; the baseball and track men are out and at it; the ground is being surveyed for the new \$40,000 Education Building; the beautiful Mill Race is regaining its luxurious verdure, which old Winter stole and the "fussers" and their queens are strolling or hiking in the balmy, vasty, inspirational air that expands a man's soul.

At the Delt Place on the Race the brothers are glad they are alive, for smiles play often upon their faces. There are 25 active, five of whom are seniors and eight juniors—more upperclassmen than in any other fraternity on the campus. And there is Ross MacKenna of Portland, an overflowingly enthusiastic freshman, whom we are proud to announce as our newest pledge.

The faculty has raised the scholastic standard of the University ten per cent this year, and has restricted the number of fraternity dances to one each semester. The result of the "tightening up" is that the students now take "boning" more as a matter of course rather than as a disagreeable, necessary evil. This may be in evidence with Gamma Rho Chapter for she has increased in scholarship about eight per cent over that of the second semester of last year. The scholarship averages of fraternities for the last semester have not yet been published, but from personal calculations of our grades, we feel sure that we are somewhere near the top of the ladder. Very drastic measures have been taken to improve scholarship this year and the results of our efforts were decidedly successful. This semester we intend to climb higher.

Gamma Rho held initiation for her freshmen on the night of February 19th. The new men permitted to wear the golden square are Brothers Paul Downard, Robert Atkinson, Thurston Laraway, Ellis Williamson, Harvey Madden and Herman Gilfilen. A banquet at the Hotel Osburn followed initiation where Delt speeches, songs and spirit reigned supreme till after the Walk-Around, in the wee sma' hours of the morning. In addition to our alumni here for the occasion, the following Delts were present: Brothers Edward D. Curtis, Mu '70, formerly President of the Fraternity; Dr. J. E. Swensson, Omicron '97; Judge J. L. Atkins, Theta '82; Ambrose Middleton, Beta Phi '95; and Harry F. Cotton, Gamma Kappa '10. We are deeply indebted to the older Brothers for their advice and help. It was certainly a joy and an inspiration to have them with us and we will long remember the wonderful things they said.

The faculty abolished Intercollegiate basketball at least for this year, but the Interfraternity doughnut league, just closed, acted as a worthy substitute. The Delts started

the season with a rush and after we had played our sixth game, there was a percentage of 1,000 chalked up against us. This caused considerable comment and publicity from all sides. Then after one defeat, we practically lost the cup to the Phi Delta Thetas in the decisive game by a 10-7 score.

With the return of Brothers Packwood, Brownell and Muirhead after a semester's absence, Gamma Rho expects to add a few more laurels in addition to those already attained. To give you an idea of the things the Delts are doing and the honors they are holding at Oregon, here are a few:

President of Junior Class, Vice-President of Y. M. C. A., Treasurer of Y. M. C. A., Treasurer of German Club, two members of Football Squad, four members of Baseball Squad, two record Northwest holders on Track team, four members of Track Squad, three members on Soccer Team, Captain of Tennis Team, three members of Tennis Squad, three members of Wrestling Squad, three Class Debators, one member of Sigma Delta Chi (National Journalistic Fraternity), one member of Alpha Kappa Psi (National Fraternity), four To-Ko-Los (Class Society), one member Glee Club, one member of *Emerald* Staff (Student publication), two members of University Band, Editor of *Oregana* (School Annual), twenty-five fussers including our "Prexy".

In spite of these activities we still have time to study or to entertain any Delt that may happen to browse around our way. Visiting brothers have been scarce of late. The glad hand is always welcome to you. Come and see us.

LEO A. FURNEY.

GAMMA SIGMA

PITTSBURGH

This quarter promises to be one of ceaseless activity for Gamma Sigma. The Initiation, the Prom, our contemplated Spring Pilgrimage to Bethany, and other social

activities added to the usual routine of work serves to make the life of the Pitt Delt one of the liveliest of existences.

"We have met the enemy and they are ours" seems to be the slogan of every member, for now that the mid-year examinations are over confidence in the results reigns supreme. Last year Delta Tau Delta, like Abou Ben Adhem, led all the rest of the Pitt Nationals in scholarship and we are highly expectant of again assuming the lead.

Naturally the oncoming initiation, which is to be held on February 26th, is the center of all interest. The reception of the Neophytes promises to be an affair of extraordinary importance this year because of the fact that the initiation is to be combined with the annual Pittsburgh Alumni banquet. The ceremonies and the exercise of the rites are to be held in the Pittsburgh Conservatory of Music Building after which celebration the aggregation will repair to the banquet hall of The Pittsburgh Athletic Association where a sumptuous spread will be waiting. If such be a possibility the banquet promises to be as auspicious an affair as the initiation proper. Brother David Holbrook is to favor the Toast Master's chair with his occupation, while Brother James "Sunny Jim" Wakefield is to prepare the toast list. No other or higher recommendation need to be given the toast list than that Brother Wakefield has it in charge.

"Suite Sixteen", this year's production of The Cap and Gown Club, is now in full swing and Brother Lacock, who occupies a student manager position, spared no time or effort to make the production the success which it surely was. The Gamma Sigma boys gave a formal box party at one of the presentations of the production which was attended by about fifty of the alumni and actives. With the conclusion of the performance the party repaired to The Schenley Hotel where the members regaled themselves with a luncheon and The Dansant.

Brother Norman MacLeod, the chairman of the junior Prom committee, has been creating such an interest in that annual student social function that the success of the affair, which is scheduled for February 16th, may be measured only by the personality of its capable and persevering manager. The members of the Fraternity are solidly behind Brother MacLeod and from all present indications they will attend the Prom in an unbroken rank where a table will be reserved for their individual patronage.

Saturday evening, January 22nd, was a red letter night for Gamma Sigma as it was upon that occasion that the Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter was entertained at the Delt Home. A large number of the Brothers from the Pittsburgh District were in attendance at this meeting, the purpose of which was to engender a closer relation between the Actives and the Grads and, judging from the permeating spirit, the members of "The Old Guard" were twenty again for the night and the purpose of the meeting was truly achieved.

Brother Norman MacLeod is making preparations to attend the meeting of the Eastern Conference in New York and the Chapter eagerly awaits his report of that Delta Tau Delta gathering.

Brothers Steytler, Newton, Meadows, and Messerly have been out on co-operative work during the past three months but are expected to return shortly. Brother Newton, while following his tasks in The General Electric Shops, of Erie, Pa., was severely injured by a hurtling piece of steel but was nearly recovered from the accident when last heard from.

Gamma Sigma is heartily glad to introduce to Delta Tau Delta, through THE RAINBOW, our latest pledge: Freas Frederick Jordan, of Punxsutawney, Pa.; Pledge Brother Jordan is one of the biggest men in the University. He is the Employment Bureau's most efficient manager; secre-

tary and treasurer of the School of Economics Senate; secretary and treasurer of the General Senate; secretary and treasurer of the Student Advisory Board; and besides occupying a responsible position on the Executive Staff of one of the city branches of the Y. M. C. A., he is the originator of the Pitt County Club idea. "Skeets", we immediately dubbed him and he has become one of the Chapter House favorites.

In the line of athletic affairs are at an ebb for Gamma Sigma but Pledge Brother Berryman is holding the fort for us. He is captain and all around star for the freshman basketball squad of this season.

Dame Politics has been a bit more favorable to us, however, and Brothers Squires '18 and Trimble '19, have been elected to the School of Mines Senate.

We have been afforded the pleasure of welcoming to Pittsburgh, Brother Kohr '14, of Ohio State and Brother Smith '14, of Minnesota. The former is doing research work at The Mellon Institute, and the latter has a position in the Divisional Offices of The Pennsylvania Lines.

The Alumni and Active Chapters are planning an innovation in the way of a spring outing, for next May in the shape of a pilgrimage to Bethany, the birth-place of The Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. It is proposed to make the trip in autos and expected that it will require fully thirty machines to carry the Pittsburgh contingent. The portion of the day spent in Bethany will be utilized in visiting the points of interest and, incidently, in the consumption of the picnic dinner that will be carried along. All Pittsburgh Delts unite in the desire that Gamma, of Washington and Jefferson, Gamma Delta, of The University of West Virginia, and all other Deltas, who so wish, join with us in the attempt to make the pilgrimage to the Delta Shrine a howling success.

Things look rosy for Gamma Sigma and we might repeat

that "The proverbial——"; but it is scarcely necessary to resort to so trite a reminder for every one knows that the True Delt Spirit reigns supreme at 205 Lothrop Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and it is ever a superlative pleasure to welcome a visiting brother.

HAROLD M. CHAPEL.

GAMMA TAU

KANSAS

The wheels are commencing to go around again on the second semester and those who merely existed for the past few weeks are commencing to look around again. We came through the mid-winter exams in fair shape and will be able to initiate at least ten of our eleven pledges under the Pan-Hellenic ruling that freshmen must pass in two-thirds of their work, in order to be initiated.

With the opening of the second semester Gamma Tau had a few changes in the lineup. Brother Fletcher withdrew to enter the Engineering Department of the Santa Fe at Topeka, Kansas. He will be with us next year. Brother Gillette, who left in the middle of last semester, returned and will be with us the rest of the year.

Gamma Tau takes a great deal of pride in announcing the pledging of two new men. Arnold Norstrum, a junior in the College of Liberal Arts is generally considered one of the biggest men on the "hill". He is the manager-elect of the *Jayhawker*, the school annual, and a member of several honorary societies. Tracy Conkling, of Abilene, Kansas, is a freshman in the College of Liberal Arts, and promises to be one of our most substantial men.

On February 6th we were all surprised by the arrival of Spencer Baird, a member of the old Keltz local, who was on the football team here in 1911 and 1912, and is now County Attorney at American Falls, Idaho. Brothers Cowan,

Rankin, English, and Fletcher were back on that day and assisted us in transforming him into a real Delta.

Pledge Hunt has received word of his appointment to West Point, so we will not have him with us next year.

A new honor society "The Knights of the Golden K", composed of the leading men in all classes of the University and limited to twenty-four in membership, has been organized. Brothers Creighton, Gelvin and Pledge Norstrum are members.

We were glad to have short visits from Brother Schwab of Beta Tau, Brother F. R. Green of Gamma Pi, Brother Chas. W. Holliday of Gamma Theta, Brother T. J. Hughes of Upsilon, and Brother Paul Bradley of Gamma Pi. We hope to have more the rest of the year.

JAMES EGGLESTON.

CHAPTER CHI

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CHICAGO ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Annual Prom of the Chicago Alumni Chapter was held on the evening of January 7th at the Blackstone Hotel, about one hundred couples being present. Brother Robert Miller, Gamma Alpha '14, who acted as chairman of the Prom Committee, is to be commended on the great success of this affair.

The next social function of the Chapter will be the Annual Ladies' Night to be held either in March or April.

You are certainly overlooking a bet if you have not attended any of the Wednesday noon luncheons at the Brevoort Hotel. They are constantly growing in popularity as is evident from the large attendance.

Brother R. B. Anthony, Gamma Alpha and Beta Gamma '05, has moved from Pittsburgh to this city where he is manager of The Bristol Company with offices in the Monadnock Building.

Brother Bion J. Arnold, Kappa '84, has been appointed a member of the Commission to report on a new subway system for the city of Chicago.

Brother Oscar Beckman, Delta '12, is sojourning in California.

Brother R. I. Beale, Delta '11, is now located at Huntington, Ind.

Brother Harold D. Berlin, Gamma Pi '17, is attending the Northwestern University Medical College, and may be seen every Wednesday noon at the luncheon.

Brother C. C. Degenhardt, Gamma Alpha '11, and Brother M. E. Hoxley, Gamma Alpha '10, are selling bonds for H. M. Byllesby & Company.

Brother Glen Frank, Beta Pi '12, has moved to Boston, Mass.

Brother L. W. ("Dolly") Gray, Gamma Alpha '15, is selling bonds in Michigan.

Brother Stevan Hanna, Beta Phi '10, Sales Manager of the Hanna Paint Company of Columbus, Ohio, was in charge of their display at the Coliseum during the Automobile Show.

Brother Bert B. Hull, Beta Upsilon '05, organized the Auto Parcel Delivery Company.

Brother E. R. Ladd, Beta Pi '05, has returned from Tucson, Arizona, and is now connected with the Bowman's Publishing Company in Evanston, Ill.

Brother Chas. Lord, Chi '08, is now located in Chicago, being connected with the Cadillac Company.

Brother H. A. Lundahl, Beta Gamma '02, has moved his law offices to 137 South LaSalle Street.

Brother H. W. Mahan, Upsilon Prime '76, is president of the Washington Park National Bank which was recently the scene of a daring daylight robbery in which \$15,000 was stolen. The five youthful bandits were finally caught and most of the money recovered.

Brother L. K. Malvern, Beta Omicron '92, former President of the Western Division, was married last summer and now lives in Elgin.

Brother Franklin McElfresh, Mu '82, is now residing in Columbus.

Brother James A. McLane, Upsilon Prime '78, died December 31st, after having been ill for some time.

Brother Fred Orr, Gamma Lambda '07, is the joint author of a new book on heating methods.

Brother C. T. Rothermel, Jr., Gamma Alpha '13, joined the rank of benedicts on January 24th.

Brother W. C. Seipp, Delta '11, is a gentleman farmer in

Virginia, but comes in for a little "recreation" once in a while.

Brother S. S. Stratton, Beta Beta '91, is a special partner in the brokerage firm of Megargel & Company.

Brother R. S. Torrance, Gamma Beta '06, has moved to Fairfield, Iowa, where he is manager of the local Public Service Corporation.

Brother Roy O. West, Beta Beta '90, is a candidate for re-election as Republican National Committeeman from Illinois.

Brother Henry H. Ziesing, Beta Upsilon '08, has gone into the lumber business in the state of Oregon.

A. B. WALLING.

CINCINNATI ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Chapter has enjoyed a very successful year thus far and we have hopes that after Gamma Xi's initiation and the Northern Division Conference, that the roll call will show an increase in the attendance at our meetings.

It was with sorrow that the Chapter learned of the illness of Brother William Freyhof, Gamma Xi '12. Brother Freyhof has been serving as first interne at the General Hospital of Cincinnati, and from all the information at hand, became infected while experimenting with typhoid germs. At the present time his condition is very serious, but we have been informed that the chance for his recovery is very much in his favor.

The ranks of Gamma Xi Alumni have again been invaded by that subtle person "Dan Cupid" and during the occupancy laid waste to the heart and freedom of our dear Brother Dimmick. The announcement states that "Dim" took for his wife, Miss Elsie Evelyn Ingalls, of Middletown, Ohio. The Cincinnati Alumni Chapter extends its best.

Later in the year we lose another member of the bachelor contingent, as Brother John Meascher's engagement has been announced.

It is with regret that the Cincinnati Alumni Chapter views the approach of the time when Dad Pumphrey relinquishes the reins as president of the Northern Division, because we of the Cincinnati feel as though we are in a better position to know what it means to the Fraternity to lose a man of Brother Pumphrey's ability as an active member of the executive department. We have witnessed the sacrifices he has made for the Fraternity and the Northern Division in particular. We also realize that there are men in our ranks with as much ability but no more loyal Delta Tau Delta, ever breathed the breath of life than our dear "old Dad".

The scribe journeyed to Gambier, Ohio, on Saturday, February 5th, in the company of Brother Pumphrey to witness the initiation of Chi's freshmen. I just wish that I had the ability to describe that initiation in words which would do it justice, but my literary talents having been neglected—I will have to confine myself to a general description by saying, that it was the most beautiful initiation I have ever had the pleasure of attending. I would that every Alumnus in the Fraternity had been there and witnessed the work and mingled with the Brothers; I am confident the Alumni Chapters would have larger gatherings at their meetings.

Look us up when in this vicinity and we assure you a very enjoyable time while in our midst.

C. W. CUMMINGS.

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI CHAPTER

We were fortunate enough to have the 35th Northern Division Conference in Indianapolis on the 18th and 19th of

February. This fact we were very proud of as only in 1913 we were hosts for the Forty-second Karnea. Headquarters were at the Claypool Hotel. Business meetings were held Friday and Saturday mornings and afternoons, the Smoker coming off Friday night and the Banquet Saturday night. 161 brothers registered and 122 were present at the banquet.

Delegates were here from every active chapter of the Division. Of the Alumni Chapters, Cleveland, Toledo, Cincinnati, Warren, Ohio and Indianapolis were represented. The business meetings were of much value to all delegates, and apparently every one enjoyed himself thoroughly at the Smoker and Banquet. Brothers O. C. Clement, Gamma Xi, J. V. Wilson, Beta Psi and Harold B. Tharpe, Beta Zeta were nominated as candidates for the Presidency of the Northern Division. Brother Clement was elected on the first ballot. We want to take this opportunity of congratulating Brother Clement and assuring him he will have our hearty support in his efforts to make the life of the Northern Division a successful one while he is in office.

As the writer understands there will be another account of the Conference elsewhere in *THE RAINBOW*, he will go no further into detail here.

Previous to our annual meeting in December several members had in mind completing a thoroughly efficient organization for the purpose of co-operating in every way with all the active and alumni chapters in the Northern Division. As a result a constitution was adopted embodying the following organization, the brothers named being elected to the respective offices and committees:

President, Dr. John H. Oliver; First Vice-President, Kleber H. Hadley; Second Vice-President, Joseph R. Morgan; Treasurer, Walter L. Brant; Secretary, F. Elbert Glass; Chairman Membership Committee, Walter H.

Montgomery; Chairman Publicity Committee, Dan Goodman; Chairman Entertainment Committee, William Cappeau; Chairman Chapter Relations Committee, Paul Johnson.

With the above line-up we want to accomplish a number of things.

First. We want to keep alive the Delt spirit among the Alumni Delts throughout the city and state. This will be done through hunting up every new Delt who lands in town, getting him acquainted with the resident brothers and in every way extending all help possible. Every Delt in the country can help out on this by letting us know of any new Delts reaching Indianapolis.

Second. We want to do all we can to aid the Northern Division Chapters in rushing men. If, therefore, at any time, any information is wanted about any man in the State let us know, and we will do all possible to obtain the information for you. We will also try to bring to bear all influence we command should any rushee prove a desirable man. We hope you will call upon us.

Third. It is our aim to keep Delta Tau Delta on the map as a leader among the other fraternities who have alumni here. Delta Tau was very well represented at the Interfraternity Conference Banquet held here Friday, February 25th. Our own President, Brother Curtis, is also president of this Conference, an honor of which we should feel justly proud. We want to keep Delta Tau Delta well represented on such occasions, and in all fraternity matters that come up leaving nothing unturned to make the influence of our Fraternity a strong one.

We have further ambition to help organize Alumni Chapters in the four other leading cities of the state, namely—Fort Wayne, South Bend, Evansville and Terre Haute.

If this can be done much aid can be given in the rushing of men by the various chapters.

The number of Delts in Indiana is approximately 600 and in Indianapolis 180. These figures are based on the count as compiled in May 1915, at which time the association made up a list of all Delta Taus in the state. This list was published in the form of a directory in which the names were arranged alphabetically and geographically by towns. May we ask the co-operation of all Indiana Delts, and any others for that matter, in helping us to keep this up to date?

It is our belief that the Indianapolis Alumni Association is the oldest Alumni Association of any fraternity in the state. At any rate we are satisfied there is none other any more active or thoroughly organized.

Weekly meetings are held every Friday in the form of a 35c luncheon in the Board of Trade Private Dining Room. Business is transacted whenever necessary. These meetings are very well attended, the average in 1915 being 12. We have been holding very few evening dinners, as we find more fellows get out to the noon luncheons. We arrange, however, to hold four or five of the evening dinners a year at one of the hotels. Our Annual Meeting at which officers are elected is held in December each year.

At the present time we have approximately 35 members with the 1916 dues paid in full. In December 1915, the end of the fiscal year, our membership was approximately 50. When all dues are collected the present number will reach 50, and probably more. We are certainly going to try to raise it.

The dues are \$2.00 per year for resident members and \$1.50 per year for non-residents with an initial membership fee of \$1.00. Of the above assessments \$1.00 goes for a subscription to *THE RAINBOW*.

Another big dance is scheduled for March 18th. This will probably be held at the Woodruff Place Club House, the same place The Bride's Ball was held last fall. We expect to have a larger crowd even than at that time, and hope as many actives from over the state will turn out.

Remember, we want every Delt who hits Indianapolis to hunt us up so we can have the opportunity of again making them realize they belong to the greatest Fraternity on the earth.

F. E. GLASS.

BOSTON ALUMNI CHAPTER

Every Delta affair should be a record breaker and the All New England Banquet this year more than held its own records. One hundred and twenty-five Delts gathered around the board, enjoyed the "eats," listened to the speeches with attentive ear, and made the Copley Square ring with song and cheers. President Curtis stirred the hearts of every Delta by "Quite a Jump", and at the end of his speech every man in the room was prepared to fight for Delta Tau Delta.

The February dinner was held at the Engineers' Club on February 8th, and was well attended; Prof. Lewis J. Johnson of Harvard addressed us on the "Preferential Ballot" and certainly was a fine entertainer. The following officers were elected for the coming year. President Ed. Hansen, Beta Mu; Vice-President, R. G. Clarke, Beta Chi; Secretary, Henry W. Merrill, Gamma Gamma, and Editor-in-Chief, Maurice M. Moore, Gamma Eta.

The Boston alumni are out to increase their membership to 100. The period of enlistment is at hand and brothers, watch us grow.

HENRY W. MERRILL.

PITTSBURGH ALUMNI CHAPTER

Several items of interest have happened in the Pittsburgh Alumni Chapter since the last *RAINBOW* letter was sent and we mention the following:

New officers have been elected as follows:

President, David O. Holbrook, Oliver Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Secretary and Treasurer, Daniel Mullane, care of Dodge Reports Company, Bessemer Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.

At the present time the Deltas of Pittsburgh and vicinity are busy getting ready for the annual banquet which takes place Saturday evening, February 26th, at the Conservatory of Music, 128 Dithridge Street, the hour being 7 p. m. Consolidated with this annual banquet is to be an initiation by Gamma Sigma. This bids fair to be an enjoyable occasion.

Another matter which we believe will be of general interest to most Deltas is the projected "Pilgrimage to Bethany". The general plan is about as follows:

A Committee has been appointed, consisting of C. D. Terry, Earle Jackson and the writer, to arrange for a "Pilgrimage to Bethany" some time about the middle of May. The plan is to secure a number of automobiles from the Deltas in the Pittsburgh District and start out early on the date set (a definite date has not been decided on—but it will be some Saturday about the middle of May); the immediate objective will be Washington, Pa.—about thirty miles from Pittsburgh—where Gamma Chapter will join them—having already arranged with local Deltas for automobiles—and then the entire party will proceed to Bethany—which is about thirty miles from Washington, Pa. It will make a nice trip to go from Pittsburgh to Bethany and return in a day—with several hours' stay at Bethany.

Of course to all Deltas the name Bethany brings up

recollections of the birthplace of Delta Tau Delta. It is a very pretty little place and Bethany College is set up on a high hill overlooking the valley.

It is quite possible that some of the Deltas from West Virginia or Ohio might like to join in this trip and, if so, they would certainly be welcome. After a definite date has been set we will advise all the surrounding chapters and sincerely hope that many of the actives and alumni may join in this "Pilgrimage to Bethany".

L. F. HAMILTON.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Los Angeles Alumni Chapter, or, as we prefer to be called, The Southern California Alumni Association, celebrated the holiday season by holding our monthly dinner a week in advance of its usual time, thus bringing it into New Year's week and giving us the pleasure of having with us those members of the active chapters of Leland Stanford University and the University of California, whose homes are in this vicinity. Needless to say, this occasion was not the least of our holiday pleasures. If the actives appreciate the help and encouragement of the alumni, it is no less true that we alumni appreciate a visit from our active brothers, and those present at our holiday dinner found great pleasure in the presence of the Beta Rho and Beta Omega boys, and in their accounts of chapter activities.

At this meeting we had the pleasure of welcoming as one of our number Brother Joseph H. Jackson, Beta Alpha, a member of the faculty of the Pasadena High School.

We have, also, recently added to our number, Brother "Walt" Parmalee, Gamma Beta, who came to see us as a visitor, but who, like the rest of us, finds it hard not to remain.

Our usual "First Thursday of the month" dinner occurred last Thursday evening, February 3rd, and was, as always, an enjoyable affair.

Brother Deltas, when you visit the "Sunkist" land, as you all will do sooner or later, don't forget you will receive a warm welcome, not only from the beautiful California sunshine, but from your Delta brothers, to whom we want you to be sure and make yourselves known.

ROBERT B. TAPLIN.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE FAR EAST

It has been such a long time since the pages of *THE RAINBOW* have contained anything from this Chapter that we almost feel that a full history might be acceptable—but the present secretary is unable to write it, and Brother Rogers might not have room to print it.

Suffice it to say, then, that it was organized in 1903, the only Delt in Manila at this time who was present then being Brother F. M. James, Ohio University, Superintendent of the Department of Sanitation and Transportation, of the City of Manila.

During the past two or three years our men have thinned down to the point where meetings were few and far between, the last of any importance being a luncheon last year just before the departure of Brother I. W. Littel, Stevens, Colonel in the Quartermaster Corps, U. S. A. Colonel Littel was chief quartermaster of the Philippine Islands for three years and was decidedly popular. The writer had the pleasure of doing considerable business with him in the sale of motor trucks to the army.

The brothers at present in the Philippines are: Brother F. M. James, Ohio University; Brother James Amazeen, Wisconsin, Chief of the Immigration Division, Philippines

Customs; Brother Fred Shailer, Managing Director, Insular Life Insurance Co.; Dr. Walter Shaw, Stanford, Professor in Philippine University; Brother Percy D. Kincaid, California and Yale, Mining Engineer with Benguet Consolidated Mining Co., Baguio, Benguet; Brother W. W. Vaughn, Medical Corps, U. S. A., Manila; Brother A. T. Sylvester, District Engineer, Bureau of Public Works, Lucena, Tayabas, and the writer, Proprietor of the Baguio Motor Mart and Compiler of Philippine Automobile Guides and Directories.

In the death of Brother Frank R. White, University of Chicago, some time ago, the Chapter and the Fraternity as a whole, lost one of its hardest workers and the Philippine Government lost a man whom it has been difficult to replace. The Philippine Interfraternity Association, which holds annual banquets attended by from 90 to 120 Greeks, was the idea of Brother White and Brother Gibbs, of Cornell. Delta Tau Delta is the only fraternity out of the twenty odd represented out here that has ever had two members on the association board of directors.

Among the Brothers who have left us recently none is more missed than "Duke" Gibbs, (A. D. Gibbs, Cornell University). Coming to the islands in 1907 as pure food expert for the Bureau of Science he later became assistant director and was offered the post of director, but declined. He left last year to accept a position in the Bureau of Chemistry, Washington. To say that he is missed is putting it too mildly. The bunch isn't the same without him.

Another jolly soul was Lester Thompson, California, who spent two years with us as the "wharf rat"—water front reporter—on one of the Manila dailies. "Tommy" first hit the P. I. in the capacity of advertising manager of a theatrical company then decided to brave the vast Pacific—

and found it vast indeed. The last heard from since his departure in May was a joy story of the San Francisco "expo" and prospects of a job at his second Alma Mater, not so far from Berkeley, viz., Idora Park.

Another good scout to leave after a year's stay was Brother Stuart N. Lake, Cornell, sent out to the P. I. by the writer in 1909 to handle his advertising interests. Stuart longed for the lights of Broadway, however, and hied himself home. The last we have heard from him was to the effect that he was with some theatrical advertising company in "the big town". When Brother Lake was here there were three of us from Beta Omicron, the most any chapter has ever had in the islands.

Another Beta Omicron man here in the early days was Brother Ralph McCoy, Lieutenant, U. S. A. According to the army schedule of foreign service Brother McCoy should have been back here before this, but we know nothing of his whereabouts.

Among the good fellows and hard workers who have gone should be mentioned Brother James A. Bull, University of the South, Lieutenant, U. S. N., who was with us for seven years, and was one of the founders of the chapter.

Among the visitors to our hospitable city, and they are few, has been Brother William Bruce Knapp, Pennsylvania (?), who came to the East about four years ago for the Standard Oil Company, with station in Hongkong. Later he went back to the States, to return again to the East, with a stop off in Manila, for a New York export house. Brother Knapp is "some tall". With an opera hat, he is a sky-scraper. The Filipino is a short "hombre". Men ordinarily tall are curiosities to them. But one night Knapp walked into the Army and Navy Club in full dress, and opera hat, and it took all the American force of the

Club to keep the Filipino servants from stopping work altogether for a good look.

For four or five years Brother Stuart J. Fuller, Wisconsin, was vice-consul at Hongkong. The writer spent a pleasant week with him on his—the writer's—first visit to the East. But until June of this year Brother Fuller never connected with the P. I. He passed through with Mrs. Fuller, en route on his new position of Consul at large, with a territory extending from New Zealand to Vladivostock. It would be good for the U. S. Consular Service if they were all like Brother Fuller.

Brother Willard D. Straight makes the fifth Beta Omicron man to visit these islands. He was here in 1911 for a short time. "Izzie" was so busy with official duties, however, that he was unable to make an appointment with the local Chapter.

For fear that it will take a special edition of *THE RAINBOW* to print this letter, we will desist from further ancient history and close with the statement that Delts are the most welcome thing we know of in the Philippines, at least to their brothers here. Let us know, if you're only passing through. The writer will be only too glad to answer any inquiries regarding the Philippines and prospects here. If you know of any Delts coming this way, let us know that, too.

Since the foregoing letter was written we have had the pleasure of entertaining at dinner at the Army and Navy Club the Delta members of the Chicago University Baseball Team which has been touring the East. The visiting brothers at the dinner were: H. O. "Pat" Page, manager of the team, L. R. Gray, F. A. Catron and McConnell. The dinner was all the more enjoyable as it was held on the night of the club's annual smoker.

PERCY WARNER TINAN.

SEATTLE ALUMNI CHAPTER

Greetings and many of them! We feel liberal as it has been a long time since our last greetings.

Let's take a little time and explain to our brothers about the lack of a RAINBOW letter in the last few issues. They're a number just alive enough to kick about the lack of a RAINBOW letter, but not alive enough to pay their dues or show up at lunches and meetings and make something to write about. The present secretary is not a Cobb and finds it impossible to write about nothing. So gather around brothers and kick in with your dues and give us something to write about.

We have been gradually dying for the last two years. One of the reasons is that we have been eating at the Elks' Club and we have so many bashful members that they were afraid to come.

That is all changed and we sincerely hope you backward and shy Delts will find it in your power to come to our lunches every Saturday noon at the Savoy Hotel. No necessity of shyness unless it is of a financial nature.

Now that we have that load off our chest, we will go on to a more pleasant subject.

We are going to build a house for the Gamma Mu Chapter. We have \$4,000 cash subscribed by a few live Delts and about forty notes for a hundred signed by present members of the Chapter and Alumni.

The money subscribed by Alumni of other Chapters than Gamma Mu, is secured by second mortgage bonds and draws interest at seven percent. Any of you that have some to spare write to us.

In our efforts to make it possible to build the boys a house, we have created an interest in the Alumni Chapter and are having well attended lunches, and cordially invite

your attendance whenever possible. Visiting Delts call Main 4511 and we will do everything for you but buy you a drink—the State is dry.

W. G. CLARK.

DENVER ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Delta Alumni Chapter was very glad indeed to welcome the Arch Chapter and delegates in August when they stopped off here on their way to the Karnea. It was with regret that, on account of the late arrival of the train, plans for entertainment had to be hastily changed and that we simply had to give our visiting brothers a rapid automobile ride about the city.

Nothing unusual has happened during the past fall. Our annual banquet was held on December 20th, at which forty-five Delts responded. Beta Kappa Chapter at Boulder attended in a body and their representative outlined a plan whereby we hope that a Chapter House will emerge this coming year. The Alumni Chapter is behind this movement heart and soul and will lend the building committee every aid possible. The following toasts were given:

“Gloom”, Dr. Rea P. McGee, Beta Kappa '97; “Side-light of Beta Kappa”, Walter L. Spring, Beta Kappa '16; “La Frosh” “Freshman” Harrington, Beta Kappa '20; “Prospects of Peace”, Arthur C. Johnson, Beta Kappa '97.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

President, Dr. John B. Davis, Beta Kappa; Vice-President, Arthur C. Johnson, Beta Kappa; Secretary and Treasurer, W. J. Morris, Chi.

Executive Committee: W. D. Wright, Jr., Beta Kappa; Frank L. Morehead, Beta Kappa; Harvey A. Phillips, Gamma Theta.

Our monthly dinners have been discontinued on account

of poor attendance. However, weekly luncheons are held every Wednesday noon at 12:30 in Daniels & Fisher's Grill Room. Let any visiting Delt bear this day and hour in mind; he will always find a bunch of "live" Delts.

Brother J. Claire Evans, Beta, was recently elected president of the Denver Rotary Club. Brother Evans is manager of the Assay Department of the Mine & Smelter Supply Co.

Brother Arthur C. Johnson, Beta Kappa, is editing "*The Commercial*", a paper representing the interests of the Denver Chamber of Commerce and the state at large.

Brother Wm. H. Ferguson, Beta Kappa, was married on January 26th, to Miss Janet Goetzen of Denver. "Bill" is a prominent lawyer and enjoys a lucrative practice. Denver Delts extend their heartiest congratulations.

W. J. MORRIS.

PORTLAND ALUMNI CHAPTER

On October 25, 1915, the Portland Alumni Chapter tightened up its belt, elected new officers, an executive committee and planned the social and business schedule for the winter months. Since that time the Chapter has held weekly luncheons each Saturday noon at the Oregon Grille, monthly dinner dances at the Hotel Benson, and besides several smokers and informal get-togethers at the different members' homes.

The membership of the Chapter in good standing totals over sixty live and active Delts. The luncheons are attended by a goodly crowd each week and the dinner dances are a source of pleasure to a great many more. We consider that the turnouts are particularly good as a number of the members live out of the city.

The famous Columbia River Highway is located just

fifteen miles from Portland and the Chapter has planned several automobile picnics, dinner parties and dances at the Falls and Chalets along this wonderful paved roadway.

Since our last letter to THE RAINBOW several of our members have taken the plunge into the sea of matrimony. Among these Brother Paul Matchette, one of our handsomest and most popular members, was finally ensnared by Cupid's darts, and ran away to Los Angeles and was married to Miss Abigail Clarke on January 5, 1916. He informs us on the side that he now has to sell twice as many Fords as before, although he still maintains to the bachelor brothers that two can live as cheaply as one. A somewhat longer Benedict is Brother Leland Townsend who has just become the proud father of a bouncing baby girl. Brother Leigh Huggins and Brother Francis Curtis, who is the son of the father of this Chapter, Brother Edward D. Curtis, both entered into the matrimonial state in 1915 and deserve honorable mention. Brother Charles Whelan was married last fall and spent his honeymoon in the east, finally casting his lot in the manufacturing business in Detroit. We regret very much the loss of Brother Whelan as he was one of our strongest members while in Portland.

Socially the Chapter has done more during the present winter than at any other time in its history. At the beginning of the season the Executive Committee, after much grave deliberation, decreed that at least once a month we should hold some entertainment distinctive and aside from our regular weekly luncheons. This policy started out with a blaze of glory at the annual banquet in October. In November there was an especially enjoyable dinner dance at the Hotel Benson and in December the Chapter celebrated (or mourned, depending on the individual) the advent of prohibition on the first of the year, at a stag party at the University Club. Weather conditions in

January necessitated the postponement of our scheduled dinner dance while in February, Gamma Rho Chapter at Eugene entertained us at their initiation. Right here and now we want to thank the boys of Gamma Rho for the splendid time and to congratulate them on their good work as an active chapter. Brother Atkins entertained us at his spacious and beautiful home on the banks of the Willamette early in March and we must admit that as an entertainer the Judge is without a peer.

The Portland Alumni Chapter is very anxious to get in touch with all Delts coming to live in Portland and will greatly appreciate the co-operation of all brothers in securing this information.

HARRY B. FOGARTY.

BUFFALO ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Delta hosts (either definition) of Karneatown assembled on Wednesday evening, February 2nd, at the Hotel Iroquois for dinner; and after dinner they smelt powder enough to instill abundant enthusiasm into them for conducting the coming mobilization of the Delta Tau Delta hordes in Buffalo in 1917.

We called in two men, not Delts, for the occasion and they gave us the "pep" for the Karnea. Mr. Joseph Shriver, who served with the American Motor Ambulance Corps on the French front for several months, told us of his experiences—of days of continued hard toil followed by days of loafing, of encounters with poisonous gas, of narrow escapes from bullets and shells, of life in the trenches and of the wonderful courage and endurance of the Frenchmen among whom he worked. Mr. Edward Burgeni, a native of France and a student of European history, gave us his version of what the European war signified. From his talk many of us gained a new insight into the causes of the war,

for Mr. Burgeni went far deeper than newspaper talk and generally accepted conclusions.

What has this to do with giving us "pep" for the Karnea you ask. Why Preparedness of course. President Wilson has nothing on us. When thirty Delts turn up at this dinner and exhibit the spirit those Delts did we can easily see how Buffalo will be prepared for the Karnea by 1917 whether the United States is prepared for war or not. The Delt spirit is abroad in Buffalo. When we sent our cards out the acceptances came in thick and fast and the regrets were sincere. We planned on sixteen Delts and then had to notify the hotel to give us a larger room to take care of thirty. We "gathered 'round the banquet board" and between courses renewed our Delt memories with Delt songs. We lived in a Delt atmosphere and took away with us a Delt eagerness to be getting ready for the biggest Karnea the Fraternity has ever seen.

We make these enthusiastic remarks advisedly. We know the individual members of the Buffalo Delta Tau Delta Alumni Chapter, we know that the city offers large opportunities for entertainment, that no crowd is too big to handle here, and, as for the guests who come, we are confident that our little band of half a hundred can put the glad hand everywhere, even to grasping a couple of thousand of those outstretched in brotherly greeting.

While waiting for the months to drag around to August, 1917, we are going to entertain ourselves and any Delts who stray in at the right time. The particularly right time is any Friday noon when the Buffalo Delts lunch at the Hotel Statler. Let no one forget it. Also on the first Wednesday evening in April we meet again for a regular dinner, and a word over the 'phone to me lets you in, Brother Delta.

We talk hospitably. Stop in Buffalo and see if we mean it.

PAUL E. BATZELL.

MILWAUKEE ALUMNI CHAPTER

On January 12th we held our monthly meeting and dinner at the Deutscher Club, and in spite of a very bad snow storm, we had twelve of our members present, which is a good start for the new year. After the dinner and a short business meeting, a bowling tournament was held, the team captained by Brother Weschler carrying off the bulk of the prizes which consisted of cigars, and much of the stuff that made Milwaukee famous.

We are planning big things to take place this summer, including a ball game and picnic in conjunction with the Chicago Chapter, a yachting trip on Lake Michigan, and many auto trips to nearby Wisconsin lakes. Our Chapter has added two new members to the list in the past month and this June, when the universities are closed, expect to have ten or twelve more Delts with us, who are now at school.

The Milwaukee Chapter wishes to extend a cordial welcome to any Delts who may be in this part of the country, to attend our monthly dinners, which take place the second Wednesday of the month, at the Deutscher Club, and also a happy and prosperous year to the whole Fraternity.

E. A. WESCHLER.

ATLANTA ALUMNI CHAPTER

This is going to be a long letter, as brevity goes. Just as the Southern Division Conference is on us, along comes a notice for copy for the March RAINBOW. We confess that we are just about "writ out". And when there is nothing to write about except the coming Conference, there can only be prophecies and no facts. If we could wait until after the twenty-second, then there would be plenty to tell. As it is,

the writer is about 200 miles from Atlanta, in a cold "so-called" hotel, where it is raining and which rain he has been out in all day. But tomorrow is the tenth and this must be mailed tonight.

Our January and February dinners have been well attended, and our plans are all formulated for the Conference. We only hope there will be a record breaking crowd. We guarantee a good time for all. A crowded Conference means a successful Conference.

The whole story will be told either in this RAINBOW or in the June number. So please refer to that for the rest of the story.

KENYON B. ZAHNER.

DETROIT ALUMNI CHAPTER

At our annual Meeting which was held at the Detroit Athletic Club, Brother A. W. Cushman was re-elected president and Joseph Hickey elected to the office of Secretary-Treasurer. Frank Aeuger was elected classman of the Advising Board.

Our monthly dinners which are also held at the Detroit Athletic Club bring out about thirty members and Delta Chapter at Ann Arbor sends two active brothers to represent the boys in college. At these meetings we have also enjoyed entertaining several brothers from other active or alumni chapters who may be in the city and we wish to extend here and now a hearty and sincere invitation to any Delt who is in Detroit on any Friday to have luncheon with us at the Hotel Griswold at 12:30 or if here on the second Tuesday of the month be at the Detroit Athletic Club at 6:30.

The National Educational Association is to hold its annual meeting in Detroit during the week of February

21st and the Detroit Alumni Chapter is preparing to give a dinner on February 23rd to all visiting delegates who are members of Delta Tau Delta.

JOSEPH L. HICKEY.

SAVANNAH ALUMNI CHAPTER

Being an organization of only eight members, the activities of the Savannah Alumni Chapter are rather few and limited. However, our January luncheon at the Hotel Savannah was the eleventh event in the history of this small group of loyal Delts. It was an enjoyable affair—that goes without saying for every single one we've had has been enjoyable, and that includes two dinners, a number of luncheons and an oyster supper and smoker, all in less than a year of our existence as an organized Chapter—and by the way, our next meeting, February 24th will mark the end of our first year so we take this opportunity to review the year's progress.

So Brother Delts may I have the floor just a minute? Thanks! We were mighty glad to have Brothers Daniels, Deen, Overstreet, Todd, Kerr, McLaws and Lovell visit us and we hope that they will do so many more times in the future, and we'd like to say that we're sorry that more Delts haven't dropped in on us and we even fear that many Delts have come to Savannah within the past year and have not even known of our existence.

We have received quite a few Chapter papers and magazines from various Active Chapters and the N. Y. Alumni Club which we enjoyed reading and wish to express our thanks for the same. These Chapter magazines are great ideas and we would like very much to see every Chapter take this progressive move.

We are also indebted to Brothers Curtis, Butman and Rogers for their interest and kind advice for the welfare of

this new Chapter and hope that in a very few years our growth in numbers and enthusiastic activity will make them as proud of us as we are of them.

We have "poured" THE RAINBOWS, *Dixie Deltas*, *Karnea News* and have corresponded with quite a few of our Delt brothers throughout the Southern and Eastern Divisions so that now we feel that we are just becoming well acquainted and do not feel so "new"—like a freshman on his first day in college.

And we are glad the coming Southern Division Conference is to be held in Atlanta and we hope that we shall see you there and have a chance to grab you by the hand.

Brothers U. H. McLaws, Jr., and Robert P. Lovell are now enrolled with us at home, being compelled to withdraw from College on account of their eyes, but expect to complete their course next term.

Welcome to our ranks Master John Nettelton Dighton. "Sam" says he is going to pledge him as soon as he begins to talk. Brother "Fritz" Wallace has recently gone into the Realty Development line—strictly private investments. Several of our number expect to attend the Southern Division Conference this month, to which Brother Roberts was elected delegate.

J. KENNETH ROBERTS.

TOLEDO ALUMNI CHAPTER

The Toledo Alumni Chapter is looking forward with a great deal of anticipation to the coming conference of the Northern Division at Indianapolis. Orin C. Clement, our president, Eugene Brown, our treasurer and Frank L. Mulholland, one of our big Delts and past international president of the Rotary Club expect to attend and incidentally hope to carry off some of the honors. We have hopes of entertaining the Brothers of the Northern Division at

Toledo within the course of the next few years and some day, even the Karnea.

Through the co-operation of the Alumni Chapter here, seven pledges were added to Delta Tau's neophytes this year, representing four different universities and if we had had better support from some of the active chapters, our report would have been larger.

The Toledo Alumni Chapter has added M. S. Donnally from Morgantown, West Virginia, to its membership. Brother Donnally has located here in the coal business. We have lost however H. T. Pettegrew who was transferred by the Pennsylvania Railroad to Akron, Ohio, and Wm. Schomburg who goes to St. Louis, Missouri, for the Overland.

It is with a great deal of sympathy that we learn of the recent death of Brother Van Tine's wife. Our heart goes out to him with true brotherly love and compassion.

HARRY N. HANSEN.

HARVARD CLUB

Did someone say they had heard rumors that the Harvard Delt Club is still alive? Is it true? Well I should say yes. Very much. Well, who are they all and what do they do? Did they pledge any good hot Delts this last fall? How are their finances? Is scholarship up to par?

Just put this in your pipe and smoke it. Though the Harvard Club lost ten good men by graduation last June they still had fifteen first class Delts left at the beginning of this college year and a good efficient organization. Officers for the present academic year were elected at the final dinner last year. With "Gene" Bennett (Beta Omicron) wielding the gavel, and "Kirt" Pantzer (Beta Psi)

holding the purse strings, the club has an organization of which it can feel proud.

Eight new men have wandered into the ranks of the club thus far this year and they are still coming in. And talk about rushing! We have the best bunch of men to choose from that you could imagine, actually drawing the "cream" of the men from Delt chapters all over the country: from Beta, Beta Alpha, Beta Delta, Beta Eta, Gamma Delta, Gamma Gamma, to name a few of the sources of this year's crew.

The representation in the club taken as a whole shows the large number of points at which we tap the Delta spring. As the present known membership of the club is only twenty-three it is impossible that every chapter in the Fraternity should be represented as we should like. But though we fall short of this ideal of representation from every chapter, seventeen different chapters of Delta Tau Delta are represented in our twenty-three men, and some members are found from each division of the Fraternity. Beta leads the list in the number of representatives with four men, while Phi, Gamma Gamma, and Gamma Zeta show two members each.

Finances and scholarship are in fine shape. The old motto of "No flunks and honor grades if possible" has been found inadequate for our goal in scholarship. We have therefore determined upon "Nothing below an 'E' and 'A's' if possible". (It might be added that an "E" is necessary for credit in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences where several of our men are registered.)

Meetings are always social in character and give the Brothers a chance to tell of the "early days" and of the "things as they used to be" in the chapter "down home". For men who are still students, the Harvard Club is a great melting pot of the chapters. Whenever convenient, meet-

ings are held in conjunction with other Delt gatherings in the vicinity. We met with the Boston Alumni Club at one of their monthly dinners, and at another time at the scene of the New England Banquet at the Copley Square Hotel. At other times, meetings are held in some one of the Brother's rooms where good cheer abounds, old memories are revived, and the fires of Delta Tau Delta are made to burn more brightly than ever before.

If you know of a Delt at Harvard who has not yet found the Delta fold, the secretary will be pleased to know of him. We are always looking out for the wanderers.

LLOYD P. RICE.

RHO

'81—Dr. A. C. Humphreys has been appointed a member of the special committee of the A. S. M. E. on the organization of a National Engineer Reserve. Dr. Humphreys has also been elected a Director of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

'89—N. H. Miller has been elected Vice-president of the American Society of Refrigeration Engineers.

'92—N. S. Hill was elected president of the American Water Works Association at the last annual meeting of the Association.

'15—C. B. Hill is with the Allied Machinery Co., of New York City.

Ex-'18—R. R. Johnson is also with the Allied Machinery Co., of New York City.

BETA KAPPA

Arthur C. Johnson is editing a Chamber of Commerce publication in Denver and has been admitted to the Colorado bar.

James W. Bell is taking his Ph. D. at Harvard. He has been appointed Assistant to Professor Taussig and has listed as instructor in Economics for the University of Colorado Summer Session for 1916.

Ralph Carr is the editor of the *Picketwire*, Trinidad's leading newspaper.

J. Ferd Lockhart visited us this fall and told us of his plans of going to the trenches in Europe as the representative of a Canadian newspaper.

News has been received of the birth of a baby girl to Philip VanCise.

Frank Divisek is in the law business at Ravenna, Nebraska.

Fred L. Ullery is completing his medical work in the University medical school in Denver.

Burt Shattuck is taking on a little law at Columbia.

Lucien Shattuck is instructor in civil engineering in the University.

Dave Nelson is digging gold in Cripple Creek.

Philip Eddy is farming near Littleton.

Edward T. Taylor, Jr., is studying law at George Washington University.

Stan and Harold Vaughn and Verling Hart are in the creamery business in Cheyenne.

Hal Cook is living at Covina, California.

Frank Kachel is working for a mining machinery company in New York.

BETA MU

'91—Brother Charles Byrd Moore is the Vice-president of the American Bank and Bonding Company. His address is 130 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

'93—Brother Harry G. Chase is the captain of the Massachusetts Militia Signal Corps and has improved the

methods and efficiency of that organization to a very great extent.

'02—Brother Chandler M. Wood is the president of the newly organized Metropolitan Trust Company of Boston, a consolidation of two former Boston banking institutions. This election makes Brother Wood Boston's youngest bank president.

'04—Brother Robert Gammon is with the Moorehead Manufacturing Company of Detroit. He holds the position of Assistant General Manager.

'10—Brother Edwin Hansen is employed by the Holtzer-Cabot Electric Motor Company of Boston.

'10—Brother George Hulen is with the Pierce Arrow Automobile Company at Buffalo, N. Y. His address is 94 Bedford Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

'11—Brother Howard Pool Gilmore is still a scientific farmer and appears to be making good with his Fay Mount farm at Westboro, Mass.

'11—Brother Joe Morton is teaching in a Brookline private school. His address is 20 Gledhill Ave., Everett, Mass.

'12—Brother Ferdinand Brigham who graduated last year with honors from the Harvard Dental School is now a lieutenant upon the British Medical Staff on the West Front in France. Brother Brigham went to Europe last summer with a large number of young Harvard medical and dental graduates which composed one of the Harvard Units which have gone over to the trenches from time to time. Three of this Unit were detailed or rather selected to continue their work as lieutenants of the British Medical Staff. Brother Brigham's address is 22nd General Hospital, Army P. O., S 18, British Expeditionary forces of France.

'13—Brother "Jack" Hughes is now in Boise, Idaho, where he is doing special newspaper work.

BETA NU

'07—Brother Ernest Waters is still in England, and has just completed a large engineering job for the militia.

'08—Brother Rufus Folsom has announced his engagement to Miss Chapin. He has resigned from his position as Chapter Advisor, letting Brother McGregor step into that office.

'08—Brother "Heine" Sewel is located in Boston. He is another who is soon to depart from the realms of bachelor life.

'10—Brother Wells sent us a card the other day announcing the arrival of a seven and a half pound boy.

'14—Brother G. W. White, who is with the firm of Sloan, Huddle, Foestel and Freeman, has been transferred to their Chicago office.

'15—Brother "Birdie" Duff, III, is now with the McIntire-Hemphill Co., Ellwood City, Penna.

'15—Brother Charles Fiske has announced his engagement to Miss Marie Blood of Wellesley.

'15—Brother B. J. Nielson has recovered from his severe illness and now gives his address as the Scenic Studio, Swampscott, Mass.

'15—Brother "Walt" Rivers is in the automobile business in Salt Lake City.

'17—Brother Carlos Rood is still with the Utah Apex Mine, Bingham Canon, Utah. "Cap" Rood is superintendent of the mine.

GEORGE DAVIS KITTREDGE.

BETA PI

'98—Fred Brewer, although busy farming at Tampico, Ill., and incidentally helping to govern the State as a representative at Springfield, managed to find time to drop in and see the chapter at our homecoming last November.

'08—Harry L. Virden is rector of St. Paul's Church at Goodland, Kansas, but he says there are not many Delts out his way.

'09—R. J. Hamilton turned out a crack football team at Kewanee, Ill., High School last fall.

'09—"Ike" Hull wants to hear from some of the Delts. Can't you drop him a line? His address is Hanna, Ind.

'09—Floyd C. Miller certainly appreciates the Fraternity life he had. He wrote us and told us so. He is secretary of the John Hale Hat Co., Peoria, Ill.

'11—"Red" Cool was married last fall to Miss Julia Meyers of Belvidere, Ill.

'11—Sam Erwine has come back to Northwestern to take a master's degree and is living at the house. He's one of the boys again.

'12—Glenn Frank has been through an operation for appendicitis and a change of occupation. He resigned his position as Alumni Secretary of the university and has taken a position in Boston.

'13—"Charlie" Carr is also married. Yes, quite recently, to Miss Eugenia Bauman of Quincy, Ill., Charlie's home town.

'13—Jack Vernor is in far-away Australia in the interests of Big Ben alarm clocks. He writes to the chapter occasionally, though, which is more than some alumni near at home do.

'14—"Chris" Bannick is sojourning at Leland Stanford University where he says the weather is fine but he misses the kind of girls to be found at Northwestern.

BETA RHO

'92—Walter R. Shaw is a member of the faculty of the University of the Philippines at Manila.

'96—"Mase" Ross is one of the big lawyers of Arizona. His headquarters are at Bisbee. He dropped in on the chapter last semester for an all-too-short visit.

'96—"Judge" Brown is another of the old guard who dropped in to see the boys. He came down from Tonopah, Nev., to attend the installation of President Wilbur, a classmate of his.

'03—John K. Bonnell is another faculty member, serving at the University of Wisconsin.

'04—Hans Barkan, M. D., was married recently in San Francisco. He has made good in his work as an eye specialist and we congratulate him.

'08—Ross Harbaugh is another M. D. who has been "roped in" by Cupid. He has an office in the Union Square Building, San Francisco.

'09—"Jocko" Josselyn is part of the artists' colony at Carmel and drops in to see the boys once in a while.

'12—Neill Wilson, after serving as city editor of the *Oakland Examiner* and publicity manager of the Exposition, has started for the war front as a free lance. Latest news had him in Singapore en route for Egypt or Asia Minor.

BETA CHI

'97—Brother Benjamin T. Livingston is about to leave Bangor for the sake of the health of his son, David.

'99—Brother Bernard C. Ewer is to give an extension course at Brown University, consisting of a series of lectures on "Present Day Religious Thought".

'09—Brother Irving W. Patterson is now chief engineer of the R. I. State Highway Commission. His rapid advance is due not only to his knowledge of engineering but also to his remarkable ability in handling men. He is well known and consulted by engineers from all parts of

the country as an expert authority on highway construction and maintenance.

'11—Brother A. E. Corp is spending three weeks in Roanoke, Virginia, visiting Brother "Cap" Worthington.

Ex-'11—Brother "Bill" Wright is with the Boston Transit Commission.

Ex-'12—Brother "Hack" Wright is an engineer with the Water Works Department of Providence. He lives in the wild and wooly part of R. I.

Ex-'12—Brother "Ted" Fletcher is with the law firm of Edwards and Angell, Providence.

'12—Brother Joe Conzelman, the former Pirate pitcher, has quit professional baseball, and accepted a position with a Pittsburgh concern, in the capacity of civil engineer.

Ex-'13—Brother "Charley" Leonard has recently taken a position with the Tampa Electric Co., Tampa, Fla.

'15—Brother "Jack" Carlson has come back to us. He is an engineer with the Providence branch of the Mexican Petroleum Co.

'15—Brother "Dutch" Hultslander is with the Adams Express Co. in Brooklyn.

Ex-'15—Brother "B" Corp is engineering for the R. I. State Highway Dept.

'15—Brother "Jim" Tucker is in a broker's office in Minneapolis.

Ex-'15—Brother Fred Burns, who is a student at the Harvard Law School, is coaching the Noble and Greenough track team of Boston.

BETA OMEGA

'06—Brother "Billy" Middleton came over for lunch several times last semester while he was assisting in the coaching of the football squad.

'09—Announcement has been received of the marriage of Brother Gordon Buell Laing.

'10—"Jocko" Josselyn has been living with us since the holidays. He is visiting an oculist in San Francisco and writing short stories and sketches on the side.

'14—"Oz" Lawton drops in quite frequently to see the brothers and look after the affairs of the Beta Omega Building and Loan Association.

'15—"Doc" Bailey was with us the other night and found everything running smoothly so did not try to sell us any oil.

'15—"Gus" Moller is a visitor at the Chapter home fraternally and officially quite regularly.

'15—"Art" Latham sampled our food the other evening. He is now wearing a new badge as Marshall of Emeryville.

GAMMA THETA

Since the last RAINBOW we have received visits from Brothers H. K. Campbell '15; J. M. Mott ex-'15; Frizzell ex-'18; Charles Holiday, Alberta, Canada, ex-'05; and L. O. Beaton ex-'13.

'13—Brother Holiday is visiting his parents in Baldwin previous to returning to his work in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. He has painted the Canadian country very vividly to the boys, and already some are planning to follow Brother Holiday's footsteps in that direction.

'13—Brother Wallis Hoch has been laid up in bed throughout the winter at his home in Marion, Kansas. From a recent letter to the chapter we have learned that "Govy" is rapidly improving and that the spring air is taking the rheumatic crimps out of him.

Ex-'15—Brother J. M. Mott in Kansas City, Mo., has recently received a promotion in the Jenkins Music Company. "Jimmie" is now a full fledged victrola salesman.

'15—Brother L. K. White is teaching in the Sapulpa, Oklahoma high school. White is a chemistry and physics shark and is making good in his work. He has readily won popularity with the student body.

GAMMA NU

Ex-'13—William L. Fletcher is with the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Co., Baltimore, Maryland.

'13—Percy E. Jackman, is city salesman for the Gerrity Lumber Co., Boston, Mass.

'13—Edward Cofflin is employed by the Monarch Paper Co., Kalamazoo, Mich.

'13—R. L. Buzzell, can be found in Old Town, Maine, selling insurance.

Ex-'13—L. H. Gregson is foreman for the Finch, Pryne Lumber Co., Laurier P. Q.

'14—Francis W. Libby is now clerk of courts at Portland, Maine.

'14—C. A. Blackington is at Waterville, Maine, practicing law.

'14—A. A. St. Onge, is now sub-master of Eastport High School.

'14—L. J. Brown and R. W. Peaslee are teaching school in Authrem, N. H.

'14—Mario Martinelli has taken a position in a paper mill in Virginia.

'14—F. C. Hetlinger is with the Merrimac Chemical Co., Woburn, Mass.

'15—P. A. Warren is now Plant Pathologist at Carnegie Institute, Cold Springs Harbor, Long Island, N. Y.

'15—R. Douglas is at the University of Maine working for a master degree.

'15—William Petty is working for a master degree at the University of Maine.

Ex-'16—David G. Ljungberg is at B. U. Medical school.

Ex-'16—C. C. Weymouth is at Tufts Medical school.

Ex-'18—W. J. McGrath is working in a paper mill at Rumford Falls, Maine.

GAMMA OMICRON

'07—William Stickles has entered the movie field. He is writing musical scores, his first production being "Carmen". He is a member of the firm of George W. Benyon & Co., of New York.

'08—Frederick Bruns has a brand new baby at his house, kind unknown.

'10—Frank Briggs is attorney for the George W. Benyon firm of New York City.

'13—Clarence Meyers, who is connected with the Standard Oil Company, of New York, has been promoted to a post at Kong Moon in Kwangton Province, China.

'13—Harold Wimshurst is employed at Elizabeth, N. J., by the Deal Manufacturing Co., makers of electric apparatus.

Ex-'14—Ernest Pead is coaching athletics at Burr and Burton Seminary at Manchester, Vt.

Ex-'14—Irving P. Macauley has recently taken unto him a wife. They reside at Waterbury, Conn. "Mac" is an inspector of ammunition for the Scoville Manufacturing Company of Bridgeport, Conn.

'15—N. Howell Topping is in the inspection department of the Aetna Life Insurance Co. in New York City.

'15—Starr G. Taylor is incorporator and director of the Tegufilm Chemical Co. of Syracuse, N. Y.



THE DELTA SCRAP BOOK



THETA

CHAMP CLARK

All honor to Speaker Clark. When he left his chair in the House of Representatives on Monday, to begin the fight for preparedness side by side with his political opponent, the minority leader, Representative Mann of Illinois, he silenced the pacifists. The two preliminary defense bills were passed by overwhelming majorities without the formality of calling the roll. The adherents of Bryan remained passive. The nominal leader of the majority "took a back seat," in more senses than one. The Speaker proved himself the actual leader of the majority in the House of Representatives. He showed himself, also a clear-headed, broad-minded patriot, thoroughly alive to the present needs of the nation and determined that they shall be attended to in spite of all opposition.

Taking up the subject of national defense he was as able and alert in debate as ever. He rose to the occasion. Representative Butler of Pennsylvania declared that England and Germany were mounting 17-inch guns on new battleships, while ours have 14-inch guns. "What shall we do?" he asked. "Put on our battleships 17-inch guns," replied the Speaker. "Put the biggest guns attainable, or that ever were attainable, on every one of these battleships we build."

About those 17-inch guns there is some room for doubt, however, as our own 14-inch guns may yet be proved the most effective for modern battleships. The British Queen Elizabeth carries 15-inch guns. She managed to get home, after her visit to the Dardanelles. We must certainly have as powerful guns as any other navy successfully employs. But these matters are merely details. The debate on Monday aroused Congress. It has inspirited the nation. We have ample proof now that this vital question of defense is not to be neglected, that action upon it is not needlessly to be delayed. The bills will soon be ready in both Houses. To Speaker Clark, however, a Representative from Missouri where, it has been supposed, there is a large anti-preparedness faction, where invasion is not feared as it is on the coasts, the nation owes a debt of gratitude. It would have been both easy and politic for him to be as passive in the fight as Mr. Kitchen. He has placed the welfare of the country above all other interests.—*Editorial, N. Y. Times, Feb. 9, 1916.*

KAPPA

WILL CARLETON (Deceased)

Will Carleton, whose books of poems, "Farm Festivals" and "City Ballads," made him a peculiarly American singer, seems to have awakened a responsive chord abroad, even though his gentle spirit has flown. This week there came a cablegram to his publishers, Harper and Brothers, asking for the cinematograph rights to one of Carleton's longer poems. The plan is to make it into a motion-picture play of American life for the English public.—*Washington Courier*, February 5th.

KAPPA

COMRADE LEVANT DODGE

After a spirited but entirely friendly contest at the last National Encampment, among candidates equally meritorious, the choice for Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief fell upon Comrade LeVant Dodge of Kentucky. Comrade Dodge certainly earned this honor by long, faithful, and highly efficient service for the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a student in an academy in Northern Ohio when he enlisted in the 177th Ohio, taking with him enough men to have secured a commission, but he declined it. He carried a musket throughout his service, and was not absent from duty, except, when for a short time in the winter he was bare-footed and could not march with his comrades.

After being mustered out, he completed his course in Hillsdale College, and was graduated at the head of his class. He made education his life-work, and for more than 40 years has been teaching in Kentucky. Most of the time he was professor of mathematics, Greek or political science in Berea College, the largest institution in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He was recently retired with the rank of Professor Emeritus.

He has worked faithfully and unselfishly for the Department of Kentucky during all those years.

He was Department Commander in 1907-1908, being given a second term on account of exceptional service. He is now serving as Assistant Adjutant-General, which office he has held for years, performing its duties from zeal in the cause of the order. The Department of Kentucky enthusiastically endorsed him for the office he now holds.

Comrade Dodge is an impressive public speaker, and no man has done more to keep bright the fires of Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.

—*New York Tribune*.

OMICRON

DAVID O. HOLBROOK

Some persons are cyclones, others are gentle zephyrs and still others are just wind.

David Oliver Holbrook is a breeze, a refreshing western breeze who has blown eastward without losing any "zip".

Holbrook isn't a one-job man. As long ago as when he was working days as a clerk in the Pittsburgh office of the Oliver Coke Works, he was toiling as a newspaper man at night. He made his living by Job No. 1 and a lot of friends by Job No. 2. He was honored by being made president of the Pittsburgh Press Club for two terms—which broadly means that sometimes he had the privilege of edging up to the table and watching the city politicians play cards. It isn't often that a newspaper man has a chance to horn in on anything at a press club.

Born in Iowa, Holbrook came to Pittsburgh shortly after being graduated from the University of Iowa. He was sent to the Uniontown office at first, but afterward was transferred to the City of the Big Smoke. This was in 1895.

Somebody higher up had an idea that Holbrook would make a careful buyer of supplies, and as the job was open, Holbrook was made purchasing agent of the Oliver interests in Pittsburgh.

He kept the storehouse stock at the approved level until the Oliver companies had been merged into the United States Steel Corporation. Then the Pennsylvania Malleable Company held out a beckoning finger and Holbrook hooked on. He meandered around in this position, putting a bit of efficiency in here and sticking a bit of competent skill on there until 1906, when he became vice-president.

True to his ideal of not remaining a one-job man, Holbrook organized the Dayton Coupling Company and the Dayton Pneumatic Tool Company. He is vice-president of both these concerns.

Then, as he had so many irons in the fire, he became president of the Pittsburgh Fire Extinguisher Company. As a sort of offset to this he is also president of the Natural Gas Supply Men's Association.

In appearance Holbrook has been described, in a vague way, as "charming". He has large, soulful eyes, a forehead that is constantly growing higher and more intellectual, a neat mustache and just the cutest little Van Dyke ever. He is well proportioned, just a trifle inclined to superfluous adipose tissue, has a genial manner and is a general favorite of the clubs wherein he is a member and which, enumerated carefully, are as follows: (1)—Pittsburgh Athletic Association; (2)—Rotary Club; (3)—Fellows Club; (4)—Delta Tau Delta Fraternity.—*Financial America*.

BETA ZETA

JAMES B. CURTIS

Military, physical training for boys in the public schools should be made compulsory, Capt. James B. Curtis of New York asserted in his address at the annual reunion of Battery A at the German House last evening. Capt. Curtis is a former Hoosier and was commander of Battery A in the Spanish-American war. He was made toastmaster of the banquet last evening and delivered the principal address.

Capt. Curtis based his address for preparedness on the statement of Washington, "that a free people should not only be armed but disciplined."

"The cry to prepare is timely," Capt. Curtis said; "but it has not come too soon. It is time for us to lay aside some of our foolish ideas about personal liberty. We should be prepared to defend the flag so that no nation could offer it an insult without being held to strict accountability, backed by the power to enforce it.

"The National Guard should be double the size it is today. Our present inadequate army should be increased to one-half million, or at the very least a quarter of a million. By following the policy of preparedness there should be within seven or eight years one million available men trained for active service.

"Not favoring any of the belligerents in the present war, I still think that the statement of a prominent German at the outset of the war in regard to his country's advantages should have some weight with us. He said that Germany's chances for success depended not so much on their preparedness in military matters as the physical training the boys of the nation had received.

"At the age of twelve the boys of this country should be given military physical training in the schools. This training should progress as they go through high school and college. By compulsory military training in the colleges the nation will be given trained officers. Efficient and properly trained officers is one of the great requisites."

Capt. Gavin L. Payne, the present commander of Battery A, made an appeal for more interest in the National Guard. He attributed much of the apathy of young men toward the guard to the peace propaganda of the last ten years.

"The Carnegie peace plan has been glorified," he said. "The attitude of many young men toward the guard is illustrated by a chap I approached several years ago. When I asked him about joining the battery he waved me aside saying, 'Nix on that war stuff'."

About 100 of the present and former members of Battery A were

present at the reunion. After the banquet they marched in a body to the Murat Theater, where they formed a party to see the "Battle Cry of Peace."

Capt. Curtis will address the Saturday Lunch Club at the Chamber of Commerce Building at noon today on "Discipline." He will be introduced by Mayor Bell.—*Indianapolis Star*, February 19, 1916.

BETA THETA

EDMUND C. ARMES

One of the most remarkable records ever made by an Alabama insurance man is that of Edmund C. Armes, manager of the accident department of the Jemison-Seibels Insurance Agency, which handles the business of the Travelers' Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn. Mr. Armes has been in this department for a little more than one year, and he has just been notified that he won a gold medal for standing fifth among the five thousand agents of the Travelers' Insurance Company in respect to new accident and health premiums for 1915.

In addition to standing fifth among the agents in the general work, Mr. Armes won ninth place in the handicap contest of the company. This carried with it a prize of \$300 and a gold watch. This was in the special contest of the company which closed shortly before Christmas.

John L. Way, vice-president of the Travelers' Insurance Company, has written Mr. Armes a congratulatory letter in which he declares that in due time a medal will be sent by the company in recognition of Mr. Armes' splendid record.

Like many other successful business men of Birmingham and Alabama, Mr. Armes began his career as a carrier boy for *The Birmingham News*. Even as a boy he was noted as a hustler, and in 1904 he won a trip to the World's Fair at St. Louis in a contest held by *The News* among its carriers. During six months of the contest young Armes did not miss delivering a single paper to the subscribers along his route, and not one complaint was filed against him. In addition he made a record of 100 per cent. in the matter of collection.

He later entered the Birmingham High School and after making some fine records at that institution he became connected with the Jemison Company. He later left the Jemison Company and entered the University of the South at Sewanee. He became secretary to the vice chancellor, and while performing the duties of that office he worked his way through the university.

While at the University of the South he won many honors. He was vice-president of the class of 1913, won the J. H. VanHoose medal for

German, the Buchel medal for Spanish, and the South Carolina medal as best essayist. He is a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

After graduating in 1913 he again became identified with the Jemison Company. In October, 1914, he was placed in the insurance department and became manager of the accident department of the Jemison-Seibels Insurance Company.

While connected with the Jemison-Seibels Company, he was offered the position as assistant secretary to the American Embassy at Lima, Peru. This place was tendered him by former Governor Benton McMillan, of Tennessee, who is American Ambassador to Peru.

In 1913 he made a tour of Europe, and has traveled extensively. He declined the position as assistant secretary to the legation at Lima because he felt that more opportunities were offered him in Birmingham.

Mr. Armes says he is going after first place in the national contest this year and that Birmingham is about the best town in which to make a record that will land this additional honor for him.—*Birmingham (Ala.) News, January 30, 1916.*

BETA XI

CHARLES O. MAAS

Charles O. Maas, vice-president of the Republican Club, speaking at the annual dinner of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity at the Park Avenue Hotel last night, called on all present, regardless of political affiliations, to stand behind President Wilson in the present crisis in international affairs.

"We are facing a crisis in the affairs of this country," said Mr. Maas, "and we should insist that the President shall be permitted to handle without interference all diplomatic questions that may arise, and we should give him a free hand in the diplomatic questions arising with Germany. I call on all true Americans, Republicans and Democrats alike, to stand firmly and loyally behind Woodrow Wilson."

More than 400 members of the fraternity attended the dinner. Mr. Maas presided and others who spoke were Willard D. Straight, Frank Wieland, and Frank Brumm.—*N. Y. Times, March 5, 1916.*

BETA UPSILON

JAMES R. MANN

An earnest and well-meaning correspondent of *The Times* yesterday sought to trace resemblances between James R. Mann and President McKinley; he could hardly have found two men more utterly unlike. Aside from the fact that Mann is the chief figure on the Republican side

of the House, and that McKinley once divided that title with Reed, there is no similarity between the solemn statesman who sometimes yielded his judgment and sometimes his will to other men and the galvanic battery in trousers, pugnacious, humorous, shrewd, and slightly devilish. Mann never yielded judgment or will to any human being. He resembles Uncle Joe Cannon more than any other statesman; there is a touch of Lincoln in him, a little of John Randolph, something of Tom Reed, but he is no composite. So far is he from it that his is the most definite personality in either house of Congress.

They started a Presidential boom for him. Mann killed it. "The bee never got in my bonnet," he said. His sense of the ridiculous and his undisguised contempt for Favorite Sons as a class prevented him from getting into it. He addressed the Favorite Sons with shattering candor, advising them to quit. "We cannot win with a two-spot," he mercilessly said, and since the utterance of that sentence their booms have become comic. Common sense in the degree in which Mann has it is an uncommon gift; he has common sense to such an extent that if he had any more of it it would be a vice. This uncommon sense is guided by a seeing eye and that rarest of all things, a real sense of humor—which does not mean an ability to make or see jokes. He not only hates humbug, but he recognizes it under any disguise. He does not look in the least like Uncle Sam, with his aggressive square gray beard and peering eyes and staccato voice; but he is more Uncle Sam than anybody else now prominent before the public. His joy in a fight is only equaled by his success in it. He carries a chip on his shoulder, and while he is willing to have anybody knock it off he prefers to have it knocked off by a fool or a Pharisee. He works like a steam engine, never tires, has the whole business of Congress at his finger ends, and is in five places at once. "The Senator from New Hampshire is the grasshopper of this body!" shouted the indignant Tillman. "The pitchfork can't stick the grasshopper," retorted the mobile and restless Chandler. Excellent characterizations; but Mann is pitchfork and grasshopper both.

The public welfare is his chief consideration, modified only by a prudent eye on the permanency of his Congress seat. He is willing to toss a sop to foolishness where it is necessary to the stability of his job, as he showed when he consented to father the so-called white slave law and thereby satisfy the ignorant and clamorous. He yields enough in what he considers nonessentials to make his great driving force count all the more in his uncompromising battles for essentials. He is not only an elected leader, but a real leader, and the Republicans of the House follow him not because they elected him or because they love him, but

because they have faith in his capacity, his integrity, and his insight. He is very much of a man, and he is highly different from the ruck of Congressmen; he is not a chip cut from a general block or a yard cut from a bolt of cloth. His blasts of common sense shiver solemnity and stupidity; he labors for the country's good as he sees it, and labors none the worse because he does not talk stiltedly or act pompously. He suggests the prairie, though he lives in a great city and is the most urban and knowing of men. Chicago made the nation quite a present in James R. Mann.—*Editorial, N. Y. Times, January 31, 1916.*

BETA CHI

FRED BURNS

Fred Burns, the former Exeter, Boston Latin, Brown University and B. A. A. sprinter, has been engaged to coach the Noble & Greenough track team for the coming season.

Burns is one of the best short-distance men ever developed in this section, and was for years a leading dash man and one of the best relay runners in the amateur ranks in the country.

He will assume the duties of his new position at once.

—*Boston Globe.*

BETA CHI

BERNARD C. EWER

Among the most interesting of the forthcoming extension courses to be given at Brown University is one in the philosophy of religion entitled "Present Day Religious Thought," by Dr. Bernard C. Ewer of the philosophy department, who is taking the place of Prof. W. G. Everett who is enjoying a sabbatical year. Dr. Ewer is a graduate of Brown and Harvard, and came to Brown for the current year from Reed College, Portland, Ore., one of the youngest of American colleges.

Dr. Ewer believes that the subject of religion is not only of interest to members of the clerical or academic profession, but to the public in general, and the courses are designed with this end in view. Though religion is not primarily a rational matter, belonging to the heart rather than to the head, a desire for an intellectually satisfactory as well as emotionally satisfactory religion is found in all thoughtful persons. The positive and constructive results of recent thought along these lines will be dwelt upon at length in his lectures.

The nature of religion, the influence of modern science upon traditional beliefs, theistic and pantheistic ideas of God, the problems of evil and immortality, atheism and agnosticism, mysticism, the relation of

religion to morality, and the contemporary movement to make religion instrumental to social welfare, will be some of the most important phases of religion to be discussed. The courses, consisting of ten lectures, will start in Manning Hall, Tuesday evening, February 15th, at 8 o'clock and continue each Tuesday evening until the close of the course.—*Providence Evening Bulletin*.

BETA CHI

JOSEPH H. CONZELMAN

Pittsburgh, Jan. 17.—Joseph H. Conzelman, who pitched in a Pirate uniform and whose name adorned the Pittsburgh reserve list for four sessions, but who last year was sold to the Indianapolis club in the American Association, has decided to jump from baseball to business fields. Joe recently declined an offer to re-enlist with the Hoosiers, and accepted a position with a Pittsburgh concern, in the capacity of civil engineer. He was not dissatisfied with his berth on Jack Hendricks' roster, but he feels that the engineering profession holds forth better prospects than the diamond.

At the American Association meeting in Chicago Saturday it was announced that Pittsburgh had traded him to Indianapolis for two players, but Conzelman says he is through with baseball.

Conzelman is one of those sensible chaps. While a member of the Pittsburgh club he was one of the most popular players on the team. Last winter he married a society belle here. While at Brown University he was a great pitcher, one of the greatest in the history of the institution, but he did not permit his athletics to interfere with his studies. He was the honor student of his class, graduating from the engineering department. He received flattering offers to play professional ball from half a dozen major league clubs, but upon the advice of Mike Lynch, the old Buccaneer twirler, he cast his lot with the Pirates. He got a contract which called for \$3600 with the Pittsburgh team.

This was more than he could get as an engineer just starting out. At the close of the baseball season, he entered Columbia University, where he took a post-graduate course in engineering. In the spring he returned to the Pirates. Last winter he graduated from Columbia, receiving his degrees. He got a proposition to go to South America to do some engineering work, being offered a nice salary and a two-year contract. Conzelman wrote to Barney Dreyfus, telling him that he was going to abandon baseball, and told him of his offer to go to South America.

The Pirate magnate persuaded him to change his mind and join the Buccaneer force, which he reluctantly did. It was with the hope that he would be used regularly and not be assigned to the duty of bench warmer. When the opening of the season rolled by Joe was given little work. It was mostly relieving other pitchers. Conzelman was ambitious and this did not appeal to him. He knew he could not do his best while not being worked regularly.

Then came his opportunity to go to Indianapolis. Hendricks was shy of pitchers when Sanford Burke jumped to the Feds, and he was sent there. He jumped at this opportunity. Joe liked baseball, and he knew that even if it was in the minors he would be given regular work. Then he knew Hendricks, and his old pal Joe Kelly was a member of the Hoosier team. He was treated loyally by the fans of Indiana.

Upon his return home he was offered a position as an engineer with a local firm, and he accepted it.—*Providence (R. I.) Evening Bulletin*.



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FRANKLIN McELFRESH

THE TRAINING OF SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OFFICERS. By Franklin McElfresh, Superintendent Teacher Training Department, International Sunday School Association. Size, 12 mo ($4\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ inches). Pages, iv+230. Binding, cloth. Price, $\frac{1}{2}$ net, 75 cents; postage, 8 cents.—The Methodist Book Concern.

A timely manual on a most vital subject. The author speaks with authority in the field of teacher training. His mastery of the problem of training officers and teachers for the Sunday school is evident in the selection and arrangement of the material compassed in this volume. With due regard for the historical development of teacher training work he places the emphasis upon present-day requirements for specialized training for officers and teachers in the various departments, and points out the possibilities for teacher training work in various types of churches and communities.

OMEGA ³⁻¹⁶

HERBERT ADAMS GIBBONS

FOUNDATION OF THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE—FROM OSMAN TO BAYEZID. The foundation of the Ottoman Empire. A History of the Osmanlis up to the death of Bayezid I (1300–1403). By Herbert Adams Gibbons, Ph. D., sometime Fellow of Princeton University. Oxford, at the Clarendon Press, 1916.

Modern English historical works on the Ottoman Empire are few and far between; in fact, the only general history in English during the present generation is Lane-Poole's book in the Story of the Nations series, which does not do much credit to the scholarly author. Here, as in most fields of scholarships, recourse must be had to the Germans, and the standard work is the eighteen volumes of von Hammer's "Geschichte des Osmanischen Reichs," with whose labours

the only later historians whose names can be coupled are Jorga ("Geschichte des Osmanischen Reichs nach den Quellen dargestellt") and Zinkeisen ("Geschichte des Osmanischen Reichs in Europa").

The sole scientific historian of the Ottoman Empire before von Hammer was Johann Lewenklau (Leunclavius) whose annals of the Sultans and other studies of the Osmanlis were published at Frankfort in the sixteenth century. Thus, Germany might find one of its claims, and not the least important, to the reversion of Turkey on the debt that Europe owes to her scholars for their researches into one of the most obscure fields of European history. The American historian, the author of this book, has had the advantage of four years of residence in Turkey, and his acquaintance with the conditions prevailing during the last period of the expiring Empire has enabled him not merely to write an erudite historical work but to illustrate the present by the understanding of the past, and many of his notes show that he is as close an observer of the state of things now prevailing in that amazing maze of racial and national confusion, geographically known as the Balkans, as he is of the beginnings of the Ottoman in Europe.

There are no Ottoman sources to which the historian may go for the origin of the Ottoman people and the story of the coming of the Turk to Europe is one of the most remarkable episodes in history, for we are not aware of any other race or nation, (call it what you will) perhaps "Power" would be the best word, which attained greatness by such rapid assimilation of a mass of heterogeneous elements, or of a Power which had the good luck to have three successive rulers of the type of Osman, Orkhan, and Murad, the first the maker of a race, the second the artificer of a State, and the third the founder of an Empire, all within eighty years, from 1299, when Osman founded an emirate, until 1389, when Murad

was assassinated on the battlefield of Kossova after his destruction of Serbian freedom.

We are prone in our ignorance to look upon the Turk as a destroyer, but in his early days he was the reverse. In the first place, the Osmanli re-created Islam as a political force, and his successors thereby obtained the right to be the Caliphs of Islam. When the Turk first came to Anatolia he at once found himself in Moslem surroundings. His religious tractability, which he shared with his kinsmen the Tartar and the Mongol, was so well known in Europe that the Popes made strenuous attempts to bring the hordes of Djenghi and his successors into the Christian fold. Islam was in a parlous state. Pagans ruled in Asia, Africa was asleep, the Faithful in Spain were receiving their first serious reverse, and so the conversion of Osman and his tribute was of tremendous importance, since it welded into one race the various elements living in the north-western corner of Anatolia. Christendom was then as disunited as it now is, and its chance was lost, yet even a united Rome might have seen its missionary work crowned with success.

The new faith gave the Osmanlis an object in life, and it was this conversion, and not the disappearance of the Seljuks of Konia, which explains their activity after 1290, as in sharp contrast with the preceding fifty years of easy, slothful existence at Sugut. Thus, their forward march began. But it was directed first against Europe, for as the author is at pains to show the prevailing idea that the Osmanlis, after having first invaded Anatolia and established themselves there, pushed on into Europe and overthrew the Byzantine Empire, is a gross mistake, for they were masters of the whole Balkan peninsula before they had subjugated Asia Minor as far as Konia.

"Turks," as that expression is to-day understood in Turkey, does not signify an Asiatic race, who have held the

country as conquering invaders, for from the earliest Ottoman times religion and nationality have never been divorced, and Osmanli and Moslem were synonymous terms. The Eastern Church had lost its spiritual hold when Osman appeared, and the appeal of Islam was greater than that of Christianity, so Pagan Turk and Christian Greek alike, then, in their conversion to a new, fresh faith, joined in the formation of a new race. This is the tale of Osman and of the people who took his name. He was the founder of one of the greatest empires the world has ever known, and of a people unique in history through the blending of wild Asiatic blood with the oldest as well as the newest European stock, as well as of a royal house which claims the distinction of six hundred years of uninterrupted succession. The Anatolian Greeks knew that no good could come from Constantinople, and they not only transferred their allegiance from the Paleologi to the Family of Osman, but substituted Mohamed for Christ.

The Osmanlis can be called a distinct race from the conquest of Bithynia by Orkhan with a national consciousness and a desire for expansion. They can be distinguished from the Turks of the petty emirates of Asia Minor and from the Byzantines. The Turk did not absorb the Greek nor the Greek the Turk. Both had taken a new faith and adopted Turkish because from the beginning it was the military and official tongue as well as the simplest medium of communication among the different folk who became Osmanlis. Calling the Osmanlis Turks and regarding them as invaders upon the soil of Europe is an historical error which has persisted so long that the Osmanlis have themselves fallen into it. They have distinguished themselves from the Turks and use the word to describe a people as different from themselves as were the Greeks. According to the Osmanli, "Turk" is employed to signify a coarse and brutal

man and belongs ethnically to the vagrant hordes of the Khorassan deserts.

The Osmanli, the author points out, was by no means fanatical at the outset of his career and was never a religious enthusiast like the Arab Moslem, but in course of time became perverted by Arab influences. During the centuries that bear the stain of unremitting persecution of the Jew and the responsibility for official support of the Inquisition, Christian and Moslem lived together in harmony under the rule of the Osmanlis. The author shows that it was not until the reign of Bayezid that the Osmanlis posed as the champions of Islam, and this change of attitude from that of Murad's is strikingly revealed in Bayezid's boast that he would give his horse oats to eat upon the altar of St. Peter's.

When owing to the rapidity of Osmanli conquests in Europe huge masses of Christians came suddenly under their yoke, assimilation was impossible, and when Constantinople fell the Christians obtained self-government in a modified form by being put in "millets" or nations under the headship of their ecclesiastical authorities. The author shows how well-founded is the Bulgarian hate of the Greek, for when Bulgaria fell Bayezid placed them in the Greek millet.

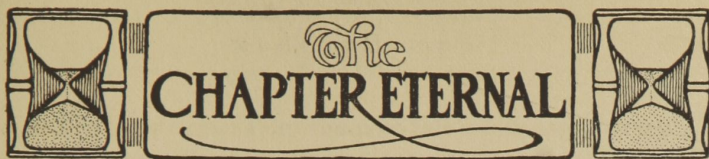
"Enemy to every influence, every movement that tended to lessen its temporal power, the Greek patriarchate of Phanar never wearied in its endeavours, and never withheld its approval of the foulest means, to stamp out the Bulgarian national spirit. One cannot visit the old monastery of Rilo without realizing that the Bulgarian sufferings have been more acute from Christian priests than from Moslem governors. One cannot follow the trail of unending persecution in the mute witness of unchurched communities from Monastir to the Black Sea through Macedonia and Eastern

Rumelia, and to the Danube, through Bulgarian Serbia and trans-Rhodopian Moesia, without sympathizing with the Bulgarian aspirations of 1913, and without comprehending the wild rage and hatred that drove an ordinarily clear-headed and impassive people into the second Balkan war."

It is impossible to read this book without being constantly reminded of the present. The many allusions to the military importance of the Gallipoli Peninsula, for example, are of peculiar interest. Among the masses of warriors who, from the days of the Persians to today have passed along the Peninsula, not the least interesting are the Catalans who in the days of Osman tried to form a state at Gallipoli. The Osmanlis first entered Europe by the Peninsula in the reign of Orkhan (1356), and were transported by Italians at a ducat a head, so the story goes, founding a colony at Bulair. Europe became excited over the capture of Gallipoli, but nothing was done against the Osmanlis as Serb, Greek and Bulgar hated one another then as much as they do now. Another strange incident in the history of Gallipoli is its capture by Amadeo VI. of Savoy in 1363, but the Savoyards did not keep the Peninsula long. At the close of the fourteenth century, when the last international enterprise of feudal chivalry failed so wretchedly at Nicopolis, the noble prisoners of Bayezid were imprisoned on the Peninsula much to the chagrin of the King of Hungary, when, abandoning his army and his Allies to their fate, he passed down the Narrows. One of these prisoners wrote: "The Osmanlis took us out of the tower of Gallipoli, and led us to the sea, and one after the other they abused the King of Hungary as he passed, and mocked him, and called to him to come out of the boat and deliver his people; and this they did to make fun of him, and skirmished a long time with each other in the sea. But they did not do him any harm, and so he went away."

Many other allusions of equal interest to the above and giving a vivid insight from the past into the Balkan political conditions of the present will be found in this volume.

There are two appendices, a number of chronological tables, a very complete bibliography, and an excellent index as well as six maps.—*The Egyptian Gazette, February 10, 1916.*



NU '15

JAMES MONROE HESS, JR.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has deemed it best to remove from the activities of this life, our dearly beloved brother, James Monroe Hess, Jr., and

WHEREAS, In all the activities of life he was one who commanded the respect, admiration and love all of those with whom he came in contact; and

WHEREAS, As a member of Delta Tau Delta he was a faithful and loyal worker, having at all times the interest of the Fraternity foremost in his thoughts, be it

Resolved, That we, his brothers of Nu Chapter extend to the family of this brother our heartfelt sympathy in this, our mutual bereavement, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our brother, that a copy be placed in the minutes of this chapter and that a copy be sent to THE RAINBOW for publication.

HERBERT K. ROLLINS

DANIEL BLACKBURN

EARLE S. SNYDER

Committee.

TAU '14

LAWRENCE BERNARD KEELAN

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from the activities of this life our dearly beloved brother, Lawrence Bernard Keelan, and

WHEREAS, In the death of this brother, Tau Chapter of Delta Tau Delta has been deprived of a most loyal and faithful member, whose unceasing fidelity and labors will ever be a source of constant inspiration; be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Tau Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in our mutual sorrow and loss; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our beloved brother, a copy be entered upon the minutes of this Chapter, and a copy forwarded to THE RAINBOW for publication.

M. H. FLEMING

C. J. DAVENPORT

H. H. BURRELL

Committee.

OMEGA

JUNIUS SARRUM RABOTEAU

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite mercy and wisdom, to remove from the activities of this life our dearly beloved Brother, Junius Sarrum Raboteau, and

WHEREAS, In his death Omega Chapter of Delta Tau Delta has been deprived of a most loyal and faithful brother, and

WHEREAS, Brother Raboteau leaves behind him many gladdening memories and friendships inspired by his unselfish love and self-sacrificing labor; be it

Resolved, That we, his brothers of Omega Chapter extend to the family of this brother our sincere sympathy in this our mutual loss, and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our beloved brother, that a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Chapter, and that a copy be sent to THE RAINBOW for publication.

ALLEN D. CORNELL

HARRY P. BETZER

FRED S. SCHOFIELD

Committee.

BETA ETA PRIME '71

JOHN N. MACGONIGLE

Dr. John N. MacGonigle, superintendent and vice-president of the Miami Electric Light and Power Company, and one of Miami's most influential and respected citizens died this morning at 12:15 after a long illness.

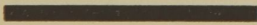
Dr. MacGonigle was formerly a Presbyterian minister of great worth and ability and until his last illness was a central figure in business circles, and in addition to the presidency of the company named was superintendent and vice-president of the West Palm Beach Water Company and the Miami Water Company.

He was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., of Scotch-Irish parentage, and was reared and educated in that city, graduating from the University of Pittsburgh in 1871, and afterwards entering the Presbyterian ministry, doing earnest and consecrated work for many years.

Dr. MacGonigle was obliged to resign on account of ill health, and he came to Florida and, after ten years' residence in St. Augustine as a pastor of the Memorial church, he came to Miami.

During his residence in Miami Dr. MacGonigle had been one of the city's most earnest workers in every cause for the benefit of mankind, and was especially interested in the establishment of a Y. M. C. A. here. Perhaps the most cheering news reaching him during his last illness was of the success of the Y. M. C. A. campaign, which assured Miami such a building as he had hoped for.

For many months Dr. MacGonigle had been very ill, and some months ago he went north in search of health, but finally returned to Miami with the knowledge that his days were numbered. He remained with Mrs. MacGonigle at their home north of Buena Vista awaiting the end.—*Miami (Fla.) Herald, March 13, 1916.*



BETA KAPPA '86

WILLIAM JOHN THOMAS

William John Thomas was born July 31, 1864, in Bath, England. He was the second man to be initiated into Beta Kappa, upon the installation of that chapter on October 13, 1883. He was a member of the class of 1886. He was elected county superintendent of schools for Gilpin County, Colorado, November 7, 1886, and assumed the duties of that office on November 10th. He was later elected Judge of the County Court of Gilpin County.

In the fall of 1892 he was elected as representative from that county to the state legislature where he ever proved a staunch friend of the University, being largely instrumental in securing the $\frac{1}{10}$ mill extra levy and a special appropriation of \$34,000.

Governor Davis N. Waite appointed Mr. Thomas Assistant Attorney General in 1893. After this for some time he was a Justice of the Peace in Denver, after which his family moved to Boulder in 1905.

At one time he was engaged in the law business in Denver with C. H. Pierce, Beta Kappa '87.

He later removed to Los Angeles, Cal., and while engaged in the law business there, secured as a speculation a lease on the Consolidated Gold and Copper Company at Swansea, Ariz., and within a few months had taken over \$85,000 from this mine. However, he did not live to enjoy his good fortune for he died very suddenly August 8, 1915, in Swansea, Ariz., and was buried in Los Angeles where his family now reside.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom, to remove from the activities of this life our worthy and esteemed brother, William John Thomas, and

WHEREAS, Delta Tau Delta has lost a loyal and faithful member and friend, be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the members of the Beta Kappa Chapter of Delta Tau Delta extend to the family of our respected brother our sincere sympathy in this, our mutual bereavement, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our brother, that a copy be placed in the minutes of this Chapter, and that a copy be sent to THE RAINBOW for publication.

JOHN C. PARK, *President*.

NED K. MYERS, *Secretary*.

BETA PI

PETER F. MUCKIAN

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom and love to call from our midst to the Chapter Eternal, Peter Francis Muckian, an esteemed and beloved brother, and

WHEREAS, Through the death of Brother Muckian, Delta Tau Delta has lost a valuable member and Beta Pi Chapter a loyal and devoted brother, be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Beta Pi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to the bereaved family in this, our mutual loss and, be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late brother, that a copy be placed on the minutes of the Chapter, and that a copy be furnished THE RAINBOW for publication.

JAMES T. WHELAN

CHAS. W. RILEY

LOWELL NIEBUHR

Committee.

February 26, 1916, Delta Tau Delta House,
Evanston, Illinois.

BETA UPSILON

JAMES MADISON WARNER

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove from the activities of this life our dearly beloved brother, James Madison Warner; and

WHEREAS, In all the activities of life he was one who commanded the respect, admiration and love of all who knew him; and

WHEREAS, As a member of Delta Tau Delta, he was most faithful and loyal; be it

Resolved, That we, his brothers of Beta Upsilon Chapter of Delta Tau Delta, extend to the family of this brother our sincere sympathy in our mutual loss; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our brother, that a copy be entered upon the minutes of this Chapter, and that a copy be sent THE RAINBOW for publication.

JOHN BERTNER PAGIN

KARL ACKERMAN BURNSIDE

EARL SWAIN

Committee.

BETA PHI

GEORGE ALFRED THOMAS

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has deemed it best to remove from the activities of this life our dearly beloved brother George Alfred Thomas and his father Edward B. Thomas; and

WHEREAS, In the death of this brother not only Beta Phi Chapter of Delta Tau Delta but the Fraternity at large has been deprived of a most loyal and faithful member and by the taking away of his father have lost a valuable friend; be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Beta Phi Chapter of

Delta Tau Delta extend to this bereaved family our heart-felt sympathies in our mutual sorrow and loss and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our beloved brother, that a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Chapter and that a copy be sent to THE RAINBOW for publication.

In Chapter meeting assembled this Seventh Day of January, Nineteen Hundred and Sixteen.

ALLAN R. RANKIN

TRESS E. PITTINGER

Committee.

BETA THETA

THOMAS M. EVANS

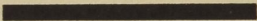
Tom Evans of Parral, Mexico, an alumnus of Sewanee and an important mining man in Texas, was one among the eighteen Americans to be shot by Mexican bandits a short time ago. The train upon which the party was riding was held up by the bandits. Evans was nearest to the door and when the train stopped he got up to see what was the matter. Upon his appearance in the door he was met by a storm of bullets which riddled his body almost beyond identification.

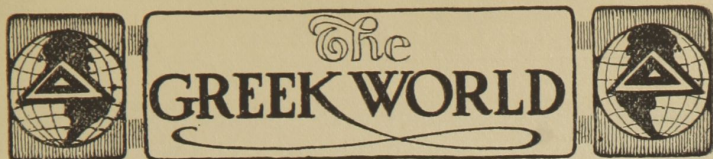
Mr. Evans was a student at Sewanee during the years 1906-7-8 having entered the University in 1906 from the West Texas Military Academy. While in College he was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity and a member of the Varsity football team for two years, playing at guard and center. He was one of the greatest linemen that has ever represented Sewanee. He leaves a host of friends to regret his untimely death.

Grantland Rice, the eminent sporting writer pays a well

deserved tribute to Evans in one of his syndicated articles. He speaks as follows: "A few days ago, from Texas, Van Surdam, who once coached the Sewanee football team, wired us of the death of Tom Evans. Evans was a member of the party massacred in Mexico, which holds all championships in murder and crime.

"It was easy to note from the contents of Van Surdam's telegram that he was ready to start coaching again—provided his eleven were armed with field guns for the invasion of Mexico. Tom Evans was one of his finest players—a great athlete and a great fellow. The South has known few line players that had his all-around football worth. He was worth all the Mexicans that the last five thousand years have put into being—multiplied by five."—*Sewanee Alumni News*.





Delta Sigma Phi has entered St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.

Pi Kappa Phi has chartered a chapter at the University of Nebraska.

Pi Kappa Alpha has installed a chapter at Western Reserve University.

Delta Upsilon has chartered a local called the Wranglers at the University of Indiana.

At its recent convention Theta Delta Chi unanimously voted to change the date of its foundation from June 5, 1848 to October 31, 1847.

Delta Kappa Epsilon has inaugurated a movement to build a \$250,000 club house and national headquarters in New York City. The first proposition is the sale of \$150,000 of bonds. The location has not been definitely selected, although tentative floor plans have been drawn.

The last (eighth) edition of Baird's American College Fraternities gives the total value of the 616 fraternity chapter houses as \$12,134,015 or an average of \$19,698 per house. The value of Delta Tau Delta's houses, including the new ones of Omega and Gamma Zeta, is given as \$577,500.

About two hundred attended an interfraternity dinner at the Blackstone Hotel, Chicago, March 13, 1916. Francis W. Shepardson, Beta Theta Pi, presided and addresses were made by Henry H. McCorkle, Phi Kappa Psi and Chairman of the Interfraternity Conference, and Dean Thomas Arkle Clark of Alpha Tau Omega. A permanent organization

was effected under the name of the Chicago Interfraternity Association. An executive committee of seven members was elected with Tracy Drake, D. K. E., president and F. C. Grabner, Sigma Chi, secretary-treasurer.

Pi Kappa Alpha has withdrawn its charter from the chapter at the University of Georgia, and in doing so, says (*Shield and Diamond*, December, 1915): "It should be the pride of any fraternity to boast a chapter in such an institution. But no order should be willing to tolerate in any chapter failure to maintain a high standard. Our deepest regret is not at the loss of a chapter, but at the existence of a condition which renders imperative the recall of a charter."

There are other chapters in other fraternities which must be born again. There are other fraternities which, so far as numbers count, can spare a chapter or two easier than Pi Kappa Alpha. There are other fraternities realizing the necessity of solidarity of high ideals throughout their entire bodies.

Sympathizing with our respected co-worker in Greekdom because of the necessity, we honor and congratulate them for the courage to act to the high measure of their conviction.

May conditions forbid the necessity in Sigma Nu; may we have courage to be true to the Fraternity should the necessity present.—*Editorial, The Delta of Sigma Nu.*

SOME SCHOLARSHIP REPORTS FOR FIRST SEMESTER 1915-1916

TEXAS

Beta Theta Pi.	6.74
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.	6.48
Delta Tau Delta.	6.35
Phi Delta Theta.	6.35

Sigma Chi.....	6.23
Sigma Nu.....	6.15
Delta Chi.....	6.04
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	5.99
University Average.....	5.78
Phi Kappa Psi.....	5.72
Theta Xi.....	5.37
Phi Gamma Delta.....	5.19
Kappa Sigma.....	5.14
Alpha Tau Omega.....	5.10
Delta Sigma Phi.....	5.05
Kappa Alpha (So.).....	5.05
Chi Phi.....	5.00

CINCINNATI

<i>Delta Tau Delta</i>	2.01
Beta Theta Pi.....	1.83
Sigma Chi.....	1.51
Pi Kappa Alpha.....	1.49
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	1.25
Phi Delta Theta.....	1.01

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Acacia, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Upsilon, Theta Xi, *Delta Tau Delta*, Phi Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi, Lambda Chi Alpha, Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

KANSAS

Acacia.....	71.31
<i>Delta Tau Delta</i>	69.49
Beta Theta Pi.....	67.27
Phi Kappa Psi.....	60.91

Phi Gamma Delta.....	60.78
Alpha Tau Omega.....	58.99
Sigma Nu.....	57.33
Sigma Chi.....	57.15
Kappa Sigma.....	56.36
Pi Kappa Alpha.....	50.63
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	46.12
Phi Delta Theta.....	37.39

UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH

Kappa Sigma.....	79.89
Non-fraternity.....	76.29
<i>Delta Tau Delta</i>	74.95
Kappa Alpha (So.).....	73.13
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	69.95
Phi Delta Theta.....	69.18
Alpha Tau Omega.....	68.82

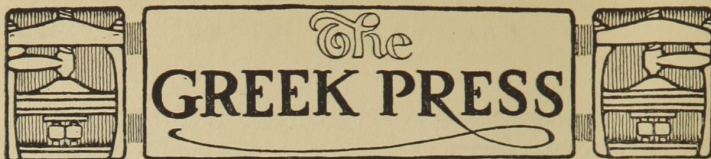
LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

<i>Delta Tau Delta</i>	3.24
Sigma Nu.....	3.21
Alpha Chi Rho.....	3.07
Phi Kappa Psi.....	3.03
Phi Delta Theta.....	2.84
Sigma Chi.....	2.82
Delta Upsilon.....	2.78
Phi Gamma Delta.....	2.63
Zeta Psi.....	2.61
Chi Phi.....	2.55
Theta Delta Chi.....	2.38
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	2.13

MINNESOTA

Acacia.....	1.42
Delta Upsilon.....	1.26

Phi Sigma Kappa.....	1.25
Phi Kappa Sigma.....	1.23
Beta Theta Pi.....	1.197
<i>Delta Tau Delta</i>	1.195
Kappa Sigma.....	1.19
Alpha Delta Phi.....	1.18
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	1.07
Phi Gamma Delta.....	1.05
Alpha Tau Omega.....	1.04
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	.99
Phi Delta Theta.....	.97
Sigma Nu.....	.96
Chi Psi.....	.94
Zeta Psi.....	.93
Phi Kappa Psi.....	.92
Theta Delta Chi.....	.913
Delta Chi.....	.907
Psi Upsilon.....	.905
Sigma Chi.....	.903



William C. Levere, Secretary of the College Fraternity Reference Bureau, offers a prize of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for the best two hundred word history of a college fraternity or sorority. The contest is open to all Greeks. The only requirements are that the history of the fraternity must be kept within two hundred words and it must be typewritten. Send all entries to William C. Levere, Secretary of the College Fraternity Reference Bureau, Box 254, Evanston, Illinois.

The Signet of Phi Sigma Kappa offers its alumni members the following test of alumni loyalty. The alumni of Delta Tau Delta can well ask themselves the same questions. We are afraid mighty few alumni of any fraternity would receive a passing grade in such an examination.

- 1—Have you met all your chapter financial obligations?
 - 2—Have you visited your chapter within three years?
 - 3—Have you written to your chapter within one year?
 - 4—Have you informed any chapter of a desirable incoming freshman within one year?
 - 5—Do you wear your fraternity pin?
 - 6—Have you sent any alumni notes to *The Signet* within six months?
 - 7—Are you in correspondence with every other member of your delegation?
 - 8—Are you actively in touch with other Phi Sigs in your vicinity?
 - 9—Can you repeat the oath?
 - 10—Do you really want to attend the next convention?
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The *Beta Theta Pi* offers the following twelve qualities

that should distinguish a good chapter. We recommend them to the careful consideration of each active chapter of Delta Tau Delta.

- 1—Recognizes that it is not a local organization but a branch of a national fraternity having definite aims and purposes.
- 2—Recognizes that those aims and purposes have precedence over any purely local customs or desires.
- 3—Strives through its individual members to exalt those aims and to fulfill those purposes.
- 4—Tries through its local administration to respond promptly and efficiently to the demands made upon it by the officials of the fraternity.
- 5—Bars intoxicating liquor and gambling from its chapter house and does not tolerate, on the part of its individual members open violations of the laws of the fraternity or plain transgressions of the spirit of Beta Theta Pi.
- 6—Seeks to elevate standards of scholarship, aims to develop strong ties of human friendship among its members, manifests loyalty to the institution in which it is located, and gives hearty support to the faculty in measures which look toward the improvement of individual character.
- 7—Joins in every movement for better relationships among fraternity men in its institution, championing the local inter-fraternity conference as a desirable help toward comity and wider college friendship.
- 8—Keeps its chapter house and grounds in good condition, inside and out, regulates life in the house by such sensible laws as to make it as nearly as possible a real college home, and trains its members to respect the rights of one another as well as the obligations toward neighbors in a college community.
- 9—Pays its debts promptly and trains its members to regular and systematic habits in personal financial matters.
- 10—Cherishes the sentiment of the fraternity through its songs and through faithful adherence to its ritual on occasion of initiation.
- 11—Remembers that it is an institution designed to exist for many years and whose future success will be largely due to the reputation and character it sustains at any one time.

- 12—Teaches its individual members to understand that each has distinct responsibility and that each must maintain his character as one of its worthy members.
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From a personal correspondence between Leroy S. Boyd of Kappa Alpha (So.) and Boutwell Dunlap of Kappa Sigma *The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma* prints some interesting fraternity history. We reproduce extracts of general interest.

For three solid years I have done nothing but look into the history of the old dead Southern Kappa Alpha fraternity. It had at least fifteen chapters. I find it at the University of Alabama as early as 1848. Its secrets were disclosed or stolen and scattered in about 1857 or 1858, and this caused the fraternity gradually to disband.

The old Kappa Alpha chapter at the University of Mississippi went into Chi Psi in the fall of 1858.

The old Kappa Alpha chapter at Centenary College of Louisiana accepted a charter from Delta Kappa Epsilon in January, 1858.

The old Kappa Alpha chapter at Emory and Henry College, Virginia, went into Phi Mu Omicron, which itself went into Kappa Sigma in 1878.

Other chapters of this old Kappa Alpha were at the University of North Carolina, University of South Carolina, Wofford College, Furman University, Union University (then at Murfreesboro, Tenn.), Howard College (Alabama), and the University of Alabama.

Baird's Manual says this fraternity was founded at the University of North Carolina in 1859. I am sure he is wrong, unless there was a re-organization after the exposure of secrets. But I feel that Baird is totally wrong. My opinion is that the Phi Mu Omicron of which Baird speaks was founded about 1858 on the ruins of this old Kappa Alpha. I have a badge of the Phi Mu Omicron, a cut of which was printed in a copy of your *Caduceus* last spring (p. 808, June, 1915). It bears the date of 1812 on reverse, which I am inclined to believe is the date of the organization of the old Kappa Alpha. John De Witt Warner, the historian of Delta Kappa Epsilon, believes that this old Southern Kappa Alpha is as old as Phi Beta Kappa, and that it was organized at Princeton or William and Mary College. Warner has found many traces of Kappa Alpha in the South before the civil war, especially in South Caro-

lina. The meaning of the letters Kappa Alpha was *kuklos adelphon*, circle of brothers, which is obvious to any Greek student.

I have secured some facts of interest from living members of this old Kappa Alpha, and expect to have its badge (or one of them) in my hands this week—the diamond-shaped badge. Some members say the badge was a crescent. Possibly the badge was changed after the exposure of secrets, but I think not.

Dr. Fulton, former president of the University of Mississippi, wrote me that in 1873 or 1874 he found the old seal of the old Kappa Alpha on the campus of the University of Mississippi and kept it in his physics laboratory, and that it was there when he gave up that chair in 1894. I have inquired at the University of Mississippi for it and it can not be found.

Dr. Fulton says the seal was an equilateral triangle, with the letters Kappa Alpha and an eye on it, something like the drawing you sent me. (Brother Dunlap's discovery of a description of the badge stated it was an equilateral triangle, in the center of which were the letters Kappa Alpha, and above which in the angle of the triangle was a star.)

Although Delta Tau Delta has never been represented in South Carolina by an active chapter the following article from *The Delta* of Sigma Nu by Albert H. Wilson, Past Regent of that fraternity, will be found of general interest.

If there is such a thing as State rivalry in being heralded as the most popular cemetery or burying ground for the chapters of the Greek letter fraternities, then the honor must be given to the State of South Carolina with hands down.

In the interim from 1850 to 1916 there have been established within the colleges of South Carolina forty-three chapters representing seventeen national fraternities. Today we find that out of this splendid total only the College of Charleston chapters of Kappa Alpha and Alpha Tau Omega and the Woffard chapter of Pi Kappa Phi are active. Moreover, that Pi Kappa Phi is a revived chapter of the present year at Wofford, where fraternities have been readmitted after seven years of fraternal famine.

The first fraternity to place a chapter in South Carolina was the Delta Psi, which, in 1850, entered the state university. This chapter flourished until the year 1861, when it was killed by reason of the civil strife

which dominated the national thought. The latest chapter, within the State, was the Pi Kappa Phi, at Wofford College in 1911. This chapter ran "sub rosa" until 1914; withdrew to return openly in 1916. It is of interest to note in passing that the Pi Kappa Phi is the only Greek letter fraternity to originate in South Carolina, and this fraternity was founded at the College of Charleston in 1904.

Two great reasons may be advanced for the very evident distress among the South Carolina Greeks—war and politics. The chapters organized prior to 1861 were killed by the young men of the State volunteering for service in the Southern armies, while the culmination of the political confusion in 1897 finally drove the fraternities from all the colleges, except the College of Charleston, through a legislative decree that no college could hope for financial assistance from the State where the Greek letter societies were permitted to exist. Since that time a certain few of the fraternities have attempted to return to their old stamping grounds, notably Kappa Alpha and Sigma Alpha Epsilon at the State University, but these endeavors have not proved successful. However, with the return of Phi Kappa Phi at Wofford, and the opening of that field to the fraternities—not to forget the calmer political life throughout the state—the fraternity world need not be greatly surprised to find that the day of fraternal redemption in South Carolina is not far removed and may hope, with reason, that the time is not far distant when the South Carolina colleges will welcome, with open arms, the very fraternities which were once not only despised and denied, but looked upon as the very root and substance of all that was evil within their cultured walls. No greater victory could be won by the Greek letter world than the return of the State of Carolina to the ranks of the fraternal field of endeavor.

Besides the dormant chapters of Sigma Nu at the South Carolina Military Academy and the State University, the following tombstones are found in the fraternity graveyard of South Carolina: Alpha Tau Omega, South Carolina Military Academy, State University and Wofford; Beta Theta Pi, State University; Delta Psi, State University; Delta Kappa Epsilon, State University; Chi Phi, State University and Wofford; Chi Psi, State University, Wofford and Furnam; Phi Kappa Sigma, College of Charleston; Phi Kappa Psi, State University; Pi Kappa Alpha, State University, Presbyterian College, South Carolina Military Academy and Wofford; Phi Delta Theta, State University and Wofford; Pi Kappa Phi, State University, Presbyterian College and College of Charleston; Kappa Sigma, State University and Wofford; Kappa Alpha, State University, South Carolina Military Academy,

Furman, Wofford, Newberry and Erskine; Sigma Chi, Erskine; Sigma Phi Epsilon, State University; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, State University, South Carolina Military Academy, College of Charleston, Furman, Erskine and Wofford.

From *The Phi Gamma Delta* we reproduce some excellent thoughts in considering the relation of the fraternity to the college.

Notwithstanding all we may say in behalf of the fraternity system, all the advantages which we may be able to prove as the results of it in social value, business training, etc., after all, the fundamental question in regard to the merits of the system and its right to live and thrive is its relation to the college and the aims for which the college stands. For if it can be proved that whatever its incidental good the fraternity is actually opposed to the college ideals, it has no right to live. I imagine we all believe that such a condition is not the case, but it is at least worth consideration.

Perhaps the most prominent criticism of the fraternities as falling short of the college ideals is in their social life. It is claimed that they lay too great an emphasis on that. For while it is admitted that not all that is to be gained in college comes from the classroom, that in fact only a small part of the value of a college education is to be found there, it is also certainly true that outside activities should be complimentary to, and not antagonistic with, the curriculum; that they should not all be merely "diverting side-shows" as President Wilson characterized many of the activities at Princeton. For while he realized that the social side is important in college life, President Wilson said he objected to being merely the president of a Country Club! And again we find President Hall fearing for a youth open to "the contagion of four years of college"! But certainly all this cannot be blamed upon the fraternities, for it is found just as prevalent in nonfraternity schools. So I should put the first duty of the fraternity as being not to furnish social life for the student, but rather to control and keep within bounds the naturally overdone society of certain cliques, and distribute the advantages along that line more equally to all. I believe that the fraternity ideal points that way distinctly, and that it is therefore a real agent in the college government.

An English author has stated that the ideals of a university are to teach loyalty, to teach men to see life broadly, and to teach them to respect character rather than accidents of birth or wealth. Suppose we

take those as a basis—then it is up to us to prove that the fraternity can help towards these ends.

Take the first point, loyalty—that is certainly also a strong fraternity ideal, and one in which it should help the college. And indeed now that the days of strong interfraternity feeling are past, the feeling which made it impossible to make real friends outside your own fraternity; and now that the spirit of loyalty is not so overdone as to be detrimental to the whole student body, I believe that the loyalty taught by the fraternity is entirely in line with college loyalty and loyalty to mankind.

But do we really learn to see life broadly and to judge men by character, not birth or wealth in the fraternity? That the tendency is not that way is undoubtedly one of the weaknesses in the system, and one which we must ever watch and guard against carefully. A member of one of our chapters recently told me: "Why, we couldn't possibly get a man through the chapter who doesn't dance and who hasn't a girl in ————" (naming a nearby city). What a standard! But most certainly that is not in line with the fraternity ideals; it cannot be claimed as inherent in the system. Nevertheless, we cannot but candidly admit among ourselves that there is that danger in every chapter, and that it is a serious one—that is, judging a man too much by externals, and thinking perhaps: "What will the girls at the Sem. think if we pledge that man?" rather than: "Is he real Phi Gam material?" A degree of financial consideration must be present in pledging every man, for it is a serious mistake to take a man who really cannot afford the expense, but it is an even more serious mistake to take a man merely because he has money. That is certainly a decided deviation from the standards of both the college and the fraternity.

But again I am convinced that while it cannot be doubted that there are things in chapter life which made it hard to stick to these ideals of the university, these tendencies are not by any means peculiar to the fraternity system, but are to be found in human nature everywhere, and are merely made more conspicuous by the fraternity organization in the chapters in which they do exist. For certainly they are existing in spite of, not because of the fraternity, for nowhere could higher ideals be found for a broad basis of judging a man on his merits than in our constitution. The lesson is clear—obey the constitution and your chapter can never be criticised on these grounds.

My attempt thus far has been only to bring out what we all already believe, namely that the real ideals of our fraternity are in no way lower

or less broad than those of our college, that the real need is to be found in the action of the members, individually and as chapters, to live up to them. And then if that be true, it follows that whenever we follow the lead of the college in any matter we are in so doing also following the aims of our fraternity. In other words the watchword which Brother Cheney has given the fraternity: "The college first, Phi Gamma Delta second" will so work out that a man who is ever mindful of his duty to his college, who lives up to the ideals of his *alma mater*, will in so doing not be relegating the fraternity to the background, but will in the very best way be living up to its ideals also. They stand then for the same things, why should they not work hand in hand?

The fact that this should be the case is being impressed more and more both on the college authorities and on the older heads in the fraternity. Co-operation is taking the place of what has in many cases been almost an armed truce. Faculties are beginning to realize that by recognizing the fraternities they can bring influence to bear that would not otherwise be possible. Coach Dixon said that in his experience as physical director at Ohio Wesleyan he had examined all the men of the university, and that fraternity men showed no very marked superiority physically over the nonfraternity men. Yet they are decidedly in the majority on all teams, a fact which he frankly attributed to the pressure behind them in their fraternities. Why should not that same pressure be brought to bear by the college along all lines?

Or from the chapter viewpoint, if after all the faculty are really striving for the same things that in your saner moments you all recognize as the true aims of the fraternity, why not get their confidence and help? Make friends with the dean, give him your help in disciplining a wayward freshman, don't give your moral support to any light-hearted sophomore that has by means of some worn out excuse put one over on him. You are hurting your chapter the more when you do so. Get a faculty advisor if you have not already one, an alumnus preferably, who can give you a more experienced viewpoint on important matters. Talk to him freely—and respect his advice. See that your house rules are such that the college would approve, see that your social functions are such that they could not object to—actually try to observe college rules in all matters and live up to their regulations. Why? Because that is the only way that you can actually prove that your chapter has a need and a use for existence, that it does by its influence truly supplement that of the college in the things for which the college stands.

The question of the mechanics of furthering this understanding with the college have been pretty thoroughly discussed, scholarship reports, pressure in college activities, etc. But what I want to bring out is the question of attitude, of spirit. I would ask that we go farther than merely to urge scholarship because the college will not permit us to initiate a man until he has gained a certain amount of credit, and actually realize the responsibility which the chapter should assume in supporting the college and sincerely give it our support in all measure, in other words really co-operate with it in its ideals. That then I should say was the real basis for the relationship between the fraternity and the college—co-operation!

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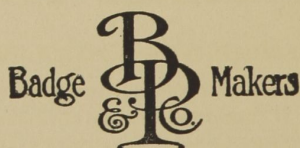
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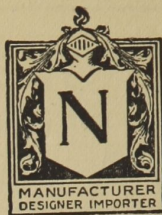
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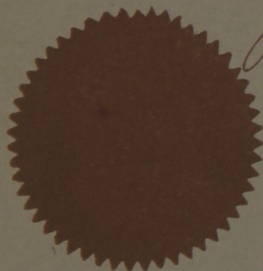


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