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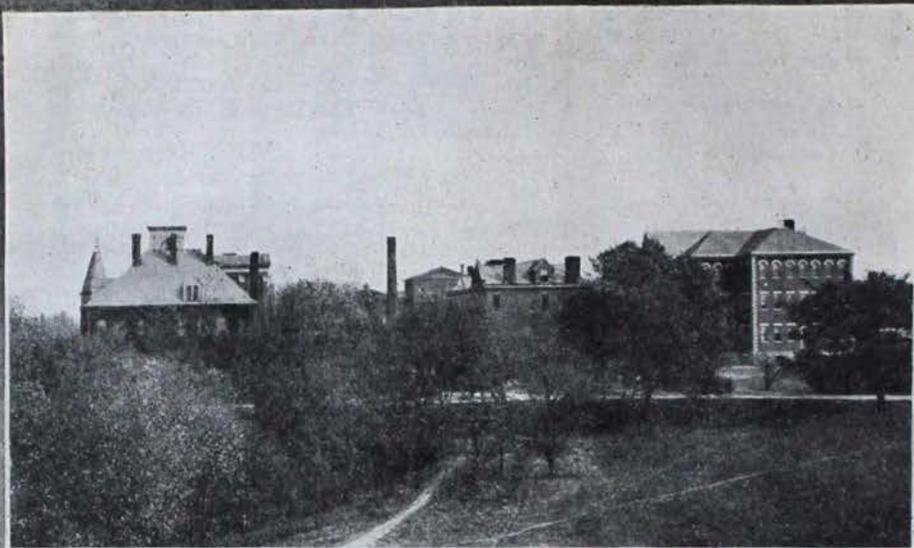
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During the presidency of James Buchanan, a bill was introduced into the Congress of the United States by Justin S. Morrill of Vermont, then a member of the House of Representatives, the object of which was to appropriate a part of the unclaimed public lands in the West to endow and build up a system of agricultural and mechanical schools throughout the Union. The measure was passed by both Houses of Congress, but was vetoed by President Buchanan. During the second year of the Civil War, Mr. Morrill again reintroduced his bill and with final success. The amount of land donated to each State and Territory through the provisions of this act was 30,000 acres for each Senator and Representative in Congress. Provision was made that when the states then in revolt had been re-established as members of the sisterhood of states they also should be made beneficiaries of this endowment.

Under the allotment of the "Land-Grant Act" Kentucky received 330,000 acres, but no effort was made to establish an agricultural and mechanical college in this State until the close of the war. In the establishment of the college the State made two great mistakes. The land scrip of 330,000 acres would, if it had been wisely managed, have formed the basis of an endowment fund sufficient for the necessities of the institution, especially during its earlier years. The Legislature, however, turned this land over to an agent to dispose of for what it would bring upon the market. It was sold for fifty cents an acre, the interest of which, amounting to \$9,900 per annum, was applied for the maintenance of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. This sacrifice of the fund given by the Federal government was the first mistake. The second consisted in attaching the college to a denominational school, making it a part of Kentucky University (now Transylvania University), instead of placing it upon an independent basis. The connection with Transylvania continued for thirteen years, or until

1878. At that time the General Assembly, dissatisfied with the management of the college by the curators, who were engaged in a long factional strife, severed the connection with the university and appointed a committee to re-locate the college. Transylvania claimed and retained the former site of the college, and the sole property of the latter after the severance was the income of \$9,900 derived from the land grant.

The city of Lexington offered to the committee the city park of fifty-two acres as a new site for the college, and also \$30,000 in bonds for the erection of buildings. This offer Fayette County supplemented by \$20,000 in bonds, to be used either for the erection of buildings or the purchase of land. The committee accepted these offers and the college was permanently located in Lexington.

Until March, 1908, the University of Kentucky continued its operations under the official title of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Kentucky. At that time, feeling that the college was a university in fact and should be so recognized by name, the authorities of the college petitioned the Legislature to change the title of the institution to "State University." This was done, and in order to avoid confusion owing to the similarity of names, Kentucky University, which is also located at Lexington, was permitted to change its name to "Transylvania University." The Legislature of 1910 again changed the official title of the State University to "University of Kentucky."

The transition from college to university has been one of which the friends of the university may well be proud. When the college began operations as an independent institution in 1880, its faculty was small, only six in number; its matriculates few. In its early history the University of Kentucky had to fight against obstacles that few other institutions have ever encountered. She has had to struggle to maintain her position among other State institutions with a small endowment and in the face of an unsympathetic public; then the slow growth in faculty and equipment, the slow emerging from sectarian strife that for a time threatened her very existence. These troubles are being forgotten in the recognition of her claims for support by the general public, and we are proud of what our university is to-day. In the past, Kentucky has been slow to recognize the worth of her great university and slow to provide adequately for its support, but there has never been a time when public sentiment in Kentucky has been more strongly in favor

of higher education than at the present, and the university held in higher regard. The recent General Assemblies have been more generous in their appropriations, and with their continued support and interest, our university will undoubtedly take rank with the best in the country. Truly, the University of Kentucky is an established fact.

Beginning with a president, four professors and a commandant, the university now has over thirty full professors and more than sixty assistants and instructors. In 1880, there were only two buildings on the college campus; there are now sixteen, with a prospect of several others in the immediate future. No fact more distinctly marks the growth of the university than the number of graduates. More students have graduated in the past three years than during the first thirty. Of these graduates, women form a considerable percentage. Women were first admitted to the university in 1880 on an equal footing with men, and all departments of the university are open to them upon identical conditions with men. The colleges embraced in the university are the College of Arts and Science, of Agriculture, of Civil Engineering, of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, Mining Engineering and Law.

Closely linked with the history of the University of Kentucky is the name of its first president, James Kennedy Patterson. It may be said that his history is the history of the university. What she is to-day, she owes to him more than to all others combined. For forty years he has guided the destiny of our beloved institution. Her defeats have been his; her triumphs as his own. The new University of Kentucky is a fitting testimony of his life of tireless service to the cause of education in Kentucky.

The Installation of Beta Chi Chapter at the University of Kentucky

By Sally Mark Barclay, Beta Alpha.

"The secret of success is constancy to purpose."

After six long years of untiring effort, with so little encouragement that at times their cause seemed almost hopeless, after "wearing the latchstring of Kappa threadbare," as one member told us, on the evening of February twelfth, the little band of faithful workers, known as "Chi Epsilon Chi of Kentucky State University," reaped the reward of their "constancy to purpose," and received the charter of Beta Chi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

When the telegram from Mrs. Roth came telling the good news that Kappa not only wanted these Kentucky girls—there was never a time when she did not—but was willing to entrust to them the care of a new chapter, there was such rejoicing as perhaps only a few of us know. Fortunately, the time for installation arrived very soon. That week was one round of receptions, teas and general good times, for one of the very good things about this new chapter of ours was the welcome extended to her by the other national fraternities, not only at Kentucky State University, but also at Transylvania.

The freshman first entering upon fraternity life little dreams what that experience may hold for her, little realizes what rare and full opportunities lie before her for attaining the three things most worth while. With each fraternity meeting, with each initiation, with each convention, and most of all, with each installation of a new chapter, the richness of this "unearned increment" grows upon her.

Unfortunately, only eight of us could share this rare experience: Edith Stoner, Theta; Mrs. Holland, Margaret Laughlin, Elizabeth Demming, and Edith Mathews of Delta; Marietta Davis, Beta Lambda; Elizabeth Bogart, Mu; and Sally Mark Barclay, Beta Alpha. I say eight, but Elizabeth Bogart was snowbound on her way from Indianapolis, and arrived only in time for the banquet that night.

Chi Epsilon Chi owned their fraternity home, an attractive little cottage opposite Paterson Hall, the girls' dormitory, and the services were held there. The cottage was a bower of flowers, at two o'clock that afternoon, when eight of the

charter members were installed. These girls were most fortunate in having Miss Stoner for the officiating officer and Delta chapter sent Margaret Laughlin to assist. At four o'clock Beta Chi held her first initiation and increased the membership to eighteen of the most enthusiastic Kappas you can well imagine.

The banquet that evening at the Phoenix Hotel, a famous gathering place of our "Blue grass Region," was truly an ever-to-be-remembered occasion. Twenty-six Kappas sat down to a table built in the shape of the Greek letter Kappa, and from the time we entered until the last notes of our "Good-night Song" were sung, the atmosphere was charged with such close companionship that I wish each of you might have shared it. Last of all came the many, many messages of greeting and good-will from all over this country, even a cablegram from Gibraltar from Mrs. Kolbe. That was the time we felt National! Miss Stoner impressed this feeling upon us by telling something interesting about each chapter as she read its message. From her most helpful impromptu talk which followed, each one present gained much that made her realize the strength of Kappa's national bond, and each was fired with enthusiasm to give a little something in return for the much Kappa has given her.

It was the toasts we heard that evening, that has prevented me from referring to Beta Chi in the usual terms of "The Baby Chapter." In these delightful informal talks, we were told of the experience of twelve years of fraternity life; and of alumnae numbering one hundred and twenty-five, scattered all over the State, each of whom is just as enthusiastic for the welfare of Beta Chi of Kappa Kappa Gamma as she was for the welfare of Chi Epsilon Chi. So, although the youngest in years, Beta Chi comes to us, rich in experience and in material, which I feel Kappa is most fortunate in securing.

It is to be regretted that space prevents us from quoting from all of the toasts, but the following by Mary Sweeny, expresses the spirit of devotion characteristic of Beta Chi Chapter.

Madam Toastmistress, Newly Found and Newly Founded Sisters of Kappa Kappa Gamma:

In this age of realities, of commercialism and of prosaics. I am glad that I am to have the opportunity and the pleasure of telling you that dreams do come true and sometimes the dreamer lives to tell her story. To-night I feel like a pilot

who, after a stormy passage, guides his boat past the last shoal, signals the lighthouse, and is just entering port.

Of the four girls who had a vision of the higher meaning of womanhood, who knew a royal stamp could be put upon loyalty, who dreamed of a limitless horizon for fidelity, one has passed "the bourne whence no traveler e'er returns," another is devoting her life to healing the sick bodies and the broken hearts of humanity, still another's lot is cast at a distance, and I alone stand here to tell you of the founding of an empire in the hearts and lives of college women whose only sovereign has been the trinity of love, loyalty and sympathy. This was some eleven years ago, and Transylvania, with many other institutions, had not taken a trend university-ward. There still existed a beautiful personal relationship between the class bench and the professor's chair. I can not tell you how it came about, but there was such an increase in dynamic force and numbers that e'er long we realized that we were a factor in the college life.

In two or three years it was our wish to install a chapter of Chi Epsilon Chi at Kentucky State College. Here the hearty co-operation of those in authority and the good will of the well established men's fraternities gave an exceptional environment for the appearance of the first sorority in that institution. It was the priceless privilege of that chapter to fix the ideals and the standards for the girls who were to follow. As the University began to advance along broad, general lines and to provide much for the many, it could not be hampered with the needs of the few. The factors of personality and individuality began to lose their pre-eminence and the contact point of professor and student to be so widely separated that personal influence and personal character could not span the space. It was then that the fraternity assumed its real mission of supplying atmosphere, the most potent of influences in the undergraduate life; of embodying and perpetuating ideals of student character; of setting standards for conduct and of giving wholesome, sane advice, counsel and suggestion. Experience had already taught us that a fraternity alone can forge the link that binds the girl in college to the woman out in the world, the graduate to the undergraduate.

The membership increased steadily and the enthusiasm and interest reached such bounds that we felt at times that it needed no other alchemy than a strong, guiding initiative to change it into a national fraternity. As there was a commu-

nity of interest and aim between us, and since the national fraternity had much to give us and we felt that we had something to offer, Chi Epsilon Chi decided to knock at the door of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The latchstring was wellnigh threadbare before the coveted answer came, meanwhile we sat patiently on Kappa's doorstep until her fraternity family could make up their minds to invite us in. Those of us who have crossed the threshold received so gracious a welcome that it makes the time of waiting well worth while.

The passing of Chi Epsilon Chi is not without a tinge of regret and it required many hours of careful consideration before we could lay her hand in Kappa Kappa Gamma's, to have and to hold from this day forward. We had a thorough organization, splendid enthusiasm, wonderful loyalty and cooperation and an additional asset of one hundred and twenty-five alumnae.

Those alumnae are very dear to us and sometimes, at midday or in the sunny silences of the waning afternoon, the Angel of Memory, as a nun to the cloister, will come to our hearts and kneel at the altar of the friendships that have hallowed Chi Epsilon Chi. Her candles will set alight the features of well-loved faces and breathe into our hearts the melody of the "olden, golden glory of the days gone by."

To you, Kappa Kappa Gamma, we give Chi Epsilon Chi, the object of our love and devotion, of our solicitude and tenderest care. What she is we have made her, her progress has been ours, her reputation is our own. As we give her to you

"Our hearts, our hopes are all with thee,
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our tears,
Our faith triumphant o'er our fears,
Are all with thee, are all with thee."

To-day and To-morrow

By Grace Torrey, Dean of Women, University of California

What is, is right, always, in the sense that it represents a point in progress from which we can go on to something better. What fraternities are in relation to their colleges is, from this aspect, what they ought to be now. That to-day is soon to be to-morrow, and that what is right for to-day will be best for that to-morrow is, of course, the eternal question of debate between conservatives and radicals.

Although fraternity traditions vary, and the honor of Greek letter membership shifts in its quality from Yale to California, yet the Greek letter societies belong to that all too small group of idealists who see that we can attain by trying, and by the help of those who try with us. What we try for may be more or less worth while. What the Greek letter societies try for, whether more or less worth while, they can certainly attain because of their unity of purpose and the enormous help which is given by their traditions of loyalty. That the end attained shall be worth their effort will depend on its adaptation to conditions of place and time.

To-day, especially in Western Universities, they have furnished an admirable solution of the living problem and a much-needed contribution toward social effectiveness. The hard featured blue-stocking is never a fraternity girl. For this, the whole feminine army of college women may be grateful. That wise thinking and witty speaking may go hand in hand with a gracious presence and a skilled hospitality is triumphantly shown by the college fraternities, who see to it that their membership shall know the art of pleasing. If they have added nothing more to the college atmosphere, this contribution alone would put many of our universities in their debt. We can never know too well how to meet our fellows, nor can we cultivate too carefully the social arts.

Socially, then, fraternities have an opportunity, of which they have, in general, fully availed themselves, to crystallize traditions of gentle breeding that no campus could well afford to lose. Whether they should attempt more is eminently within their own sphere of choice. So much debate gathers about questions of fraternity relations with colleges that one fails at times to see the wood for the trees. However, the details of rushing, early or late pledge days, scholarship requirements, or social activities, may seem to fill the arena, the

real debate is, in the large, upon fraternity aims. Are they social or scholastic, or both? Are they for to-day, for the pleasure of the undergraduate? Or are they for to-morrow, for the coming student and the student community?

The fraternity for the day need supply only a pleasant eating club, and a charming social opportunity for its members. The fraternity of the future needs, for its own sustaining interest, a more stable foundation.

The logical outcome of early pledge days and fevered rushing is that the girl who is socially most attractive becomes the fraternity type. If she remains a university girl for just her freshman year, and if, during that time, she must drop the backbone out of her course from "ill health," "outside duties," "nervousness," or the thousand reasons which mean only burning the candle at both ends, that is not so much her loss as that of the fraternity. So far as the university goes, the matter is simple. Students who can not satisfy university standards eliminate themselves. However charming a freshman may be, or however allied with the oldest of Greek letter societies, nothing but college work keeps her a college girl. By choosing, year after year, just such girls, in just this fevered way, it would be possible for any fraternity, in a very few years, to eliminate itself from any campus. Its membership would be no less pleasing, socially. It would not, however, have the needed singleness of purpose to make it of university quality.

The pull, then, for organizations that have already seen the wisdom of social qualifications, needs to be rather the other way, if the university idea is to weigh in the balance. One of the wisest steps in that direction that fraternities can take is to relax their scrutiny of the newcomers, and recruit their number from upper classmen, who have shown real university quality. The freshman girl is yet to be proved. The fraternity that initiates her too often finds that it must discipline her. After a year of its discipline, she sometimes proves to be not quite so much of a girl as she looked, and her fraternity "carries" her through her college course. Occasionally she drops out of college at the end of her first year, after really costing her sisters much hard work and much anxiety, without giving the return they might rightfully expect. The sophomore, on the other hand, who has demonstrated herself a good student, a good sport, a good campus citizen, has demonstrated her value as a member of a smaller group.

Instead of pursuit by the Greek letter societies of high school girls, who may have no university qualifications that can take them beyond the freshman year, the method of late pledging would mean an inspection of girls who have proved for a year, at least, their capacity as members of the community to which the university fraternity supposedly belongs. The initiates, then, would need to prove themselves. The fraternities would be saved the tremendous physical and financial strain of making an overpowering impression upon immature newcomers.

Nor need they, while they wait for freshmen to prove their worth, stand with empty houses. In universities as large as those of our Western States, it is hardly to be thought that the freshman class exhausts all eligible fraternity material, until the high school shall replenish the supply. Rather, the supposition would be that the fraternities have all been looking so hard at the freshmen, and trying so hard to gain freshman affection, that they have forgotten all other available material.

Perhaps the conservatives are right who fear that the fraternities can not take this step to keep pace with their opportunities. Perhaps the girls would "rush" for the whole year. Perhaps upper classmen are not available fraternity material. Perhaps the girl of eighteen, who has distinguished herself as a student, done good work on committees, and shown ability in college athletics, is less desirable than the girl of seventeen, fresh from a preparatory school, who has not demonstrated her college quality in any way. Perhaps the fraternities would rather have empty houses than pledge upper classmen. Perhaps the group must pursue the individual.

No one else can judge so well as the fraternities themselves whether these possibilities are all truths. If they are true, they point definitely to the spot where fraternity and university aims must diverge. If fraternities are to stimulate only social activities, they need not consider the present suggestions. If they are to aid, or even permanently to participate in the intellectual life of the university, they should begin to pull strongly in a direction which shall show every incoming freshman that the honor of fraternity membership comes only to the girl who has first proved herself a strong member of the university community.

"The Language Come to Stay"

By Lois Dean, Beta Tau

All will agree that the value of any invention depends upon two things—the extent of the need for that invention and the degree of its adaptability to meet that need. Judged by this test, Esperanto is of great value.

With the development of diverse and complex international relations which has taken place during the last century has come the recognition of a great lack—that of a common speech. This is particularly felt along intellectual lines, as, for instance, in scientific research. So long as scientific investigation was carried on in a comparatively few countries, the student might gain sufficient mastery of foreign tongues to enable him to keep pace with the progress made in those particular countries. But that day is past. The spirit of investigation has spread throughout the world, and the burden of following developments in foreign lands is greatly increased.

Commercial relations suffer also, though in a lesser degree, from this lack of a universal language. Nor may we ignore the intercourse fostered by travelers and tourists. Fancy the increase in the number of this class, did they possess the convenience of a speech that would serve equally well in all countries visited?

What characteristics has Esperanto which especially fit it for a universal language?

First, its root words, or radicals, are in the main international. That is, all such words as are common to all languages were adopted as root words in the new tongue. To these were added words common to most languages, but not to all. The few remaining words, which have no counterpart, were culled from various sources. I say *culled* because in choosing the last class of words, Dr. Zamenhof sought to make the study of Esperanto equally easy for all peoples. The words of all these classes, deprived of special terminations and spelled phonetically, became the root words of Esperanto.

Second, on these familiar root words the student is able by a clever device of prefixes and suffixes to build up a wide vocabulary. To quote an illustration: The word for ox is *bovo*; on the root *bov* we may build *bovino*, cow; *bovido*, calf; *bovaro*, herd; *bovineto*, heifer; *bovajo*, beef, etc. Again: *mal* expresses the opposite of an idea; hence, *bona*, good, *malbona*, bad; *forta*, strong, *malforta*, weak.

The Key

The same directness is carried out in the grammar. Esperanto has only twelve verb endings. Nouns, adjectives, infinitive of verbs and adverbs are indicated by final *o*, *a*, *i* and *e*, respectively. Pronouns are simplified.

Add to these advantages those of phonetic spelling, invariable accent, a single sound for each letter, and *no exceptions* to rules, and one can not doubt the adaptability of the language.

Is its value appreciated?

To-day there are about a hundred journals in Esperanto, including scientific, philosophical and medical magazines. In Europe, courses of instruction are offered in many institutions. So widespread has the understanding of this language become that, according to students of Esperanto, one may travel throughout any civilized country without the knowledge of any other language. Esperanto has been employed in providing reading for the blind; it has a system of stenography; by means of it international telegraphic communication has been held; it has been used in advertising.

Undoubtedly, Esperanto is a "language come to stay."

LOIS DEAN, Beta Tau.



Our Key

(After Browning's "Star")

All that we know

Of a certain Key

Is, it doth give

(Like the Sapphire Sea)

A passion for Truth,

A love of the Good;

Till others have said

They would fain know, too,

This Key that leads to the Good and the True!

Now it gleams like a star; like a jewel hung high

In a radiant light that streams down and above it!

What matter to us other keys that pass by?

Ours has opened its soul to us; therefore we love it.

DOROTHY COOKE, Beta Sigma.

The Relation of the Library to the Student

By Walter L. Barnes, University of Colorado

It has been said that "civilization is built upon the printed page."

The public library has become an important factor in education to-day, and we are becoming more and more a nation of readers. The college student must be prepared to take his place as a leader among men and women who have reading habits and advantages and who expect him to be more widely read, of more cultured tastes than they. It is a part of the mission of the college to give him this preparation, but if his four years of college life have not given him a love for books and an insight into the best methods of getting at their hidden riches, they have failed of an important part of their purpose.

The student should not get the idea fixed in his mind that the library is the place alone for required reading, often of a distasteful nature, or a spot where the much despised grinds congregate. The library misses an important part of its function if it fails to draw students for recreative and cultured reading and browsing amongst the world's good books. The habit of browsing can, of course, be overdone, but in the main it is very valuable to the reader in opening to him the hidden riches of worlds hitherto unknown.

Books are men's most valuable, most patient friends. The library is the center of college life, the heart of the campus, and therefore I pray of you not to think of it as a place to "cram" for examination, but as a silent assembly of immortals who stand ever ready to welcome you into their circle and to give you the best they have.

Dr. James H. Canfield, former librarian of Columbia University, says, "Everyone connected with the university should be made to feel that the library is a great warm heart full to overflowing with most helpful, most lively, most sympathetic, most intelligent interest."

The library in relation to the student endeavors to perform three functions: First, to supplement the work of the classroom; second, to make him acquainted with the use of books as tools; and third, to assist in making him, as Mathew Arnold has it, "acquainted with the best that has been thought and done in the world."

The substitution of lectures and laboratory work for the textbook and the belief that neither one nor the other includes all the information on the subject, are the chief reasons for the new relation of the college library to its constituents.

In teaching the student the use of books as tools, the library staff and the instructors should work hand in hand. The practical knowledge of where certain lines of information will be found and what books, encyclopaedias, atlases, periodical indexes, etc., are of most value, should be known before he finishes the freshman year. Learn how to get at the resources of a library. Find out first where the card catalogue is, how you find any book by any given author, and again, how you find the material the library has to offer on a given subject. This knowledge will not only be of value to you during your college course, but throughout your life, for wherever you may go you will find the public library, large or small, each with its card catalogue and magazine indexes ready to serve you.

Parthenon

Will the Superficial Fraternity Survive Sophomore Pledge Day?

Fraternities must give the best they have in order to meet Sophomore Pledge Day which is coming to more of our chapters every year. We are accustomed to think of the late pledge day as giving us a chance to look over the freshmen, but it also gives them a chance to scrutinize us.

When a girl comes to college she does not have time to adjust herself to her new surroundings before the early pledge day is upon her. She hardly becomes acquainted with her own classmates much less the older women in the college. Fraternity life has a glamour thrown about it. The impression the freshman girl receives is only that if one is not in some fraternity she is entirely "out of things," and that to belong to a fraternity is the right thing to do. Therefore although it is not pleasant for us to think, the unguided freshman usually cares very little which group of girls she joins. Unless she has had a mother or a sister to go before her, she knows nothing about national standing; she becomes acquainted with the older girls, "gets cases" on a number of them and often is led by these. She sees the fraternity girls at parties or during some form of rushing, and hence does not know them as they normally are.

The freshmen accept the "bid" they receive or if they have a choice, take the fraternity which they think has the "nicer girls." This may mean simply better clothes and so better appearing on short acquaintance.

But with the Sophomore Pledge Day all this will be changed. The freshmen will have time to plant themselves and what is more important, time to grow. They will see each fraternity in its own light. The fraternity's scholarship, its interest in college affairs, the position it holds with the non-fraternity section and the amount of respect shown it by the faculty. The glamour and excitement in which fraternities are clothed now, will disappear and the freshmen will see the older girls own individuality and worth. The fraternity with the poor scholarships or having strained relations with the faculty will not hold the respect of the thinking freshman. Fraternities must represent the best in the university world and not the superficial, if they are to stand this test. They will

have to take an active part in college life; in athletics, in literary associations and in all university organizations if they expect to hold the respect of the girls they wish to have associated with them later.

The question whether fraternities have the right to exist, whether they justify themselves in good works or whether they are a parasite on the community will be proven by Sophomore Pledge Day.

In Wellesley the local fraternities are hanging in the balance between life and death. Are fraternities a help or a hindrance to a college? This question has taken such hold of the women in Wellesley that one of the fraternities has offered to give up its organization if four of the others will do the same. If fraternities do not stand for the real, wholesome college interests, as well as their own, many will decide they do not represent the ideal college life. If this should come to pass the class of girls who would accept membership, the fraternity will not want.

Can the fraternities then as they exist to-day stand Sophomore Pledge Day? Have they the qualities to hold the respect of all non-fraternity girls as well as freshmen? No doubt these qualities exist but we must show our best strength and best ideals to the college and not keep them just for ourselves. We must work to hold this standard; to keep the leading place which we expect fraternities to hold not only in social matters but in all college interests. We must appear worth while if we expect the best girls to be anxious to join us. For if we can not hold the first place and the first girls no Kappa would wish fraternities to continue.

SUE DOROTHY KEENEY, Beta Alpha.



The Place of the Local Panhellenic

We hear much these days about Panhellenic, the many advantages and the great good it has accomplished. It has sprung from an insignificant beginning into a widespread and powerful institution. We gratefully recognize the debt we owe to the Panhellenic movement—the greater understanding, the mutual helpfulness and the broader outlook it has brought about, and yet there are times when we wonder if the local Panhellenic may not flourish at

the expense of the chapters which have given it life. One of the most vital questions which the women's fraternities have to face is the just division of power between the individual chapters and the local Panhellenic; or in other words, to decide precisely what matters fall within the legitimate jurisdiction of the Panhellenic. Its original aim was to do away with high school pledging, and to bring about a greater spirit of unity among the various fraternities. Since then, it has gone on increasing the scope of its operations and enlarging its powers until, in many cases, the chapters have found themselves involved in elaborate contracts, beset on every hand by rules and regulations governing every trifle and peccadillo of college life during the rushing season. There have been times at Minnesota, when it has been almost impossible to be simply natural in matters of conduct without breaking a rule, or what in the eyes of the world is almost as bad, appearing to do so. The constant thinking about rules makes life cramped and artificial. It is impossible to be spontaneous and normal in our intercourse with the freshmen, and the whole object of rushing, which is to get acquainted with a girl in a simple and natural way, is entirely defeated. How can one ever know a girl when acquaintance must be carried on over the high board fence of a hundred petty "Thou shalt," and "Thou shalt not?"

But it is not only the relations of fraternity girls with freshmen which become strained, but what is much worse, the relations of fraternity girls with each other. An elaborate contract breeds suspicion, destroys friendship, and makes impossible that cordial and friendly fellow-feeling which should exist between college women of different fraternities. The air is full of hasty accusations, quick suspicions, and indignant denials. Not that I believe the standard of honor of fraternity women to be low, but that such extended Panhellenic control furnishes infinite opportunities for misunderstanding.

I would not question for a moment the wisdom of Panhellenic regulations, when they are big and broad. They are absolutely essential to the life and usefulness of the chapters concerned. It is only when a local Panhellenic usurps undue power, by making fraternity relations a net work of intricate and foolish rules, that there is danger.

HELEN PAINTER, Chi.

**The New
Washington**

I wonder how many colleges in East and Middle West know that the University of Washington has gained, in the last few months, eighteen new buildings, that Washington has jumped from a small university to one of the largest.

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition was held on the grounds of the university and after the close of the exposition one after another of the buildings have been given for the use of the university. The greater part of the buildings are only semi-permanent, but with a little repairing every two or three years, they can be used until the university is able to replace them.

The Auditorium and Fine Arts buildings were built for the university and are permanent. The California and Forestry buildings will be used for museums, while the law school will be found in the Oregon building. The library has already been moved into the Washington State building. Since military training has been introduced into the university again the Oriental building will be utilized as an armory with several of the smaller buildings for carpenter and tool shops. The Educational building is devoted to the school of journalism and is where the "Washington Daily" is printed. The rest of the buildings will be used for classrooms, clubs, and various other enterprises of the university.

Not only have we gained new buildings but our campus will be of the finest. As each building with its last bit of debris is removed from the grounds grass will be planted to efface the spot where the building once stood.

"Greater Washington" has always stood for the great unified spirit in the college and now with her twenty or more buildings, her extensive campus and her student body increasing each year, how long will it be before she will jump from twentieth in line to rival California or even the old colleges of the East?

HELEN T. HARDING, Beta Pi.

**The
Alumnae
Association**

Much has been said about what the active chapter of the fraternity should do in order to make it clear that she is not merely or primarily a social organization and to show that she stands for the best in college life and is ready to help in any movement to improve conditions in the college, but very little attention has been paid to whether the alumnae organizations stand for anything worth while. Of course, the women individually take an active part in movements for civic and social betterment in their own city but as an organization, as far as any good they may do, the associations might as well not exist.

Of course, we are all very busy after we graduate from college but it does seem as though we might do something as an organization to keep up our interest in the active chapter, and the college. Some of the alumnae associations have a definite object for which they work but most of them are purely social. The Columbus Association is now considering the plan of starting a scholarship fund. Probably the organizations are not strong enough to establish a fund from which the interest would be sufficient but each member might donate annually a small amount—a dollar for instance—and thus create a fund large enough to partially pay the college expenses of some girl. The active chapter could have a share in this, too. A committee consisting of some one connected with the college, an alumna, and an active member might decide to whom the scholarship should be awarded. It seems as though such a scheme as this might unite the active and alumnae chapters more closely and give them some definite unselfish object to work toward, thus helping us to live up to the ideals which the fraternity holds before us.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION.

Editorial

The word "welcome" has recently been echoed from the Atlantic to the Pacific, but once again we extend a greeting to our new chapter, Beta Chi, at the University of Kentucky. She comes to us, not as a babe in swaddling clothes, but as a young girl whose character has already been formed and who has proven herself worthy to wear the double blue. We are glad and proud to claim her as a younger sister.



After the excitement of Commencement is over, the serious problem of what work shall be taken up, must be faced by many of our graduates. To the girl of independent means, free to follow her own inclinations, the question may not be difficult, but to the one who must earn her own living, who must secure a remunerative position immediately, the problem is more serious. The natural tendency is to drift into the teacher's profession, even though the applicant may have no inclination for the work and may have a decided ability in another line, solely because this profession is especially open to college graduates and offers an immediate salary. The outcome is bad for the school, for satisfactory results are seldom obtained where there is little interest in the work. It is also bad for the teacher, for does she not perform her task in a half-hearted way, longing all the time to be free to follow another line of work?

The need of other avenues of activity and support for our college women graduates has been met by the alumnae of Barnard College in the following manner: The Committee on Employment will endeavor not only to act as a clearing house for people wishing particularly to employ college girls, but also to look up new fields of endeavor for the graduates. The chairman of the committee is Mrs. Henry Wise Miller, 62 East Fifty-third street.

The college women will enter the business world, according to Mrs. Miller, largely as secretaries to professional or business concerns.

Mrs. Miller states, "Bryn Mawr has also taken the matter up, and has a committee investigating new fields of opportunity for its graduates. From my own experience so far, I

find the business world practically untouched by the college girl.

"The applicants at the Barnard agency are not only recent graduates, but some older women who have entered teaching, perhaps to break down and sometimes to be crowded out, and who must now find something else to do. Most of the applicants so far placed have been in the magazine offices, in publishing houses, and frequently in encyclopaedia making, or as bibliographers."



We have omitted the publication of the Alumnae Association letters and reports in this issue, as we expect to have a comprehensive article embracing these in the October number. Convention will bring forward many interesting facts about the work of our graduates, which we hope to send broadcast through the pages of *The Key*.

The following Alumnae Associations have met the national requirements and may have a delegate seated at convention: New York, Syracuse; Western New York, Beta Iota, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Columbus, Falls City, Milwaukee, New Orleans and Pi.



Convention

The Twentieth National Convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma will be held with Delta Chapter, at Bloomington, Indiana, from August twenty-third to the thirtieth. As our oldest living chapter, Delta, holds a unique position in our fraternity and we hope that many will avail themselves of this opportunity not only to enjoy the inspiration of the convention, but also to see the place where much of our early history was made. Perhaps a privileged few will even be allowed a glance into the archive chest with its priceless treasures. It will also be a pleasure to meet the large alumnae, so influential in shaping our policy in previous years, who still reside in Bloomington.

Our hostesses are making extensive arrangements for our entertainment, and send the following cordial invitation:

"I wish, in behalf of Delta Chapter, to extend to all Kappas a most hearty and cordial invitation to the Twentieth National Convention, which is to be held at Bloomington, Indiana, August 23 to 30, 1910. We are looking forward with much pleasure to having many, many Kappas with us at this time,

and trust that all, both far and near, will be able to come for this great 'gala' week. Anything concerning the plans of convention, the entertainment, trains, etc., I will be very glad to write you. We hope to have the great pleasure of seeing you this August."

MARGARET LAUGHLIN, Marshal of Convention,
4265 College Avenue, Bloomington, Ind.

All trains will be met and delegates and visitors will be taken to the Student Building, where arrangements will be made for their boarding places. The Dormitory and Chapter Houses will be used for delegates and visitors. If any one is coming before Tuesday, August twenty-third, please send notice to Marshal.

TIME TABLE

Via Monon Route. Chicago to Bloomington

No. 5, daily—Lv. Chicago, 8:30 a. m. Ar. Bloomington, 3:32 p. m.
Nos. 33 and 9, daily—Lv. Chicago, 12:00 m. Ar. Bloomington, 6:58 p. m. Via Vandalia—St. Louis to Limedale. Via Monon—Limedale to Bloomington.
Daily, No. 20 (Vandalia)—Lv. St. Louis, 8:44 a. m. Ar. Limedale, 1:50 p. m.
Daily No. 5 (Monon)—Lv. Limedale, 2:25 p. m. Ar. Bloomington, 3:32 p. m.

Indianapolis to Bloomington

Daily No. 55 (Vandalia)—Lv. Indianapolis, 8:00 a. m. Ar. Gosport, 9:34 a. m. Via Monon—Ar. Bloomington, 10:03 a. m.
Daily No. 57 (Vandalia)—Lv. Indianapolis, 12:30 p. m.
Daily No. 5 (Monon)—Ar. Bloomington, 3:32 p. m.
Daily No. 51 (Vandalia)—Lv. Indianapolis, 4:55 p. m.
Daily No. 33 (Monon)—Ar. Bloomington, 6:58 p. m.

Indianapolis to Bloomington by I. N. C.

Lv. Indianapolis, 7:10 a. m. Ar. Bloomington, 9:05 a. m.
Lv. Indianapolis, 4:50 p. m. Ar. Bloomington, 6:45 p. m.

Effingham to Bloomington

Lv. Effingham, 8:10 a. m. Ar. Bloomington, 12:50 p. m.

This time table subject to change. Consult local agent for further information.

Convention Program

The work and play of our week together, is presented in the following delightful program:

Tuesday, August 23—Arrival of delegates. Evening, informal reception, Chapter House.

Wednesday, August 24—Morning 9 to 12, business session. Afternoon, committee work. Evening, musical.

Thursday, August 25—Morning 9 to 12, business session. Afternoon 2 to 4:30, business session. Evening, informal dance.

Friday, August 26—Morning 9 to 12, business session. Afternoon 2 to 4:30, business session. Evening, reception.

Saturday, August 27—Morning, Alumnae session. Afternoon, drive and picnic. Evening, stunt night.

Sunday, August 28—Afternoon, address by President Bryan. Evening, fraternity songs at Chapter House.

Monday, August 29—Morning 9 to 12, business session. Afternoon, business session. Evening, banquet.

Convention should be the watchword of all Kappas during the summer, for we hope that the Twentieth National Convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma will be larger, stronger and more far-reaching in its results than any we have yet known.



Delegates to the Twentieth National Convention

Phi—Nina F. Gilley, 11 Water street, Winter Hill, Massachusetts.

Beta Epsilon—Mary B. Polhemus, 19 Hillside avenue, Englewood, New Jersey.

Beta Sigma—Dorothy Cooke, 204 Oak street, Richmond Hill, Long Island.

Psi—Cynthia Eggleston Seelye, Lake George, R. F. D. No. 1, New York.

Beta Tau—Elizabeth Dibble, Livonia, New York.

Beta Alpha—Sue Dorothea Keeney, 108 North Sixteenth street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Beta Iota—Elizabeth W. Cadwallader, Yardley, Pennsylvania.

Gamma Rho—Mary S. Sowash, 600 Main street, Irvin, Pennsylvania.

Beta Upsilon—Marjorie Bonner Patterson, box 607, Morgantown, West Virginia.

Beta Chi—Sara M. Carter, 334 South Limestone street, Lexington, Kentucky.

Lambda—Bess Hart, Girard, Pennsylvania.

Beta Gamma—Margaret Moore, 223 Pennsylvania avenue, East Liverpool, Ohio.

Beta Nu—Alice Crane, 347 West Seventh avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Beta Delta—Betty Ince, Prophetstown, Illinois.

Xi—Edwinea Windren, 700 North Walnut street, Bay City Michigan.

Kappa—Faith W. Elliott, Hillsdale, Michigan.

Delta—Carrie Ong, Columbus, Indiana.

Iota—Marion Gregg, Greencastle, Indiana.

Mu—Ruth Hendricks, 2024 Broadway, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Eta—Rowe Wright, 2701 Cedar street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Beta Lambda—Margaret May Herdman, Winnetka, Illinois.

Upsilon—Sara Harris, 1146 Elmwood avenue, Evanston, Illinois.

Epsilon—Louise Leaton, 411 East Jefferson street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Chi—Helen Brown, 2020 Second avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Beta Zeta—Grace Whitley, Webster City, Iowa.

Theta—Margaret Elston, 2408 East Thirteenth street, Kansas City, Missouri.

Sigma—Irene Bailey, Fairbury, Nebraska.

Omega—Anna Williams, Clay Center, Kansas.

Beta Mu—Linda Batchelder, Sterling, Colorado.

Beta Xi—Mattie Gooch, 109 Magnolia street, Palestine, Texas.

Beta Omicron—Mary Sistrunk, 222 Madison avenue, Montgomery, Alabama.

Pi—Bessie Yates, 1554 Leroy avenue, Berkeley, California.

Beta Eta—Helen Fowle, 1530 Sherman avenue, Denver, Colorado.

Beta Pi—Ellen F. Howe, 1715 Eighteenth avenue, Seattle, Wash.

Beta Phi—Marjorie Ross, Grand avenue, Missoula, Montana.

Alumnae Associations

New York A. A.—Mrs. Francis E. Morgan, 41 Hamilton avenue, New Brighton, Staten Island.

Beta Iota A. A.—Maude Kammerer, 2331 North Sixteenth street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia A. A.—C. Edna Bramble, Monastery avenue, Roxborough, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Pittsburg A. A.—Mrs. O. W. Garrett, 506 Eliot street, Wilkinsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Cleveland A. A.—Mildred Honecker, 2946 West Fourteenth street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Chicago A. A.—Dr. Sarah M. Hobson, 5215 Washington avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Bloomington, Indiana, A. A.—Mrs. Anna Hill, Bloomington, Indiana.

Falls City A. A.—Miss Anna Heick, St. Andrews, Kentucky.

Bloomington, Illinois—A. A.—Miss Irene M. Seibel, East Grove street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Milwaukee A. A.—Miss Ruth Davies, 2825 Cedar street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Pi A. A.—Miss Eva Powell, 921 Myrtle street, Oakland, California.

The Key**Initiates****Beta Sigma**

Sara Barber, Mabel MacKinney, Jean Evans.

Beta Alpha

Anna Zimmermann, May Laramy.

Beta Upsilon

Nellie Dauphinee Stathers, Clara Lytle, Genevieve Staley, Louise Staley.

Xi

Helen Baker, Josephine Newkirk, Elma Ellis.

Kappa

Grace Stuart, Grace Van Aken, Marie Clement.

Delta

Kathleen Stelwell.

Pi

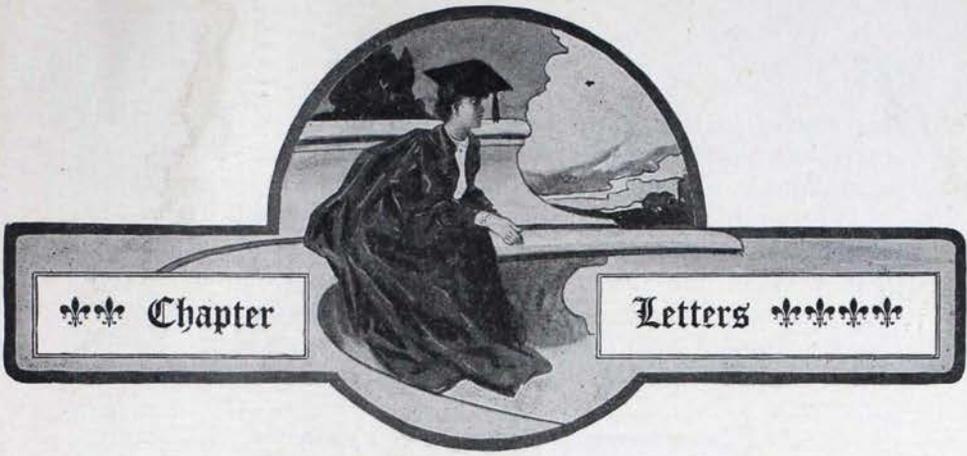
Hazel Hotchkiss.

Beta Pi

Marguerite Gage, Claribel Nourse, Lucile Eckstorm, Maud Wells, Lottie Trenholme, Laura Taylor.

Beta Phi

Gladine Lewis, Mabel Cowell, Mildred Ingalls, Verna Green.



Alpha Province

Phi—University of Boston

Dear Kappas: The Panhellenic world of Boston University is greatly stirred these days over the question of sophomore pledging. The matter has been carefully considered by the Panhellenic council which consists of an active and an alumna member from each chapter, and by the individual fraternities, but, after more than a month of earnest effort, we have not as yet reached the unanimous agreement necessary to effect a change in the Panhellenic constitution. On Thursday evening, April seventh, there is to be an open Panhellenic, when all members, active and alumnae, will meet to take up the question in formal and in informal discussion, and we sincerely hope that as a result of the meeting the much-sought agreement will at last be reached, and that we can report that it is for sophomore pledging. This failing, we may possibly secure second semester Pledge Day, for something must be done. The acuteness of the situation can be seen from the fact that among three hundred women students there are six national fraternities—Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Delta Delta, Pi Beta Phi and Sigma Kappa. Besides these there are three local societies.

The whole Boston University world is stirred by the announcement of the intended resignation of President Huntington. As freshmen we all learned to know and love him in

his course in Collegiate Life, and an affection formed thus early has naturally made the student relations with him very sympathetic. As yet, no one has been named as his successor.

The annual Klatsch Collegium given by Gamma Delta, the general society for women students, to alumnae and friends was held in the College Building, Friday evening, March eighteenth. It is the most important social event of the year.

The annual Gamma Delta banquet was held in March. Ethel Black Kirkton, 1910, who was chairman of the committee in charge.

On Tuesday evening, February twenty-second, the chapter entertained some of the college men at Ethel Kirkton's home in West Roxbury.

On Wednesday, March thirtieth, the chapter entertained the alumnae with a tea at the rooms. We are planning two more before Commencement time, and if they all prove as jolly and successful as the first we shall feel very happy in our efforts to keep in closer touch with our alumnae.

On March eleventh, the sophomores entertained the seniors with the farce "Gadsby's Girls." Riberta Miller was on the committee, and Marjorie Thompson, whom we wish to introduce as our new pledge, took part.

The class of 1910 in editing a Boston University song-book is taking up a much-needed piece of work. Heretofore our songs have all been handed down orally or in sheet music form, but now we are to have the best of the old and some splendid new ones in the convenient book form. Ruth Baker, '10, is chairman of the committee in charge of the publication.

Since this is our last letter till next September, we wish to everyone a successful ending of the college year and pleasant vacation experiences.

FLORENCE MACARDLE.



Beta Epsilon—Barnard College

Beta Epsilon has the honor of claiming the winner of the fellowship for foreign study offered by the American Federation of Women's Clubs. Juliet Stuart Points, 1907, as New York State candidate, was successful in passing highest in the competitive examinations. In her senior year, she was president of the Undergraduate Association at Barnard, and after two years of research work, she was appointed assistant

in our Department of History. Her headquarters for her two years of study will probably be at Oxford University, and from there she will undertake investigation of a social and economic character in various European cities.

The New York Alumnae held their annual luncheon at the Astor, February twenty-sixth.

Our final examinations are scheduled to begin May sixteenth. With Commencement, Barnard will lose among our 1910 Kappas, Lilian Egleston, Vice-President of the Undergraduate Association; Mary Bailey, President of the Young Women's Christian Association; Dorothy Kirchwey, President of the Senior Class, and Harriet Fox, Editor-in-Chief of the "Barnard Bear."

Beta Epsilon will hold its "camp" at Lake Waramaug, Connecticut, from the eighth to the fifteenth of June.

KATHARINE GAY.



Beta Sigma—Adelphi College

Greetings:

Though freshman pledge day has not yet arrived, Beta Sigma has recently created, to the happiness of all concerned, three new Kappas: Sara Barber, Mabel A. MacKinney and Jean Evans. There are undoubtedly many Kappas who remember that Mabel MacKinney was pledged several years ago at a Western College but through illness, left before initiation, a mischance which she and her friends had regretted ever since. It is unnecessary to say how glad Beta Sigma was to supply the missing link. Initiation was held at Elsie Kramer's, March fourth.

While we have gained, we have also lost from our number. Katherine Tobin Mullin has left to take up her residence in Syracuse. How much Beta Sigma will miss her, it is impossible to say; and always, while singing, "Drink to the Kappa Memories," and other very dear songs which she has written for us, we shall think of her and wish her all happiness and prosperity in her new home.

That we may keep in closer contact with the alumnae, and vice versa, we are now following the plan of having one supper meeting each month with them. And we have also been most fortunate on these occasions in having many visiting Kappas from other chapters with us.

Our final rushing party is scheduled for April twenty-third. We are planning to take an early train for Norwalk, and, there, among the hills, spend the typically happy day of L'Alegro and other pastoral devotees. We are to enjoy the hospitality of Jeannette Comstock's country home, and all sorts of novel features have been planned.

Beta Sigma is looking forward to the convention and hopes to have a large delegation there.

DOROTHY COOKE.



Psi—Cornell University

Greetings:

Psi is now enjoying its Easter vacation, which lasts for a little over a week. Next year, by a new rule of the university, we will only have four days, so we are enjoying our last long vacation to the fullest extent. Margaret Riggs, Lucy Crawford and Mariana McCaulley are spending the time at Sage.

We are very proud to present to you one of our two seniors, Sara Burns, as a new member of Phi Beta Kappa. Our other senior, Margaret Riggs, was made a member of Phi Beta Kappa last year.

Psi gave a very successful tea and reception to its town and faculty friends a few weeks ago. Sisters Mary Hull and Alice Holbert Gordon "poured" for us, and Edna Huestis Simpson, who was back for a few days visit, was present. We are now planning for our annual dance, which usually comes off about the first of May. We hope to have many of the alumnae back for it.

Many of our girls went out for basket-ball this year—Lucy Crawford, Louise Townsend, Cynthia Seelye, Geraldine Watson and Mariana McCaulley. Geraldine Watson was captain of the 1911 team. In the stunt that was recently given by the Junior Class, Caroline Merry was the heroine and Wilhelmine Wissman the hero, while Geraldine Watson had a very charming part.

The Dramatic Club, of which one of our members is an officer, will soon present "Sweethearts." Mariana McCaulley has the leading part and Lucy Crawford has an important role.

Our alumnae have been good to us this year, and we have received many kind letters and alumnae dues. It certainly

is good to feel that the graduates take an interest in us. Julia Melotte, Psi, and Mrs. Garling, Beta Delta, entertained the whole chapter recently, and we met Janet Jacks Balsh of California and Mrs. Pierce, both of Psi. Ethel Stebbins is now visiting in town and she is as enthusiastic a Kappa and Cornellian as ever.

With very best wishes to all our sisters in Kappa.

MARIANA McCAULLEY.



Beta Alpha—University of Pennsylvania

The car strike—it seems a bromide expression by this time, although it is, theoretically still “on”—prevented us from having regular meetings for several weeks. In fact, we almost despaired of ever being able to initiate our two pledges. Initiation was to be held in Media, at Catherine Beekley's, on March fifth, but getting out there appeared to be either impossible or dangerous, so we put it off for two weeks. At the end of that time, conditions were almost the same as earlier, but we had all learned by this time how to reach all destinations near and far. So we arrived at Media at last and initiated Anna Zimmermann and May Laramy into Kappa Kappa Gamma.

We had several alumnae from other chapters with us at the banquet, and their presence gave us a better realization of the whole fraternity of which we are just one chapter. Miss May Jarvis of Texas chapter, a post-graduate now at Bryn Mawr, was one of our guests.

Convention plans are the favorite topic these days. We have chosen Dorothea Keeney as our delegate, with Anna Ross and Alice Rodman as alternates, and several others of the chapter also expect to go to Bloomington.

On University Day, Washington's Birthday, Governor Hughes of New York received the degree of Doctor of Laws from the university and delivered a speech that won him the admiration of the students. On the same day it was announced that a Zo-ological Building was to be erected in the spring, for which ground has already been broken. Most of the girls in the chapter are students in the Biological Department, so this is interesting news to us, even though it means lessening by half our time at the friendly Biological Building.

HILDEGARDE E. RODMAN.

Beta Iota—Swarthmore College

Dear Kappa Sisters: Have any of you ever visited Swarthmore in the spring? If not, you can not imagine what a beautiful place it is at this time of year, with the long rows of oak trees coming into leaf and the huge cherry trees in full bloom.

The college has just passed through a very hard winter; the weather has been unusually severe and there has been a great deal of sickness. The Kappas have not escaped, and nearly the whole year some one of us has been ill at home or in the infirmary.

Edna Jones, '10, is one of the six senior girls who are eligible for the Lucretia Mott Fellowship this year, but unfortunately she has had to leave college on account of her health and does not expect to graduate.

Margaret Leiper, '04, has been taking post-graduate work in French at the college. It has been a great pleasure to have her with us.

It has been customary to hold our annual banquet at the Bellvue Stratford in Philadelphia, but, this year, in order to avoid the usual formality, it has been decided to have the luncheon at a private house, and we will meet on May fourteenth at the home of Lydia Biddle, '93, in Lansdowne.

The annual meeting of the Somerville Literary Society will be held at Swarthmore on April ninth. This is a woman's organization and serves in a way as an alumnae association outside of the regular class associations. A Kappa is president of the society this semester. The morning of Somerville Day will be devoted to a business meeting and in the afternoon the students will present Maeterlinck's "Sister Beatrice."

On the afternoon of April twenty-third there will be a gymnastic exhibition in Somerville Hall by students from different schools in this vicinity. These students have been instructed by graduates of the Boston School of Gymnastics, which has lately been affiliated with Wellesley College.

Beta Iota's annual house party will be held the first week in June at Brown's Mills, in the Pines, New Jersey.

Mrs. Blessing, the wife of the professor of engineering and a member of Chi Epsilon Chi of the University of Kentucky, entertained all the Kappas at tea the week of the installation of Kappa at her Alma Mater.

Two Kappas qualified for the team for the Young Women's Extemporaneous Speaking Contest on March seventeenth.

Beta Iota gave a chapter dance at the Spring Haven Country Club on January thirty-first.

Hallie Douglas, '04, entertained the active chapter at tea on March eighteenth.

Beta Iota sends best wishes for a successful commencement season.

MARIE SELLERS.



Gamma Rho—Allegheny College

Greeting Kappa Sisters:

Allegheny has just completed another successful basketball season, in which many good victories were won. The best game played on the home floor was with Ohio State University, in which Allegheny won by the score twenty-five to twenty. Three members of the team leave school in June. To show their appreciation of the good work these men have done for Allegheny, the students presented two of them with watch fob charms and the third with a signet ring. Allegheny will miss them next year.

President Crawford has returned to Europe, where he was spending the year, after a three months' stay in Meadville. The students went to the train in a body. At his last chapel service, he told the students of the plans for the new rustic bridge across the ravine, the stone wall at the lower side of the campus, and the new athletic field, behind the Gymnasium.

Jean MacKenzie, '11, was sent as a delegate to the Student Volunteer Convention held in Rochester, New York, December twenty-ninth.

Verna Lauffer, who was at home last semester on account of her health, resumed her work in February.

Mary Sowash, '12, has been chosen as the delegate, from Gamma Rho, to the convention to be held in August.

Marie Gaston, who took a course in Domestic Science at Pratt's Institute, in the fall, has been in Meadville since Christmas. She entertained the active chapter at dinner, at her home, on January thirteenth, and Florence Stem Carpenter also gave a dinner the next evening.

The chapter birthday came on Sunday this year and on Saturday evening, February twelfth, the Alumni Chapter gave a dinner for the active girls in the rooms.

Bernice Hatch, '10, won second prize in the Class of '90 contest.

Ethel Fowler Robinson has been visiting her parents in Meadville for several weeks and attended several of our meetings.

Mabel West was back for a visit of one day just before the Easter vacation.

Helen McClintock came to Meadville with the Geneva girls for the basket-ball game held in the girls' gymnasium on March twelfth. The Geneva girls were much larger than the Allegheny girls and won by the score ten to seven.

BESS EMERY.



Beta Upsilon—West Virginia University

Beta Upsilon sends greetings and wishes to introduce four new members, Nellie Dauphinee Stathers, Clara Lytle, Genevieve and Louise Staley.

On February fifteenth we had a party at Flora Hayes' and pledged the aforementioned four. The initiation was the "almost climax" to the Kappa house party at Theakstons'. On the twenty-sixth of February, which was Saturday, all the active chapter, accompanied by four outwardly week pledges, with impedimenta of great bulk and weight, repaired to the Theakston domicile, whence all the family but Pauline had fled previously. There we played at having a chapter house, but without modern conveniences, since we had no cook. In all that choice collections of daughters no one could cook, which shows the deplorable effects of higher education for women. However, we applied our knowledge of mathematics, psychology and such appropriate sciences to the concoction of some really remarkable dishes, chiefly commendable for their originality. For dinner we had (speaking now of guests, not edibles) a number of our alumnae and out of town members. We thrived on hilarity, were timely, tuneful and inordinately gay. But the poor pledges were only permitted to wash the dishes!

After dinner we had initiation, and following this refreshments were served. We had a delightful time singing and

composing impromptu songs before retiring. Even after the lights were out, and we had all been tucked in bed, that reposefulness conducive to sleep was yet lacking. Of the next morning we tactfully forebore to speak. We had planned to go to church and sit in rows of pious devotion. But it rained and—rather late when we had finally identified our respective “crowns,” etc.

Our house party, short though it was, so fascinated us with the comradeship and general joyfulness of that kind of life, that we have rosy, if vague, dreams of a chapter house, and rather more definite plans for a house party on Cheat this summer.

Mrs. Stathers, accompanied by her husband, who is head of the French department of the university, has gone abroad, where they will spend six months.

Just before her departure, we had a farewell party for her at Flora Hayes’.

In June, a number of our girls will go abroad. Margaret Buchanan is going, and Harriet Stalnaker will herself conduct a party, among whom are her sister, Cilda Smith and Mary Dorothy Edwards, on a three months’ tour in Europe. O, Belinda! Would we were all going along!

Nan Washington Brook, who was here for the Sigma Chi house party during University Ball Week, and incidentally prolonged her visit to include several others, has left for her home in Charleston.

Nell Steele has returned from a three months’ visit in Pittsburg.

Evalyn Burns is visiting relatives and friends in Cincinnati.

Lyda Six has returned to school, after having been out a year.

All the girls have returned from a very slight Easter vacation, and are hopelessly indisposed to work.

However, we expect to develop great strength of character in living up to our sense of duty in every line!

MARJORIE PATTERSON.



Beta Province

Lambda—Buchtel College

Dear Kappa Sisters: Lambda has seven freshmen to introduce as loyal Kappas, since the last letter. At our first initiation a number of the alumnae were present and we felt very fortunate in having Mrs. Kolbe to help us.

We gave a spread for her just before she left for Europe, and all were very sorry to have to say good-bye to her, for she has been so kind and helpful to our chapter.

On February seventeenth we gave a party at May Rineheart's.

During the convention of the Young Women's Christian Association of Ohio, which was held in Akron, we had the pleasure of meeting and entertaining two Wooster Kappas, Margaret Moore and Agnes Forman.

We had supper in our rooms March eleventh and all attended the sophomore speaking contest later.

March nineteenth, Mrs. Robinson, one of our alumnae, very delightfully entertained the active girls and alumnae.

We are all getting enthusiastic about convention and a number of our girls are already making plans to attend.

KATHRINE OTIS.



Beta Gamma—Wooster University

Dear Sisters: There really can be no place quite as beautiful as Wooster in the spring, and we are fully appreciating the privilege of being alive. Everything seems to have conspired to make us happy and gay. Elizabeth Krichbaum, Ann Ewing, Jean Kirk and Edna Endly were, in part, the cause of Beta Gamma's happiness, as they became one with her only a short time ago. We were gay because Mrs. Foss gave us another lovely dance at her home and permitted us to send our own invitations.

Margaret Moore, one of our girls, has done something about which I am sure you would like to hear. Holden Hall, the new girls' dormitory, possessed everything except a library. It was Margaret Moore who conceived the idea of having one, and with her to conceive a thing always means to take immediate measures to secure it. So in a short time the president of the university had become interested and numbers of town people gave liberally to help on the cause. Now we possess a library charmingly furnished and well supplied with those delightful books which help to rest and refresh tired minds.

ELSIE E. MACHLE.

Beta Nu—Ohio State University

The members of Beta Nu have been very glad to have Elizabeth Hudson of Beta Xi with them this winter.

The Men's Panhellenic Association gave a minstrel and vaudeville show in March, the proceeds of which are to go toward the furnishing of the new Student Building now being completed.

The alumnae association of the university has opened a cafeteria in University Hall, the proceeds of which go toward maintaining a girl in the university.

Browning Literary Society will present "The Tempest" in June on the campus. Helen Zellar, '11, will play the role of Gonzalo. Helen Gardner, '13, has been appointed member of the Young Women's Christian Association cabinet for next year.

The girls of the university are preparing for their annual May fete, which will be given in the natural amphitheater on the campus. All Beta Nu girls are taking part in the preparations and rehearsals.

Helen Zellar leads the Junior dance. This fete is under the auspices of the Woman's Council, of which Helen Zellar is treasurer and Alice Crane, '11, junior class member.

The Strollers present "Bluff," a comedy written by Professor Cooper of English Department. Florence Welling, '10, plays the leading role.

FLORENCE HUDGEL.

**Beta Delta—University of Michigan**

Miss Kathryn Halsey of Beta Lambda is in Ann Arbor as secretary of the city Young Women's Christian Association.

We were pleased to have Miss Sweeney from Beta Chi, the newly installed chapter in Lexington, Ky., visit us while here for the Junior Hop.

The boys of the junior class gave a minstrel show for the girls of their class, March twenty-first. It was held in Sarah Caswell Angell Hall, and, after the show, everyone repaired to the parlors, where they danced the remainder of the evening. The entire affair was a most enjoyable one. We had our annual spring party, March nineteenth. The weather helped make it a success, since it was warm enough to be out of doors

and on the porch. We were delighted to have back with us Leora Sawyer, Louise Wicks and Clara Trueblood. Leora stayed with us a few days.

The plans for our new house are about ready and we expect that ground will be broken by April first. It is needless to say how anxious we are to see it progressing and how fine it will be to come back next fall to a home of our own.

The girls' Junior Play will be given for the senior girls, March twenty-ninth. It was written by Sarah Sutherland, together with another member of the class.

The engagement of Adele Lofland, '09, to Mr. James Van Hous of Shelby, Ohio, has been announced.

Edith Edmiston was married on March twenty-second to Mr. Bert Gammel of Cleveland. They have gone abroad for their wedding trip.

We are proud of the fact that the Phi Beta Kappa elections, just announced, included five of our seniors. They were Edith Taylor, Eleanor Wheeler, Elsa Haas, Ruth Anderson and Alicent Holt.

POLLY WITMER.



Xi—Adrian College

On the evening of February twelfth, we initiated three of our five pledges. Besides a number of the city alumnae, we had with us Marian Walker, '07, of Steubenville, Ohio, and Julia Hood of Streator, Illinois. We regret very much that Katherine Hill, one of our pledges, was unable to return to school after the holidays.

The first night after vacation, Josephine Newkirk and Myrtle Brown gave a spread in their rooms for all the Kappas. It was a jolly little reunion after the three weeks of separation.

One night in January we gave a bob-sled party for our men friends, after which we had an oyster supper at Josephine Lambie's home.

An organ recital by Mr. Wilhelm Middelschulte of the Thomas Orchestra was given to a large audience in the college chapel recently. On March twenty-fourth, the new "Alpha Society of Musical Research" gave its first open meeting. The program was well given, especially the numbers given by the "Harmonic Glee Club." "The Rivals" is to be given some time in April, with Lucille Goucher as Lydia Languish, and two other Kappas taking parts. A number of our girls recently

attended a banquet given by Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and also a party and a reception given by Alpha Tau Omega.

One of our girls has been elected president of the Young Women's Christian Association, and another president of Star Literary Society.

This year we lose by graduation two of our girls, Vera Swift and Edwinea Windrem, two of the most loyal members Xi has ever had.

MARGARET MATTHEWS.



Kappa—Hillsdale College

Dear Sister Kappas: So much has happened at Hillsdale that one hardly knows what to tell first, but I will begin with the contests. Both the society and local contests were won by our own Joy Mauck, and then she brought glory to Kappa chapter and Hillsdale College by winning the State contest, which was held at Lansing March fourth. The subject of her oration was, "Our Part in the World's Peace."

February twenty-eighth, we initiated our three pledges, Grace Stewart, Grace Van Aken, Marie Clement. A number of our alumnae were present, and the ceremony seemed more beautiful and impressive than ever.

Saturday, March twelfth, we entertained the Pi Beta Phi at a supper in our rooms. Mrs. Phelps, a former Kappa, talked to us on "Fraternity Obligations."

The first college banquet was held March twenty-second in the chapel. Each class had a table decorated with its respective colors, and vied with each other in songs and stunts, while good-fellowship reigned supreme.

Hillsdale had the misfortune to have one of its best buildings destroyed by fire. Many books and some furniture were saved, but in the two boys' society halls and the Young Men's Christian Association room, hardly anything was saved. It will be rebuilt immediately.

NETA SAWYER.



Gamma Province

Delta—Indiana State University

Delta has another new member, Kathleen Stilwell, from Anderson, Indiana. Initiation was held early in January for her and for the three girls pledged in the winter term.

We were very glad of a chance to meet and entertain two of Delta Gamma's grand officers, Miss Tukey and Mrs. Carpenter, in the latter part of January.

Delta held "open house" to all of the fraternities January twenty-ninth, and an "at home" to all her alumnae and any other friends who cared to call, the last day in January.

Miss Margie Bradfute also entertained the active girls.

Many "old" girls have been back to visit this term and Delta is glad to see them still so interested in her.

Several of our girls attended the installation of Beta Chi chapter at Lexington, and brought back to the rest of us glowing reports of our new sisters. We are all very happy to welcome them into Kappa.

We are still planning and looking ahead with pleasure to convention. We will be so glad to meet you all and to really know you at last.

RUTH EDWARDS.



Mu—Butler College

March thirty-first was registration day for spring term, and all of our girls were back to sign up. At the end of two weeks, we expect to have with us again Juel Cochrane, one of the girls of last year's chapter, who has been teaching school this winter.

Our winter term party was a dance at the Propylaeum, on the eleventh of March.

"Esmeralda," the Founder's Day play given by the Dramatic Club, was reproduced at Greenfield on the fifteenth of March. The members of the cast were entertained at dinner at the homes of friends. Mary Montgomery entertained the Kappas.

The afternoon after winter term examinations were over we gave a miscellaneous shower at the home of Elizabeth Bogert for Hallie McKern, one of last year's chapter, whose marriage to Hugh Niven, Beta Theta Pi, is to take place April seventh. We are all expecting to attend the wedding at the home of the bride in Thorntown.

Convention is the chief topic of conversation among us now. We are all looking forward to it and anticipating a fine time.

RUTH HENDRICKSON.



Eta—University of Wisconsin

Dear Kappas Everywhere: Eta is well started in the new semester. Marion Course, '13, did not return because of ill health.

We are very happy to have Winifred Humphry, '10, of Pi, with us for the rest of this year.

Between semesters many of the girls attended the Junior Promenade festivities, which were very successful this year.

Frances Helms, ex. '11, spent a few days with us late in February.

Deaconess Goodwin, Episcopal secretary for students in the East, took dinner with us March eighth.

Miss Sallie Duncan, in honor of Miss Elizabeth Duncan, Bowling Green, Kentucky, entertained Kappa and a few other friends.

Miss Ethel Smith entertained for Irene Neal, ex.-'11.

March eighteenth we gave an informal dinner for the men who ran for us in the Inter-Fraternity Relay Race. The race was very interesting, even though Kappa only came in third. Pi Beta Phi was the winner and Alpha Phi got second place.

March nineteenth, we gave a luncheon and matinee dance. Several sisters who were visiting us and a few town girls were our guests.

Eta has started a series of "at homes" for the different women's fraternities in college. On March ninth, we were at home very informally to Delta Gamma.

March twentieth, Mrs. Sharp (Bertha Pitman, '85) entertained the seniors and juniors at Sunday night lunch. The underclassmen really do not realize what a glorious time they missed.

We are having an extraordinarily early spring this year. The lake opened on March twenty-fifth and the buds are way out already. The whole university is suffering with spring fever.

Eta sends greeting to all Kappas.

ROWE WRIGHT.



Beta Lambda—University of Illinois

Dear Kappas: We have been at work nearly two months since final examinations and are now having mid-semester quizzes in most of our studies. All but about ten of the girls went home between semesters, and those ten had a week end of continual fun. There were the Sophomore Cotillion, a dinner and a dance at the house, as well as several fraternity informals.

Last week we had our annual formal dance. It was the biggest party we have ever had, about one hundred and forty-five being seated for the supper. Among our guests were Professor and Mrs. Meyer from Berlin. We wanted to give a dinner dance again this year, as we found it so successful last year, but we were unable to arrange the hall for it. We had a great number of visiting girls, but few of the old girls came back. They are waiting until banquet time. Eleanor Gilmer, one of last year's girls, Genevieve Rohrer from Clinton, Letta Broeth from Bloomington and Madge Gundy from Danville were the only old Beta Lambdas back.

The Phi Beta Kappas have just been announced, and of the two fraternity girls among them, Helen James, one of our seniors, was elected to membership.

Last Saturday, Mrs. Brooks, one of our patronesses, entertained us at an afternoon, which proved to be a true spring party, with weather such as we usually have in May.

Next month we have our annual banquet, and it is for that we are making all of our plans now.

RUTH LLEWELLYN.



Upsilon—Northwestern University

Dear Kappa Sisters: Upsilon is nearing the end of a very interesting and successful year. Several reforms have taken place in the university, a great one has been attempted in the

sorority world at Northwestern and our chapter has had much of more personal interest to keep us busy besides.

We are to have our first "Senior Prom" here this year, and next year there will be a "Junior Prom," too. A students' social committee has been established, and sorority and fraternity formals abolished. Of course, we are not satisfied with these reforms in all respects, but are hoping that time and persistent effort will remedy all defects.

An "Undergraduate Board of Control" has been established, primarily for the purpose of stirring up student sentiment. Plans are already on foot for a Students' Athletic Association, and it is expected that the coming year will see much accomplished.

On February twenty-eighth, the alumnae, or rather two alumnae representatives from each of the fourteen sororities at Northwestern, called a Panhellenic mass meeting and presented a set of rules for the consideration of the active chapters, in hopes that they would be adopted by the local Panhellenic. The main features of these rules were "sophomore pledge day" and "no rushing." But although there were many arguments in favor of such a change, it was too radical for most of the sororities, and has been abandoned for the present.

A very interesting and amusing event which occurred on our campus this year was the quarantine placed upon Willard Hall, the principal girls' dormitory, when a case of scarlet fever was discovered on the twentieth of January, and one hundred and fifty girls and two men waiters were shut in for a week. The servants were quarantined apart from the girls and the dining room and kitchen were forbidden, so that meals were cooked upon gasoline stoves and gas burners or sent in already prepared. The men and the papers and the anxious parents were greatly excited, but the girls themselves enjoyed it immensely. On the day the quarantine was lifted they went in a body to see "Seven Days," another quarantine story, for which the management of the Illionis Theater had sent them complimentary tickets.

On the afternoon of March nineteenth, the sororities at Northwestern joined in the annual Panhellenic informal at Ravinia Casino, and every one entered into it with such good spirit that it was a big success. Each girl goes with a member of some other sorority than her own and dances with her most hated rival (sorority, not personal), so that good feeling is prompted between sororities.

Of the things which concern our chapter more personally, the most interesting is, of course, the initiation which was held at the home of one of our town members on March fifth, and at which we welcomed ten new members into Kappa. Our banquet was held on the same evening in Lunt Library, and the ever-welcome alumnae swelled our number to forty-five. There will be a third initiation for us this year, as we still have one pledge, Anna Fox.

A couple of days before initiation we tried an experiment upon the freshmen and it worked so beautifully that some of the other chapters may desire to adopt our plan. The active chapter assembled with much dignity and solemnity in one room and placed the freshmen in another with orders not to talk or make any noise, and they were absolutely obedient. They were brought before us, one by one, and questioned as to their attitude toward joining Kappa, in such a way as to prompt a good deal of serious thought. It helped the older girls, too, for we couldn't help wanting to be better and more worthy of Kappa after we had listened to the ideas of those splendid freshmen.

About the holiday times, the chapter decided that Fraternity Hall needed a few Christmas presents, so we have been using the money which generally goes toward our "formal" for redecorating and refurnishing it. Every one is delighted and we are glad after all that there are no "formals" this year.

On the ninth of February, our freshmen entertained the active chapter at an informal at Kenilworth Club, and on the thirty-first of March we will entertain the Kappa alumnae at a tea at Gertrude Carter's.

Helen Adams has the leading role in Junior Play, which is to be on April second.

Since initiation we are having fraternity supper only every other Monday, but our "cosy times" are still every Thursday, and we enjoy them more all the time.

We have missed Clara Harris from the chapter since she left for California in February, and are anxious to have her back. In another month Clara Williams, '12, will lead the Senior Prom.

But, to conclude, we have decided to give up our "house party" this year, and all, or as many as possibly can, go to

convention. Sarah Harris is to be our delegate, and we know that she will make the best ever, but we are going along to see for ourselves.

CLARA E. WILLIAMS.



Epsilon—Illinois Wesleyan

After a rather hard and busy winter term we were all glad to welcome our spring vacation. It is nearly over, and I am sure we all feel rested and ready to start in and work hard this last term of the year. Our seniors will be especially busy in getting ready to leave us. But it won't be all work, for we are beginning to talk of our annual, which will probably take place some time in April.

We all hope that when we go back to our work this time we won't be met with such an accident as we had Christmas, when our radiator burst, damaging everything in Kappa Hall. As the saying goes, that there is never a loss without some gain, we certainly are proud to show to anyone now our brand new Kappa Hall.

We were very pleasantly entertained February fifth, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Marquis. Margaret Herdman, Ruth Felemley and Beatrix Drew of Beta Lambda were there.

February fifteenth we gave a masquerade dance at Stewart's Hall.

Wesleyan at last is going to have her hopes realized in the building of a Science Hall, for, on March fourteenth, the ground was broken by our president. We hope to have several other buildings in a few years.

One of our freshmen, Mary Green, was recently elected treasurer of our Young Women's Christian Association.

The seniors are planning to give for their play this year "The Rivals." We are glad to have Mae Stover and Irene Cunningham, two of our girls, in it.

Since it is too cold to have picnics out doors, we have had two very pleasant indoor ones at the home of Ruth Green. As they have both been so successful, we intend having them often. The first one was given in honor of Alice Palmer, one of our last year girls.

GLADYS MINER.

Delta Province

Chi—University of Minnesota

1. New Year's day, the members of Chi held their annual reception at the home of Winifred Lind. Invitations had been sent to all of the fraternities and our other friends in college. Afterwards the chapter girls stayed for an informal dancing party.

2. February eighth, the Dramatic Club of the university put on Bernard Shaw's "You Never Can Tell," at one of the over-town theaters. We Kappas had a block of seats reserved and all went together. The performance was very good for amateur college work.

3. Every year we have a chapter valentine party. This year Elizabeth Ware had us all at her home for a buffet supper and the evening. Each girl had made a valentine for every other girl in the chapter, and then they were all passed around and read out loud. We girls think our valentine party is more fun than anything else we do all year.

4. February sixteenth, we all had supper together at our apartment, with Miss Louise Holmquist of New York City as guest of honor. She was here doing special work for the Young Women's Christian Association.

5. Hazel Edison was initiated February twenty-fifth at our apartment.

6. March sixteenth, we entertained for our families at our house. We spent the evening in music and just getting acquainted.

We are very proud that Helen Painter was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

JOSEPHINE DAYTON.



Theta—Missouri State University

Dear Kappa Sisters: We are in the thrills of a smallpox scare and the whole house has been going through the irritating process of vaccination.

We lost Ethelyn Paskett, '10, and Margaret Elston, '11, on account of trouble with their eyes. Frances Longan left in the middle of the year because of ill health, so Theta chapter feels that it has had a little more than its share of sickness.

Besides this, we had a real live burglar, who took twenty dollars and a watch. At least Theta's life has not been monotonous.

Our seniors have started the pleasant custom of leaving something for the house. This year it is a beautiful little oil painting entitled, "The Cool of the Morning," by Sylvester, a St. Louis artist.

Saturday night, we gave a rushing party for some of the town girls who have not yet entered the university. Some of the good Kappa men wired the house for us, and Japanese lanterns made the house gay. Lilacs were used and other Japanese emblems.

A chapter of Alpha Phi has entered the university, making the fifth of the large woman's fraternities to come here. It has been Theta's policy to cordially welcome new chapters, and we have made some loyal friends in this way. The new chapter is made up of women who represent the best in the university.

We have five seniors this year, Mary Jesse, Ada Lefevre, Mary Logan, Sadie Craig and Mary Paxton. Mary Paxton will be the first woman to be graduated from the new School of Journalism here.

The Woman's Council is introducing some new rules, which are to apply universally to all the women in the university. They are rather strict, but most of them are rules which have been in effect all year in Theta chapter.

Wishing you all the greatest possible good fortune in this last stretch.

REBEKAH HARRIS.



Sigma—Nebraska State University

Sigma has had any number of happenings since she last appeared in The Key. Initiation has come and gone, the famous Kappa party, which "comes but once a year," has passed, and Miss Stoner has paid us a delightful visit.

Initiation was held at the home of Evelyn Polleys on the twenty-ninth of February. The ceremony was very beautiful and very impressive, and nine of our pledges were made members. Two of our pledges were unable to be initiated at that date, owing to mistakes in registration. Their difficulties have been removed now, however, and they will be initiated some time after the Easter recess.

The system of freshman pledging and initiation at Nebraska is a peculiar one and deserves especial mention. According to the method that has existed here for three years, the rushing is regulated and simplified by the Inter-Sorority Council. The period of rushing extends over the first four days of matriculation week, when the festivities cease, and cease absolutely, until after the Thanksgiving vacation. Then there is another short season in which informal rushing is permitted and pledging is possible. At any time during these periods a girl may be pledged, providing she is registered for at least twelve hours of academic work. Initiation, however, is not held until the second semester, and then only the girls who have successfully carried at least twelve hours are eligible for initiation.

This system has proved very successful. It eliminates rushing during the period of actual school work. It settles the affair for good and all and there is no "offside" rushing, which distracts from the time and energy of the fraternity girls and the rushees as well. It certainly has its effect upon the scholarship of the chapter, for no "grave grind" or prospective Phi Beta Kappa ever applied himself with more diligence than does the Nebraska freshman as the dreaded examination period approaches. More than that, the habits of the freshmen year have a tendency to continue during the entire four years of the university life, and the prominence which diligence and class attendance receive during the freshman year leave their mark upon the whole school life.

The Kappa formal was held at the Lincoln Hotel on the twenty-sixth of February. There were a number of old girls back, and every one had a splendid time.

Mrs. Roxanna Howell Derge of Beta Phi was a guest at the chapter house while visiting Evelyn Polleys.

The fraternity people of Nebraska are inaugurating a new "honor system." Several have been attempted, but the faculty has always been behind the movement, and for various reasons they have failed. The fraternity men have already adopted a code providing for a student board to pass upon cases of cheating and methods for reporting such cases. The girls are preparing a similar document, but they have not yet entirely decided upon the minor details.

The honorary fraternities and class organizations are beginning to announce their pledges. Edith Wilson, we are proud to say, has been announced a member of Phi Beta

Kappa. Jettie Taylor was chosen to represent Kappa in Black Masque, the senior inter-sorority, Doris Wood in Silver Serpent, the junior organization, and Alice Romans in the freshman society of The Mystic Fish.

Helen Sholes has announced her engagement to Clifford Calkins of Lincoln. The wedding will occur in May. It is to be a Kappa affair, with Eva Penney, Hazel Hanna and Florence Riddell as bridesmaids and Mary Minor Thompson as matron of honor.

Blanch Hargreaves Everett and Ethel Burkett are spending the winter abroad. Verne Stocking is planning to leave for Europe as soon as school closes.

We are all very much concerned with the house proposition, just now. We have investigated the matter very thoroughly, discussed plans and interviewed contractors, but the matter has not been definitely settled. We are living in hope, however, that next year will see us in a home of our own.

JESSIE GIDTHEN BRIGHTOL.



Omega—Kansas State University

Dear Kappa Sisters: "In the springtime of the year" we are all happy in sunny Kansas, and are counting the weeks until commencement. Omega will lose a number of senior girls at that time, however, so in many ways we are sorry to see it approaching so rapidly.

Each sorority was asked to give a matinee this spring for the benefit of the Young Women's Christian Association. Two of the sororities had given clever farces, so we thought that a "Dutch Market" would be an attractive diversion. Each girl was assigned to a committee, so every one had something to do. Five booths were put up in the parlors of the chapter house, and decorated in red, blue, pink, orange and yellow. The girls serving in each booth wore caps and scarfs of the same color as the decorations. The curtains were drawn and the lights hidden in colored shades. As the hours had been announced for from five o'clock until seven, many students came for supper. As each guest entered the door, she was given a plate, knife and fork and a meal ticket. She then went to the various booths and purchased what she wished; hot Boston baked beans, with brown bread; salad,

pickles and buttermilk; steaming Frankfurters, sandwiches and coffee; pie, ice cream cones and candy—this was the menu. As each article was bought, the price was punched in the meal ticket, which was turned in at the door with the money as the visitor left. Chairs were placed in the dining room and on the porch, so that a social time could be spent during supper. The afternoon was a great success, both socially and financially. We are indebted to our alumnae, who donated a large part of our supplies.

Two of our girls, Brownie Angle and Ethelynn Williford, have parts in the farce for the Sophomore Promenade, which is to be given in May.

Mrs. Troutmann of Kansas City, an alumna of Omega, gave a song recital here on April seventh, after which a reception was held for her. She sang also at the University Chapel service the following morning.

Della Peck was called to her home the first of April by the illness of her mother.

Omega is proud to report that the final steps are being taken toward purchasing ground for a chapter house. The site is on the brow of the hill, adjoining the university grounds and is one of the most desirable locations in the city. We can hardly wait until our new home stands there—a trysting place for all loyal Kappas.

We send heartiest wishes to every sister for a happy and restful vacation.

FLORENCE PAYNE.



Epsilon Province

Beta Mu—Colorado State University

February has been a very full month for the girls of Beta Mu. The Junior Prom took place February fourteenth and the Sophomore German, the most successful dance of the year, was on February twentieth. Pi Beta Phi gave their formal on February twenty-fifth. About twelve Kappas were present. They report a royal good time. An informal matinee dance was given in the chapter house on February twenty-second, and on February twenty-sixth we entertained the "Prep" girls at a matinee dance. On February eighteenth, the local chapter of Phi Delta Theta entertained Beta Mu, and all spent a most delightful evening.

We have been entertaining the faculty and their wives at dinner on Sundays. Several dinner parties have been given for the "Prep" girls we are rushing.

On March fifteenth, the annual Masquerade given by the Woman's League to the girls of the university, took place in the gymnasium.

We were very sorry to say good-bye to Hattie May Thornton, who left college on account of ill health. We extend a hearty welcome to Ruth Morrison, who has returned to school after a siege of diphtheria.

KATE NELSON.



Beta Omicron—Tulane University

Beta Omicron is just recovering from the excitement of Carnival, although strange to say she had no visiting Kappas as her guests.

Ruth Bush was queen of Comus Ball.

February fifteenth, Mary T. Payne gave an announcement luncheon for Katherine Leach, '09, who is to be married April twentieth to Mr. Monroe Lanier of Birmingham, Alabama.

Gladys Breazle is studying art at Washington University, St. Louis. Bessie Ficklin is attending Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York.

During February we had a delightful but short visit from Miss Stoner.

Beta Omicron has had several visitors during the winter. Miss Betty Penny of Sigma, Miss Swenson of Eta and Ada Hilton-Green of Pensacola spent several days with us at Easter time.

FLORENCE H. CROUSE.



Beta Chi—University of Kentucky

Greetings from the "Baby" chapter! Ah! you might call us babies if you want to, but we are rapidly cutting our wisdom teeth.

My! but hasn't it been a long time since February the twelfth, nineteen hundred and ten? How we did enjoy meeting our Kappa sisters from the various chapters! Everything went off all right during the installation, except the weather, but, really, 'twas the best we could get just at that time. We had with us our Grand President, Edith Stoner, Margaret Laughlin, Mrs. Holland, Betsie Deming, Edith Mathews of the Delta chapter; Beta Bogert, Mu; Mata Davis, Beta Lambda; Sally Barclay, Beta Alpha.

The fraternities in town entertained delightfully for our guests. The Chi Omegas and Alpha Gamma Deltas both gave receptions in our honor, and the night before the installation the Chi Epsilon Chis gave themselves a "farewell" party and had our Kappa sisters as guests of honor. Saturday morning, of February the twelfth, the Beta Chi chapter spent an hour or so answering official-looking questions, which were a test of their knowledge. We hope we appeared cleverer than we felt.

At two o'clock Saturday afternoon the eight charter members of Beta Chi chapter rang their own front door bell, but were peremptorily told to "go 'round the back way." Back they trudged, up to their necks in snow, faces blue as indigo and teeth chattering. But such horrors were quickly forgotten, for they were transported into another world, where only smiles are welcome—and so they smiled.

After the installation followed our banquet, and we did have such a good time. Everything seemed beautiful that night, perhaps just because we were happy. Our banquet hall was beautifully decorated with flowers sent us by the different fraternities in town, and the table, representing a "K," was decorated in the two colors of blue.

Sister Isabella West Marshall, our toastmistress, most charmingly introduced the following toasts:

"The Making of a Fraternity," Mary E. Sweeny.

"Fraternity Home Life," Marietta Davis.

"To Kappa: How We Wooed and Won Her," Aubyn Chinn.

"The Future: How We Mean to Cherish Her," Mary Mc-Eachin Rodes.

"Welcome to Our Fraternity," Edith Stoner.

These toasts were followed by impromptu songs, "nigger" dialect and "mountain hymnals." The last sounds sad, but really it is awfully jolly.

Sunday most of our new-found sisters wended their way homeward, but Elizabeth Bogert spent Sunday, "just to eat another 'beaten biscuit,'" so runs the tale.

Last Wednesday we gave our first Kappa reception, or rather we had our regular "at home." We are the only girls' fraternity in town that has a house, and every fourth Wednesday we keep it open to all our friends. No invitations are sent, but everybody comes and does just as he or she pleases. Sometimes the refreshments give out, but those who "get left" just come earlier next time.

I reckon I've bored you all long enough with this childish prattle, so farewell.

Your Baby Chapter.

MARY M. RODES.



Zeta Province

Pi—University of California

Examinations are so close and the semester so near to an end that we can almost review in this letter a term's activities. Miss Stoner has come and gone, and her visit has undoubtedly been the foremost event of this year. She spent eight days with us, during which time she assisted us in many ways, as well as endeared herself to us individually. One of the pleasant incidents of Miss Stoner's visit was a descent upon us in a body of the Delta Gamma chapter, laden with what appeared to be the booty of a delicatessen shop; at any rate, ample provision for a very successful surprise party. Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi and Tri Delt also entertained very gracefully in our president's honor.

February twenty-eighth, Pi chapter held an initiation and banquet and as a result is happy to present to the fraternity at this time, Hazel Virginia Hotchkiss. Louise Hill of Chi chapter and Lois Collins from Beta Eta have been living with us for some time past. The word is passing around mysteriously in our house that our freshmen intend to give some sort of surprise to the chapter on Wednesday night next. It is hoped that this will prove to be the long delayed "Freshmen Show."

Eight girls from our chapter attended the Young Women's Christian Association conference at Capitola during Easter time.

The Fiftieth Anniversary Jubilee of the old College of California is to be celebrated on our campus this coming month,

with pageants, shows, speechmaking and reunions, in which we expect to take an honorable share. In conjunction with the festivities of senior week we expect to hold open house for our friends and alumnae. The principal event will be an enormous production of Stephen Phillips' "Nero," in the Greek Theater. Four of our seniors graduate at this time, "Patty" Chickering, Gladys Buchanan, Margaret Griffith and Leila McKibben.

The greatest material progress in chapter life made this term is the actual collection of a considerable sum of money for our building fund. A devoted alumnae, headed by a house committee composed of Helen C. Lillis, Elise W. Graupner and Myrtle L. Sims, have assisted the active chapter in the collection of more than two thousand dollars, which is now in the bank and available for the purchase of a lot. It is possible that August, 1911, will see us under our own mortgaged eaves!

HELEN G. WESTON.



Beta Pi—University of Washington

Beta Pi has two new pledges and six initiates to introduce this month. Helen Brooks and Marie Taylor were pledged on the twenty-eighth of February, and a week later our initiation was held.

Unfortunately, the freshmen were not initiated in time to attend the anniversary banquet which was very delightful this year. Thirty-eight Kappas were present, and in order that they should meet each other, we arranged a rotation by which the odd numbers changed seats at every course. It was the first time that we had done it, but it was highly successful.

In the early part of March, the active chapter gave a week-end house party at a summer hotel on Puget Sound. The weather was very warm and everything was so beautiful that both men and girls were sorry when Sunday evening came, and they had to return to college.

On the first of April we had our formal dance of the year. The house was lovely with daffadils, and the supper room was a bower of greens and wisteria. It was a very pretty and enjoyable affair.

Local Panhellenic has devised a scheme to broaden the acquaintanceship of the sorority girls. Every Tuesday evening,

two girls from each house go to another house for dinner, and the entire circle will have been made by the time college is out.

Under the direction of the physical training department, an elaborate May day festival is being planned, and all the girls in college will take part. It is the first time that Washington has celebrated May day and we are all looking forward to it with much interest.

This semester we have welcomed to Washington, Frances Metzler, Beta Eta. Miss Metzler is taking the journalism course.

Margaret Corey, '11, has been elected vice-president of the Young Women's Christian Association.

The wedding of Olive Powles, '09, and Lee Chase Palmer, Phi Gamma Delta, will take place in June.

Gertrude Walsh, '08, is traveling in Italy.

The marriage of May Crahan, '06, and Arthur Denton, Phi Gamma Delta, will be solemnized on the twelfth of April.

ELLEN HOWE.



Beta Phi—University of Montana

Beta Phi pledged February second, and later initiated three freshmen and one alumna, Verna Green, a charter member of Beta Phi, who was not installed with the chapter last year. Initiation was held February seventeenth, at the home of Marjorie Ross, and afterwards we were entertained by Eva Coffee at supper.

Saturday, March nineteenth, Beta Phi celebrated her first anniversary by a banquet held at the Missoula Hotel. It was the hope and wish of the chapter that all the Kappas in the state might be present, but circumstances prevented their attendance. Covers were laid for seventeen members, including two alumnae, May Murphy of Helena, Montana, and Ruth Smith of Stevensville, Montana. The event was an exceedingly enjoyable one.

By Panhellenic compact, the agreement was made to have but three formal rushing parties. One of ours was a dance given at the home of Mrs. John R. Toole. About twenty couples were present and the affair was delightful.

On St. Patrick's Day, the sophomores succeeded in defeating the freshmen in an annual tug-of-war, held across the south

channel of the Missoula River. In the evening we were fortunate enough to hear President William L. Bryant of Indiana lecture. This was followed by a basket social held in the gymnasium, the proceeds going to the A. S. U. M.

We are all anxiously looking forward to a visit from Miss Stoner, as she has given us assurance of her intention to be with us soon.

Mary Elrod, '10, has left college on account of illness.

Helen Whitaker has returned to college and will graduate with the class of 1910.

CAROLINA WHARTON.

In Memorium

Edith Gype Simmerman

Edith Gype Simmerman died on April twenty-second, and her loss is felt not only by Iota Chapter, but by all who knew her. She graduated from De Pauw University in 1902, and during her college course was a devoted and lovable fraternity member.



Alumnae ❁❁❁
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Phi

The "eldest daughter" mentioned in the following clipping from a Boston paper is Emma Fall, who will be recalled by Convention Kappas as Phi's delegate in 1906. Her mother is also a Kappa.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe is said to be largely responsible for the election of George H. Fall as mayor of Malden, Mass. During the campaign one of Mr. Fall's opponents wrote a letter saying that though Mr. Fall had served in the Legislature he had done nothing to attract attention. Mrs. Howe sent an immediate answer reminding the voters that it was Mr. Fall who introduced and carried through the Legislature the bill making mothers equal guardians of their minor children with fathers. Mr. Fall and his wife are both lawyers and their eldest daughter recently distinguished herself in the Boston University Law School.



Xi

Julia Hood, of Streator, Ill., visited Mrs. Florence Morden for a short time during February.

Born to Mrs. Marguerite (Arnette) Wilcox, of Detroit, a son.

Born to Mrs. Hattie (Rowley) Gladden, of Fairchance, Pa., a son.



Kappa

Mrs. Ethel Gurney Chapel has moved to Buffalo, New York.

Born to Mrs. Shirley Smith Thompson, of Calcutta, a daughter.

Mrs. May Gurney Lash has moved to Rialta, California. Ruth Mauck spent last month in Munsey, Ohio.

Mrs. Flossie Birdsell Miller has gone north for her health.

Pi

Among those who will spend the summer in Europe are Cornelia McKinne, Marion Wilson and Elise Everson.

Mrs. Louis Brehm (Annie Long) is visiting in Berkeley, California.

Eleanor Bennet leaves shortly for Indiana, where she will spend the summer months.

Marion Morrow will spend a year in New York studying vocal music.

Mrs. Harry Johnson (Elsa Lichtenberg), who has been visiting in her old home in San Rafael, has returned to South Bend, Indiana.

Mrs. Carrado Menicante (Ruth Rising) will meet her husband in Boston next June and return with him to her home in Rome, Italy.

Myrtle Sims has been visiting Mrs. John Graves (Lucile Graves) of Cottonwood, California.

Born in March, to Mr. and Mrs. William Durbrow (Blanche Terrill), a daughter, Blanche Lucile.

Eva Powell will go as delegate to convention from Pi Alumnae Association.

On March seventh, Marie Carter was married, in China, to George Kenyon, an ensign in the navy. They will make their home in China for the present.

Jean Tyson was married, on April twelfth, to Harry Weihe. They will make their home in Alameda.

Louise Hill, of Chi chapter, has been visiting at the Kappa house in Berkeley, California.

Great preparations are being made at the Kappa house for the entertaining of the many alumnae who will return to college for Jubilee Week, beginning May sixteenth. This commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the university. Among those who will attend are Almira Johnson, Ynez de la Cuesta, Lillie Sherman and Helen Dickinson.



Beta Eta

Carolyn Goodhue will sail from Montreal for Europe on June twenty-third. She will travel with Professor and Mrs. Fairclough of Stanford University.

Madam de Grassi (Winifred June Morgan) is singing in concert this winter with her husband, Antonio de Grassi, the celebrated violinist.

Syracuse Alumnae Association

Faith J. Coon, '04, was married January first to Arthur George Bullock. They will reside at 38 North street, Buffalo, New York.

Frances H. Thayer, ex-'06, married Rev. Grover Neill at Oakland, Cal., December thirty-first. They will live in Gridley, Cal. Mrs. Neill was Beta Tau's delegate to the 1904 convention.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Smallwood (Cora Williams, '07), of Baldwinsville, New York, a daughter, Margaret Williams, on February twenty-second.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Colgrove (Agnes Fox, ex-'10, of Cleveland, Ohio, a daughter, Margaret, on September ninth.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Norton (Josephine Miller, ex-'95), of Corning, New York, a daughter, on March eleventh.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Searl (Anna Telfee, '04), of Syracuse, New York, a son, Jerome Howe, on March twenty-third.

Harriet Curtis, '00, Alumnae Secretary, and Marion Wright, '00, sailed, March twenty-fourth, for a trip through Italy, Germany, Holland, France and England. They will return August sixth.



Columbus Alumnae Association

Corille McCormick, ex-'09, was married December first, to Walter Malloy, Beta Theta Pi.

Ruth Sherman, '08, was married January twelfth to George Schoedinger, Delta Tau Delta. They spent two months traveling and visited southern California.

Nell Crawford, ex-'11, was married February twenty-third, to Willard Burr, Phi Kappa Psi. They are making their home in Akron, Ohio.

Mary Lees Sheldon was married March thirtieth, to Charles Ford Long, Beta Theta Pi.

Marguerite Chaffee has announced her engagement to Lyman Haller, Delta Tau Delta. The wedding will be in June.

The engagement of Flora Howald to Robert Shawan, Delta Tau Delta, has been announced, their wedding to be in June.

Mary Hunt Oglesby leaves in June for a three months' tour of Russia, Norway and Sweden.

Beta Nu Chapter and alumnae association feel that they have been fortunate, this winter, in having Elizabeth Hudson, of Beta Xi, with them. Miss Hudson is visiting her sister at the Barracks.

Mrs. Charles J. Boyle (Nell Slaughter) and daughter Betty have returned to Boston, after spending the winter here. Mr. and Mrs. Boyle expect soon to make their home in New York City.



Cleveland Association

Marion Wright, Beta Tau, who teaches at East High School, received a leave of absence in March that she might spend six months abroad.

Edith B. Edmiston, Beta Delta, was married to Beardsley Gammel, of this city, March twenty-second. Mr. and Mrs. Gammel spent a week in New York City, sailing from that point for a four months' tour of Europe.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith (Edith St. John, Beta Nu), a son.

Mrs. Spaulding (Mabel Turner, Beta Delta) and her mother are spending the winter in Europe. They expect to return in May.

Mrs. Willard Jerrod (Bess Dalvel, Beta Gamma), formerly of Chicago, has located permanently in Cleveland.



Falls City Association

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mengel (Jane Angell, Psi) in December, 1909, twin daughters.

Miss Jessie E. Jones, Beta Alpha, occupies the chair of Biology in Waynesburg College, Waynesburg, Pa.



Minnesota Alumnae Association

The engagement is announced of Alice Dougan to Mr. Percy Williams Donovan, Delta Upsilon, of Brainard, Minn.

Ruth Sykes is spending several months at the home of her uncle, Mr. Brooks, of San Jose, California.

The engagement of Kate Kellogg Fairchild to Mr. Morris

LeRoy Arnold, Beta Theta Pi, is announced. Mr. Arnold is Professor of English at Hamline University.

Cleora Clark Wheeler is in Austin, Minn., where she is engaged in Young Women's Christian Association work.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger I. Lee (Caro Chamberlain) February twenty-second, a son.

Mrs. Frederick Washburn is taking the Mediterranean trip and expects to be abroad about six months.



New Orleans Alumnae Association

Florence Ford, ex-'06, was married to Harold Weeks, on December eleventh, at Newcomb College Chapel.

Katherine Leach, '09, was married to Mr. M. B. Lanier, Phi Delta Theta, of Alabama, on April twentieth at Newcomb College Chapel.

Ada Hilton Green, of Pensacola, Florida, spent a few days here during April.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Logan, Jr. (Gertrude Monroe), a daughter.

Gladys Breazeale is studying art in St. Louis.

Marie Breazeale, Hester Craig and Hilda Blunt have been visiting in New Orleans this winter.

Exchanges

By Elizabeth Rhodes Jackson

The following exchanges are acknowledged, with thanks:

November: *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta.

December: *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *Delta Chi Quarterly*, *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

January: *Rainbow*, Beta Theta Pi, *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi, *Phi Chi Fraternity Quarterly*, *Sigma Kappa Triangle*, *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi, *Garnet and White*, *Anchora* of Delta Gamma, *Lyre*, *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta.

February: *Kappa Alpha Journal*, *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha, *Beta Theta Pi*, *Delta* of Sigma Nu, *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, *Eleusis* of Chi Omega.

March: *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*, *Garnet and White*, *Crescent*, Kappa Alpha Theta, *Shield*.

An interesting number is the *Crescent* this month, with seven "letters from far-away Gamma Phi Betas," in Berlin, Yokohama, Mexico City, Dijon and Korea.

A charming literary production of quaint atmosphere and real feeling is "The Child Elizabeth," by Emily P. Meader, in the *Sigma Kappa Triangle*. It is a tribute to Elizabeth Hoag, one of the founders of the fraternity, who died while Sigma Kappa was still in its infancy.

The *Lyre* recently offered a prize of a locket and chain, presented by one of the fraternity jewelers, for the best contribution to the "Eklekta." The prize-winning article, an allegory, was so acceptable that it is to be embodied in the ritual of Alpha Chi Omega.

The Lexington Alumnae of Chi Omega are doing settlement work in a slum section of the city. They have a free library, a story-telling hour and kindergarten games, and are planning to organize mothers' clubs for instruction in sewing and domestic branches.

Delta Upsilon celebrated its "diamond jubilee"—seventy-five years of existence—at Boston in November. Here are some of the noteworthy features reported. The convention was held at a hotel—"eat, sleep and work all under one roof." The convention treasurer supplied a "through ticket, with

eighteen coupons, one for each stunt." A new constitution was adopted, providing for a board of trustees, one from each chapter, and elected from the undergraduates and alumni of that chapter jointly, to take up new and larger problems than the convention or council can deal with, including the raising of funds to employ a permanent secretary for the fraternity. One morning was given up to a hearing of petitioners, each group of whom had engaged a room at the hotel for the display of pictures and information. "It was voted to adopt as a standard for institutions from which petitions of local societies may be received the requirements of the Carnegie Fund for the Advancement of Teaching. Committees were appointed to adopt a system of uniform chapter accounting and to consider a new coat-of-arms. A feature of the business sessions was the 'five-minute talks' on some live fraternity topic at the opening of each session." The wives of members (known as *Devotae Uxores*) were invited to convention, and entertainment provided for them while their husbands were in session. The *Quarterly* published a complete roll-call of delegates and visitors, by chapters. Four hundred and ten members were present at the banquet, and the convention committee furnished a court stenographer, whose word-for-word report of the speeches and remarks was published in the *Quarterly*.

Following is the secretary's report of the Inter-Fraternity Conference, somewhat abbreviated:

Pursuant to a call issued by President W. H. P. Faunce of Brown University, representing the Religious Education Association, representatives from twenty-six college fraternities met at the University Club, New York City, Saturday, November twenty-seventh, 1909. With the call there was sent a suggestion of the following topics as the basis for discussion at the meeting:

CURRENT PROBLEMS IN FRATERNITY LIFE

1. The relation of the fraternity chapter to the college administration. Should the college ignore or utilize the fraternity? Should the fraternity confer with the administration of the college?
2. The influence of the fraternities on
 - (a) The expense of a college course;
 - (b) manners and social habits;
 - (c) serious scholarship;
 - (d) moral standards;
 - (e) college loyalty and solidarity.
3. The evils connected with the present system of pledging new members. How can they be minimized or avoided?
4. The proper control of chapter houses
 - (a) by the college?
 - (b) by undergraduates?
 - (c) by alumni?

5. The unification of the various chapters
 - (a) by executive councils, or boards of trustees;
 - (b) by conventions, national and local;
 - (c) by publications, periodical or occasional;
 - (d) by a traveling secretary.
6. The relation of the local alumni of a fraternity to the undergraduate members. Should alumni
 - (a) encourage in all cases establishment of chapter houses?
 - (b) offer financial aid in maintaining such houses?
 - (c) appoint a resident manager?
 - (d) supervise matters financial, hygienic, culinary and moral?
7. The relations of the fraternities to one another. Should they ignore one another, or undertake official co-operation?
8. The relation of fraternities to the life of the nation. Have they any duty beyond their own membership? If so, what?

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this conference that the college fraternities should sanction and participate in the formation of a permanent Inter-Fraternity Conference, to meet each year, for the purpose of discussing questions of mutual interest and of presenting to the fraternities represented such recommendations as the said conference may deem wise, it being understood that the functions of such conference shall be purely advisory. Numbers 1, 3 and 7 of the "Current Problems in Fraternity Life" classified above were selected for discussion at the proposed future conference and committees of five members each were appointed to investigate existing conditions, gather information and report recommendations to such future sessions.

HAMILTON W. MABIE,
Alpha Delta Phi, Chairman.
 FRANCIS W. SHEPARDSON,
Beta Theta Pi, Secretary.

From the many good things in the *Eleusis* we cull the following:

It is time now to begin to think of the material that shall compose the new council. Not that any clique of us should make out a ticket, and by the detestable means known as lobbying run it through. But we all want to be thinking, and thinking wisely and fairly—not for chapter or personal honor or advantage, but for the good of the national organization. There are indispensable requisites that must be found in a good council officer. First of all, she must be a willing, unselfish and capable worker. Further than this, she must love the fraternity and desire to work for its growth. She must have, besides desire, however, strength and time to attend to the work—for it takes both. She must have enthusiasm tempered by a sound and conservative judgment. And withal, she needs a gentle tact, for the problems that arise in fraternity government call often for the most delicate discrimination. She should be a woman who will make a favorable impression wherever she may go, for this means much to a local chapter when an officer pays an "inspection visit."

What does the phrase, "A chapter house voice" call up to your minds, I wonder? Do you hear the shrill cry of "T-e-l-e-p-h-o-n-e, K-a-t-i-e!" shouted from the first floor to the third, or a treble duet punctuated by hysterical shrieks and the oft-repeated refrain, "I thought I should die"? Next time you approach your chapter house, suppose you pretend you are merely a disinterested passer-by; keep your ears open, and, without prejudice, ask yourself if you entirely approve of the suggestion of "sweet bells jangled out of tune."

It was just before school closed in the spring that we conceived the idea of sending a girl out to solicit funds for the woman's playing field from Michigan's loyal alumni. Myrtle White, a Kappa Kappa Gamma, by the way, consented to spend her summer in this work for the consideration of \$200 and expenses. Knowing that the alumni had already been approached within the last two years to aid in building a Michigan Union Clubhouse and an Alumni Memorial Hall, we could not hope to get much by this plan. But it would not be a losing proposition, as we had Miss White's expenses assured us by a good friend of the league. We were just \$3,600 in debt when Miss White started out at the beginning of the summer. She visited Detroit, Chicago, Houghton and Marquette, and I know you will be astounded when I say that by the end of the summer she had money enough pledged to complete the payment of the debt, with nearly \$1,000 left toward a clubhouse.

After many years of keen competition, unceasing vigilance and a too-ambitious desire to get ahead of each other, the various fraternities at Barnard have settled down to peace and quiet. We think we have now the most successful system of any in regard to rushing. Nine-tenths of the Barnard students are day pupils, much of whose time outside of that actually required for recitation, is spent at home or in social activities entirely outside of college. Consequently, it is very difficult to get acquainted with the new girls, and the tendency is to aspire only to the popular, the brilliant, the distinguished girls, naturally seeing but little of the splendid, earnest students whose star of fame glows less dimly. But two years of rushing somewhat alleviated this condition. Alas! Rushing at Barnard means a great outlay of time and expense. No fraternities have houses; only one or two have rooms, and most of the members within walking distance of college live in small apartments. Hence, rushing meant theater parties, formal evening dances and expensive luncheons at hotels or tea rooms. Now all is changed; there is absolutely no rushing. The fraternities start out, instead, to *make friends* with the freshmen and sophomores. This is a long and cautious process, but has such good results. After carefully "cultivating" a girl for two years, such a genuine friendship has been formed that whether or not she joins or is asked to join the fraternity, there is a friendly relation between that girl and the members. There will be no more picking up and dropping of girls, which was unavoidable owing to the expense of rushing, and the fraternity with the smallest financial backing has an equal opportunity with others far more able to "show off" in rushing facilities in the past. And, best of all, the foolish and undignified spirit of competition, formerly so prevalent, has almost died out. The eight fraternities work in harmony and in accordance with the spirit of broadmindedness, which is surely a part of each fraternity ideal. Although this system has only been in operation this fall, it seemed highly successful. Fraternities invited girls whom they knew as friends and companions, not merely as prominent social leaders in the college or as influential officers in university affairs. Girls joined fraternities, not because the fraternity had spent much in "treating" or appeared to be the strongest, or to have the best social and financial standing, but because they knew and loved the various members, regardless of worldly importance; because they wanted to be associated with dear and loving friends, not with the "popular" clique.

These suggestions are from a symposium on chapter letters in the *Lyre*:

A chapter letter is written, firstly, for benefit of the local chapter; secondly, for that of others. One should have items touching on all local subjects of interest, social and otherwise; then one should give attention to topics of general interest—even world-wide interest—so that other chapters may recognize that the chapter is not selfishly enjoying only what is happening on its own doorstep. For instance, recently Mrs. Philip Snowden, the great woman suffragist of England, spoke in Lincoln. I consider that worthy of note, especially as several of our girls belong to the Woman's Suffrage League in the university. As Alpha Chi wants to stand for the best in everything and to signify broadness of mind, whenever any chapter takes a decided stand for any movement, it should be mentioned in the letter. If a chapter, which may be a leader in its particular school, should start a good movement or has a good and helpful idea to carry out concerning rules and management, the other weaker chapters should have the chance to benefit by the stronger one's example. For instance, at Nebraska the fraternities are talking of giving less formal parties this year. There are twelve fraternities and nine sororities; each party given costs the individual between six and seven dollars. Think what a needless expense! Now just this reported in the chapter letter might start a good movement against enormous party bills in some other place.

From *Kappa Alpha Theta*:

Most of the chapters plan in advance every moment of a district president's visit, just as they do that of a desirable rushee, instead of letting her fall into their usual life. Now you can not get in full sympathy with her when you make of her such a responsibility. You do not do that when just an ordinary Theta from another chapter visits you. Why should you when the ordinary Theta happens to be an officer?

The following clipping from the *Shield* will especially interest those Kappas who know the practical fraternity spirit of our Minnie Royse Walker (Mrs. Guy Morrison Walker) of Iota Chapter, and the New York Alumnae Association:

Three Generations of Phi Psis.—The initiation into Indiana Alpha on the evening of November twentieth of Merle Royse Walker made the third generation of one family in a single chapter of our fraternity. The initiation was the more remarkable for the fact that both his father and grandfather were present at the initiation. Wilbur Fisk Walker was initiated into Indiana Alpha in 1865. His son, Guy Morrison Walker, was initiated into the same chapter in 1887. It is doubtful if there has ever been a case like this in Phi Kappa Psi, and such instances are very rare in any college fraternity. This is surely good evidence of the strength of the Phi Psi spirit.

College Notes

By Elizabeth Rhodes Jackson

The Inter-Fraternity Council of the University of Nebraska ruled this year that no freshman should be initiated without twelve hours of work to his credit. The fraternities have agreed that each shall give a formal party but once in two years.



After more than one thousand years' existence as an institution for men alone, Oxford University, in England, will hereafter admit women. They will also be allowed to compete for the Rhodes Scholarships.



A "student activities" fee of five dollars is added to the tuition of each student at Case. This entitles each student to tickets for athletic games and concerts, and a subscription to the college paper.



Some of the plays to be presented by college dramatic clubs this year are: "The Comedy of Errors," at Syracuse; "His Honor, the Sultan," at Princeton; Pinero's "Trelawney of the Wells," at Williams; "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme," by the French Dramatic Club at Cornell; Ibsen's "The Pillars of Society" (in Norwegian), by the Norwegian Club of Minnesota; "Koanyaland," at Michigan; "The Shoemaker's Holiday," at the University of California; "The Chimes of Normandy," at Stanford; "Joan of Arc," at Texas; "The Scare Crow," at Harvard; "Old Heidelberg," at Missouri; "A Gold Mine," at Dartmouth; "Much Ado About Nothing," at Amherst; "You Never Can Tell," at Northwestern; "Ysbrand," at Kansas.—*The Shield*.



A radical change has been made in the supervision of the women students in Cornell. The position of warden has been abolished, and two new positions have been created: Mrs. Clarence A. Martin has been appointed University Advisor of Women and Mrs. E. Barbour has been made the social head of Sage college. Mrs. Martin has supervision over the entire

body of women students, while Mrs. Barbour is in charge at Sage college with Miss Grace Seeley as her assistant at Sage cottage.—*The Kappa Alpha Theta*.



The two main objects of the Women's Home Council of Texas University are: "To foster and maintain the highest standards and ideals of conduct and scholarship," and "to promote better acquaintance among its members; to bring about a greater unity and fellowship among the women." In regard to the first, the council has entire control over the enforcement of the honor system. At the first meeting of each year the honor system, as it is found at Texas, is explained to the new students. All breaches of the honor system are dealt with by the council, but so quietly that no one ever knows, except the guilty party, who quietly returns to her home. It may be added that breaches of the honor system are extremely rare among the girls.—*Themis*.



Miss Theodora J. Franksen of Chicago, totally blind since she was eight years old, a student at the University of Chicago, was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society. Since coming to the university three years ago Miss Franksen has won a scholarship each year. So far as is known, she is the first blind girl to receive the distinction of election to Phi Beta Kappa.—*The University of Chicago News Letter*.



The Academy of Moral and Political Science in France has offered a prize of \$400 for the best thesis on "The right of suffrage; should it be extended to women; in what circumstances and to what extent? The history of the movement and its application in France and in foreign countries." The competition is open to both sexes and the prize is to be awarded in 1913.



The New York *Sun* gives some interesting figures of the number of foreign students in American colleges during 1908-1909. There were 1,467 in all, of whom the largest number, 225, were registered at the University of Pennsylvania, the majority of them in the Dental School. There were 298 Americans enrolled in German universities during the summer of 1909.

The Maids' Clubhouse, which has just celebrated its second anniversary, is one thing in which Vassar stands unique among the women's colleges of America. The college girls pay all running expenses, except for light, heat, etc., which the college provides. The chief expense is the salary of the supervisor, who this year is Miss Elizabeth Paine, Woman's College of Baltimore, 1900. Her work is to make the clubhouse as attractive as possible to the maids, to be ready to help them in any way by advice and to guide the college girls in their work in connection with the clubhouse. Classes are conducted by college girls in handicrafts, cooking, sewing, German and French for those who wish it. There are two classes in every-day English for Americans and two in beginning English for foreigners. Some college girls dance or play basket-ball with the maids once a week; others give lessons in sight-singing and also mandolin and piano lessons, which are much in demand. The dramatic pupils have been very successful in plays given for the benefit of the clubhouse. No maid can use the clubhouse unless she is a member of the Goodfellowship Club. In order to organize this on a self-governing basis, a membership fee of 25 cents a semester is charged. A large proportion of the maids belong. They pay their club expenses by sales, teas, etc., and this year have pledged \$100 to be used either toward running expenses or the endowment fund—one member having contributed \$10. A committee of college girls—one senior, two juniors, one sophomore and one freshman—is elected by the Students' Association to manage the clubhouse.—*Monitor*.



Wellesley College girls sent \$1,000 to New York to help the cause of the striking shirt-waist makers. They also gave an order for 1,000 shirt-waists to be made by the Girls' Co-Operative Factory.—*The American College*.

Books and Magazines

By Elizabeth Rhodes Jackson

"Tempered Steel; A Romance." By Herbert S. Mallory. R. F. Fenno & Company, New York, 1909.

When a knight of romance describes his first love's eyes as "the blue of storm and sea," the reader, if she be a Kappa, will find a reminiscence of the double blue, and will not be surprised to note that the book is dedicated to Elmie Warner Mallory, our former president, by her husband, Herbert S. Mallory. "Tempered Steel" is a first novel of strength and beauty, with a stirring, well developed, logical plot, full of primitive loving and fighting. The characters are well defined and differentiated. The heroine is a very natural nineteen-year-old girl, who leaves the impression that girls of nineteen are much the same whether they are sophomores at co-educational universities or feudal ladies in the days of chivalry. The setting is consistent and scholarly in its picture of England in the reign of Stephen. There is a certain seriousness in the story, which centers around a crisis in the growth of a soul, suggesting that the writer can do better and more serious work than is demanded by the readers of popular historical romances. Another feature that sets it apart from other light fiction is the charm of the English in which it is written. There is a sense of warmth and color and life in the words that shows that the writer knows how to handle his words as a craftsman his tools, and that he understands their value as a composer understands his melodies.



The following review of our Kappa sister, Mrs. Daggett's, little book is quoted from *The Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi:

"There has recently been published by B. W. Dodge & Company, New York, a little book entitled, "In Lockerbie Street," by Mabel Potter Daggett. As stated on the title page, the book is an appreciation of James Whitcomb Riley, Indiana Alpha, '83. The author pictures the poet's home life, his neighbors and the little children which have formed the inspiration of some of his poems. The poet rarely takes a vacation, for he likes home the best, and nothing less than a trip out to Greenfield, his old home, twenty miles away, lures him from Lockerbie Street, where he lives in Indianapolis. Sometimes,

when he hears June and the bees and the clover calling, he wanders back to Greenfield, and with one of the old neighbors goes fishing along the Brandywine, looking for the 'old swimming hole' and the long ago. At night they come back, bramble-scratched and happy."



Another book written by a Kappa that has attracted much attention is "The Hand of God," by Cora Bennett Stephenson, an alumna of Iota Chapter. The following is quoted from a Chicago reviewer:

"The Hand of God" is not, as reasonably might be expected from the title, a religious novel; it is, indeed, an absorbing and passionate love story. The old, moving story of Samson and Delilah serves for motive, though the author, Cora Bennett Stephenson, has taken certain liberties with this story as ordinarily related. Delilah, beautiful child of a Jewish mother, and Mesech, Philistine governor of Sorek, loves Samson, the fine young Hebrew priest and ruler, as vital women have loved strong men from time's beginning, and their brief but ecstatic union precedes Samson's unjustly cruel blindness and downfall. "For the liberty we have taken in running counter to the ancient prejudice against Delilah," says the book's foreword, "we offer in extenuation the drawing of a still more ancient ideal of womanly tenderness and constancy. Out of these promising story elements, and with the gayety and grandeur of Philistia for background, the author has worked out a most unusual tale.

This tale, moreover, is effectively written. The book, perhaps, teaches no great moral lesson, but it is full of brilliant and fascinating pictures and it holds the reader's attention in a grip of steel.

The Indianapolis *Star* says:

It is in reproducing the thought and atmosphere of an age long dead that Mrs. Stephenson's work is wonderful. In this book the very life of Syria of the eleventh century B. C. is lived again. The characters live, talk and act as they probably did in truth, and in no other way. Realism is a large factor in the strength of the story. But idealism also has its place.

The student of oriental archeology will find the story fascinating. The reader who knows nothing of archaeology and cares nothing about it will find the tale alluring as a simple love narrative, told in realistic and fearless style.



"The Reorganization of our Colleges," by Clarence F. Birdseye presents a practical analysis of certain defects in the present college system. Mr. Birdseye finds too slight a link existing between college work and "college life." He says, in part, on this point:

"We have spent much thought and money upon the pedagogical department of our colleges, but very, very little in studying the college home life. Yet this is not the least important of the college departments, since it largely determines the effectiveness of the others upon individual students. It was the most important in our forefathers' eyes, for they

saw that only through it could they prepare the good ground for the good seed and make good citizens. We are blameworthy if, while improving the seed and the sowers, we have neglected the preparation of the soil. We must bend every energy to restore the college home life to its proper relative place in the college economy and co-ordinate it with the other factors therein. There is no doubt in my mind, from a fairly broad experience in college homes, that the average college graduate has higher ideals and hopes at the time when he enters college than at any other time in his life. He has left home and the preparatory school with a feeling that he must now show what is in him, and that he is standing alone for the first time. In many cases he appreciates the serious inconveniences and even sacrifices which the loved ones at home are making for him. His ambitions are high and his purposes pure. It is at this time that both the college and the fraternity too often offer to him a stone. The harm done at this point of his development, when his community life is unfolding, may never be undone. But just as surely the good purposes, which are regnant within him, may be solidified into permanent character by the right treatment. It should be one of the high duties of the personal-equation bureau to insure that each undergraduate has the right surroundings and help at the critical periods throughout his college course—but especially at its beginning.”

Due consideration is given to the fraternity as a factor in college life:

“Is it any wonder that beautiful and attractive fraternity houses have multiplied, when the colleges have avowedly pursued the policy of making a boarding-house in a college town the best home that the institutions themselves can offer?

“But in the fraternities themselves, which are largely responsible for the 90 per cent of the student life of their members, there is the same lack of administrative care which we shall find to exist in the colleges. Their alumni must be made to understand this, and to appreciate that, so long as they maintain these homes, they are responsible for each and every one of them, and for the home life of each and every undergraduate member therein. The alumni, working from within—and not the college working from without—but with the active assistance of the college authorities, must oversee these homes, so that they shall be a positive aid to the college work.

“The fraternity owes it to its members to provide them with a good college home. But just as much does the college owe it to every student that he shall have a good home. In so far as the fraternities furnish truly good homes, the college is fortunate in being relieved, to that extent, of this part of its duty. But its duty still remains, so far as it relates to the non-fraternity members, and must not be shirked. Surely, the fraternities can not complain if the college sets up, for its non-fraternity members, model homes which will put fraternity on its mettle. The time must soon come when the fraternities, like the colleges, shall be sternly judged by their present-day results, not by their names or history or wealth. * * *

“Let us, as college men, rise above fraternities or institutions, and determine that as parents, alumni and citizens we will join with all interested in our institutions of higher learning to set forward the cause of the college home life. The home is greater than any one home or series of homes, and the college home is more important than those of any institution or of any fraternity.”

The American College is a newcomer in the magazine world. It is published by the Higher Education Association, New York, at \$2.50 per year, or \$2.00 if the subscription is combined with a subscription to *The Key* or any other fraternity magazines. Its articles, on college problems, are by experienced educators: Clarence F. Birdseye, Arlo Bates, W. H. P. Faunce, Charles F. Thwing, Richard C. Maclaurin, Woodrow Wilson, Cora Stranahan Woodward are among the contributors to the first numbers. It has several departments of interest: "The College Forum," discussions of problems; "The College Community," undergraduate activities; "The College Home," social life; "The College World," campus, faculty and administration; "The College Press," and "The College Library." So well worth while is this unique magazine that every reader of *The Key* is advised to become acquainted with it, through subscription or through the periodical room of the Library. From very many quotable articles we have space to quote only one, and that in part—"Sorority Notes, by an Ex-Chaperone," in the March number:

"Is it not a strenuous beginning of college work when, among the hundreds of students, new and old, a gleaner must be made at lightning speed of the best material with which to build up sorority houses for the next nine months? The Chaperone watches in amaze the hasty decisions. A few months of this splendid college life will winnow out the best there is in a girl, and, perhaps, at the beginning of a second semester one might judge worthily and well as to her eligibility for this new form of life. But there is no such waiting. The houses must be promptly filled; rent must be paid; arrangements for housekeeping for a long nine months are at stake. Thus the year begins, dedicated to the Lord of Misrule, frolicking, singing, jollifying and every head soon begins to buzz with dates and dances, as the houses reel along in competition.

"Among my merrymakers I felt precisely like a grub that had suddenly emerged into the butterfly state, albeit there yet hung about me the Cinderella garments of cocoon days, for I had arrived 'unbeknownst' of the 'rushing,' thinking to chaperone a crowd of schoolgirls, not a bevy of society maidens whose days and nights demanded a perfect panoply of pretty clothes.

"Wildly distraught was I—a typical 'old woman who lived in a shoe,' with my sudden supply of astonishing children! In a trice I saw that a problem that had kept the faculty and the alumnae guessing was not mine to solve, and without delay I handed back the sum given me to solve and handed in my resignation. What, was I to hold in my hand the future of a crowd of girls living almost without restraint?—for a 'proctor' of their own age (or *youth*, rather) has small control over girls who consider themselves the arbiters of their own fate. Rules? Yes, but who kept them? They decorated the wall of the lower hall, but a firm hand and the voice of one in authority was needed to enforce them; not the unaccustomed hands of children at the helm.

"Chaperone? House-mother? Yes, but, you see, the house of a sorority usually really belongs to its members. It is theirs to say what may or may not be done within its walls, and dormitory rules do not prevail there as a general thing. It was a problem of self-government,

working itself out as best it could, for no authority had been vested in me. Neither was I asked or desired to attend my charges to outside gaities. They were sufficient unto themselves.

"Yet, you can not be among girls and not partake of their enthusiasm, and the 'Pledging Breakfast' was as exciting an affair to the Chaperone as to any of her girls. Not a single 'bump!' My rejoicing was deep, tho' not voiced with the others in college yells!

"Twenty-one days of dazzling dinner-gowns, and the successful culmination of our festivities was reached! 'Coach-rides' and 'cookie-shines' had wrought for us a victory! (Small matter that, close upon our triumphs, one of my 'rushers' succumbed to an attack of heart-weakness! That another went home with bronchitis, and yet another very nearly 'crossed the river' from an attack of appendicitis, and one and all in utter languor betook themselves finally to *textbooks!*)

"Delinquencies will out, and the longer a sorority waits to mete out justice, so much longer will the trouble continue. It is rare when trouble does occur in a sorority house, but it is not unknown, nor is the taking away of its charter an unknown thing. Neither is it unknown that a girl's whole life has been shipwrecked in the unwonted freedom of her college days—financially, morally.

*"Then, shall we not take them 'seriously?'

"The chapter house also stands in danger of degenerating into a clubhouse, a general meeting place for a good time. Not with the fellow students (the boys, I mean), but just among themselves, and when I heard the words, 'Oh, don't let's have the boys,' in connection with any frolic in the house, I shivered, for that meant times altogether too festive and too hilarious.

"My conclusions, nowadays, are the following—subject to change, also improvement!

"The sorority house (if such a thing must needs be) should have at its head a woman of highest character; a woman of education and culture, a lady in the truest sense of that word; a woman also of strong nerve and of strong body.

"Give this house-mother, then, full authority over the home of which she is the head. Let it be 'self-governed,' if you like, but let all plans and purposes, all merrymakings, even, be submitted to her for judgment.

"In place of the resident *alumnæ* making monthly pilgrimages of inspection through the house, it might be as well to trust this house-mother to rule her little kingdom wisely and well, without a humiliation that any mother in her own home would resent instantly.

"If any house-mother has ever had a home of her own, she will know how to make a home for her girls, but she *can not* make it nor will it endure without the loving and willing co-operation of these girls themselves; nor *can* she make it according to the views of a score or more of outsiders. A house-mother should be one who may be received by the faculty and the *alumnæ* as one of themselves, treated with equal respect and courtesy. The girls are not to look upon her as one in arbitrary command, but to realize that in her they find one who will work for them and with them loyally and well.



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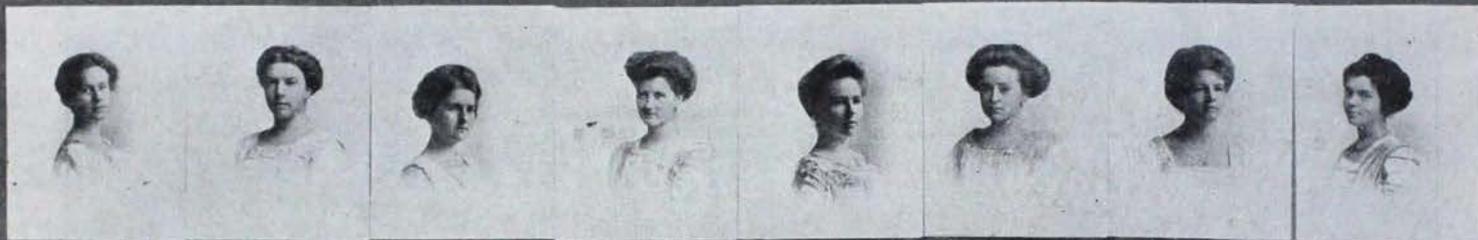
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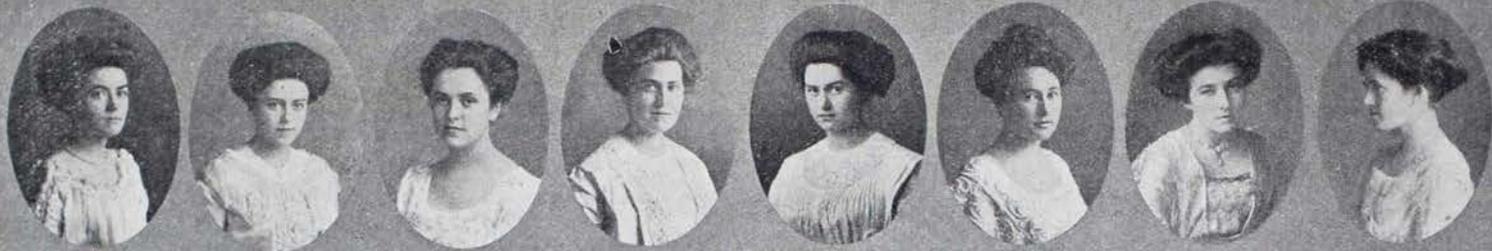


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