

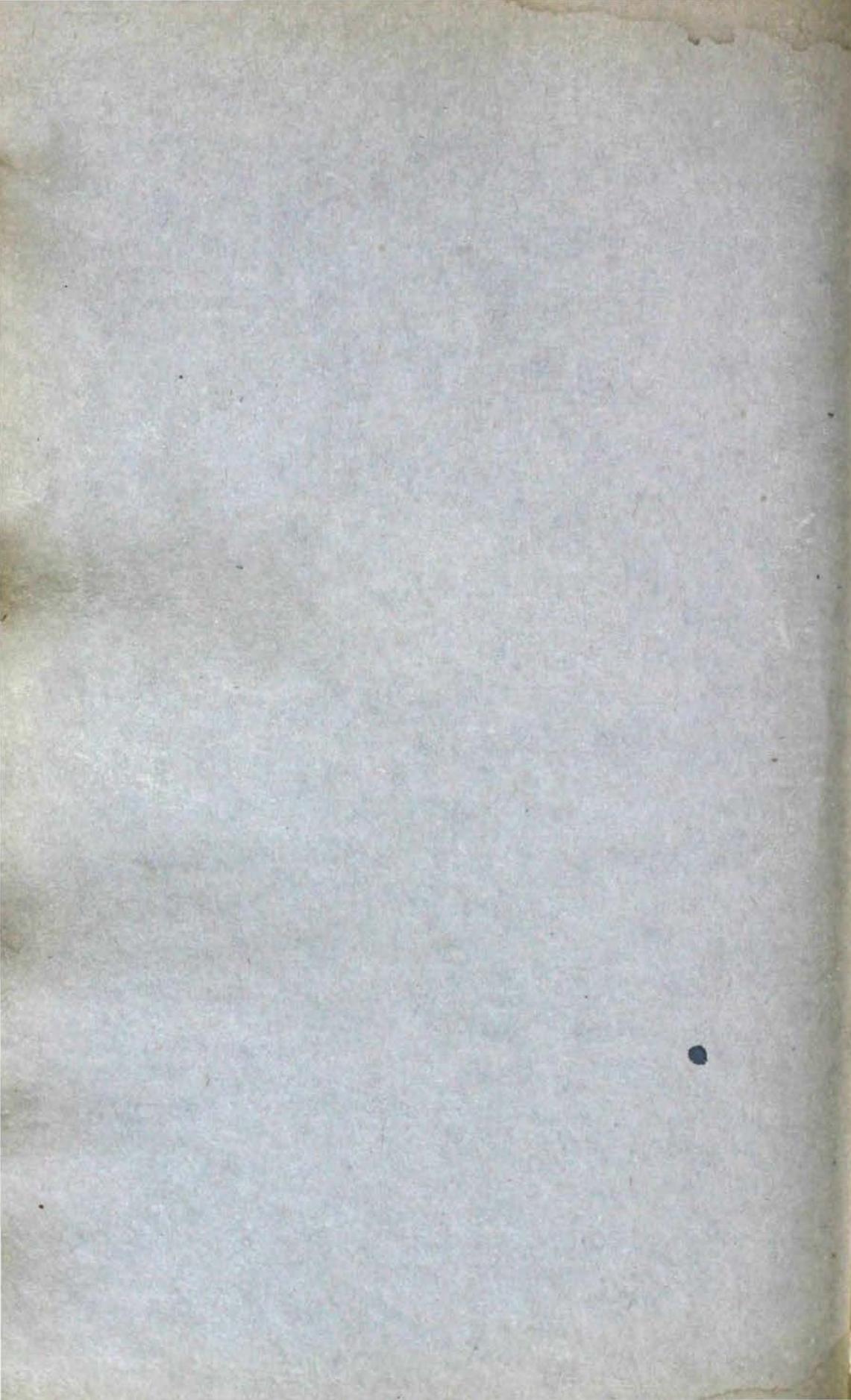
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The Star Spangled Banner

*Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?*

*On the shore dimly seen thro' the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected, now shines on the stream;
'Tis the star-spangled banner; oh, long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!*

*And where are the foes that so vauntingly swore
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion
A home and country should leave us no more?
Their blood has washed out their foul footsteps' pollution.
No refuge could save the hireling and slave
From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave;
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.*

*Oh, thus be it ever when freeman shall stand
Between their loved homes and the war's desolation,
Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven rescued land
Praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation.
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto:—"In God is our trust!"
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.*

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"WE'RE TWENTY TONIGHT"

ALICE MOORE FRENCH, Nu '82

When you have been an alumna for thirty-five years, will you still have the spirit to go back to your college for your chapter's birthday party? Even if your chapter is no longer at your old college? Mrs. French did, and so did six others of Nu Chapter. They went back to Franklin College, Indiana, to celebrate Nu's thirty-eighth birthday. Stop the victrola, Miss 1917, and come away from the telephone, and turn off the steam heat, and read what college girls in the early '80's used to do. And be thankful you belong to the same organization as the Franklin Nus.

January 20, 1879, Nu Chapter, Kappa Kappa Gamma, was installed at Franklin College.

There were six charter members: Jessie Grubb, Cinna Moore, Minnie Tracy, Belle Hackett, Ida Hall, and Anna Pfendler. Anna Pfendler died in her senior year, 1881. Five of us have lived these thirty-eight years—years that have gone alas! like our youth, too soon. All five of us have changed our names, but none of us bear the names we expected to wed in 1879. This momentous question was settled early in our college careers. We studied our lessons in happy innocence of the storm and stress of the coming years.

These same five girls, in the order named, now write their names: Mrs. H. A. Coons, Lebanon, Ind.; Mrs. Alice Moore French, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. G. E. Clark, Franklin, Ind.; Mrs. Allan P. Barrett, Tuscola, Ill.; and Mrs. W. H. Foster, Kokomo, Ind.

January 20, 1917, Mrs. Coons, Mrs. Clark, and Mrs. French journeyed back to Franklin College to live over that happy epoch of their college days.

They were joined in this enjoyable celebration by other Kappa sisters: Mrs. Re Whitesides Chandler, Mrs. Nora Whitesides Essex, Mrs. Bertha Frazier Howe, of Indianapolis, and Mrs. Eva Payne Otte, Mrs. Jennie Payne Keay, Miss Nettie Craft, of Franklin.

CHANGES HAVE COME

The changes at Franklin College made us feel that we had grown older while she grew younger, and that the old order of things had given way to the new. We arrived in Franklin by trolley cars which were not in existence thirty-eight years ago. In those days there were no telephones, electric lights, or steam heat. We burned lamps, made our own fires in our wood stoves, and carried our water from the college pumps. These were not hardships, but wholesome experiences. Many memories cluster about the old pump; it was our trysting place. Dear old pump, if it could talk, we would be willing to hear its sobs, if it could only recall the laughter and care-free chats it had witnessed. But the pump is no more; its space is covered by a new building containing a spacious chapel and various administration rooms. Our dear old chapel is cut up into recitation rooms. "The little brown house" on the campus, where Minnie Tracy lived, and where we six girls took the oath of Nu Chapter, Kappa Kappa Gamma, is gone. A gymnasium usurps its place, and a splendid library stands close by. There used to be a few dormitory rooms for the boys and girls in the old buildings. Now a beautiful modern dormitory for the girls stands on the corner of the campus with its wide entrance offering a living invitation to the young women who enter Franklin College.

Here we found sixty young women domiciled and each of the sixty was "at home" for the Nu Chapter, Kappa Kappa Gamma, on her thirty-eighth birthday. Nu Chapter just turned the hands of time back thirty-eight years and was a girl again, too.

INITIATION BANQUET? OYSTER STEW

After we were installed in 1879, we with our installer, Miss Mary Owen, of De Pauw University, wended our way through the snow down town to Hay's restaurant with all the dignity and mystery of our new obligations, and treated ourselves to an oyster stew. But now in 1917, the dormitory gong announced dinner in the spacious dining-room, and we followed the girls in, to find Kappa had a table all to herself in the center of the dining-room with covers for eight. Jessie Grubb Coons, Minnie Tracy Clark, and Cinna Moore French found their places by their photographs taken in 1879. When we were seated, for a moment there was a reflective silence and an effort to speak, but we swallowed the lump in our throats, blinked out the tears from our eyes and fell to eating the most excellent dinner.

One of our party observed that Tracy's who gave the very best board in our day charged the fabulous sum of \$3.00 per week which was prohibitive to some of us. As we ate and chatted merrily the Pi Beta Phi's began to sing *God bless the Kappas, They Need It*, and then sang some college songs which we applauded. Not to be outdone, a Delta Delta Delta stepped out on the floor and led the college yell—and yell they all did. We didn't yell in our day. Girls were expected to be nice and quiet. Then, boys might yell if it had to be done. The dinner over, we all stood while Iota Psi Nu led in singing *Hail to Franklin, How We Love You*.

OTHER FRATERNITIES NOW AT FRANKLIN

In our day there was little fraternity rivalry but our struggle was against the antifraternity spirit represented by the Webster Literary Society against the Periclesian Society to which all the fraternities belonged. Now we were told Periclesian has ceased to be and Webster has two fraternities in its midst—one, Iota Psi Nu is chaperoned by Miss Nettie Craft, one of our Kappas. We were warmly invited by each of the fraternities to have our meeting in their halls but we had to be content just to look in on each one when they had all assembled in each of their halls to receive us.

The little yell leader, Mary Bradley, saw that we visited Tri Delta first, and their beautiful room and strong membership was

a surprise to us, who years ago, had mysterious meetings around at our homes.

As we filed into the Pi Phi room it was apparent at the first glance that it had been in the hands of an artist. Miss Ethel Miller, one of their members who had made a name for herself, had planned the furnishing and decoration.

When Nu Chapter's charter was taken from her, two of our members asked for honorable dismissal from Kappa Kappa Gamma, Emma Turner and Marthe Noble, and they founded Pi Beta Phi at Franklin College. Now they are mighty proud of their handiwork.

Nettie Craft then led the way for us to see "her girls," Iota Psi Nu, and it was a happy visit.

They have a charmingly cozy home, and they gathered around the piano and entertained us with many fraternity songs. The last we heard of Iota Psi Nu, as we passed through the corridor and down the stairs, was *Good-bye Kappa* sung to an old tune of 1879.

PLANS AND REUNION

In two years we are going back to celebrate our fortieth birthday, when we hope to have all of our membership with us, or letters at least from absent ones. Out of our membership of forty-two, eight of us have gone to the land of the beyond.

Among the girls at Franklin College now, we discovered several who are daughters of our college mates.

We decided to get the Kappa songs, and have a college yell to astonish those girls when we go back, January 20, 1919.

We all huddled up close together around the table in the reception hall and had a heart to heart talk of days gone by. Jessie Grubb Coons had a prophesy letter written by one of us in 1879 which she read to us amid shrieks of laughter at the hits and misses of the predictions. Alice Moore French had an old autograph album in which fourteen Kappas had written their names March 14, 1880. Each of us wrote our names again with our married names added. It was interesting to note that our writing has changed very little. We decided that Minnie Tracy's signature was the most beautiful then and now. Many reminiscences,

happy and otherwise, made our stay at Franklin seem too short. Nu Chapter is neither dead or asleep.

Now that the day is over and we sit alone with our thoughts, we scan the past years for evidence of lessons learned at Franklin College. That its motto is "Christianity and Culture" meant little to us as we entered college we now realize. But after years of experience and a riper judgment, we have learned that to be Christian is to be cultured—and to be cultured is Christian. The greatest evidence of this in college life is the growing kindly fellowship among its students, as well as among fraternities.

MUST I TEACH?

ELIZABETH WILSON, *Secretarial Department, National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations*

In the Women's Debating Club at the University of Oxford, England, all who agreed with the honorable proposers—the affirmative—sat on one side of the room; the adherents of the honorable opposer sat in opposing ranks of chairs; and hearers with minds yet to be made up sat at the lower end of the rectangle facing the speakers at the upper end. When a listener's mind had been influenced by a powerful argument she joined the group whose opinions she now shared. If the audience was large and the supply of chairs could not provide seats on both sides for the vacillating, each new adherent came dragging her chair after her.

The question for debate among women students is now before the house: "Shall I teach when I finish college?" and student after student is dragging her chair to the side of the opposition. What moved her? Was she fleeing from the schoolroom, or fleeing toward some occupation of which she knew little or nothing when she matriculated, but which swam into her ken in the very years of her decision? Happy is the college woman who can see in her life work "the very thing I should be doing as a volunteer if I were not doing it professionally!" This is the exact circumstance of many a senior who as a freshman knew nothing of the Young Women's Christian Association, but who now sees in it a place in which to use her economics and sociology, her public speaking and English composition, her languages, ancient and modern, her philosophy and science, as well as a field in which to continue her promotion of class and sorority, musical and literary, religious and welfare activities.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR Y. W. C. A. WORK

At present there are about 2,000 American women, serving as secretaries and other employed officers in Young Women's Christian Associations in every state of the Union, and in half a dozen foreign countries under the World's Committee of Young Women's Christian Associations, and every year several hundred

new candidates are needed. These are recruited most satisfactorily from among the younger alumnae who have been leaders in the student Christian Associations of their Alma Maters and are ready for the specialized training now required in all professions. Young women ought not to decide upon any Christian calling by process of elimination, but by force of attraction balanced by thorough knowledge of the work and of their own capacities. Good undergraduate opportunities for this knowledge are found through work on committees, attendance at Silver Bay or Geneva, or the other summer conferences, and at the great Student Volunteer Movement Convention once a quadrennium, from visits of secretaries to the college, from intercollegiate deputations to other student communities, from week-ends spent at city associations, and summer fortnights spent at industrial camps, from human contact in dormitory life and spreads and stunts, from experience as a group Bible teacher. As for personal leadership, one is sometimes born to it, or may have it thrust upon her, but she rarely achieves it by setting out in pursuit. It comes as an unlooked for reward of useful living.

Aside from acquaintance with the movement and a recognized ability for leadership, a girl needs health and common sense, an interest in human beings close at hand, such as colleagues, club members, and women on committees of management, et cetera, and a conviction that Christ's program of abundant life can be attained by every girl if the Christian Association and the Christian church work closely enough together.

WHAT SECRETARY WORK MEANS

If, then, these 2,000 American secretaries have much in common, their places and plans of work vary in the highest degree; two hundred and fifty city general secretaries act as advisers and executives of the boards of directors regarding opening new departments, engaging staffs, securing property, launching city-wide policies, and coöperating with other religious and social forces. The industrial secretary works in factories at noon, in self-governing clubs at night, and in vacation camps in summer. The girls' secretary winds her way in and out among troops of young schoolgirls and employed girls, and uses roller skates, Camp Fire insignia, Bible study texts, chafing dishes,

songs and "yells" with equal felicity to accomplish her purpose! Directors of religious and cultural education, secretaries for membership and social features, also need be college women, as must be of course, the local student secretaries, some sixty or seventy in number, and the local county secretaries who are uniting the rural life movement and the Young Women's Christian Association movement in a fascinating way.

Another group of these 2,000 is made up of physical directors, cafeteria directors, teachers of domestic art and science who are practicing their professions within the Young Women's Christian Association and find great opportunities among the girls who come voluntarily into these departments, for the Association is a part of the present "advance" in vocational education, housing, recreation, dietetics, and whatever affects young woman-kind. More than one hundred "traveling secretaries" and forty-five in foreign lands extend the city and county and college work as locally known, or administer summer conferences, the training of employed officers, the publication of Association literature, et cetera.

NEW YORK TRAINING SCHOOL

For twenty-five years, the necessity for some kind of graduate training has been recognized, and the erection of the National Training School Building in New York City in 1912 set the seal of approval upon various earlier attempts, and promised something even better for the future. Now, in 1917, a reorganization has just been effected, and a two-years course adopted, of which the first year—for young alumnae—is nonresident, and consists of much practice, and little theory, at the minimum of expense, and leads to minor salaried positions. The second year for employed officers of experience, is given at headquarters in New York City and offers courses in Bible, Religious Education, Sociology, and Missions, and the Young Women's Christian Association in two parallel sections, one for women with bachelor's degrees, the other for secretaries lacking such degrees. There are also graduate summer courses in physical education and other technical branches.

Professional training means professional range of opportunity, and salary from the living wage of \$600 or so, in the first position

to which the Bureau of Reference has recommended her, to the positions offering four times that sum to the women of vision who have power to bring that vision to pass.

Is this an argument for the opposition? Anyone who cares to write to the Secretarial Department of the National Board, 600 Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y., can secure the definite data which will help her to decide this for herself.

KAPPAS KNOWN TO FAME

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor.*

KAPPA DEANS OF WOMEN

VIRGINIA CROCHERON GILDERSLEEVE, *Beta Epsilon, '99*
Dean of Barnard College

To those who have known Virginia Gildersleeve as student, alumna, instructor, and dean of Barnard during the last twenty-one years, she seems so closely identified with the college that

her own story of not wanting originally to go to college at all—because she “did not want to be a blue-stocking”—seems hardly credible. Fortunately for Barnard, she did decide to try it!



She was prepared at the Brearley School in New York and entered college in 1895. There she made a brilliant scholastic record, and was twice president of the class of 1899. Returning to Columbia for graduate work, she took her A.M. in 1900 and her Ph.D. in 1908. She began her teaching in the English

Department at Barnard in 1900 and became assistant professor in 1910. In 1911 she was made dean of the college and professor of English. She had always been one of the alumnae to whom everyone turned for advice and assistance, and whom the others most gladly chose to represent them. President Butler, in installing her, remarked that the trustees had merely ratified the choice of the college as a whole.

As dean of Barnard, Miss Gildersleeve is not strictly a dean of women, but dean of the faculty and, under the president of the university, head of the college. Under her the number of students

has grown considerably and the endowment has been increased. She has been influential in putting into effect various measures for improving the methods of admission and the quality of the students' work. The antifraternity agitation among the students reached a crisis during her administration, and the faculty forbade secret organizations with national affiliations. Miss Gildersleeve, who has always been one of Beta Epsilon's most loyal members, feels that the consequent "relief from the agitations of rushing and pledge-day" is welcome, but that "the lack of some such social organizations results in fewer opportunities for informal, social intercourse, and the formation of intimate and congenial friendships." She hopes that the undergraduates may accomplish some constructive work in the development of the social life of the college.

Besides directing the affairs of Barnard, Miss Gildersleeve has much to do with the general position of women at Columbia, since she sits on the University Council and various administrative boards. She is adviser to women graduate students and represents their interests. She has been much interested in the extension of opportunities for women in the professional schools.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred upon her in 1916 by Rutgers College.

KATHARINE S. DOTY, *Beta Epsilon*, '04.

EVELYN WIGHT ALLAN, *Beta Beta*, '91, and *Beta Eta*, '96

Dean of Women at Stanford University

It was the closing afternoon of a long ago Convention. The shadows had gathered in the great Hall of State where meetings so momentous to us had been conducted with much skill.

The Grand President was receiving the compliments, congratulations, and reluctant goodbyes of the delegates. A shy child from the Middle West stood in the shadows, waiting her chance to speak, but a delegate from the South held the president. In her slow sweet drawl she finally declared herself, "I just can't help loving you because you know you are the sweetest thing I ever saw." The shy child had her inspiration and slipping her hand boldly into the hand of the president she said "I think I love you because your eyes challenge one to do things and to be things."

Evelyn Wright Allan still carries the challenge in her eyes, and it is this which has arrested girls, claimed them as her children and constituted the initial secret of her power through the years of her interesting career.



Born in New York, she took her first degree in science at St. Lawrence University and it was as a member of Beta Beta Chapter that she was first made delegate and then, while still an undergraduate, Grand President of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

After three years of experience in the New Jersey schools she chose to take a second degree in the far West and Leland, Stanford, Jr., graduated her in '96. In a single year she made so definite

an impression of power, personal and executive, that Dr. Jordan sought her to create the office of Dean of Women, when ten years later the need of such ministry appeared.

Between her year as a student and her return to the faculty of Leland Stanford she gave a dozen years of fine service to the schools of her native state; service which was not interrupted by her marriage to Mansfield Allan, the brilliant young journalist who for a year and a half only lived beside her as her friend, her comrade, and her husband. His death came at the close of this period of her work as an educator, and it was, I believe, his influence which led her to seek to enlarge her service by self-chosen work in the night schools of New York City; and it is the arresting appeal of the boys and girls who responded to her challenge here which is claiming her again for what seems to her the larger and more vital field of the new social service.

She is one who must follow "the gleam," but she leaves behind her at Leland Stanford a notable accomplishment visible as well as invisible. She set herself there three tasks and accomplished

them: The proper housing on the campus of the women, the Woman's Clubhouse, and the Emergency Loan Fund for women. But it is the invisible record which constitutes her claim to the gratitude of Stanford Alumnae—the record of her untiring personal service to the girls which took many forms from stern advice to mothering shelter. It is this which will constitute her power in the new field to which she goes.

KATHERINE JEWELL EVERTS, *Chi*, '94.

KATHARINE SPRAGUE ALVORD, *Beta Delta*, '93

Dean of Women at De Pauw University

Every Iota alumna who has returned to Greencastle in the last two years has noticed the increased interest which girls are taking in college activities. They are no longer individuals whose

sole purpose is to form the second member of an eternal date—they have merged into useful units which form a vital part of the school life. Maybe we had better say they have been merged, for the one who caused the change more than anybody else was not a coed, but our dean of women, Katharine S. Alvord.

Miss Alvord came to Greencastle in September of 1915, and started seeing things that had hitherto remained unseen or unsolved. Like J. Caesar, she came, she saw, she got busy. She encouraged the formation of the Women's Self-government Association, a body which

now includes every girl in school, because the girls needed some unifying influence to bind together more closely the sorority member and her uninitiated, unorganized sisters in the bigger



fraternity of college. She planted the germ which resulted in the growth of the Women's Athletic Association, which has been a potent factor in arousing a spirit of wholesome competition, just as the W. S. G. A. brought out the desire for coöperation. The results of the works of these organizations are evident not only in Y. W. C. A., in Panhellenic, and in women's mass meetings—"pep sessions"—before intercollegiate events, but in many of the places where women heretofore had no part. In such places the eternal feminine has stepped in and taken a part, at least one.

Through all this period Miss Alvord has been ready to give advice and to lend her helpful influence to any embryo project in the world of the campus. She has possessed from the first the gift of appealing to girls. They recognize this trait in her and are glad to talk over with her their plans, and they have learned through experience that she advises wisely.

She has had splendid training for the work she has chosen at De Pauw. She got her A.B. and her key—Kappa, not Phi Beta Kappa—at Michigan. She left there in 1893, and in 1897 started a ten years' job at Oshkosh State Normal School. A year at Columbia and her A.M. degree in 1908 were succeeded by a year at Miami as history instructor and dean of women. In 1909-10, as a graduate student at Wisconsin, she started the work which kept her for five years as vocational adviser and head of Chadbourne Hall.

We forgot to say, by the way, that Miss Alvord is rated as an expert on the subject of vocational guidance. De Pauw has profited by her experience through two vocational conferences held at Greencastle.

Now to come to the end of the story—in 1914 she attended Cornell as a student. Then De Pauw found her. At the present writing she's still with us, and we're hoping she stays forever.

DOROTHY LOCKWOOD, *Iota*, '16

JESSIE M. BYERS, Xi, '02

Dean of Women at Adrian College

The life of Miss Jessie Byers, dean of women at Adrian College is beautiful in itself and in her service for others.



She was born in Steubenville, Ohio, where the greater part of her life was spent. Her father and mother having died when she was very young, she has always lived with her aunt.

She attended school in Steubenville until 1898, when she entered Adrian College where her school life was completed. While in school she was very popular, taking an active part in Star Literary Society, and was a leader in the social life of the college. She was a most enthusiastic member of Kappa Kappa

Gamma and a delegate to its national convention at Columbus, O.

After finishing college, she spent much time traveling, one year having been spent abroad.

She is a valuable member and helpful worker in the Methodist Protestant Church and it has been through her efforts that many gifts have been made to Adrian College by the Steubenville church.

Her loyalty to her church and to Adrian College induced her to give her services this year, as dean of women, for her beloved Alma Mater. This position she is holding with dignity and efficiency and the students have learned to love her of whom they are so proud.

FLORENCE REYNOLDS, Xi, '98.

ELIZABETH FREEMAN FOX, *Beta Epsilon*, '08

Dean of Women at The University of Oregon

Elizabeth Freeman Fox was born in Towanda, Pennsylvania, in 1886; moved to Brooklyn as a child of twelve; was graduated from Barnard College in 1908; was Y. W. C. A. student secretary



at Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois, for three years; held the national Y. W. C. A. student secretaryship for the Northwest from 1911 to 1915 (during which time she became known in Oregon); was secretary of the city Y. W. C. A. in Bellingham, Washington, for one year, and then became dean of women at the University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, the position she now holds.

It is a deceptively quiet biography, but Elizabeth Fox has been so filled with the need to serve her neighbor that she has written between the lines of that simple sketch

a varied and arresting experience: work among the little Jewish and Italian girls in the ghetto of New York, experience at the largest children's library in the world in the slums of the lower East side, social service work for girls in a big institutional church near the Brooklyn Navy Yard, the leading of the Northwestern College girls into activities at Hull House in Chicago, the conduct of a night school for immigrant girls at Evanston, and work among factory, laundry, fishery, and business girls in Bellingham. In other words, she has seized every opportunity, during vacation or school term to store her mind and enlarge her heart and train her hand at human usefulness of every sort, and this store she is now drawing upon for the benefit and the training of the college girls of Oregon. Her courses in social agencies,

vocational opportunities, and practical ethics, as well as the more ordinary contact of dean with students, are giving the Oregon women a glimpse into and sympathy for the larger world of human need and human service.

Personally, she is a delightful combination of sweetness and backbone, and her hold upon the students is not wholly unrelated to the fact of a lovely face with earnest eyes and a generous smile, a well-poised head, and a charming eager manner.

IDA ELLIOTT ALLEN, *Eta*, '02.

MARY E. SWEENY, *Beta Chi*, '10
Dean of the College of Home Economics
The University of Kentucky

A gentlewoman by birth, descended from one of the oldest and best families of Lexington, Kentucky; bright, attractive, witty, with a sense of humor which never fails her, Mary E. Sweeny is a worthy representative of modern American womanhood.

To be dean of a college of Home Economics is an honor which few attain, but to enter upon one's work so splendidly equipped as Dean Sweeny, is indeed rare. She obtained a thorough classical education at that famous old institution of learning, Transylvania College, and in 1906 a Master of Science from Kentucky State University; for five years following she was an instructor in chemistry and physics in a junior college for women. In 1911 she entered Columbia University specializing in home economics and in 1912 was granted a Master of Arts



degree. During her work at Columbia her ability was recognized and she was offered a teaching scholarship in physiological chem-

istry, also journalistic work on the *Home Economics Journal*, both of which she declined, and in the fall of 1912 accepted an assistant professorship in physiological chemistry and sanitation at Kentucky State University. In 1913 she was appointed head of the Home Economics Department and in 1916 Dean of the College of Home Economics. Under her direction the department has grown from a small matriculation to a flourishing college.

When a wee slip of a girl standing foremost in her classes yet finding time for other interests, she became the leading spirit of that group of girls who formed Chi Epsilon Chi, the first woman's fraternity in Lexington and fostered it until it reached the final goal of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Now as a member of the college faculty she lends strength and influence to fraternity life for women.

Kappa is proud of Mary E. Sweeny not only for herself but because she has won for us both local and national honors, having recently been appointed one of a committee of four in the Home Economics Department of the Federated Women's Clubs of the United States; also a member of the executive committee of the American Home Economics Association.

As a member of the University Extension staff her work among farm women has been a potent factor in the development of the Home Economics Extension Service. Not a theorist only, but living on her own Blue Grass farm she is helping other women in a most efficient way to solve the difficult problems of farm life. To follow so many lines successfully is an achievement.

SARAH CHORN, *Beta Chi*, '02.

MARY BLOSSOM DAVIDSON, *Pi*, '06

*Assistant Dean of Women at
The University of California*

Mary Blossom Davidson, assistant dean of women, holds a big place in the hearts of the three thousand women students of the University of California.

If happiness consists in doing for others, then hers must be an unusual life. Her field is great and the quality of her service

shows a rare combination of sympathetic understanding and lovable personality, combined with a strong character.

In the fall of 1902 there was initiated into Pi Chapter among its freshman delegation, a girl who came from a large ranch in the northern part of California. This was Mary Robert Blossom who was soon known on the campus of the University of California as "Bob" Blossom—and Kappa loved her and was proud of her. In a quiet yet firm way she asserted a leadership and gained friends.

From 1907 to 1909 she acted as secretary to Miss Sprague, the dean of women at the university. In the winter of 1909 Bob Blossom married Charles Davidson, a graduate of the university in 1902, an engineer of prominence and a man of sterling character. A half-year later the untimely death of Mr. Davidson brought sorrow to the entire community.

Lucy Ward Stebbins, dean of women, invited Mrs. Davidson to become assistant dean of women of the University of California in 1912 and Mrs. Davidson entered upon the work which has resulted so fortunately for the university. The association between Dean Stebbins and Mrs. Davidson has been most happy.

If you would have further facts of the work and personality of Mary B. Davidson, you may freely ask any of our women students. Their love for her is as great as hers is always for them.

HELEN McCLINTOCK, *Gamma Rho*, '04

Dean of Women at Geneva College

Miss Helen McClintock, dean of women at Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, is a versatile and scholarly young woman.

Her versatility appears in that she can inspire an appreciation of a German, French, or Spanish classic in an unwilling youth, coach a basketball team and an amateur theatrical company, or take the leading rôle in either. She can give a lecture or paddle a canoe with equal skill, and all her tasks are planned for and accomplished with the least possible friction.

Miss McClintock was brought up in Meadville, Pennsylvania. She comes of a family in which education and progressive ideas are watchwords. In 1904 she was graduated from Allegheny

College, a small college with an interesting and honorable career of over a hundred years. Here in the year following her graduation



she received her Master's degree. Miss McClintock served her apprenticeship in teaching at Sharon, Pennsylvania. After two years' work here she spent a summer studying and traveling in Germany and Switzerland. It is interesting to know that a goodly portion of the traveling was done on foot. This energetic tourist tramped through the Thuringia Forest and taking a train from one range to another explored the Harz Mountains, the Liesengebirge, the Bavarian Alps in Germany, and the Salz-

kammergut and the Tyrol in Austria, walking on an average, twenty miles a day. On her return Miss McClintock became assistant dean of women and occupied the chair of modern languages at Geneva College. The grant of a year's leave of absence in 1911-1912 sent Miss McClintock again to Europe to visit places which her first trip had not covered, but especially to study, in Paris for a time, and then in Göttingen University.

Since 1912, Miss McClintock has been dean of women, a position which she has filled most successfully. Scholarship is not an unusual qualification of women teachers today, and even executive ability is becoming more and more common, but wholesomeness, breadth of view, fairness and squareness of judgment are not too common any place in men or women. The proper balance of work, relaxation, and exercise is a most difficult lesson. Here it has been mastered and her poise impresses one, probably more than any other quality. This mental and physical stability gives a fitness and vigor that knows no difficulties and combined with a sympathetic knowledge of young people, makes Miss McClintock a decided force in a college community.

ERMA ROGERS WAID, *Gamma Rho*, '03.

WITH THE GRAND COUNCIL

In the February KEY the Grand President, Mrs. Lydia V. Kolbe, and the Grand Vice-president, Miss Sarah B. Harris, sent messages to you in which they told of their part of the fraternity service. Now we hear from the Grand Secretary, the Grand Treasurer, and the Grand Registrar. Take a moment from your local chapter business, and be nationally interested.

FRATERNITY FINANCES

After guarding the purse strings of our fraternity for two years there are three questions that I have asked myself. Below I have given short answers to these queries; if *you* have other answers to these or other questions as to our finances, we shall bring them before the fraternity.

I. Are we making our money work?

A ruling of 1916 convention provides that freshman five-dollar subscriptions for THE KEY, as well as all life subscriptions of fifteen dollars, be put into THE KEY Publication Fund, the interest of which helps finance THE KEY. This fund now consists of about \$4,700. When it has grown to \$30,000, the interest thereof will finance our magazine, unless the price of paper continues to soar. This is one way we are making our money work. Take out a life subscription and allow your money to work for the fraternity.

2. Are we getting results from money expended from the national treasury?

The 1916 convention at Ithaca in a material way was worth \$3,200, but can we ever compute its worth when measured in help and inspiration which it gave three hundred Kappas? Didn't we get results from that large item of last year's expenditures?

The next largest item is the cost of publication of THE KEY, averaging \$1,200: THE KEY speaks for itself as the result gained.

The third large item is clerical assistance given five of our Grand Officers, totaling \$1,200. Would more efficiency be pro-

duced by paying a trained officer a "livable salary" whose sole interest should be to act as general secretary, editor, and official inspector, for instance. As an argument for our system, I give the sharing of responsibility and vital interest by a large number of officers, making for variety of opinion and breadth of view. As an argument for a "2 in 1" or "3 in 1" system, I give simplification of organization, saving of time and probably money; the problem here is to find the person capable of filling several offices. How do you regard these two plans?

3. What are we doing to encourage moderation in chapter expenses?

Repeated exhortation from fraternity officers, as well as from university authorities are being made to limit chapter expenses. Examples of moderation by sister chapters are encouraging the same spirit in certain chapters. And most of all the realization of the present condition of our country should make each chapter thoughtful of expenditures. The average Kappa can't afford to spend either her money or her father's in unnecessary expenditures. Wait until you have joined the alumnae to shower upon Kappa lavish amounts! Then you may have your own money to do with; then you may give it wisely and we shall accept it gladly.

A Reminder to Chapters.

KEY subscriptions with names and addresses of subscribers should be sent to the Business Manager of THE KEY.

Fifty cents from each initiation fee should be sent to Chairman of Students' Aid Fund.

Fines should be sent to the Grand Treasurer.

April taxes should be sent to the Grand Treasurer.

ADVICE TO CHAPTER TREASURERS

You have been chosen treasurer or house manager because your sisters have faith in your business ability and honesty. It is up to you to live up to your reputation; here are some pointers.

Keep your books up to date; if you should depart this life tomorrow, would your books show the amount of funds on hand? A gloomy, but possible supposition.

Make a complete report at *least* once a month in chapter meetings.

Make up deficits as soon as they are reported and pay bills promptly. Immediate payment of financial obligations is a duty and should be a matter of *pride* in chapters.

Account honestly for every penny of the funds intrusted to your keeping. Business ability is an asset, but honesty, a necessity for your position.

The excellent financial systems of Pi, Omega, Beta Lambda, Eta, Beta Zeta, Sigma, Beta Xi, and Beta Mu, have been recognized. I venture to say they will be glad to give pointers.

MARTHA WILLETS, *Grand Treasurer.*

GRAND SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Have you ever noticed that most good Kappas date time from "the last convention" instead of "the flood?" The Grand Secretary has just realized that it is now almost halfway between the time of the last convention and the next one to which we are all looking forward. The thrills of the former one are not gone until we are making plans for the coming one.

The officers of the fraternity have been extremely busy, this college year; many questions of interest and importance have been presented to us since last convention. The Grand President says that her duties are chiefly literary, and I, too, have written several hundred letters, on many and various topics. One of the most important tasks connected with my office is the instruction of petitioners, discouraging those in colleges where we do not think it wise to extend and advising those in institutions where we feel that it is for the best interests of the fraternity to at least look into the field. We do believe in judicious extension because without it we cannot be progressive. Two votes have been sent to all the chapters and alumnae Associations; one on the establishment of a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Purdue University, which was negative, and the other on the granting of a charter to a group of petitioners at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin. The Grand Council has voted on forty-one different questions, such as, the granting of special dispensation in regard to the size of chapters, on the reappointment and election of

province presidents, appointment of Grand Officers' deputies, ratification of the sums loaned by the chairman of the Students' Aid Fund, one dismissal, granting several locals the right to petition, and on other matters.

The February reports of the chapters to their province presidents are now before the council. They show that the chapters are in good condition, for the most part, and that they are working in college activities and are keeping the aim of high scholarship before them. Several chapters reported that the girls are working for the Students' Aid Fund. That is my chief enthusiasm at present. You can't realize what good fun as well as hard work you can have in raising money for this fund until you have tried it. That fund must be increased to ten thousand by 1920. Why not help? Think what it would mean if every Kappa made a dollar for that purpose!

The blanks for the yearly reports of the chapters were sent out in April, and are to be filled out and returned in May. We found many good things in last year's reports, and trust that this year will show that the chapters are even more active and progressive.

I wish to thank the corresponding secretaries and all other correspondents for their prompt attention to my letters. It is individual help in small details like this that will make our fraternity more and more efficient. Service in little things as well as in important matters should be our watchword. If a new secretary has to be elected next fall at the opening of the college year, please send her name to the council immediately upon election so that no time may be lost in forwarding mail.

At this time of national crisis, we hope that the chapters will do their part in supporting Red Cross organizations, and that they will aid in any work that their respective institutions may launch. This is a splendid opportunity to show that we are worth while.

ESTELLE M. KYLE, *Grand Secretary.*

FROM THE SPRING EXAMINER

Spring examinations! Whew! and don't we just hate that old Mrs. Leaphart!!! Yes, I can hear what you all have been saying about me, and you just ought to be ashamed of yourselves.

In our little book it says such shall be the duties of the Grand Registrar, therefore, the affliction. Truly, Kappa sisters, 'twas given in a most noble and Christian spirit, for all the while I was sending it I repeated verily unto myself, "'Tis better to give than receive."

But your day is coming for when you return them!! Oh, well, I shall die with a martyr-like spirit and you may put upon the tombstone, "She was a good ole hoss, but she's done wore out."

Here's hoping you have the loveliest of holidays and your life be filled with joy.

Will the registrar send her report with the examination papers the first week in May?

Faithfully,

MARY RODES LEAPHART, *Grand Registrar.*

EDITORIAL COMMENT

NO MORE PAPER FLOWERS

Our idea of what not to do in war time is to make paper flowers. Paper flowers to us, typify all that is imitation, cheap, useless, dusty, and inglorious. The chapter that "worked feverishly for two months making paper flowers for our dance," did not do it since a state of war was declared by our country—in justice to the chapter do we say it. Let us hope that this flower-making chapter is already working for the country's needs.

But using "paper flowers" to typify our frivolities—let us all stop making paper flowers and answer our country's call in some efficient and useful way.

We are fortunate in belonging to an organization—a compact and long-established organization—because a group can do more than well-meaning but unattached individuals. Let us join in groups with the Red Cross work in our colleges or cities; let us cultivate gardens; let us work on farms or in factories. Let us go into this war service with all our spirit. The war abroad has shown what an important part women may take. In reading histories of other wars, woman's part is never mentioned. So we have been accustomed, thoughtlessly, to think that war was only man's work, that war was only battles and marches. How different do we know it to be now!

We must help, all of us, for the better the country is organized in every department, the sooner will come that Peace that we all desire.

Remember—socks, bandages, relief funds, soil cultivation, economy in food and dress and entertainment, state and federal service, all of these. And no more paper flowers!

STUDENTS' AID FUND

One of the most practical ways of being of service just at present is to continue to increase our Students' Aid Fund. The war will make it more necessary than ever. Many college students will need help next year and for the next few years

particularly. War is the great destroyer, and always one of its victims is education. We are fortunate to have already organized a first-aid for education—our Students' Aid Fund.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STUDENTS' AID FUND SINCE SEPT. 1, 1916	
Marguerite Haag, <i>Beta Delta</i> , 1915	\$ 3.00
Convention Tips	18.35
Cleveland Alumnae Association	10.00
Denver Alumnae Association	80.41
North Shore Alumnae Association Upsilon Chapter	300.00
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Total	\$411.76

FIVE COMPLIMENTS

Beta Theta Chapter at Oklahoma University is stronger in nationalism than any of our middle western or western chapters.

Beta Delta at Michigan has the most businesslike and interesting chapter meetings.

The house-managers of Pi, California, and Omega, Kansas, are most efficient.

Beta Psi, Toronto, writes, consistently, the best chapter letters.

Upsilon and Evanston alumnae have done the best work for the Students' Aid Fund.

FIVE CRITICISMS

Chapters that are known as conservative and vote against new charters are usually ignorant of the national college world. Their pet conceit is to think their university is "the largest in the country," when by looking up statistics in their libraries they could become acquainted with the facts. Besides, size is about sixth in importance in describing a good college.

Corresponding secretaries often wait six weeks after chapter elections to notify the Grand Council. For instance, one chapter elected a new corresponding secretary on December 14. The notice was mailed on January 22—too late for the February KEY.

Corresponding secretaries often omit the name of the city when sending their addresses. They write "Mary Smith, Kappa

House" or "321 So and So." The Editor does not know all the western cities.

The chapter letters seemed very "light" this month. As you may or may not have noticed, an attempt is made to write a heading for each letter. In many cases it was hard to find a single fact told that would be interesting as a head. Sometimes we read wearily through a page of "parties," and then found one really vital and important point in the last paragraph. *Begin* your letter with your important fact so that the head will appear to have some connection with the letter as soon as you begin to read it. An important fact is some new chapter work, an interesting occupation or achievement of a member, or, more particularly, news about your college. Unimportant facts, but which may be used after your glaring first paragraph are names of new freshmen, decorations at parties, and "we entertained the alumnae as usual at a talk-fest."

One letter came to the editor recently that was wrong in every point. It was addressed to West 9th Street instead of West 94th Street; it had not the address of the sender on the envelope; it contained a check for KEY subscriptions which we have persistently told must be sent to the Business Manager, *not* to the Editor. All that is inefficiency and will never win the war for us.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SUBSCRIBING EARLY

We have a new plan. We are publishing Kappa postcards. On them will be some wise old owls and the words "THE KEY will be sent to you for one year, from——." You see? It will solve all your Christmas worries about presents for Kappas. Next Christmas you will be too busy sewing shirts for soldiers to have time to make the annual hat-pin holders and hair-receivers. Instead you will send to the Business Manager of THE KEY one dollar for each present subscription and she will send you the gift cards. You will then mail the cards to your Kappa friends. Kappa friends will then receive THE KEY all the year. Be sure to send in names and addresses of your friends for whom you subscribe.

What could be better for Christmas presents?

Or not bad for birthday presents?

A correction must be made. The very excellent paragraph quoted from a chapter letter and placed at the head of the letters in the February KEY was written by Mary Louise Noe of Kappa Chapter, Hillsdale, Michigan, not of Xi, Adrian as stated.

If we were really catty, as of course we are not, we would say that the few chapters who always vote against expansion are "a little group of willful (wo) men who represent no opinion but their own."

A new life subscriber is Mary Georgia Ross, Beta Tau, ex-'92.

Look among the advertisements in this KEY for the picture of the gift post-card.

BLACK LIST

Late letters: Sigma, Phi, Beta Pi.

Not on official paper: Sigma, Beta Psi, Beta Mu, Beta Beta, Eta.

Not double-spaced: Mu, Sigma, Gamma Alpha.

Not correctly signed: Beta Pi, Beta Omega, Psi, Sigma, Beta Upsilon, Delta, Theta, Beta Chi, Beta Eta, Beta Kappa, Eta.

Special delivery: Sigma.

Not typed: Beta Sigma, Theta.

PARTHENON

"True worth is in being, not seeming;
 In doing, each day that goes by,
 Some little good, not in the dreaming
 Of great things to do by and by."

Every fraternity man and woman hears so often the question "What does your fraternity mean to you?" It has been the subject of banquet speeches, fraternity magazine articles and fraternity discussion, for many years. But how many have ever seriously considered the question "What do you mean to your fraternity?"

**'Tis Work of Each
 That Counts**

In joining a fraternity we are undertaking a trust, which must be with each individual a personal responsibility. Unfortunately, there are always those who are merely figureheads, whose lack of executive personality is made up to some extent by the fact that they have a well-known national fraternity backing them, when they are too weak to stand alone. The sincere fraternity woman is the one who enthusiastically does her share in making her chapter a progressive unit; who does not argue, "Oh, someone else will do these things, if I do not." Yes, the chances are, someone else will do them, but that does not strengthen your character, or make you an indispensable unit of your fraternity. Besides, why should an enthusiastic few do all the work?

We college women who have studied economics have often heard the phrase "division of labor." Is there any reason why economic principles cannot be applied to fraternities, when we are unable to escape them in every other condition of life? As in socialism, the fraternity represents common ownership, if not property, at least of ideals. In an ideal state of socialism, each does his share of work, according to his ability, in order to preserve the greatest common good. Why cannot such an ideal state be realized in your chapter? Each one can do her part, whether it be in the line of athletics, rushing, literary honors, or any one of the various college activities. And we must not forget scholarship, our much-discussed friend, scholarship, whose maintenance requires the united effort of the entire chapter.

Perhaps you think that your individual work in the fraternity may be relatively unimportant; that you have so many active workers in your chapter as to make your coöperation unnecessary. Where would your chapter be if every member used the same argument? Moreover, our college life is simply a preparation for a wider field in which it is not so easy to relegate our duties to others about us. So, justify your existence in your fraternity, as you must justify it in the world. After all, the complete success of the whole is dependent on individual effort. As the saying goes, the chain is only as strong as its weakest link, but don't be forced to admit to yourself in your own heart that you are that weakest link.

GENEVIEVE PHILLIPS, *Beta Rho*.

In these days when war is imminent, we begin to wonder if we are to pass through such trying times as our Toronto sisters have been experiencing. War has seemed so remote and

**With The U. S. A.
At War**

unreal that it is difficult to realize that we are actually in a state of war with Germany.

The thousands of Kappas who live in the United States will be called upon to face the same problems which our few staunch sisters in Canada have met so bravely. Our parties and plays, which must have seemed very trifling to these sisters engaged in Red Cross work, knitting, and sewing, will give place to sterner tasks. And who shall say that the coming hardships will not develop a finer type of American manhood and womanhood? The comradeship and interest in our fellow-companions, which have been promoted by the close associations of fraternity sisterhood, will deepen and prepare us for the larger service in the world fraternity. The suffering and homeless ones in foreign countries, who have excited our pity, may be duplicated in our beloved land. We, as college women, have been trained for efficient service and, as such, it is to be hoped, will employ our talents in this new field of usefulness. Our Kappa fraternity bonds will widen into a broader kindliness. Our love for the women who wear the key will open the door to universal sympathy and we shall know "That man to man, the world o'er, shall brothers be."

DELILA S. JUDD, *Xi*.

I wonder how many times during the college year we talk about "loyalty to the fraternity" in our chapter life? Surely there is no subject that is oftener discussed or referred to than

Gossip Hinders
Soul-gain

this one, yet I wonder, too, if we actually are as loyal in spirit as this ready discussion might lead one to believe?

Should a stranger ask a Kappa to tell him of her fraternity, can't you see her face beam as she launches into minute description of its wonderful growth, its members known to fame, its great conventions, and its latest philanthropic movement? And then can't you hear her narrow her story to the achievements of her own particular chapter and its unquestioned standing in the University? Why she fairly swells with pride as she tells her story and realizes she is a part of this wonderful whole.

It is not my intention to belittle the spirit which prompts us to sing of our achievements as a fraternity. No "red blooded" Kappa could do that, but I ask you is this loyalty in its highest sense? Would the same girl, after her outburst of enthusiasm as to the virtues of her fraternity, "confidentially" criticize her sister Kappa for some trivial matter, and probably make some unkind remark about her to another sister? On the face of it the question will seem absurd, but stop and think, haven't you, at some time or other, repeated some idle gossip to one of your friends about another, not maliciously of course, but inadvertently, or haven't you thought lots of times, that this or that Kappa sister has "a frightful temper," "poor taste in dressing," or some other such thing? You may not have but if you haven't, it's my opinion that you are in the minority.

Girls, that isn't loyalty. Of course you'll stand by your fraternity sisters in a conflict with another fraternity; of course you know Kappa ranks high nationally; and of course you are proud of your chapter's standing. But if you are hypercritical of your sisters, if you are casually talking about each other "confidentially," then your loyalty is built on shaky ground and is scarcely more than a flimsy pretext!

To my mind fraternity membership should bring about one result if it is to justify its existence. It is an intangible something that I would call "soul-gain"—the outgrowth of true loyalty. The one material of this "soul-gain" I would say is the

ability to see the best in one's fellow-man, and to shun the three greatest pitfalls in college life where one is so intimately associated with so many others, gossip, criticism, and superficiality. It is so easy to be the victim of any one of the three where so many girls live together and if fraternity life can exclude these things, it will not have failed in its highest calling.

Let us be loyal to Kappa, but first of all let us be loyal to each other and give our souls a chance to grow "true blue."

ANITA D. CRABBE, *Beta Chi*.

Kappa has come to mean to all of us something fine and noble, something far better than the everyday run of things and a goal and ideal to put far ahead of us. But we often fall into the habit

Daily, Not Occasional Ideals

of practicing and considering Kappa ideals only in fraternity meeting or on fraternity occasion like banquets and alumnae meetings.

This is not the way Kappa should be considered. Kappa is a live, pulsing influence that is meant to be used daily instead of occasionally, that should be infused into our every action and should affect each thought. In our relations with each other and with strangers, the motto of Kappa should play an important part and temper our attitude, broaden our views, and urge us toward a wider and kinder feeling of kinship and sympathy with all the world.

To use Kappa standards actively we do not talk about our fraternity, its ideals, and perfections or how earnestly we are seeking to follow it. Let it be a thing of the heart to be thought on and silently followed. When we attain this period in our lives, we are true Kappas and fulfil the highest ideals of our fraternity, when Kappa does not mean a golden key or a knowledge of the songs or chapters. Then we are heart-whole members, having overcome our trials and attained to Kappa's last degree. We cannot do it in a day, a week, or a year, but it is a struggle to continue all through our lives, when college days are past, and to urge us forever to the most perfect in womanhood and life.

KATHLEEN STANLEY, *Delta*.

Not long ago I was on a committee to nominate the president of Y. W. C. A. An inquiry about the fraternity affiliations of one of the girls mentioned brought forth this most significant **Don't Hide** remark, "I happen to know that she's a——, **Behind** but she's the sort that you don't have to look **Your Key** behind her pin to find." I wonder how many keys are so big that they hide the girls behind them. In universities such as Texas where fraternities are on the ragged edge of destruction, we have been forced to face the real objections to the fraternity system, to find a definite, tangible justification for ourselves. I wonder if fraternities in other places have found themselves publicity agents for their members, political machines to push their candidates, sometimes perilously near, regardless of their worth. Has it been the object of your fraternities, to fill up the publication board, student offices, and big dances just because "we must be prominent." Do people think of a personality or a fraternal organization when one of your girls is mentioned? Are you willing for Kappa Kappa Gamma as a fraternity to retire from the limelight to take its permanent abode in the hearts of girls? Are you willing to use your key simply as a symbol of deep true friendships and ideals and not as a letter of recommendation? That is what some of the more thoughtful fraternity people have had to face at the University of Texas. It has not been attained, but it is woefully needed, and surely it is possible for the fraternity to assume toward the life of the girl in college the relation of a home, inconspicuous to outsiders but deep and vital and significant.

RUTH POTTS, *Beta Xi*.

The real but intangible debts every Kappa owes to her fraternity are universally conceded to be manifold. Simply by becoming a Kappa, a girl at once possesses a score of truly **Our Debts** devoted friends, who take her for better or worse. **of Honor** The self-confidence engendered by their approbation and backing is her greatest asset. Initiative, power, and potential leadership are developed. Through her interest in the different chapters of her own fraternity, her outlook is broader than the bounds of her own college. The local alumnae of a chapter are the greatest value to the fraternity girl.

From intimate association with these older, more experienced women she derives great and enduring good.

There are attached to these benefits, corresponding obligations, which every Kappa is honor-bound to meet. There is the ever-present duty of performing the tasks assigned to a girl in fraternity, and of performing them not merely cheerfully but gladly, as a matter of course. To each of her sisters she owes the loyalty and encouragement which means so much. To the alumnae of her chapter she owes love and gratitude and consideration, in full and unstinted measure. She owes to her college some return for the qualities of leadership that have been fostered in her. She can pay this debt by rendering the service she has been fitted for. She must keep the tryst, not only with Kappa but with her college. As she serves her college she honors herself and her fraternity.

GWENDOLEN LANGFITT COLLIER, *Beta Upsilon*.

High up on the seventh floor of the hospital which is owned by the medical college of the state university of Iowa is a big roof-garden, and a modern orthopedic gymnasium, devoted to the crippled and otherwise afflicted children of the state, who are there for treatment.

Iowa's Work with Crippled Children

The Perkins Law, which went into effect July 1, 1915, provides for treatment at the state's expense of all children under sixteen who suffer from some deformity or malady which will yield to correct surgical and medical treatment and care, but whose parents are not financially able to secure it.

A court hearing is held upon a proper request, then, through the court, a local physician is authorized to make an examination. If, in his opinion, the case will yield to treatment, the consent of the parents or guardian is obtained, and the child is committed to the hospital where one of the most skillful orthopedic surgeons in the country begins his wonderful work.

The children are housed on the fourth and fifth floors of the new west wing and are taken to the seventh for their studies and gymnastic exercises. Medical, mechanical apparatus, and Zander machines are distributed around the room, a quarter circle with weights, a wrist roll, an apparatus for curvature of the spine, and many minor contrivances all of which are used

to develop and educate weakened muscles and to straighten and limber up contracted joints.

Provision is also made for the education and mental development of the children. A kindergarten is in full sway and classes up to the eighth grade are held daily. Much of the work of teaching the youngsters is being done by students in the university, three of whom are Kappas.

The open part of the roof-garden is used by the children as a playground, and whether they are at work or play there is no gloom around them. Some have faces momentarily drawn with pain, others frightful deformities, many cannot walk, but always the spirit of happiness prevails.

In the past eighteen months nearly nine hundred children have been treated. All have been benefited and many cured. To some, sight has been restored, for others, deformities corrected, and many who were thought hopeless cripples have run swiftly to meet their parents when the time came to go home.

Everyone has responded generously to the appeals for toys, books, and clothing, and some day we hope to have a complete children's library. Many of the children are in the hospital months at a time and days are less long if books are available.

The results of the Perkins Law have been so satisfactory to the people of Iowa that a building devoted to this work alone is now being planned by the legislature.

DOROTHY MUSSER, *Beta Zeta*.

In Memoriam

JULIETTE GENÈVE HOLLENBACK, *Beta Sigma*

I last saw Juliette standing in the sunshine on that peaceful summer Sunday afternoon at the end of last convention week. She was waving goodbye to us as our train left the station at Glen Summit, where she had parted from us to go to her country home there. It was a goodbye after a week of perfect joy, of friendships, of fun, happiness, youth, and health.



Then in September came the word that she was ill. And in January we went to her Brooklyn home in sorrow, and she was lying there, so still, among the pink flowers.

When we left that day, we walked for a long time without talking, another Kappa and I. Our hearts were broken. Then we tried to talk about her and as we went back through the Kappa memories of more than ten years, we found that she had had something to do with every joyful, every happy memory we had. And somehow it comforted us to talk about her and recall our house parties with her, and her never-failing spirit and her humor and her fineness. For Juliette has left us a heritage of joy. I shall always see her standing in the sunshine.

She was a senior and President of Students when I entered Adelphi. Hers was my first greeting at college. We all worked together then for four years for a Kappa charter, Juliette leading us in every plan, even when she had been graduated. She was the first of the charter members in May, 1905, to receive the key.

Many of you knew her when she was Grand Registrar from 1910-1912, elected because of her great popularity at convention and her fitness for fraternity duties. She attended every convention since 1906.

She had many other duties, too. She was President of the Board of Directors of the Willoughby Settlement in Brooklyn, which took up a great part of her time. She belonged to the Woodman Choral Club of Brooklyn.

But she always gave her time and herself to her Beta Sigma Chapter, and to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Our song "Kappa All Hail to Thee" will have a new meaning for us now. Juliette wrote it. There seems a message from her to us in every line.

Kappa all hail to thee
 Thy praise we sound,
 Thy daughters honor thee
 The wide world round.
 Fair may thy records be
 In chapters yet untold
 Lofty thy standards as in days of old.

Our part shall ever be
 Forward to press,
 To bear thy banners on
 Through storm or stress.
 Strong in our unity
 We fear no darker day,
 Truth like a beacon fire shall light our way.

K. T. M.

WHEREAS, Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity has lost, through the death of Juliette Genève Hollenback, one of its loyal and most beloved members, and

WHEREAS, she served the fraternity faithfully as Grand Registrar from 1910-1912, and

WHEREAS, Every member of Beta Sigma Chapter is saddened by her loss and sympathizes with her family in their bereavement, therefore be it

Resolved; That we, the members of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity express our deep sorrow at the untimely death of Juliette Hollenbeck, our true friend and our faithful fraternity sister. Be it further

Resolved; that we extend to her mother, father, and sisters our heartfelt sympathy. And be it further

Resolved; that these resolutions be published in *THE KEY*, and that a copy of them be sent to her family.

Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity.

By the Grand Council and the Beta Sigma Chapter.

JULIA THOMPSON DAVIS, *Chi*

It is with deep sorrow that we record the death of Julia Thompson Davis, who passed away January 2, 1917.

"None knew her but to love her,
None named her but to praise."

These lines seemed surely to have been written of her, for her sweet womanliness endeared her to all our hearts. She was ever ready to do her share of the work of our many activities and wherever we turn we shall miss her.

Yet the beauty of her home life, the graciousness of her hospitality, her faithfulness in discharging her duties to her fraternity, her church, and the community, and her friendliness toward all will ever be a precious memory to us. The sadness that is inevitable at such a time is mixed with a feeling of thankfulness for the life that has been lived amongst us so sweetly and simply. We shall always be glad that she was our friend.

MINNESOTA ALUMNAE.

BERNICE KIDDER GREEN, *Epsilon*

Bernice Kidder Green died at Bloomington, Illinois, on Wednesday, February 28, 1917, after an operation for appendicitis, following several months of illness. She was initiated into Epsilon Chapter in 1906.

She was a talented musician. Her life was ruled by high ideals and ambitions which often exceeded her strength. Her lovable and cheerful nature and devotion to every cause which she undertook endeared her not only to her Kappa sisters but to all with whom she came in contact.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ALUMNAE.

CLARA NAFFZIGER HARRISON, *Epsilon*

Clara Naffziger, Epsilon, '06, died January 10 at Moccasin, Illinois. She and her husband had gone to Moccasin to attend the funeral of her father-in-law, and while there she contracted a cold which rapidly developed into pneumonia, death following in a few days. She was taken to her home in Dwight, Illinois, for burial. During the short time Mrs. Harrison was an active member of Epsilon Chapter, she endeared herself to all her sisters in Kappa, and the death of a young woman whose life

was so thoroughly devoted to the good and the beautiful is regretted by all.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ALUMNAE.

MARY K. JAMES, *Beta Zeta*

It is with the deepest regret that the Los Angeles Alumnae Association announces the sudden death of Miss Mary K. James, one of its most-loved and valued members.

Miss James was from Beta Zeta Chapter and has for many years been actively associated with this alumnae chapter. She had the happy faculty of making everyone her friend, and for that reason she is dreadfully missed by our entire chapter.

Miss James was connected with the California Reform School for Girls, and had as her especial work the placing and the supervision of the girls after they left the institution. In this capacity she was so capable, as well as so sincere and sympathetic, that she will be a great loss to the state, and to many a poor girl whom she was helping to find a place in this world.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNAE.

RITA STEWART WILSON, *Beta Zeta*

On Friday, March 2, we of Beta Zeta Chapter lost one of our most loyal sisters and workers in a very, very sad way. Rita Stewart Wilson, who entered the chapter in 1893, was run over and instantly killed by an automobile when she was crossing a street just one block from her home. We have lost a loyal friend and an enthusiastic Kappa; one who not only confined her interests to the alumnae chapter, but who always kept in touch with the active chapter and was greatly loved by the younger girls. Rita attended, in her freshman year, the 1914 convention in Estes Park, Colorado. She was full of life and our alumnae chapter will feel sadly the loss of so dear and loyal a sister.

SADIE NESS FORD, *Iowa City Club*.

JULIA DOWLER FUELHART, *Gamma Rho*

The death of Mrs. Charles Fuelhart, of Gamma Rho, occurred at her home in Tidioute, February 12, 1917. Mrs. Fuelhart, who was Miss Julia Dowler, was initiated October 1, 1904.

All the Kappas who knew her hold her memory very dear.

MARION MILLER, *Registrar*.

Laura Wood Coons, *Chi*

August 1, 1890—June 3, 1916.

Initiated into Chi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, October 13, 1909.

Two years ago, on April 17, 1915, a unit of forty nurses sailed from New York for the French front. Among them was a young nurse of rare ability, Laura Wood Coons, a graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital of New York City. For several months she served in the hospital at La Panne as one of the three nurses chosen to assist in the operating room. From her room at night she could see the bright glare from the firing lines. More worn than she realized by the work she had gone through, she returned to New York and died there after a few days illness, on June 3, 1916, only a few weeks before the day set for her wedding.

CHAPTER LETTERS

No chapter letters received from: *Clare Shenehon, Chi.*
Lucille Easton, Lambda. **Anne Wharton, Pi.*

*Third consecutive offense. Chapter please elect new KEY correspondent.

Next letter due September 1.

ALPHA PROVINCE

WAR WORK BEGUN IN CITY OF "MINUTE MEN"

Phi, Boston University

Time for another chapter letter, the last one for this year! Yes, "tempus" certainly does, in Boston, anyway. Because of the alumnae letters of the last KEY, I am going back to January and initiation first. It was at Beatrice Woodman's house in Newton, and the whole neighborhood surely knew something was happening, for Beatrice had tied blue and blue on the bushes from the car line to the house, as a guide for the guests who did not know the way. We initiated Katherine Sullivan, Frances Lowden, and Harriet Woodman. I will not make that remark about quality and quantity, but I am thinking it pretty hard. In the evening we had the initiation banquet at Hotel Vendome.

We have had two teas for our alumnae, the first for the classes '82 to '92, and the second from '92 to '02. Our next tea is to be a Fathers' and Mothers' affair, and then in May comes the last for the alumnae, '02 to '16.

On March 18 at the chapter-rooms, a shower was given by the class of 1914 for Virginia Thompson and May Lowden.

The mails have brought us interesting news from Port Elizabeth, South Africa. Mrs. Emma Fall Schoffield, '05, announces the birth of a son, Parker Fall, on February 4, 1917. The local newspapers in their "It Is Said" gossip columns have made remarks about "The Little African Dodger," who, they say, can never be president of the United States, but that doesn't worry us half so much as the fact that he can never be a "Kappa" unless by marriage, which is rather anticipated, I will admit. The U-boats are hovering about the Port Elizabeth Harbor, and we don't know when the Schoffields will be back in this country.

Our formal dance came on February 21, at River Bank Court, Cambridge, with Mrs. Richard Cox, ex-'12, one of the chaperons. Even the stern-looking Puritans whose pictures were arranged round the hall looked less severe during the evening, and I almost caught one of the old fellows making eyes at—well, I will not say who, but she is a perfectly good Kappa, and not the least bit flirtatious.

Harriet Woodman, Marjorie Colton, and Elsie Woodland are in the Glee Club this year. Marjorie was one of the soloists at the annual concert, and Elsie, in a humorous encore, made a prancing patrol wagon

stead. At the annual Klatsch, a university night, oriental in form this year, Harriet and Marjorie were two of the three little bobbing Japanese maids in the song from the *Mikado*. Priscilla Fairfield was senior hostess that night.

Julia Holteen has an important part in the junior play, a coming event. Ruth Danforth is vice-president of the senior class, and as the president is always a man, we are proud of Ruth's exalted position.

Nursing seems to be a popular profession with us this year. Pauline Dorion, ex-'16, is training at the Massachusetts General Hospital. She was glad to find there another girl wearing a key, Alice Romanx of Sigma. Mildred Freeman is training at the Homeopathic Hospital in Boston.

Marjorie Coles, ex-'19, who left College at Christmas time because of sickness is visiting in Cleveland. She writes us of Kappa luncheons and teas until we think that Kappa Kappa Gamma life in Cleveland must be gastronomic, to say the least.

At a recent meeting we were intensely interested in hearing Mrs. Deering, a Kappa missionary from Japan, tell us of her life there.

We have two school ma'ams, neither staid nor sedate, however; Priscilla is substituting in the Maynard High School, and Eleanor Brackett, '19, is teaching French in the Newton High School. The French Department there is of an extremely high standard, and we are proud of Eleanor's achievement.

American Red Cross Work is taking our spare moments now, and talk of "What Can You Do for Your Country," is awakening us to our responsibilities. The present crisis cannot fail to move us. Whatever comes, we know that Kappa women can be counted on to do their share the country over, from Phi to Pi.

Elsie Woodland, '18, was elected president of Y. W. C. A. for next year. Frances A. Miller, '17, is statistician for the senior class and Priscilla Fairfield, '17, valedictorian.

OLIVE P. KIRSCHNER.

MARY FEELS THE CALL OF SPRING

Beta Sigma, Adelphi College

Greetings! It seems a long time since I wrote my last letter to you, although it is really only a few months. One thing is different today, however, and it is that today I must control this mad desire of mine to rush out of the house into the outside world of sunshine and breezes, whereas before no such weather tempted me. Perhaps it is the spring. Anyway, it is one glorious day. And now, no matter how sadly, I must leave the topic of the weather.

Last night we had initiation. We initiated our pledges out in Flatbush at the home of Mrs. Schulze, and here let me say that we all fell in love with her dear little home, with its little white front door and the

invitingly bright old-fashioned knocker, its jolly open fireplace with two solemn black owls with large yellow eyes for andirons (how we should have like to have seen the firelight play on their sun-kissed orbs!) and the dearest little Kappa baby—O, well, you know how dear Kappa babies are. We had a very exciting time with one of our pledges, Ruth Lenfest, since we only prevailed upon father at the last moment (father was objecting to more social duties), and she was pledged, took her examinations, and was initiated all on the same day. After dinner we sang all the Kappa songs we could think of, insisted that the new Kappas show their genius right on the spot (seeing that fraternity, K K I, Fluor-de-lis, etc. all rhyme so nicely). Clara entertained us in her inimitable way, and when we formed the Mystic Circle, there were three more Kappas among us, Edna McNeill, Gladys Vorsanger, and Ruth Lenfest.

The Tri Deltas gave us a supper last Wednesday. I am told there was much fun at our expense during the Easteregg hunt, but I didn't get there early enough to contribute to the general hilarity. I was sorry that our "Howling Sports" were not there to perform as they did when we gave a rushing party to our alumnae (that is a very good idea, by the way, if some of your alumnae are backward about coming forward).

And now I've said all there is to be said except that we are going to make the most of our ten days' vacation, and have already begun discussing cherry trees and a house party. Here's wishing you all many days as lovely as this.

MARY O. RANOUS.

FOOD RESTRICTION NEEDED HERE

Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania

Beta Alpha's final rushing party was held at the home of Martha Shoemaker on February 10. The active chapter and eight freshmen were the guests of the Philadelphia alumnae. There were about fifty-two people at this progressive dinner and if you have any doubts as to the size of Philadelphia Kappa appetites, just ask Mart Shoemaker how many restaurants she could run on the amount of food we consumed.

The week following was the last week of rushing and great was the perplexity of Kappy and Gammy (our goldfish) at the strange, unusual events of that week. By the time Friday night came the piano and the dishpan were almost the only things in the rooms that weren't worn to a frazzle.

We have led "gracefully" up to the point where we wish to introduce our freshmen; but such has been the criticism of "raving" over the "best freshmen ever taken in" that we are chilled to the bone at the mere thought of an adjective.

So we will simply say that on February 16, Beta Alpha bid, on February 23 Beta Alpha pledged, and March 3 Beta Alpha initiated Anna Bucher, Marion Butts, Gevena Groth, Emily Haydock, Rheva Ott, and Rebecca

Townsend. We refrain from description only to save our lives; but if you want to see what we look for in a new-pledged K K Γ as much as we want you to, you'll come around sometime soon to see us.

JESSIE T. McCULLOCH.

WANTED: A MILLION DOLLARS

Beta Iota, Swarthmore College

We have just come from our last meeting until after spring vacation which commences March 23. Lydia Biddle, one of our charter members, was with us. This is the second time she has visited us since Christmas and we hope her visits will continue. I often wonder if the charter members and the alumnae know how much the girls appreciate their visits. I hope they do, and that they will come very often.

This meeting was the first for Mae Shallcross. Mae entered college in February and was initiated Friday, March 16.

Nora Waln, '19, has left college and accepted a position on the staff of the *Philadelphia North American*. She also has many articles in *Good Housekeeping*. Nora is quite a literary genius, and while in college she wrote many articles for various newspapers. We certainly are proud of her.

The girls' interclass gymnasium meet was held today, March 22. Elsie Sinzheimer, '17, won first place and Isabel Briggs, '19, won second place. At the freshman gymnasium meet, Hope Richardson won second place and was awarded a silver cup.

The largest single thing that Swarthmore College has ever undertaken to do is to raise one million dollars by June, 1919. This is called the "Endowment Fund" and in order to continue as a college of the first rank it is absolutely necessary that she be endowed with such a sum. Instead of having our annual Kappa spring dance we have given that money to the Endowment Fund.

Beta Iota sends greetings and best wishes to all other Kappas.

RUTH KISTLER.

BETA PROVINCE

PATRIOTISM AT CORNELL

Psi, Cornell University

Spring has come again to Ithaca as it never comes, I'm sure, to any other place. The trees are budding, here and there specks of green can be seen popping up from the brown earth. But most wonderful of all are the robins of all description, fat, thin, round, all busy making their nests. They are not the only ones who would like to make nests. There are some twenty robins in Psi who would like to make a nest for their young pledges next year, but can't—you ask why not? We have tried—tried diligently all year, but due to the high prices and rents in Ithaca, due

to financial reasons, we have not succeeded this year. We have hopes, however, and have started a house fund, which we hope will increase rapidly. So won't you all try to contribute just a little? You can't imagine how happy we should be to receive ever so tiny a bit.

Cornell has been enjoying a series of concerts this past winter. May Peterson, soprano, and Percy Granger, pianist, were here February 23. Beside we have had the splendid opportunity to listen to Amato, Mischa Elman, the New York Symphony Orchestra, and Evan Williams.

Thursday, March 22, we gave a tea. There were a number of guests invited, but the most important event of it all was the surprise birthday cake we had for sister Gertrude Thilly. That practically turned the tea into a birthday party.

Cornell at present is under a vigorous Red Cross campaign. There is scarcely a person on the campus who does not wear a red cross button. The girls of the university have joined the unit in town, and are attending dietetic and nursing classes. The men have formed an ambulance corps unit. Only twenty-two were needed but so far twenty-six have registered. Seventeen hundred men are drilling on the campus.

Billy Sunday honored Cornell last week. At first he was to speak to the men alone, but after petitioning he condescended to speak to us. Before the service we sang *Brighten the Corner* and now it is the leading campus song. The law college assembles between classes and has a regular song-fest each day.

Last but not least, we have pledged another girl, Margaret Smith. Perhaps some of you may know her sister, Eleanor, who was a Kappa at Adelphi.

FREIDA SCHOEFFLER.

O KUTEY! A KAPPA KUT-UP!

Beta Tau, Syracuse University

"Don't forget minstrel practice" is the constant warning we hear these days. You see we are practicing for a Kappa Kut-up to be given Friday, March 30. Everyone in the chapter is included in the performance. The purpose is to raise money enough to send several delegates to Silver Bay. We expect to have an early and a late show to accommodate all the alumnae and their friends.

Early in January, Gladys Eldrett, '17, announced her engagement to Claude Bush. Several weeks later, Anne Veard, ex-'19, announced hers to Alfred V. Wright, '17. Mr. Wright is a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity. Anne is attending the Boston School of Physical Education this year, and was here for a short vacation.

We held initiation March 2, and banquet the following evening. Our new Kappas are: Carol Bozovsky, Helen Burns, Caroline Blake, Genevieve Cook, Florence Eddy, Louise Morris, Margaret Norris, Marian Newell, and Martha Watt.

Marguerite Wood, '19, won second prize—fifteen dollars in gold—in the annual sophomore women's speaking contest on March 20.

The Syracuse Panhellenic Association has adopted a new plan of interfraternity visiting this year. Every three weeks each chapter entertains two members from another fraternity or a dormitory. The system has worked out very successfully in promoting a friendly spirit among all college women.

But our most exciting bit of news is the burglar escapade. We have had a real live burglar, and he stole a number of our chaperon's jewels. Can you imagine the thrills that we experienced when two detectives came to work on the case?

We have completely recovered from our fears now, and we are all counting the days until our Easter vacation comes.

HELEN ROSS.

GIRLS WILL REPLACE MEN ON FARMS

Beta Psi, University of Toronto

And so the time has come to write my last letter to THE KEY. If I felt at all inclined to moralize, I should now have an excellent opportunity to make use of that time-worn subject—the passing of time. Indeed, I can only realize that another year has almost passed away when the examination time-table adorning the opposite wall meets my distracted gaze.

Beta Psi is hard at work; the self-imposed thirty hours of compulsory study per week do not satisfy our ambition, for we see in our mind's eye that silver cup which is to be presented to the Kappa who studies most diligently and gains the highest percentage in the examinations. It is certainly a satisfactory method of promoting scholarship, to say nothing of developing will power.

As the last letter was for the alumnae number of THE KEY, this is the first opportunity that I have had to announce the joyful tidings. Beta Psi at last rejoices in a chapter-room! Those of you who have been used to chapter-houses all your fraternity lives may not understand the satisfied complacency that filled our hearts at our first meeting, nor the joy that prevented our tired arms from aching as Kal, Marge, and I carried down the archives chest, after the shades of night had fallen! By the way, last year, the dignified expression "archives" used to provoke a smile of amusement as we thought of our tin cake-box; this year, however, we feel quite proud of ourselves as we think of the mahogany chest, carved and presented by Gladys Burns, one of our alumnae.

The chapter-room is not far from Annesley Hall, and is in a house that may be old, but is, nevertheless, quaintly picturesque. In spite of any little imperfections, we have grown to love it and shall cherish the memory of all the good times we have had there. One day we gave an afternoon tea for all the graduates in the city, and I am sure that the daffodils and the dim light of the candles added a charm to the dear old place. Another

day the juniors took upon themselves the honor of inviting the seniors to supper, and I am sure that they all enjoyed it, although the guests did arrive long before the culinary operations had been completed. Never can I forget the warbling of those Kappa songs, especially when rendered by the "Whizz-bangs," Helen and Von, who fascinated us with their stentorian tones.

Oh, yes! We shall soon be "Kappas known to fame" in the dramatic world, I have no doubt! The Whizz-bangs belong to the dramatic club which staged *A School for Scandal* this year. Helen played the rôle of Rowley admirably; and I can testify that Von who, by the way, rooms next door to me, and who took the part of a most efficient servant, diligently practiced the exact tone of voice in which to announce "Mr. Surface." Then, too, the girls of class 1918 distinguished themselves in *Everywoman*, and at the same time did their bit for patriotic purposes. Two of us Kappas appeared behind the footlights, one as "Old Age" and the other as "Conscience."

Our college has been steadily doing Red Cross work, and in spite of dramatics, hockey, and limitless study,* has raised six hundred and fifty dollars, knitted five hundred fifty pairs of socks, and sent six hundred fifty boxes overseas. Many of the girls have arranged to pick fruit during the summer as the farmers find it impossible to procure sufficient help. But between examinations and the joys and aches of berry-picking, comes the much-needed relaxation of house party, bringing joy to the hearts of those who are able to be there, and regret to the hearts of those who have to miss it.

Greetings and good luck in the examinations to all Kappas.

ELEANOR MEWS.

ESKIMO ESKIPADES

Beta Beta, St. Lawrence University

Our new president is continually telling us that we live in the "Northland." He has so imbued us with the "Spirit of the Northland," that it was quite out of fashion for a girl to receive callers. Snow-shoe parties and other Eskimau escapades were the vogue all winter at St. Lawrence.

Some are born to be literary lights, but others have it thrust upon them. Four of our girls had such distinction thrust upon them, but I dare not say they all were geniuses, for they might chance to read THE KEY. They were elected to membership in the Gaines Literary Society, a club which is chosen from the men and women who show unusual ability and maintain a high standard of work in English Literature courses.

Of course, it would be foolish for all of us to seek literary fame, so some of our girls chose to make their reputation along quite different lines. Our triple trio sang a few Shakespearean compositions at a public

entertainment given by the Women's Library Association of Canton. And our song-director has been elected president of the Girls' Choral Society in college.

St. Lawrence is trying to earn money enough to build a new gymnasium. We hire the moving-picture theater for a night, we give dances, and sell candy. Whether the "Gym Fund" coffers are over-flowing or not, we do not know, but we are certainly having a good time filling them.

Our joyful spirits met with a fatal blow, however, when we had to part with our spring cheques on Pay-up Day. Every student received an itemized account of his debts and was requested to "remit." Hence the appearance of a new meteorological element, namely, the St. Lawrence Sigh, which presents the destructive characteristics of a tornado, sweeping away all our earthly possessions.

The other night the junior girls entertained the chapter with a real, darky minstrel show. Among other choice selections they sang a song to the seniors which they send to all the Kappa girls of 1917, with their best wishes for success in the wide, wide, world. The tune is *My Lonely Lola Lo*.

Heah de lil Bluebirds singin' out a tune,
 Kappa Bluebirds!
 Pahtin' time foh yo, dey say, is comin' soon,
 Kappa Bluebirds!
 Yoh sistahs lub yoh so;
 Dey'll miss yoh w'en yoh go;
 Listen, honey chile,
 To de Bluebirds awhile.

Chorus:

Eberywheah beneath de sky yoh roam
 Though yoh think dat yoh ah all alone
 Dere's a place yoh can come back,
 Oh come back, if yoh lak,
 Back to yoh Kappa home!
 Kappa sistahs always waitin' heah;
 Dey will welcome yoh with lub an' cheah;
 Dey want yoh evah in joy or woe;
 They nevah will let yoh go;
 An' nothin' can paht
 De lub in yoh haht
 Foh yo happy Kappa home.

—ELIZABETH R. ROOP.

GAMMA PROVINCE HULINGS HALL RED CROSS UNIT

Gamma Rho, Allegheny College

We of Gamma Rho were fortunate indeed in having both Mrs. Kolbe, our Grand President, and Miss McClintock, our Province President, with us for our initiation, February 10. At this time our six freshmen, Marguerite Diefenderfer, Frances Green, Jean Plummer, Edith Potter, Gladys Raymond, and Helen Thoburn were initiated. On Friday, February 9, we had a reception for Mrs. Kolbe at the home of Lucille Richards, to which the faculty ladies, the mothers of the town Kappas, and all the other senior girls were invited. That evening we had our annual freshman party at Helen Downing's and were delightfully entertained by the clever stunts of the freshmen.

Two of our freshmen, Helen Thoburn and Edith Potter, have been elected to membership in the Girls' Glee Club.

The local chapter of Alpha Chi Omega has been giving an interesting series of parties and masquerades, the girls from each class entertaining all the other girls of the same class.

The Allegheny students have recently decided to adopt the student senate. Constitutions providing for two senates, one for the men and one for the women, have been passed upon by the student body and are now up for consideration by the faculty.

The Allegheny girls are trying to arouse a greater interest in debate and oratory among the college women. Class debating teams are being organized, and a series of interclass debates is to be held this spring.

The girls here are also taking an active interest in Red Cross work. Under the supervision of the local Preparedness League the students are organizing for first aid work and will be known as the Hulings Hall unit.

ESTHER L. EMERY.

ALUMNA WON EUROPEAN SCHOLARSHIP

Beta Upsilon, West Virginia University

We initiated our new little sisters March 17. It suffices to say that they make as worthy Kappas as we prophesied they would when we put the Sigma in Delta pin on them. The initiates are Murel Mayfield, Effie Anderson, Mary Williams, Anagrace Cochran, and Dorothy Kimmel. A number of "old girls" came back for initiation, which was especially lovely. We had ideal rooms for it in the Masonic Temple. The banquet afterward was verdantly St. Patrick and breezily informal. Between the courses we danced, and at the end of the banquet, instead of the usual toasts, there were original and funny "stunts."

Initiation left Isabel Kimmel, our new pledge, our only one. She entered the university the second semester. At the beginning of the second semester we gave several small parties. One of them, at Anagrace Cochran's

was for our alumnae. It produced the proper "get-together" spirit. We romped through a frolicsome "kid party" at Virginia Brown's. We tried to be childish and dress the part. The success which attended some efforts was startling. Effie Anderson was the most surprising child of all, for she correctly impersonated a little "pickaninny."

The vital issue with us at present is whether we are to have a fraternity house or not. We have a most desirable chaperon, the Dean of Women approves of our plan, crowded conditions in Morgantown almost necessitate it, and, of course, we are frantic to live in a home of our own. The "powers higher up" have just given their consent so there is much rejoicing. Next fall we stand a good chance of living in a Kappa house built of more durable stuff than dreams.

It goes without saying that our alumnae are striving as hard as we are for the house. Their efforts, encouragement, and influence are of incalculable aid to us. In order to help us more, and to work together they have formed a Kappa alumnae club, of which Margaret Buchannon is president.

A great honor has come to this chapter through an alumna, Bird Turner, who is taking postgraduate work at Bryn Mawr. She has been awarded the President's European Fellowship, which entitles her to a year's study at a European university. It is one of the two fellowships given to graduate students.

Much dimmer glory shines upon Virginia Brown, Elizabeth Goucher, and Gwendolen Collier, for they have "made" the dramatic club and will appear in the play *Fanny and the Servant Problem* which will be given commencement week. Nell Prichard, already a member of the club, will be in the play also. Gwendolen Collier has been elected vice-president of Y. W. C. A.

GWENDOLEN LONGFITT COLLIER.

DOES GODSON BUY TOYS OR CIGARS?

Beta Nu, Ohio State University

It has been so long since our last letter and much has happened. In the first place, five more of our girls are wearing the golden key. The second initiation services held in our chapter-rooms took place February 17, when Helen Smith, Marian Lerch, Lana White, Mary Frances Moore, and Margaret Heinlein swore allegiance to the blue and blue. Dorothy Bergin, freshman Arts, now wears Sigma in Delta having been pledged February 6. We all rejoice in our new members who have come to be bound to us in closer friendship than ever before through the bonds of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Beta Nu has had no big "formal" this winter. Before Christmas there was a relief campaign started by the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. for the relief of student soldiers in Europe who are now in prison camps. We gave the money which would have been spent for pleasure to the campaign fund, which gave us all pleasure.

One of the biggest things that has happened since our last letter is the acquiring of a new Woman's Building on the campus through the efforts of the girls' student council. The president of this governing body is a Kappa, Olga Elifritz, and it was through her direction and management that the appropriation for the building was obtained. Not only Kappas, but fifteen hundred other girls of the university are proud of her.

I almost forgot to tell you about our godson. Yes, indeed, we have a real marquis for a godson. We send him some pin money every month, and all the girls who can write in French send him letters as often as possible. One of the French professors of the university was in France last summer in the ambulance service and knew our godson. He says he is very interesting as indeed his letters show. It is quite a new and pleasant experience for us all to be godmothers.

Frances Mills and Elma Hamilton are to appear soon in the Spanish play to be given in the chapel, while several other girls have gained membership in the French Club. Elizabeth Towt won a gymnasium "A" for efficiency in gymnasium work of all kinds.

The new songbooks have just been received, and we are all so pleased with them and expect to have many happy times singing to K K T.

We are enjoying our new chapter-rooms more and more. All the meetings are held there now instead of at the different houses. During the soldiers'-relief campaign the girls served lunches in the rooms to add a little extra to our pledge. We expect to entertain our mothers at tea sometime soon. A Panhellenic dance has also been planned for the near future.

The intramural contests are to take place this Saturday.

Easter greetings to you all from Beta Nu.

HARRIET DAY.

MRS. KOLBE GUEST AT INITIATION

Beta Rho, Cincinnati University

The winter has gone so fast here at the university, with all sorts of festivities and work, that we can scarcely realize the year is so nearly over. But, as we look back, we find the most important event in Beta Rho's life, since we wrote to you last, was initiation. And it was more lovely and impressive than usual, for we had with us Mrs. Kolbe, who was here on her way home from Florida. We are happy to introduce to you, four splendid girls, who are wearing bright, new Kappa keys: Georgia Streitman, Ruth Punshion, Lorna Kruse, and Ruth Stuart. After initiation there was our annual banquet at the Hotel Gibson, with an accompaniment of Kappa songs, candle light, flowers, and lovely little talks. Mrs. Kolbe spoke last, bringing us news of Kappas everywhere, and much inspiration. Dorcas Leashman and Marian Tinsley, from Beta Nu, were with us at the banquet, and the dance which followed, and concluded a full, happy day. We have seven pledges: Lucy Lees Ford, Louise Hall, Dorothy Hall,

Helen Linnard, Mildred Le Sourd, Janet Striker, and Lois Taylor, whom we are hoping to initiate in June.

Just now we are struggling through mid-semesters, and looking forward to our bit of an Easter vacation. Of course, there is much excitement here, as there is at all the universities, we suppose, with great mass meetings of the men, and much singing of *America* and the *Star Spangled Banner*. Not long ago we were pleased to have with us for luncheon at the university, Florence Wendling from Beta Eta, and Evelyn Burns from Beta Gamma, both of whom are living in Cincinnati.

Beta Rho sends friendliest of greetings to all the Kappas everywhere.

EUGENIE LEA REMELIN.

DELTA PROVINCE

BUSY WINTER AT DE PAUW

Iota, De Pauw University

The last chapter news letter was written so long ago that the events preceding Christmas must appear in our May edition! It was early in November that the active chapter was entertained so beautifully by the freshmen at the home of Mary Frances Grose. Miss Kern and Dean Alvord were the special guests. During the evening we pledged \$100 to the Y. M. C. A. work in the war camps of Europe.

On the Saturday preceding Christmas every sorority in school entertained a group of Greencastle poor children. There was a gay Christmas tree with candy and presents for each one.

Our first initiation occurred before Thanksgiving when Mary Ann Scholl and Georgina Sellar became worthy wearers of the key.

De Pauw athletics have been booming this year. Coed athletics have found their expression in the Women's Athletic Association. Among the activities of the year have been an interclass basketball tournament, a bowling tournament between organizations, and two swimming meets. Janet Holloway and Katharine Benedict were among the nine girls who received certificates from the World's Life Saving Alliance.

During the year our chaperon, Miss Elizabeth Rose, has been giving Sunday evening teas for us, the members of the different fraternities being the guests. We are not giving our usual "formal" this year, but are substituting several informal dinners in its place. The seniors entertained with a dinner at "Torr's" on February 23. We are planning a reception for the faculty which will probably fall on March 30. Our annual state dance was given at Indianapolis, February 24. Kappas from Mu, Delta, and Iota were represented. Helen Kelley, K A Θ, and Alfreda Jones, A X Ω, were the special guests of Iota Chapter.

On Saturday, February 10, Iota initiated eleven girls: Berthe Tucker, Marian Tippy, Dorothy Tevis, Mary Sale, Anna Louise Skyles, Lois Evans, Edythe Curry, Helen Denton, Mary Frances Grose, Amy Jackson, and Mabel Jackson. Mrs. Minnie Royse Walker and Mrs. Zella Ward Tippy, of New York, were present at the initiation.

We regret to announce the death of two of our alumnae: Mrs. Minnie Zellar Snyder, ex-'82, of Brazil, on February 9, and Mrs. J. D. Torr on March 8.

The Woman's Self-government Association is planning an immigration party for March 24. Several members of Iota are taking the work in Red Cross Nursing which is being given this spring. Helen Kixmiller was elected to the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. Berthe Tucker is one of the two girls on the *De Pauw Daily* staff. Katharine Benedict was appointed manager of the swimming meet.

Another building is going to become a part of the De Pauw campus. The contract for the Administration Building was let March 17, and the ground will be broken soon.

Iota is looking forward to a visit from Mrs. Kolbe, and we hope she will find it convenient to include us in her plans.

KATHARINE BENEICT.

AN OVATION FOR OLD OVID

Mu, Butler College

February always brings two great events in the annals of Butler Kappas—the college Founders' Day celebration on February 7, and the Kappa state dinner-dance, held this year on February 24. All Butler students devote the whole day of February 7, to the celebration of the birthday of our founder and benefactor, Ovid Butler. We have a two-hour "chapel" in the morning, a Panhellenic reception to all students and friends in the afternoon, and the Founders' Day banquet at the Claypool Hotel in the evening. This year the reception was held at the home of President and Mrs. T. C. Howe. Mrs. Howe is one of our most faithful Mu alumnae and a loyal friend to all the active girls.

So far as we could find after much inquiry at convention, Indiana is the pioneer state in the institution of Kappa state dances. Delta, Iota, and Mu join in the festivities of a dinner-dance, once a year, at the Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis. This year Mu had the pleasure of entertaining our Grand Vice-president, Miss Sarah Harris, as our chapter guest over the week-end of the dinner-dance. Sunday afternoon we received informally at the home of Mrs. Lucius Hamilton for Miss Harris and the Kappas from visiting chapters.

February 1, we initiated Opal Cornell, Edith Gore, and Geneve Hughel, and pledged Charlotte Bell, all of Indianapolis.

Many Kappas took part in the concert given March 16, by the Butler Girls' Glee Club, of which Elsie Felt is president. Louise Kirtley, one of our freshmen, gave one of the most enjoyed numbers on the program, *One Fine Day from Madame Butterfly*.

"Duzer Du," the Butler dramatic club has in preparation the English comedy *Green Stockings*. We are holding our breaths for fear the National Guard will be called out before April 1, which would take our

leading man from us. Louise Neal and Florence Moffett are members of the cast for this production.

Last Saturday, March 17, we entertained twenty rushees with a buffet supper and stunt party at the home of Cleon Calvin. The stunts were given by the different classes in the chapter, even by the dignified seniors.

On April 10, after we return from spring vacation we seniors appear in our caps and gowns which we wear on chapel days from then till June. We will then become visibly reminded that we are on our last lap of undergraduate days and Kappa active life. The seniors of Mu are Elsie Felt, Edith Hendren, Virginia McKune, Florence Wilson, Margrette Boyer Shortemeir, and Florence Moffett. We can't even face the end with a glorious prospect of a Kappa convention at the close of school. In looking back over the full and happy years of college life, we wonder if, and hopefully believe, that "the best is yet to be."

FLORENCE MOFFETT.

TOWN ALUMNAE GIVE A VICTROLA

Delta, University of Indiana

We are very proud of our thirteen new Kappas. Our freshmen all made an average of over 80 per cent and we had initiation February 22. Mrs. J. D. Hogate, of Danville, and Elsie Felt, of Indianapolis, were our out-of-town guests.

Ruth Alexander and Katherine Brown represented the local (girls) athletic association at the national convention at Madison, Wisconsin. They came home very enthusiastic about the Madison Kappas who entertained them.

Mirah and Jeanette Shrum have been elected members of the Spanish Club, Margaret Canine the Euclidian Circle, and Helen Coblentz the French Club.

Early in March we were honored by a visit from Miss Harris. Mrs. William Lowden gave a tea in her honor at her home on College Avenue, which was made beautiful with spring flowers. The active chapter and alumnae were her guests.

March 29 is the annual county fair for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. As our stunt we will give a circus, with animals, clowns, and all.

One Monday evening in March our town alumnae surprised us with a delightful picnic dinner. They remained for fraternity meeting and enjoyed our annual edition of *Spec*. Before they left they made it financially possible for us to buy a victrola.

Plans have been made to remodel our house this summer and we are about to see some of our dreams realized.

TO HAVE KENTUCKY RIVER CAMP

Beta Chi, University of Kentucky

Beta Chi sends springtime greetings to all her sister chapters. We have had such a happy and successful year thus far that the sending of this, our last chapter letter of the school year, is tinged with a little bit of sadness for it brings with it the realization that the year is almost ended. I shall have to go back to Christmas time in order to tell you about all that has happened since our last letter.

The Christmas spirit pervaded our little sisterhood about two weeks before the holidays and filled us all with a great longing to do something which would bring happiness to some sad little hearts. As a consequence nineteen little empty stockings were found filled on Christmas morning. But an even greater result than that followed. We had all gotten so much sheer joy out of simple giving that we decided to take up some definite philanthropic work here in Lexington. A school down in the poorer districts of Lexington is our present field of work and our aim is to do something for the little children which will bring more sunshine and happiness into their lives by giving them pleasure.

After the holidays were over, we had a wonderful initiation and took in our nine pledges, for every single one of the smart things passed. We certainly were proud of them. They had been helping us in our Christmas work and in anything else we happened to undertake even before they were "taken in" but, of course, we all had a wild jubilation when they were really, truly Kappas.

About two nights after initiation we had our annual banquet and, as is usual on such occasions, everybody had a wonderful time. Quite a number of the alumnae were with us and one of the charter members of Beta Chi, Mary E. Sweeney, played charmingly the rôle of toastmistress.

Here lately there has been nothing of particular interest going on, since everybody has had to "buckle down" and study hard in order to improve our scholarship record. We were second last year but this year we have hopes of being first and all of us are working toward that end.

The one big social event which looms up before us is a Kappa camp down on the Kentucky River immediately after the close of school. We expect to have a grand old time down there, and I suspect our summer letter will be so full of camp news that every one of you will want to come down here and camp with us next year. And I wish every one of you could, bless your hearts. With very much love to you all and best wishes for the happiest summer you can imagine.

MARY TURNER.

EPSILON PROVINCE

FRESHMEN POLISH UP THE HANDLE OF THE B. F. D.

Beta Delta, University of Michigan

Well, now that examinations are over, we have all hauled our mattresses in the window once more, as their ticking no longer disturbs our studious members. And we surely are proud of the showing made by our freshmen. They have the distinction of being the only sorority freshmen on the campus who all made their points. Just think! we are initiating twelve Saturday, which will leave us without a single pledge. Two of this number, Margaret Jewell and Florence Walton, we pledged only a few weeks ago. They came to us from Northwestern as second semester freshmen, and are certainly a worthy addition to our number. Mrs. L. Irving Condit, '14, a bride of the past season, gave a tea for them in her charming new home in Detroit, followed by a theater party.

This week we are having probation. These freshmen of ours surely are a whole-souled crowd. The door-plate shines so one can see it a block away, and our every want is anticipated for fear of a black mark. In fact their solicitude for us is almost embarrassing at times.

Just now, we juniors are pretty much interested in the junior play which will occur in a few weeks. We have ten girls in it, and Lois May, '18, has the rôle of leading man. Lois has also been active in oratorical circles of late, having won the Junior Oratorical Contest.

Martha Townsend and Vera Keyser have been elected to Cercle Français, Gertrude Seifert, Marie Cornwell, and Margaret Bassett to an educational honorary society, and Louise Williamson, Margaret Birdsell, and Louise Irish have been elected to membership in Wyvern, the junior girls' honorary society.

Beta Delta has also had a representation on the basketball floor this year. Beulah Smith is captain of the junior team, and several others of the girls are on the regular class teams.

Last Saturday night, we gave our annual George Washington dance. Appropriate decorations, together with our newly decorated walls, lent a festive air to the occasion.

Best wishes and hearty greetings to you all from Beta Delta.

LOUISE IRISH.

NEW DEAN A KAPPA

Xi, Adrian College

With spring upon us, it is somewhat of a task to think back upon the activities of the fall and winter, even though we are anxious to introduce to you our new sisters. And please don't forget that we are also introducing our Kappa Dean, Miss Jessie Byers, of Steubenville, Ohio, in the "Dean's number."

The Friday following our final rush party, which was a breakfast served in the fraternity rooms, we pledged the following girls: Helen

Friend of Steubenville, Ohio, and Doris Reed, Frances Foote, and Mildred Morse, all of Adrian. This happy event was celebrated by a dinner party that evening at the home of Lela Chamberlain.

Mrs. Charles Hood, one of our Kappa alumnae, delightfully entertained us at tea, January 26, at the Gussenbauer Tearoom. Soon after this event, the originality and cleverness of our five pledges were revealed when the active chapter were guests of honor at a dinner at the home of Mildred Morse.

At our annual pledge banquet held February 10 at the Gregg Hotel, we were glad to have with us a number of our alumnae, among them Mary Louise Beach, of Seville, Ohio. A program of toasts based on the fraternity emblems, and singing of Kappa songs, followed the serving of the banquet. February 17 initiation was held.

We are all looking forward to March 24, when we will entertain a number of the college men with a hayrack ride and chicken supper at North Adrian. Almost before we know it we will be packing up for the final jollification of the year, the annual house party at Sand Lake.

While we have been busy socially, Xi has held her usual place in the various college activities. Doris Adair is the recently installed president of Lambda Phi literary society, and she and Faye Rees have parts in the society play, *The Sophomore*, to be produced soon. The positions of editor-in-chief and associate editor of the "Coed" edition of the *College World* were held by Faye Rees and Delila Judd.

But of all college honors,
We're sure you'll agree
That one of the greatest
Is wearing the key.

FAYE REES.

ROSY DAY FOR INITIATES

Kappa, Hillsdale College

'Tis getting to be an annual occurrence here, that the day of Kappa's initiation should be the occasion of the worst weather of the season. Even the elements seem to "cut loose" after semester examinations—and we hardly blame them. But safe from the storm raging outside, we sat down in a fairy-land of pink roses and candle light to enjoy our initiation banquet, and in our midst nine new golden keys were gleaming. And it was easy to forget the storm outside in that warmth of feeling, which one always feels at such times; and to imagine ourselves in a summer garden when the toastmistress, "A Day in June," rose to introduce in turn; the patroness "Gardener"; the mother "Rose-bush"; the "Baby-bud," wearing one of those very new keys; the "Full-blown Roses," our seniors; and our alumnae "Rose-jar of Memories." Such a sweet and pretty banquet does not come very often and it is treasured among our most beautiful memories of the year. Our initiates we surely must name to you, though we

realize that their names cannot be so familiar and dear to you as to us: Hannah Lincoln, Josephine Walsh, Ruth Chaney, Cleota Carmer, Jessie Whitney, Mathilde Larsen, Calista Chaplin, Lucile Stoddard, and Grace Shetterly.

College life is so full, so busy, so distracting, that those times when we Kappa sisters are all together are only too few. And informality is surely the keynote of such occasions for then we are wholly ourselves and are all the better friends for it. There have been several such jolly times lately, among them the delicious picnic supper which some of our alumnae brought to us before chapter meeting; the surprise for "Dot" Chester when she was home from Ann Arbor. And last week when Bess Goodrich came home from Chicago, we had a party and dressed up in her honor. To gaze upon black-eyed Mary's peroxide wig, Jean's wired pigtails, Marjorie's missing teeth or Grace's mustache, brought forth chokes and tears of appreciation.

We have been getting still better acquainted with the others too. One evening we were entertained by the Pi Phis at their chapter-house and had such a good time together as only girls can. We have given a tea for the Kappa mothers, patronesses, alumnae, and several friends, and one for the ladies and wives of the faculty.

This letter sounds rather like a social report, doesn't it? But we've been working hard—honest we have. And for that very reason this correspondent must cut short her raving to help along the cause.

MARY LOUISE NOE.

ZETA PROVINCE HONORARY INITIATION

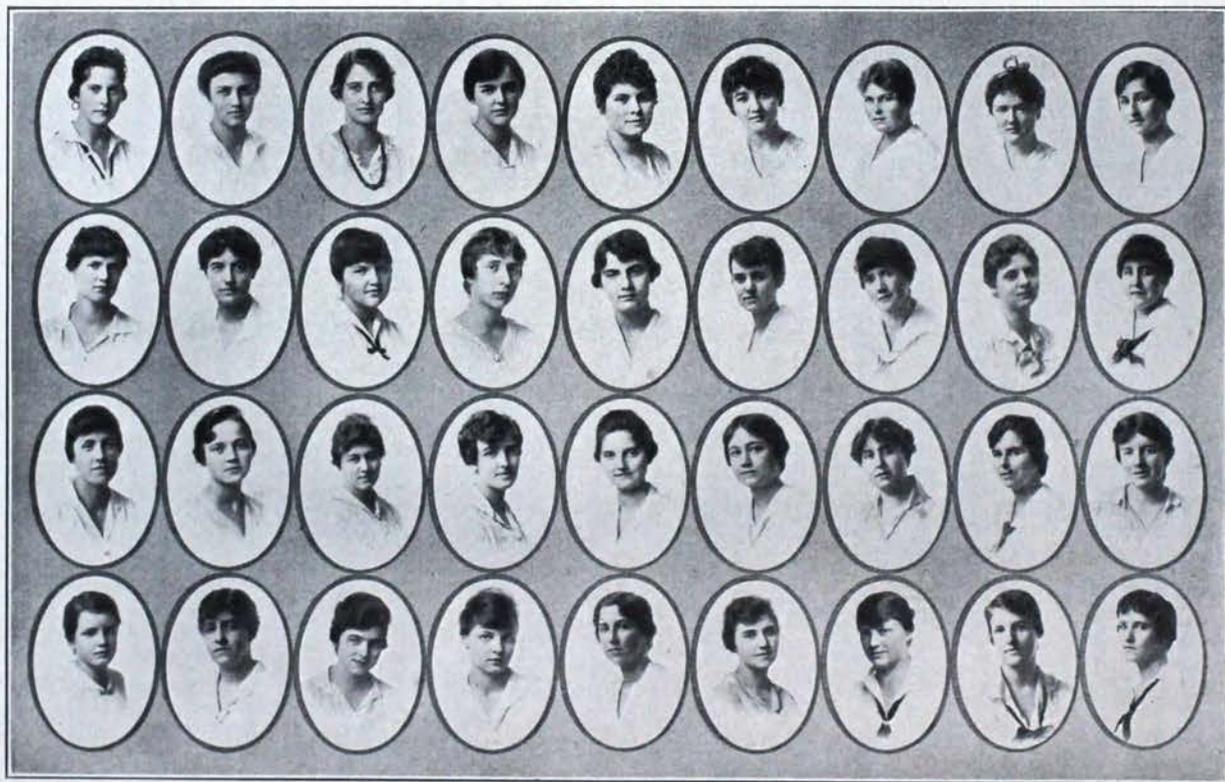
Eta, University of Wisconsin

An honorary initiation! It was a new idea but we think it will work out. Tuesday evening, March 17, saw four of our freshmen initiated under the new ruling, namely, that only those who attained a weighted average of 85 or above should be eligible for this special honor. There were many arguments pro and con. Perhaps it was a good thing, perhaps not, but all that remains to be seen. However, it may be considered a worth-while experiment. We made a resolution to give it a try, and we kept our word.

As far as athletics is concerned, there is a big, shining star opposite our names for we have won the intersorority bowling cup from Kappa Alpha Theta.

In scholastic lines let me proudly say that two of our girls, Carol McMillen and Margaret Fay, have first, this very afternoon, been announced Phi Beta Kappa.

At this time, however, athletics, studies, and chapter affairs of all kinds are entirely eclipsed by the great crisis in which our country finds herself.



UPSILON CHAPTER, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

It was on this subject that Mrs. Mathews, Dean of Women, talked to us so beautifully before our chapter last Monday.

"Don't worry about your emotions," she said, "you'll have plenty of those. It's keeping them in check and turning them into the right channels that you will have to worry about."

So it seems that now, more than ever before, the real Kappa must come to the front.

BERTHA OCHSNER.

SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR WOMEN

Upsilon, Northwestern University

Since Christmas the most important thing in the annals of Upsilon is the pledging of Madeline Lyndon of Chicago and Harriet Odell of Evanston, Illinois. They both entered Northwestern second semester and we are certainly glad to have them wearing blue and blue ribbons.

There is a plan before the women of Northwestern at present which proposes self-government for them. As an organization we are supporting the proposition, and hope to see it go through.

Eta and Upsilon are planning to have a house party together in June, and we are looking forward to it with much eagerness for it will be such a wonderful opportunity for the two chapters to get in closer touch. I wonder if any other two chapters do that—it sounds exceedingly attractive.

On January 20 Upsilon had charge of the flower booth at the famous Allied Bazaar at the coliseum in Chicago; the girls sold a great many flowers and made a good deal of money for the sufferers in Europe.

We send all kinds of good wishes to all chapters and alumnae.

HESTER WALRATH.

OWL THEATER OPENING

Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan

Since our last talk with THE KEY, Epsilon has been having some of the best times. And do you suppose there will be sufficient space to disclose to our sisters all those entrancing bits of fun, and at the same time tell them a wee bit about our seven adorable additions of this year? For we mustn't neglect those dear Kappa babies. In February's letter they had to be ignored because of the alumnae news items. Yes, "we are seven" this year. And of course you are aching to hear about their many charming qualities. Well, first there is black-eyed Mary Crumbaker (or are they dark brown?) with the deep laugh and the keen sense of humor. Then there is Irene Mapel, "cunnin' thing!" we call her, with her two adorable dimples and bubbling spirits. And next comes little demure Verna Terwillegar with her soft voice, and pretty Mary Neiberger who plays the mandolin beautifully. And Rosalie Shepherd looks ornamental, just like her pretty name, but she is very capable as well! And Elaine Strayer is as

merry, wholesome, and sweet as can be. Last, but not least comes Bernice Hawkins with her sweet serious smile. And all of these paragons were initiated last November on the chapter birthday. We had an old-fashioned birthday initiation banquet with all the fripperies, such as powdered hair, old-fashioned colonial bouquets, an immense birthday cake, and so forth. Such fun!

Since the beginning of the second semester we've had two lovely parties; at least we enjoyed giving them. We hope our guests were as well satisfied as their hostesses. First, on February 23, Epsilon entertained at the homes of Misses Marquis and Ferguson. It was a man-party. The affair took the form of a theater party and the Marquis Manor furnished an ideal situation for an Owl Theater. And until then we did not realize what talented Thespians Epsilon possessed, true Greeks, indeed! Between the acts, the dearest little negro boys in red livery passed up and down the aisles with boxes of candy for the feminine part of the assembly and packages of chocolate cigarettes for the masculine cohort. Then, after the theater the tired play-goers repaired to the Ferguson home on Highland Avenue—our Kappa Kafe!—where we were refreshed by the daintiest of suppers, and the sight of a lovely bubbling fountain tinkling right in our midst! Needless to say, we had a good time.

And we mustn't forget our Kappa reception which we held about two weeks ago on Saturday afternoon at the home of Miss Marquis. At that time Epsilon received the fraternity women of the university, the women of the faculty, the members of Kappa Club and the mothers of all active Kappas. Yes, it was quite a crush, and our seven seniors and Mrs. Marquis, who constituted the receiving line, were all fagged out by the time the last guest had departed, but what's a little thing like that when you're having a good time? The only shadow over our good time was the fact that our Grand Vice-president, Miss Sarah Harris, couldn't come to our tea-party! We were just aching to show her off to our guests; but she was such a busy lady that she couldn't possibly make the trip down, so we forgave her, though we were dreadfully disappointed. We'll hope that the gods are more propitious next time.

So, now do you not think that we of Epsilon have been busy girls? We have, and are probably going to be even busier before long, for June will come before we know it, with all the flurry and excitement of commencement. And so it will be with all Kappas all over this dear old U. S. A., we know, and we send them all best wishes and greetings.

MARGARET HAYWARD.

BIG LIGHTED KEY AT DANCE

Beta Lambda, University of Illinois

Eleven o'clock Sunday morning and all is still at the Kappa House. While the care-free members slumber after our strenuous formal weekend, THE KEY correspondent must get up and write! I wish you all might

have been here Friday to see our party. Big, bare Bradleys, under the direction of our efficient landscape architect, Helen Brown, became a place of soft subdued colorings and festive atmosphere. One of our two feature dances we owe to Epsilon, for it was that chapter which lent us a large golden key. To the lights of this key we danced for the first extra. At the beginning of the second extra the men were told to draw one of the small golden keys which hung by blue and blue ribbons from a placard at the end of the wall. On the back of each key was found the name of a partner for the next dance.

About midnight we drove to the Kappa house and were seated for a supper at small tables. Each table was lighted by a tulip-shaded candle, while the mantelpiece and buffet held great bowls of pink tulips. Everyone had a good time, and even the Dean of Women declared it one of the prettiest parties she had ever attended. Pauline Halliwell, '16, Eugenia Rutheford, '15, and Grace Schwarz-Koph, ex-'15, were among our out-of-town guests.

Our alumnae as well as various members of other chapters will be interested in knowing that Mrs. Nickoley (Emma Rhoads, '99) and daughter, Kathrine are living with us this semester. We find Mrs. Nickoley a most charming chaperon.

This year we are discovering fine new girls in college. Our latest pledge is Hazel Shaw of Rockford who entered this year as a junior from Rockford College.

Word has just come from Kathrine Seaman Blakeslee, '15, announcing the arrival of a daughter, Kathrine Jean.

We were glad that Eva McIntyre Gauger of Minneapolis happened to be visiting her parents in Champaign at the time of initiation. It was her part as toastmistress that helped make initiation unusually pleasant and impressive.

Anabelle Fraser was married to Frank Leidendeker at Welton, Arizona, on December 20. They are at present living at Welton, only a short distance from her brothers, who with her husband are engaged in an irrigation project.

The Dean of Women is encouraging all university women to move into Urbana. For this reason among others Beta Lambda is contemplating building and moving across the line. We hope that the next KEY letter can carry more details of our plans.

ROWENA KOHL.

ETA PROVINCE

A SWEET PEA DANCE

Beta Zeta, Iowa State University

The greatest event which Beta Zeta has to report is her "Kappa Formal" which took place in February. Our formal is given only once in four years

(in the other years we give informal dances), so it is quite an occurrence you may be sure.

From Christmas we worked feverishly at the decorations, which we made ourselves, and of which we were proud, devoting every Monday evening, and all the other time we could spare to this worthy cause. About the end of January our house began to be filled to overflowing with mysterious masses of rose, pink, and wistaria-shaded bloom, which had to be whisked out of sight at the approach of each unexpected visitor, until the upstairs halls and bedrooms assumed the appearance of bowers of sweet peas.

It took place on the Friday which closed the first semester, just after semester examinations, which added to the general excitement. But when every Kappa saw the hall she felt that her labors had been worth while. Long strings of rose-shaded sweet peas were massed around the lights and hung from the ceiling, floating lightly when we danced. The walls were hung with the same strings, which were massed in the corners to form little bowers in which were divans or punch bowls. The general effect was of a sort of wistaria-blooming Japanese fairy-land. From the dinner at the hotel, which came first, to the "harmony" while waiting for taxis at the end, we felt that our party was one gorgeous success.

We had several of our rushees for next year as house guests for the week-end, so Saturday and Sunday we devoted to rushing.

Panhellenic council and the Dean of Women have decreed that freshmen shall not be initiated until the end of the year, so our seven splendid pledges are waiting eagerly and working hard in preparation for their initiation.

Beta Zeta sends her greeting to all Kappas.

BEATRICE BLACKMAR.

FORTNIGHTLY STUNTS

Omega, University of Kansas

Since the last letter was an alumnae letter, and we have not had the opportunity to tell about ourselves for four whole months, naturally we have lots to tell. The most important thing which has happened to our chapter since the last letter, was initiation, where we were so proud of our ten freshmen, who put on new golden keys. We had our usual banquet, where with toasts and Kappa songs, the new Kappas get a glimpse of what a fraternity really means. We were so glad to have so many of our alumnae at initiation.

Every other Monday night after fraternity meeting, we have planned a series of "stunts," where we can all get together without having anything to do but play. We have found them lots of fun, and a way for everyone, freshmen, town girls, and the house girls to know one another better than would be possible in the life of a university, where everyone is busy about a different thing. One night, the town girls gave a spread, and

another time the house girls gave a clever original farce. And another time we spent our time marking sheets and blankets for the bed which we have endowed in the free ward at the hospital, and eating pop-corn and red apples.

We were proud of Helen Clark, who took a splendid part in the dramatic club play, *Under Cover*. Two of our girls have been elected to Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalism sorority, and one to Pi Gamma Sigma, honorary educational sorority.

With the coming of spring, we have decided to dress up the outside of our chapter-house, and plant a row of shrubs at the side and two new trees. We are just praying that they'll grow, and not be swept away by our Kansas breezes, that sweep across the Hill.

Following the custom which we started last year of having a "rushing week-end" in the spring, we have planned next month to entertain about twelve or fourteen girls. We found last year that it helped immensely towards the next fall's rushing, because the girls get acquainted, and it gives both the rushees and ourselves a better chance to decide than in the busy week at the beginning of school.

Omega wishes all Kappa chapters a pleasant summer and another prosperous year.

MARJORIE A. RICKARD.

TWO PHI BETA KAPPAS AGAIN

Sigma, Nebraska State University

On March 17, sixteen girls passed through the higher halls of Kappa Kappa Gamma and learned the beauties of Kappa friendship—a friendship that is like a bank of credit, on which they can draw supplies of confidence, counsel, sympathy, help, and love.

According to the universal law of habit, so it has seemed, Sigma will forever continue to have two Phi Beta Kappas each year. And in this law it states that the associations never diminish but increase, so likewise Sigma expects never to have less, but sometimes more than two. The two Phi Beta Kappas this year are Anne Russell and Fay Teil.

Kappas have their customary large representation in Kosmet play, which is *The Diplomat* this year. It is a musical comedy written and played by university students. Margaurite Lonam has the second lead, and Joe Krieger an important part. The others are Cecil White, Emma Nielson, Ruth Temple, Myra Buntz, Marion Brown, and Lulu Mitchell.

Our annual formal was given March 9 at the Lincoln Hotel. There were one hundred and fifty invitations sent out. The hall was beautifully decorated. A ten-piece orchestra was hidden from view by palms and a fence of roses. Along the sides of the room were vases of orchids, alternating with the tall white lilies. Between them and somewhat lower were palms. The room was dimly lighted with dark and light blue shades. Ices, cakes, and candies were served during intermissions. We were chaperoned by Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Davis.

On the day following our formal was a luncheon. Several of the alumnæ were present. The freshmen entertained them delightfully with the songs they had written. Cecil White sang and Joe Kreiger made the air lively with the popular tunes which, if you didn't look closely, you would think she played with four hands.

We are quickly developing plans for a new house next year, which will be a benefaction to our chapter. And we intend it to be so conveniently arranged, that we can make every day a home-coming to all our alumnæ, in this manner of invitation, although it is for the present as well as future time.

"Come in the evening, or come in the morning,
Come when you're looked for, and come without warning;
Kisses and welcome, you'll find there before you,
And the oftener you come here, the more we'll adore you."

HELEN MINIER.

WHERE DRAMA FLOURISHES

Beta Mu, University of Colorado

We had a most brilliant initiation in Beta Mu Chapter since the last KEY article was written. Seventeen, just think of it, isn't it wonderful?

Margaret True was pledged only a few weeks before initiation, but was able to be a Kappa with the rest. Our initiation dance was a costume affair. It was the first one of the season here.

A number of us have been very busy lately rehearsing for the Colorado operetta called *Pedro*. We had several girls in the ballet and in the chorus. We had been making costumes, etc. We didn't have a lead in this, but in the last Dramatic Club production there were three Kappas, with Emily Spray as leading lady, and in the next Dramatic Club play, Georgiebelle Musser will play the leading rôle. Among other honors enjoyed in the chapter were: Amy Pitkin was pledged to Hesperia, a sophomore honorary society; Winifred White is a Kappa Delta Pi; and our freshman average in grades was the highest in the school. Do you think we are tooting our own horn too much? Well, perhaps, but we are proud of our girls and want you all to know what we do.

The following engagements are announced: Freda McCoy and Albert McArthur, Brenda White and Dr. Geo. W. Gilbert.

GEORGIE KISTLER.

TUM-TUM-TI-TUM AT CHAPTER-HOUSE

Gamma Alpha, Kansas State Agricultural College

Winter term has brought Gamma Alpha much success and happiness. Now that it is ended we have a feeling of gratification that only comes from work well done, and with one backward smile, we turn with hearts that glow with enthusiasm and anticipation to all that spring term may hold for us. We are fairly bubbling over with plans for the remainder of the year.

Eight girls have joined the ranks of Kappa in Gamma Alpha. They are: Hazel Beason, Marguerita Kennedy, Alice Tomson, Gene Plum, Leona Leighrober, Naudia Dunn, Alma Hoffman, and Betty Hart. It was the first time that we had held initiation and how much bigger it made us, everyone. We began it at five o'clock and afterwards, Miss Louise Fielding, Mrs. Ruth Hill Hobbs, and Mrs. Alice Tomson entertained us with a supper at Mrs. Tomson's home.

We have had a wedding in our midst. Our very first Kappa bride and first president, Juanita Reynolds, was married, and in our home, too. She was graduated from the home economic course at Christmas time. The groom was Don Jordan, Acacia, who also was graduated at Christmas. Can you imagine anything half as exciting as having such a wedding in your chapter house? Just think of twenty-four girls flurrying around in such an enchanted atmosphere as always envelops weddings. All of the Acacias came and with ourselves made up the wedding party—it was such a joyous gathering. The double ring-service was used, and the whole affair was beautiful. The "something blue" that the bride wore was a garter, which is for all Gamma Alpha brides. After the wedding we had a lovely five-course dinner at Harrison's and then danced. The bride and groom motored to Topeka that night and it was a gay send-off that they had amid tin cans, old shoes, placards, and rice. Mr. Jordan is milk inspector in Topeka and Mrs. Jordan is putting her home economics to a test. Needless to say, we are still dreaming over wedding cake.

From Gamma Alpha eight girls will be graduated in June, seven from home economics and one from general science. The few remaining months look awfully short to them.

People do not usually say much about things in which they do not lead, but we took second place in a recent contest and are justly proud of it. It was the beauty contest for the *Royal Purple*, our annual college publication. A nonfraternity girl won first place and Merle Beeman, of Gamma Alpha, a close second.

We are going to move. Our home next year will be much more home-like than is our present abode. We are to plan the interior decoration and are so pleased with it.

Gamma Alpha sincerely hopes that the few remaining weeks will bring a successful year to a close for all Kappas.

MAY BROOKSHIER.

THETA PROVINCE

LEARNING NURSING FOR THE FRONT

Theta, Missouri University

Missouri Kappas have been unusually busy this semester. As soon as it opened, mid-year rushing began, and we gained as new pledges: Vitula Van Dyne, of Sedalia, Kathryn Murrel, of Marshall, and Mildred Bartlett, of Kansas City, Mo. On February 14, we initiated Bernice

McClain, of Lancaster, Anne Rummell and Virginia Ross, of Independence, Alma Cotton, of Shelbina, Irma Bryant, of St. Louis, Mary Louise Bond, of Pleasant Hill, Estelle Stone, of Kansas City, Mo., and Anne Fulbright, of Arkansas. Later in the evening, after initiation, the pledges were invited to a buffet supper.

We have some enthusiastic athletes among our girls. Mary Louise Bond, one of our freshmen, is on the board of directors of the Woman's Athletic Association. Geneva Drinkwater, Ruth Harndon, and Mary Louise Bond have all made the hockey and basketball teams.

Kappa has representatives in other school activities, too. Geneva Drinkwater has been made a member of Phi Lambda Theta, an honorary organization in Education. Jessie Hill has been chosen a member of Phi Beta Kappa and also L. S. V. Every year six savor queens are elected; Estelle Stone is one of them this year. Irma Bryant and Anne Fulbright have both been elected to class offices.

We have a splendid custom of the freshmen of different sororities in turn entertaining all the sorority freshmen. In this way they get to know each other so much better. The Kappa freshmen will entertain the last week in April.

We all believe in "Preparedness" here. Classes have been organized in Red Cross work and a course in training for nurses is being started. Those who take this course are eligible to go to the war zone as assistants to regular Red Cross nurses. The Kappa girls are very much interested. Every Monday afternoon the girls are asked to meet at a professor's home to make bandages.

We are eager for the next KEY to come, so we can hear what all of you are doing.

FLORENCE AMBROSE SMITH.

THREE NEW BUILDINGS

Beta Theta, University of Oklahoma

On February 17, Beta Theta initiated Winnie Robey, a member of the local, Sigma Tau Omega, and the twelve girls who were pledged in September. Our second semester pledges are: Margaret Mote, Katherine Hurley, Louise Bruce, Codie Bruce, and Kathleen White.

We are proud to count Louise Bierer, Omega, among our members.

Grace Deatherage, Lottie Conlan, and Louise Bierer are our new Y. W. C. A. Cabinet members. Bessie Settle has been elected to membership in Grub Street Club.

Two of our girls, Floy Elliott and Lillian Roach, are teaching school the second semester.

On February 6, Kappa gave a Valentine dinner. Money has been appropriated for three new university buildings: a library, an auditorium, and a geology building.

In this atmosphere of preparation for the new, we of Beta Theta are planning the details of the furnishing of our new house, which we will move into next September.

BESSIE SETTLE.

DR. ULRICH VISITS TEXAS

Beta Xi, Texas University

The winter term at Texas is always one of hard work, and this year has proven no exception to the rule. We have had some delightful diversions, however, in the way of visitors and lecturers from afar, chief among whom was Dr. Mabel Ulrich, of whom, of course, all Kappas are proud. She was with us for a week, long enough for the entire woman student body to fall completely in love with her, and it was with regret that the girls of the university saw her visit with us come to a close. We believe, too, that Dr. Ulrich liked Texas, judging from a letter that she wrote back to us, so we feel sure, and we sincerely hope, that it will not be long before she will give us another week of her time.

Another visitor was Mrs. Scarborough, the Grand President of Alpha Delta Pi, whom Beta Xi had the pleasure of entertaining at dinner. She talked most interestingly at Panhellenic on the subject of coöperative buying, a question which is being rather seriously considered here just now.

As usual, the Kappas at Texas have not failed to win their share of the honors of the university. A rather unique distinction was won by Geraldine Wilson, who came out ahead in the contest that was held in Austin for the person to take the leading part in a local movie. Agnes Doran will take one of the leading parts in the Winsonian play. The recent winter term reports show Beta Xi's scholarship average to be well above standard; two of our girls have recently been elected to the new cabinet of Y. W. C. A., and in all other branches of university activity, the Kappas have taken their accustomed lead, Ruth Hall winning her "T" in baseball.

At present we are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to the stunt party that the active chapter is to give the freshmen on the evening of March 31. We had a similar party last year, and it was such a success that the present freshmen, hearing of it, asked us to repeat it for them.

Beta Xi feels very sad over the recent death of little Elizabeth Graves, the daughter of Mary Stedman Graves, one of the chapter's most beloved alumnae.

Our next letter will tell you of commencement. We have seven seniors in the chapter this year, so, of course, commencement will be a great occasion with us.

Greetings to you all.

RUTH HALL.

ENTERTAINED G. P. AT MARDI GRAS

Beta Omicron, Tulane University

Allow me to present to the Kappa world four charming new pledges, Dorothy Seago, Dorothy Grauer, Isabel Lyman, and Marietta Rocquet, all of whom will soon be Kappas of whom we may be proud. Marietta is president of the freshman class and the other girls are particularly active in college affairs.

Since you heard from us we have been visited by our Grand President, whose stay in New Orleans will be long remembered by every member of Beta Omicron. We were glad to have Mrs. Kolbe with us during the carnival season, when we could show her what our historic New Orleans is at Mardi Gras time. We were with Mrs. Kolbe constantly and every one of us will always hold dear the recollection of her charming personality and inspiring intellect.

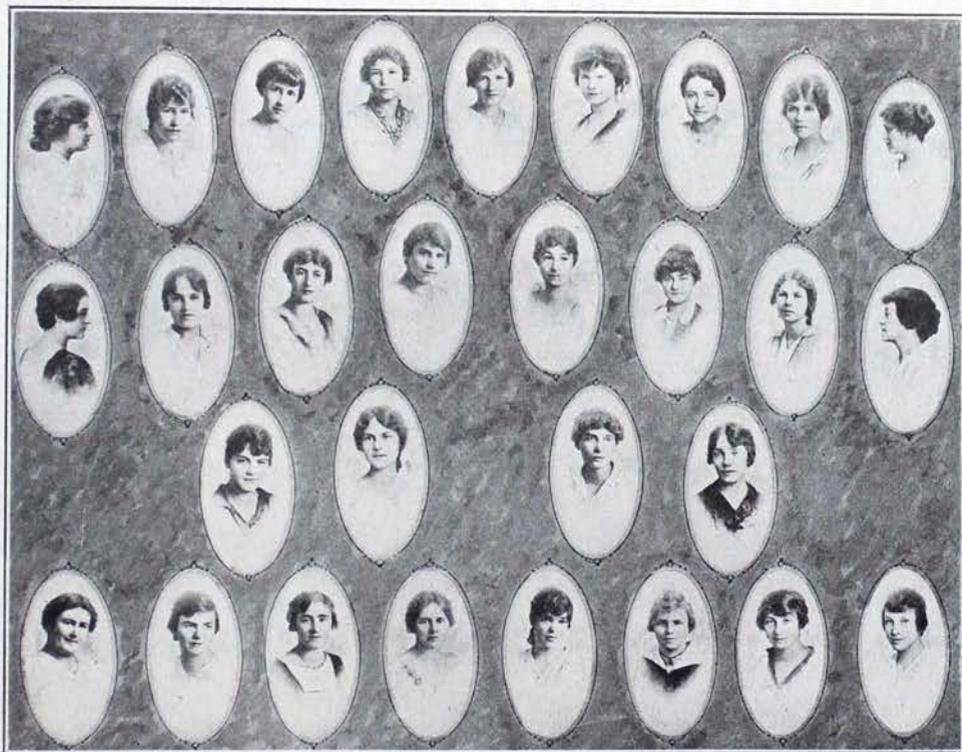
A short time ago the active Kappas were guests of honor at a dance given by the Kappa Alpha Fraternity. On this occasion the boys presented a mock moving-picture stunt, *The Shooting of Dan McGraw*, which was very cleverly done and which won the spontaneous applause of the girls. Then came the dancing and, needless to say, the whole affair was a most enjoyable one.

Numerous entertainments for the benefit of the Newcomb gymnasium fund are being given and we are busy doing our share. Several of the girls played in the Mandolin and Guitar Club at Fuerst and Kraemer's on "Newcomb Night" and two of us served. Newcomb raised one hundred and thirty dollars that night towards the new building and the fund is being increased from various sources. Kappa's plan is to take complete charge of a moving picture show for one night, to have Kappa ushers, musicians, and ticket sellers. We are making our arrangements with the manager and hope to clear a good sum for the cause.

Other things keep us busy, too. There is the annual Field Day, which takes place on March 29, and several of the Kappas are practicing hard for the events. Then there is Kappa night at the Kingsley House Settlement, on which occasion we will try to entertain the kiddies and their parents. I may stop here to say that in the way of entertaining we have three especially gifted members in the chapter now. One is a pledge, whose name as a fancy dancer has already been made and the other two are actives, one a pianist, ever in demand, and the other an excellent violinist, who teaches professionally. We are organizing a Kappa band and glee club, which will always help out in the way of entertaining.

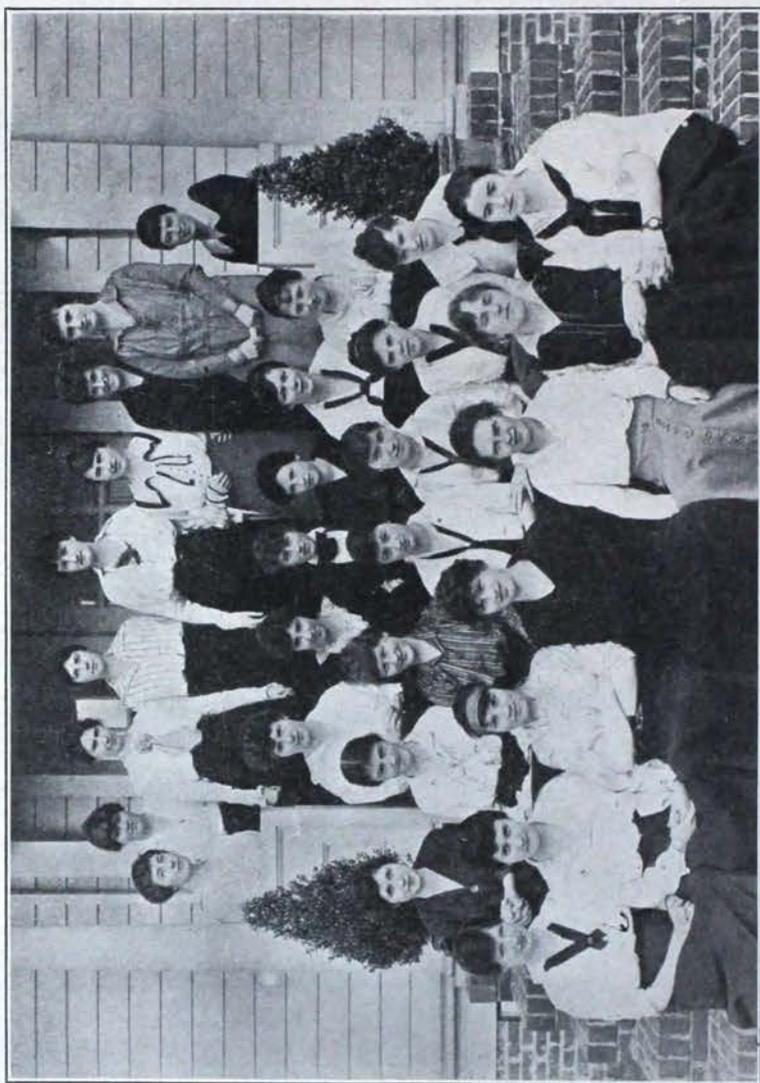
Another thing we are anticipating is our banquet to be held early in the spring. This is always one of the most enjoyable and memorable events of the year. We will take that occasion to toast the Kappas all over the world. But in the meantime, here is our sincerest love to you all.

ROSALIE VANDER VEER.



BETA PHI CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

First row, left to right: Jessie Railsback, Frances Longeway, Mary Brown, Ruth McHaffie, Evalyn Thomas, Myrtle Wanderer, Dorothy Sterling, Doris Prescott, Frances Birdsall.
 Second row: Charline Johnson, Gladys Peterson, Elna Peterson, Ann Rector, Brenda Farrell, Lewina Ainsworth, Florence Skinner, Patricia O'Flynn.
 Third row: Margaret Miller, Virginia Dixon, Ruth Barnett, Helen Neeley.
 Fourth row: Edna Ranken, Carol O'Donnell, Alberta Stone, Doris Hall, Grace Mathewson, Irene Murray, Beth Hershey, Gertrude Skinner.



BETA PI CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

IOTA PROVINCE NEWS SCARCE AT MISSOULA

Beta Phi, University of Montana

Beta Phi hasn't a great deal of news for THE KEY this quarter. The only "big" thing to tell is that we initiated our freshman pledges on March 24, thus adding Mae Grant, Florence Dixon, Helen Saunders, and Jean MacRae to our girls who wear the key.

After the initiation we went to the Florence Hotel for our annual birthday banquet. Many of our alumnae were there, and as usual we enjoyed a real Kappa good time.

Marjorie Ross Toole, an alumna of Beta Phi, has been chosen province president of Iota Province.

RUTH BARNETT.

NEW PIANO AND LAMP

Beta Pi, Washington University

Spring vacation is upon us, and Kappa hearts are glad. The ending of the last week was accompanied by the usual bustle of goodbyes, and everywhere students might be seen dashing toward the depot, trailing their suitcases behind them.

Blessed be our Kappa mothers always. For did they not combine forces and give us a beautiful new piano lamp, to supplement and augment our still more beautiful new piano? And then, just so the mothers would not outdo them, did not our fathers collect amongst themselves a nice little sum toward the payment for the piano, thus relieving a worried group of girls? In fact, the living-room of the Beta Pi mansion is getting so dressed up that we hardly know ourselves in all our new finery.

On March 1 the Kappas entertained their fathers with a dinner at the chapter house. That the fathers enjoyed themselves to the utmost was demonstrated by the extreme alacrity with which they accepted the invitation and their apparent disinclination to leave the house when the university regulations decreed that they should depart. On March 16 we entertained our sisters in the same way.

The other date on the Kappa social calendar is the formal given February 17. As always, the party was "perfectly wonderful." The next day Eleanore Smith, ex-'18, announced her engagement to Sidney Lewis, which, of course, added materially to the excitement.

Beta Pi proudly announces the arrival of Malcolm McFee, son of Rozelle Milburn McFee, '15, and nephew of Jean McFee, '17. We're very glad about our new Kappa son.

Two of our girls were honored with Tolo Club, women's honorary society, this year. They are Anne Holmes and Catherine Burnside. Both girls are hard workers, both in scholarship and in student activities, and Kappa may be justly proud of their achievements.

MIRIAM COLE.

SCHOLARSHIP ASPIRATIONS*Beta Omega, University of Oregon*

The Kappa house was a place of quiet and solitude for the month and a half following the Christmas holidays for everyone was deeply rooted in books, studying for examinations. The girls all did exceptionally good work this semester, but with fifteen new girls, our scholarship did not average as high as it has been before. We feel certain that this semester will bring our average to a higher place for the freshman girls are adapting themselves to conditions and they understand better how to study.

Our dance at Christmas time was a big success and we entertained some very fine girls. There were about 150 couples present. The two feature dances of the evening were enjoyed by all, one being fancy dancing by two very dear little girls and the other singing by the four Werren sisters. The dance was given at the Multnomah Hotel in Portland, Oregon, and we had the hearty coöperation of the alumnae.

It is hard for us to realize that there are no longer pledges in the house, for all the freshmen together with Helen Anderson, a junior, were initiated February 16. Mary Ellen Bailey, a town girl, who entered college in February, is the only pledge in the chapter. Mary Ellen is a sister to Louise Bailey, one of our girls who graduated last June and who is now teaching in Pendleton.

We were proud to have Doris Slocum, a freshman, lead the grand march at the Freshman Glee, which was given February 17. One of our girls, Marie Beach, was elected vice-president, of the freshman class, to fill the vacancy made when the former vice-president, a Theta, left college.

Beta Omega is glad to welcome Mrs. Alice Eager Cornell, of Beta Lambda Chapter, into active membership. Mrs. Cornell moved her small family to Eugene and entered the university in February.

Jeanette Moss and Doris Slocum were elected to Kappa, the sophomore honor society, which each year chooses nineteen representative girls of the campus for their democracy and activity in college life.

Beta Omega is beginning to do a little rushing for the Eugene girls and Saturday March 17, gave a tea for some of them and their mothers.

CORA HOSFORD.

PERHAPS NAPOLEON WAS RIGHT*Beta Kappa, University of Idaho*

Aside from the excitement of examinations very little of interest has happened at Idaho.

We had initiation February 11 and we now have the following new members: Myrtle Gano, Myrtle Ziegler, Gladys MacRae, Clara Wiperman, Maymie Crumpacker, Ruth Curti, Lily Wagnon, and Helen Fallquist. The services were unusually lovely this time. They seem to grow on us, we are always finding new beauties in them. We had a splendid banquet

afterward and enjoyed having two of our last year's alumnae present, Valbourg Kjosness and Dorothea Wenz, both of whom are teaching near here. The decoration committee made the tables wonderful with blue and blue ribbons. We have never had a more perfect day together.

We planned on giving a brilliant formal this year, but the faculty preferred that we should make it informal. We succeeded in having it extremely so. We served root beer in place of punch, and it gave us a pleasant thrill to fill our glasses beneath the tap of a cider keg.

We have been beautifully entertained of late by several of the fraternities at dinners and dances. Aside from this nothing very important has happened.

ADA BURKE.

KAPPA PROVINCE

GRADES AND CUTS TOLD AT MEETINGS

Beta Eta, Stanford University

Spring fever combined with the thrills of Junior Week has completely captivated the entire Stanford student body. The excitement commences with *A Pirate for a Day*, a most entrancing opera which takes place Thursday evening. Beta Eta has more than done herself justice, having six of its members in the cast. Angie Cross, who distinguished herself last year is again taking the second lead and we know she will impress the entire audience with her charm. Betty Barroll in the third lead is making her debut into Stanford dramatics, while Dorothy Hanna, Julia Young, Elma Darling, and Mary Therkelsen compose the main part of the chorus. The festivities of the week end with the "Prom."

Nellita Choate will undoubtedly never cease distinguishing herself. She began in her freshman year, and succeeded in making her "star-hit" in *Justice*, John Galsworthy's drama, which was presented most successfully by Masquers and English Club about a month ago. Out of Stanford's entire "500" Nellita was chosen to play the only woman's rôle in the cast, and interpreted the part in a powerfully dramatic manner.

The first women's interfraternity swimming meet in their new pool took place last week and proved most exciting. Helen Bell Ledyard, Elma Darling, and Mary Stevick swam for Kappa, and Helen Bell succeeded in capturing two first places. Grace Morris and Ethel Lee are playing on the Stanford tennis team and several of our members are now going out for crew. Doris Gibbs is still faithfully working in the Y. W. C. A. and Melissa King has been recently elected vice-president of this organization, while Helen Ledyard has been elected to the Women's Conference.

Initiation and banquet was held on February 26 and it was a pleasure to welcome Elma Darling and Julia Young into Beta Eta.

Rushing is again a predominating thought and we have already met several interesting girls, who intend to enter college next semester. On April 20 we gave an informal dance to which several rushees were asked.

Altogether this has been a most interesting semester under President Wilbur's new administration. The ground has been broken for a new women's dormitory, but the most important improvement has been the elimination of the minus honor point system and the installation of the grand point system. Beta Eta under this influence has likewise been making plans for raising the scholarship in the house by reporting grades and cuts in meeting.

CHRISTINE WETHERBY.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

CHAPTERS

Any member of Kappa Kappa Gamma is cordially invited to attend meetings of the active chapters.

PHI

meets Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock at the chapter rooms, 491 Huntington Ave., Suite 5, Boston, Mass.

BETA SIGMA

meets every Wednesday afternoon at the College House, 68 St. James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. Supper meetings first and third Wednesdays. We are glad to welcome any Kappas who are in Brooklyn or New York.

BETA ALPHA

meets every Monday, 7 P. M. at the chapter rooms, 3433 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

BETA IOTA

meets at seven-thirty on Wednesday evenings in a room set aside as a chapter room, in the girls' dormitories, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

PSI

meets in Room 29, Sage College, Ithaca, N. Y., every Saturday evening at 7:30.

BETA TAU

meets every Friday evening at seven-thirty o'clock in the chapter house at 907 Walnut Avenue, Syracuse, New York.

BETA PSI

meets every second Saturday at eight o'clock at the homes of the girls in the city. Definite information may be had by telephoning Miss Helen Scott, Hillcrest 227.

GAMMA RHO

meets every Saturday night at eight o'clock in the chapter rooms on the fourth floor of Hulings Hall, Meadville, Pennsylvania.

BETA UPSILON

meets every Tuesday evening, at 6:45, chapter room in the White Building, High Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

LAMBDA

meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 on the third floor of Curtice Cottage, campus of Akron University.

BETA NU

meets at the homes of the different members in Columbus, Ohio every other Saturday evening at five-thirty. Marguerite Heiner, 47 S. Champion Avenue, will give definite information concerning meetings. Telephone—Citizen 2631.

BETA RHO

meets every other Saturday afternoon, at the homes of the girls.

IOTA

meets every Saturday evening at the chapter house on Washington and Locust Streets.

MU

will hold meetings at two o'clock on Tuesday afternoons at the homes of the Irvington girls. By calling Irv. 352—(old Phone), the place may be learned.

DELTA

meets every Monday evening at the chapter house in Forest Place, Bloomington, Indiana.

BETA CHI

meets on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at the fraternity house on Maxwell Street, Lexington, Kentucky.

BETA DELTA

meets in the chapter house, on the corner of Church Street, 1204 Hill Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

XI

meets at half after seven o'clock on Saturday evenings, in the chapter rooms, in South Hall, Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan.

KAPPA

meets every Monday at 7:30 P. M. at the chapter house, 328 West Street, Hillsdale, Mich. Communicate with Miss Helen Austin at chapter house, telephone number 157.

CHI

meets every Monday at 5:15 P. M. at 329 10th Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

ETA

meets every Monday evening at seven P. M., at the chapter house, 425 Park Street, Madison, Wisconsin.

UPSILON

meets on Monday afternoon from five to six o'clock in Room 62, Willard Hall, Evanston.

EPSILON

meets on Monday afternoons at four-thirty in the Kappa Hall in the main building of the university.

BETA LAMBDA

meets every Monday evening in the chapter house, 502 Chalmers Avenue, Champaign, Illinois.

BETA ZETA

meets at 226 S. Johnson Street every Monday at 7 P. M.

THETA

meets Monday evening at seven at the chapter house, 600 Rollins Street, Columbia Mission.

OMEGA

meets every Monday evening at seven o'clock at the chapter house, 1602 Louisiana Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

SIGMA

meets on Monday evening at seven-thirty o'clock at the fraternity house, 330 North 14th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

BETA MU

meets in the Kappa house, 1221 University Avenue, Boulder, Colorado, at seven on Monday evenings during the college year.

BETA THETA

meets every Monday evening at seven-thirty at the Kappa House, 535 University Boulevard, Norman, Oklahoma.

BETA XI

meets Wednesday evenings at seven-fifteen in the chapter house, 2800 Rio Grande.

BETA OMICRON

meets every Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

BETA PHI

meets every Monday evening at eight o'clock at the chapter house, 330 Connell Ave., Missoula, Montana.

BETA PI

meets every Monday from four to six, at the chapter house, 4504 18th Avenue, North East, Seattle, Washington.

BETA OMEGA

meets every Monday evening at seven o'clock in the chapter house.

BETA KAPPA

meets every Tuesday evening at seven at the chapter house, 805 Elm Street, Moscow, Idaho.

PI

meets every Monday evening, at seven-thirty, in the chapter room of the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way.

BETA ETA

meets every Monday evening at seven-ten in the chapter room.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

BOSTON ASSOCIATION

Places of meeting, address Miss Virginia S. Thompson, 14 Laurel St., Melrose, Massachusetts.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday in October, November, January, February, March, and April. For places of meeting, address Miss Caroline S. Romer, 154 Second Ave., Newark, N. J.

PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION

meets once a month except in July and August, alternating Saturday afternoons and Tuesday evenings. For exact dates and places of meeting, address Miss Olive R. Haldeman, East Mt. Airy Ave., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BETA IOTA ASSOCIATION

meets in January, March, May, and October, on the second Saturday in the month. For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Marguerite Reeves, Lawrenceville, N. J.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month, address Miss Florence R. Knapp, 410 Westcott St., Syracuse, N. Y.

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

dates and places of meeting, address Mrs. Mary P. Norton, 223 Dartmouth St., Rochester, N. Y.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at the homes of members. For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Minnie Slaughter, 1380 Forsythe Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

CINCINNATI ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Elizabeth Linnard, 2550 Ingle-side Pl., Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio.

CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday of the month at the homes of the members. For places and dates of meeting, address Miss Mabel C. Johnston, 1670 E. 86th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

FRANKLIN NU ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. H. N. Coons, 414 E. Pearl Street, Lebanon, Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Adelaide Smith, 2262 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday of each month at the houses of the members. For places of meeting, address Miss Bess W. Pettinger, 721 Fess Ave., Bloomington, Ind.

SOUTH BEND ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday in October, December, March, and May. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt, 507 N. Saint Joseph Street, South Bend, Indiana.

FALLS CITIES ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday in January, March, May, September, and November. For places, address Miss Frances Hartley, Beharrell Avenue, New Albany, Indiana.

MUNCIE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at homes of members. For places and dates, address Mrs. Lalah Randle Warner, 717 W. Charles St., Muncie, Ind.

DETROIT ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For places and dates of meetings, address Miss Anne Benjamin, 2515 Second Ave., Detroit, Mich.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday in each month from September through April, at the Chicago College Club, Stevens Building, 16 N. Wabash Avenue, Chicago. Address Miss Anne Durham, 4616 Malden Street, Chicago, Ill.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION

meets the first Wednesday in every month for luncheon at the homes of the members. For places of meeting, address Mrs. John A. Manley, 735 Seward Street, Evanston, Illinois.

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month from September to June at the homes of the members. For places, address Mrs. Nathan Wilkinson, 301 38th St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

address Miss Lucille Hostetler, 609 Monroe Street, Bloomington, Ill.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Mildred McEnary, 2324 Pleasant Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

from October through June on third Saturday. For places, address Miss Lorena B. Moore, 3644 Botanical Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Frank E. Smith, 612 Houston St., Kansas City, Mo.

DENVER ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday in each month from September to June. For places of meeting, address Miss Katherine Morley, 1440 Josephine Street, Denver, Colorado.

CEDAR RAPIDS ASSOCIATION

address Miss Corinne Jackson, 2035 Blake Blvd., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

AUSTIN ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Mrs. Walter Long, 3108 West Avenue, Austin, Texas.

HOUSTON ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meetings, address Mrs. Frederick St. Keyne Clemens, 2411 Milane, Houston, Texas.

DALLAS ASSOCIATION

meets monthly from September to June. For places address Miss Maidie Dealey, 2519 Maple Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

PALESTINE ASSOCIATION

For places and dates of meeting, address Miss Maydelle Campbell, 611 S. Syracuse St., Palestine, Tex.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of every month at the homes of the members. For places and dates of meeting, address Miss Katharine B. Wagner, 503 Burke Building, Seattle, Wash.

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION

dates, address Mrs. C. B. Neal, 638 Laurel St., Portland, Oregon.

PI ASSOCIATION

meets the first week of every second month, beginning with January; also on the third Monday of every month from four to six when tea is served in the alumnae room at the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way. For places of meeting, address Miss Charlotte Peters Brush, 1929 Eldorado Avenue, Berkeley, California.

LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION

meets monthly at the homes of the members. For dates and places, address Miss Jean Valentine, 916 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles, Cal.

CLUBS**PITTSBURGH CLUB**

meets for four o'clock tea on the first Saturday of November, February, and May in McCreery's lunchroom. Address Miss Bertha Miller, 203 Donaghy Ave., Butler, Pa.

LAMBDA CLUB

meets for luncheon the first Saturday of each month at one o'clock at the Portage Hotel. Address Miss Ruth Harter, 544 Market Street, Akron, Ohio.

BETA GAMMA CLUB

Address Miss Florence McClure, Larwell Street, Wooster, Ohio.

IOTA

For place and dates of meeting, address Mrs. Helen O'Neal Sigmund, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

Address Miss Clare Nelson, 2335 Broadway, Indianapolis, Ind.

ADRIAN CLUB

meets once a month at the homes of the members. For places and dates, address Mrs. Florence Worden, 141½ W. Maumee Street, Adrian, Michigan.

MINNESOTA CLUB

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting address, Miss Mary Knight, 3220 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

LINCOLN CLUB

meets for luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel at twelve-thirty the second Saturday of each month.

BETA SIGMA CLUB

meets the third Thursday of every month. For information telephone Grace B. Robinson, 110 Cambridge Place. (Telephone No. Prospect 8966.)

IOWA CITY CLUB

Address Mrs. W. C. Coast, 521 N. Dubuque, Iowa City, Ia.

TRI CITY CLUB

Address Miss Ethel McKnown, 2425 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa.

OMAHA CLUB

meets the first Saturday of every month at the homes of the members. Address Miss Mary Alice Duval, 4902 Underwood Avenue, Dundee, Omaha, Nebraska.

NEWCOMB CLUB

For places and dates of meetings address Mrs. W. J. Hardin, 1433 Pleasant St., New Orleans, La.

THE ALUMNAE FORUM

SARAH B. HARRIS, *Alumnae Editor*

HAS KAPPA A WORLD VISION?

In the light of present events, during the hour of the world's travail, in a day when nations are being born anew, when everywhere new adjustments are being made, a world vision becomes a necessity. Has Kappa a world vision? What part shall she take in bringing about an adjustment that means broader vision, larger purpose, greater attainment for all mankind?

If we have the world vision, it becomes our duty to teach those who come after us to disdain the attaining of culture for self alone, to scorn education without scattering their inheritance broadcast, to learn to give prodigally of the gifts the gods have bestowed upon them.

Kappa names are prominent in all lines of public duty, social service, missionary fields, prohibition fights, vice committees, and all lines of worthy work.

But what of us who are not at "The Front"? We can't all be missionaries, we can't all speak at suffrage meetings but we MUST all SERVE somewhere.

A world vision is a spiritual vision in which there is neither male nor female but a mutual spirit of helpfulness, a spirit that recognizes any service, however small, if done in an utterly self-forgetful manner as a world service.

Such a spirit sees in each day a new opportunity for complete emptying of self, an utter abandoning of all thought of self-glorification in the doing of the task, whether it be teaching a foreigner to speak English, comforting a little child, encouraging a tired pilgrim, or giving "a cup of cold water in the Master's name."

Let us then keep our hearts so pure, our minds so sane, that in a world which is being tossed hither and thither, at a time in which idols are being broken, creeds smashed, and ideals crumbled we can stand strong and straight and true, unshaken because we have "followed the gleam" and turned not aside. And so can say: "Come let us show you the way out of this whirling vortex, this blood cursed labyrinth—the ideal is after all the real, goodness is the best thing in life, truth is still mighty and is even now prevailing."

Let us possess a spirit that accepts life's duties with gladness, that knows not how to whine. Let this be the prayer of our hearts as it was of the little girl who after repeating the conventional, "Now I lay me down to sleep" said to her mother, "I'm going to pray another prayer tonight" and so continued: "And now, God, please keep me from whining. I'm no happier when I whine, so why whine!"

So let us again be remembering all that life in Kappa taught us, and go about our daily task in such a self-abandoned way that we will find life here and now, glorified, wonderful, rich, and holy. And because we find it so, others will, too.

Thus will we be doing our part toward bringing about a better world, one in which, even though it come not in all its fullness in our generation, is even now on the road toward the fulfillment of that matchless prayer taught His followers by "The Man of Gallilee"—"Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven."

LUCY PARKE WILLIAMS, *Bloomington (Illinois) Alumnae Association.*

AVOID "SKYROCKET" PLEDGES

The ideals of Kappa which first are brought home to us in our college days, and which at that time impress us so deeply are not only gateways, opening up our paths for those few years, but they are index fingers pointing out our roads through life.

The vows of friendship taken when first we enter the bonds of Kappa are not vows binding us for the limited time of four or five years, but are pledges governing the whole remainder of our lives. We should not allow these pledges to affect us like the sudden burst and flare of a skyrocket, which at the time is beautiful and portends great things, but soon fades into nothingness, but they should kindle a steady and ever-increasing flame of appreciation and friendship which would spread until its light and warmth filled the whole world about us.

According to this theory a Kappa should grow better with age, and a Kappa alumna should be more nearly a true representative of the ideal and spirit of Kappa Kappa Gamma than a newly elected member. However, as it is often the case with theories, I fear this one does not always hold. The new Kappa is elated with her new vows, and carries them out to the best of her ability, but when she becomes an alumna and has been out of college a number of years, she is apt to settle down and forget that she is still bound to live up to those high ideals.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION.

THE ALUMNAE-ACTIVE QUESTION

The relation of the alumnae association to the active chapter is a subject which has made much discussed, but one which will always occupy a prominent place among the problems of fraternity life as long as there are alumnae associations and active chapters.

I myself have but so recently become enrolled in our Kappa alumnae organization that I still feel a sense of close affiliation with the active chapter, and can thus look at the problem of their relationship from both points of view. As I see it, the principal thing which keeps the active chapter and its corresponding alumnae association from obtaining the best results through coöperation, is the lack of perfect sympathy and under-

standing. Not that I mean to imply any deplorable deficiency in the above-mentioned desirable qualities; all our chapters have them—to a certain extent. But in Kappa we are always striving for perfection, which leaves much room for improvement and gives ample opportunity for advice.

To many girls in the active chapter the prospect of entering the alumnae association is not one to arouse the greatest enthusiasm. Just the other day one of these girls said to me, "Oh, I do hate to think of leaving the active chapter. It's so much fun, and there's always some excitement, and the alumnae will seem so poky!" I excuse her on the grounds that she knows not whereof she speaks—at any rate regarding the pokiness of the alumnae. Of course, the active chapter is fun, and there is always some excitement; but isn't that because it is the fun and excitement of college life reflected in the life of the chapter? Is that the important thing to seek in the alumnae association? If a girl is at all serious minded, that is not all she is looking for in her life after graduation; so why should she expect it, primarily, in the fraternity, after graduation?

Here as never before is a chance for her to test her Kappa ideals and find them good. In the alumnae association among women of maturer years and wider experiences she should be able to find increased enthusiasm for Kappa and renewed inspiration to do her share of the world's work as Kappa's ideal of service would teach us.

You active girls, go into the alumnae association with the idea, not of being served, but of serving. Trust your older sisters. Trust their wider experience and feel confident of their interest in you. Ask their advice in the things you feel incapable of deciding entirely by yourselves, and don't be angry if the advice is not always to your liking.

And now for the alumnae. We, too, are to blame for a lack of sympathy where the active chapter is concerned. And isn't it because we so often forget, or are unwilling to take the point of view of the younger girls who are in college? Can we not, a little more than we do, put ourselves in their places and be a little more patient, more tolerant? I like to think of an alumnae association as occupying the same position towards the active chapter as that of a good mother towards her child. Like a mother, it should be quick to sympathize in joys and sorrows, eager to praise where praise is deserved, stern when the occasion demands, anxious to shield, and above all staunchly loyal. In return, it has a right to expect confidence, respect, loyalty, and a willingness to share pleasures as well as troubles.

It is up to us in the alumnae to make the active chapter feel that its interests are our interests. By keeping closely in touch with college activities, by going to affairs where actives and alumnae join forces, by really enjoying ourselves and making a special effort to add to the enjoyment at rush parties—in countless other ways—we can prove ourselves to be young

in spirit, so that the idea of uniting with us in our alumnae association will be one to look forward to.

Therefore, let us all, actives and alumnae, feel more closely our Kappa relationship. Let us make the distinction in our classes of membership one of convenience rather than of spirit or sympathy. Let us try to get each other's point of view, and look for the best in each of us, and if we do not find the best, we shall at least find something mighty good.

HELEN C. TAYLOR, *Cincinnati Alumnae Association.*

ALUMNAE PANHELLENIC SPIRIT

We are accustomed to think of the Panhellenic Association as an outgrowth of the separate fraternities which at some time have felt a need for a larger unit, and hence have formed an organization for mutual benefit and protection. This in reality is the real order of development; but frequently in after years the reverse is true and individual fraternity alumnae groups may grow out of a Panhellenic Association, which has had as its nucleus a little body of fraternity women, who find their common interests drawing them together. Such has been our origin and development, and in this, our first Parthenon article, we would like to say a word about this Panhellenic bond which brought us together and resulted in the formation of our Kappa Alumnae Association, with its membership drawn from all parts of this big country of ours.

During our college days our idea of Panhellenic was far too often distorted. It was difficult to escape the narrow view, to look beyond to the great possibilities of an organization in which the fraternity spirit might find a broader field of usefulness. We met the representatives of other groups to haggle over this or that rule, to impose a penalty upon one or another refractory group, and above all to worry over the ever-present bugbear of rushing, endeavoring to make it a little less trying ordeal, and a little more just to all concerned; but constantly finding the deficiencies which were bound to exist in any code which could be devised. These were vexing and by no means imaginary troubles, but we are thankful that they were after all but transitory. We emerged from the college world which, in spite of all its broadening influences, is but a narrow place, to find that our petty differences of opinion have vanished and that we can extend our sisterly feeling and work side by side with members of other fraternities in an endeavor to give to the world the benefit of that specialized training which it has been our good fortune to obtain, not only as college women, but also, we believe, as fraternity women. To some of us it was, perhaps, a revelation, this happy, friendly, fraternal, interfraternity spirit, wherein the finely drawn lines of discrimination seem to have faded away.

JENNIE LILLY NEAL, *Portland Alumnae Association.*

ALUMNAE LETTERS

BOSTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

It is always such a pleasant thought to me as I read the personals of Kappas all over the country, that, though many of the names may be unfamiliar, yet, because we are bound by the ties of our fraternity, whatever concerns one is of interest to us all. Those who were at Evanston in 1912 may remember Phi's delegate, Mary Lowden. A solitaire and tiny cards at Christmas announced her engagement to David Austin Palmer, B Θ II, and Boston University, 1913.

Dorothy Brooks, '16, at a recent shower given to Mary Lowden announced her eligibility for a like festivity. The wise and fortunate man in this case is Harold De Groat, Σ Δ A, and Springfield Y. M. C. A. College 1914. Both Mary and Dorothy will probably be married in July.

The stork has been happily busy. To Emma Fall Schofield, who was married last March and sailed for Africa in the summer, he brought a son, February 13, at Cape Town, South Africa. We are earnestly hoping the submarine warfare will lull long enough to get baby and parents soon to America.

Jean Coleman, a B Σ, but whom we happily claim in the Boston Alumnae Association, also has a son, Franklin W. Coleman, Jr., born March 6.

Ethel Kulston Winter is also the proud mother of Wilfred Murray Winter, born in February. So much for our personals.

Boston draws many visitors as students and tourists. We are sure many Kappas must be among them. We wish you would let us know when you are here for we should delight in meeting and entertaining you. In May we are to have a party at the country home of one of our alumnae. We should so like to have any of you join us.

Here is the list of our officers that you may easily find us. President, Miss Emma Shipman, 66 Chestnut Street, Boston; Secretary, Miss Virginia S. Thompson, 14 Laurel Street, Melrose; Treasurer, Miss Christine Evarts, 19 R. Aldersey Street, Somerville.

A happy spring and summer to you all.

VIRGINIA S. THOMPSON.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

Our annual election of officers was held in February and the following officers will serve us for the ensuing year: President, Ada Adams; Recording Secretary, Marjorie Bruen Dolan; Treasurer, Althea Dick; Corresponding Secretary, Bess Cash. We hope to make it a very successful year for the club.

On the evening of February 24, Bernice Welch was married to Lester Deaver at her home on East Washington Street. The wedding was quite a Kappa affair. Mr. and Mrs. Deaver are living in Akron, Ohio.

Edith Elliott was married by her father, Dr. Elliott, at their home on East Front Street to Louise Kuhn, the sixth of March. We are happy to think Edith will remain in Bloomington with us.

Eulala Robinson is making quite an extended trip through the southern states and Cuba. She will be gone several months.

Mrs. Heirman Bichett (née Elizabeth McClure), formerly of Chicago, has moved to New York.

One of the early June weddings will be that of Lucille Hostetler to Asher Earl Bently of Pontiac, Illinois. They will make their home in Pontiac.

LUCILLE HOSTETLER.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

Because of the distances in Chicago and the many interests of its Greek women, it seemed a discouraging matter to hope for a flourishing alumnae association.

Believing that a city Panhellenic would do much to strengthen each individual alumnae association and that it would mean much in bringing the united spirit of the Greek world to the many students in Chicago professional schools, who were fraternity women, Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae Association, through its President, Miss Lucy Helen Pearson, instigated efforts to bring together a council of the fraternities for this purpose.

Consultation with Mrs. Parmalee, the representative of Delta Delta Delta on National Panhellenic Congress, brought the offer from her to write the eighteen congress fraternities, that they might appoint representatives to meet with the President of Kappa Alumnae Association. Fifteen of the eighteen fraternities responded in attendance. Adequate excuses and regrets came from the other three endorsing the movement.

Informal discussion and presentation of suggestions, such as the fact that a Panhellenic might endeavor to agitate against high-school sororities in Chicago and might prove a court of appeal from nearby fraternity centers in Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, and Wisconsin, culminated in the determination to present the matter before each alumnae association and report December 6.

The report December 6 was unanimously in favor of a Panhellenic Association, with two meetings a year, one executive and one social. Miss Lucy Helen Pearson of Kappa was appointed temporary chairman, and committees on program and on nomination were appointed to report at the next meeting, January 10, at the Chicago College Club.

January 10 brought a good report and attendance, with all the eighteen fraternities represented. Miss Pearson of Kappa was elected president. The program committee, of which Theta is chairman, reported in favor of a banquet. The report was accepted and the banquet will be held at the Chicago College Club, April 14.

The engagement of Miss Helen Abbott, Beta Lambda, to Mr. Otto C. F. Randolph, Phi Gamma Delta, University of Illinois, 1913, has been announced.

A series of teas for the benefit of the national scholarship fund of Kappa Kappa Gamma are to be given by the Chicago association. The first was held at the home of Miss Helen Abbott and, although the number in attendance was small, owing to the inclemency of the weather, the tea was a success.

The officers of the Chicago Alumnae Association enjoyed the initiation and banquet of Upsilon Chapter on March 3.

The Chicago Association is well represented on the state board of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Duana McNabb—E. Winnifred Hill, Kappa, '95—is president of the Seventh District Women's Clubs and Mrs. Ransom E. Kennicott—Clementine Leake, Upsilon, '95—is chairman of the Club Bulletin.

The North End Woman's Club, also boasts of a Kappa for a president, Mrs. Charles Brockway Stearns—Trace Meeker—from Mu Chapter. The North End Club is one of the largest organizations of its kind in the city.

Owing to a conflict in the arrangements of the Kappa Alumnae Association and the Chicago College Club, the association voted to change the day of meeting from the last Saturday in the month to the second.

Only a limited number of private rooms are available in the College Club and Kappa feels fortunate in being able to secure another room and day so conveniently and easily.

ANNE DURHAM, *Secretary*.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION

The announcement has been made of the engagement of Gertrude Carter, Upsilon, to Cleon Marshall Bell of Jacksonville, Ill. The wedding will be in June, after which Mr. and Mrs. Bell will live in Jacksonville.

The wedding of Irene Farnham, Upsilon, '12, and Sherman Conrad will be in June.

Esther Moley, De Pauw, '16, is now a member of the North Shore Alumnae Association.

Clara Harris will graduate from the Nurses' Training School of the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago in June.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Rockwood, a son, Ralph, Jr., on January 10.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Odell, a daughter, Patricia, on December 4.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Nelson, a daughter, Mary Lois, on December 29.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rawlins, a daughter, Mary Harriet, on February 12.

EDNA HARRIS.

SIGMA NOTES

We have read in our columns about Louise Pound, Sigma Chapter and Eta Province President, as to her activities in the world of "sports." To show you that she keeps the balance, here are a few offices in "high-brow" organizations, which she is holding at present:

President of Nebraska Alpha of Phi Beta Kappa (first woman to be given this office).

Treasurer of the National Council of English Teachers.

Vice-president, Modern Language Association of America.

Secretary of the Nebraska branch of the American Association of University Professors (was one of a half-dozen women asked to be charter members, when the association was organized a few years ago).

Member of the National Committee for the Improvement of American Speech.

CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION

Since the last letter to THE KEY the Cleveland Alumnae Association has had two meetings, the January meeting at Mrs. Waid's with Miss Florence Rogers as assistant hostess and the February meeting with Miss Marian Wright, Mrs. B. E. Cushing assisting.

At our January meeting we were very glad to have with us Miss Coles of Phi Chapter in Boston. She was visiting in Cleveland.

Miss Polly Royce, a member of Beta Upsilon Chapter at the University of West Virginia, and a graduate of the College for Women, Cleveland, has recently become assistant pastor of Pilgrim Congregational Church, Cleveland.

We are very sorry to lose Mrs. George Smart (Lucy Allen, Beta Nu) who is moving to New York this spring.

We are glad to welcome to our association Mrs. Anna Packard Martin (Beta Tau) who is making her home in Cleveland now.

MABEL C. JOHNSTON.

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Drew (Alice Currie, Eta) are the parents of a daughter, Joan, born December 30. They are moving to Detroit from their former home in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chamberlain (Marion Bell, Eta), formerly of Vancouver, Canada, have removed to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, where they will make their permanent home.

Miss Almira Johnson (Eta) is attending Columbia University this year.

Miss Virginia Sinclair, Grand Treasurer, 1902-1904, has opened the Milwaukee School of Lip Reading to Teach the Adult Deaf.

HELEN S. WILKINSON.

BETA SIGMA CLUB

At the last meeting of Beta Sigma Alumnae, the members decided to give to Adelphi College a scholarship to be known as the Juliette Hollenback Memorial Scholarship. We felt that a scholarship was the most suitable memorial for one whose life was in itself a message of service and helpfulness to others.

A change has been made in the date of our meetings. In order to strengthen the bond between the alumnae and the actives, we are going to hold our meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. This will enable the alumnae to attend the semi-monthly supper given by the actives. The alumnae meeting will follow at 8 o'clock. On the second Wednesday of April, the alumnae entertained the actives at supper.

Ella Dutcher is teaching in the Patterson, N. J., High School.

Florence Hawkins Ostrander has moved from Pittsburgh to White Plains, N. Y.

Dorothy Cooke has announced her engagement to Gove Hambidge.

Emily Botsford is engaged to Coit Ladd.

Dorothea Brommer married Lloyd Bliss in April.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Franklin W. Coleman (Jean Marks), a son, Franklin W. Coleman, Jr.

Winifred Marshall sang at the annual luncheon of the New York Alumnae.

Edna Wakefield, '07, a trained social worker, has a responsible position at the Red Cross headquarters in New York City. She is assistant to Dr. Edward T. Devine of Columbia University, who is executive secretary of the Civilian Relief Committee. This is organized and ready to provide for the families of soldiers, sailors, and guardsmen that are left destitute because the wage-earner is called to service.

REGINA NAGLE.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION

Ruth Elizabeth Jackson and Earl Allen Griswold were married February 12. They will continue to live in Minneapolis.

Dorothy Zench and Roy Albert Witt of Davenport, Iowa, were married April 7 in Davenport and will live in Minneapolis.

There were several things of interest reported at the annual meeting in January. The fair that was held before Christmas at the Hotel Plaza was an enjoyable and profitable event. The attractive articles of needlework and the delicacies sold readily during the day, and dancing and bridge playing took place in the evening. The financial result was satisfactory.

Miss Alice Welt, chairman of the House Board, gave a financial report, and also said that the house was not large enough.

In order to make some necessary payments in February, one of the up-town movie houses was rented for a matinee performance and close to

a hundred dollars was cleared. Home-made candy was sold during the performance.

Mrs. Charles Tryon was appointed by the Grand President to stir up interest in THE KEY, and we are confident that she will get the desired results.

Mrs. Julia T. Davis died shortly before Christmas. She was ill only a week with pneumonia. She was very active in Kappa, as well as in many other affairs, and will be greatly missed.

RUTH S. BLOCH.

CINCINNATI ASSOCIATION

March has begun auspiciously for Cincinnati Alumnae Association. On the third at the initiation banquet, held at the Hotel Gibson, we were glad to welcome several out-of-town Kappas, especially Mrs. Kolbe who initiated our pledges, and in her gladsome way welcomed the new girls into Kappa. Also Mrs. Horton, who is now holding a responsible position in our new and wonderful general hospital, and Miss Marian Tinsley from Ohio State University, and at present a resident in Cincinnati.

Under the efficient leadership of our president, Miss Florence Dice, Cincinnati alumnae have decided upon a new and more interesting program to be followed the rest of the present year. This new program was inaugurated Saturday, March 17, the girls meeting for luncheon at the attractive new home of Mrs. William Abbott. Eight hostesses received their guests, clad in white with green crêpe-paper aprons, and each serving four or more guests at small tables. These were appropriately decorated for St. Patrick's Day, and as this attracted so many Kappas, the party was declared a success. We were especially pleased to greet two Wisconsin State University girls, Gertrude Mengleberg and Francis Hitchcock, and also Miss Moore from Wooster, Ohio.

The luncheon was followed by a rather important business meeting, at which final plans were made for the purchase of a silver cup, to be presented to the active chapter, and upon which the name of the student receiving the highest average, will be engraved.

Cincinnati Alumnae is especially pleased when it can add to its steadily increasing roll-call the names of out-of-town Kappas, whose ideas and interests aid in a broader view of Kappa.

BERTHA E. PFIRRMANN.

PALESTINE ASSOCIATION

The announcement has been made of the engagement of Mattie Cad Gardner, '10, to William Keller. The wedding will take place on April 23.

Mrs. R. C. Sewell entertained the Palestine Alumnae Association on March 9, in honor of her sister, Mattie Cad Gardner.

Mrs. F. T. Baldwin (Jean John, '13), of Houston, was the guest of Maydelle Campbell the first week in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ellis Smith (Mattie Gooch, '12) have a second daughter, Jessie Howard Smith. She was born in October.

The engagement of Maydelle Campbell, '12, to Lieut. Roderick Random Allen, of the United States Cavalry, has recently been announced. The wedding will take place on April 25.

MAYDELLE CAMPBELL.

HOUSTON ASSOCIATION

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Kleberg, née Maimie Searcy, November 20, 1916, a son, Richard Miffin, Jr.

Miss Katharine Searcy, of Brenham, has been visiting in Houston.

Miss Margaret Bowsman, of Brenham, has returned from Chicago.

Miss Jone, of Columbus Grove, Ohio, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. R. G. Caldwell.

Miss Gladys Scaling, of Ft. Worth, has returned home after a delightful visit in Houston.

Mrs. Fred Williams and daughter, Mary, are visiting in Beaumont.

Miss Elizabeth Procter, a Kappa pledge from Victoria, has been visiting in Houston.

We regret to lose Mrs. Wallace Kelly from our association. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have moved to New Orleans to make that city their home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hopkins have moved to Houston to live.

Misses Emma Lee and Margaret Runge came up from Galveston to attend the Kappa meeting at the home of Mrs. Fred Williams.

After the business meeting with Mrs. McDade Wilburn, we enjoyed a bridge game.

Mrs. F. T. Baldwin went to Palestine to visit Miss Maydelle Campbell, Miss Helen DeVine is with her sister in San Diego, Texas.

ELLA BOYLES CLEMENS.

AUSTIN ASSOCIATION

Clara Thaxton, our president, is visiting in Kansas

Helen Knox has recently published a new book, of which we are justly proud. The title is *Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker—an Appreciation*.

We have been very deeply grieved over the death of Elizabeth Graves, the little daughter of Mary Stedman Graves.

JEANETTE BENNETT.

PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION

The Philadelphia Alumnae Association has no statistics to offer, but other alumnae seem to write copy for the mere entertainment of KEY readers, so please accept ours. We hate to see ourselves conspicuous by our absence when THE KEY comes out, just because we haven't any new facts to present.

Rising prices in food-stuffs do not seem to affect initiation banquets, judging by the one held by Beta Alpha Chapter on March 3. Many of us

alumnae were there, and we know! Four of us went home overnight afterwards with Sue Dorothy Keeney, and had a regular house party, in spite of being over-fed.

Mrs. "Professorin" Lingelbach, already a fluent speaker in English, American, and, I believe, French and German, is now learning Russian, because she and Dr. Lingelbach will visit Russia as soon as their bomb-proof raft is completed. The simple declarative sentence in the foregoing statement is true.

The alumna fish, gold in color like the key, Quaker by ancestry and Kappy by name, still swims around reposefully in the chapter-room jardiniere, but its mate, Gammy, has gone into oblivion, like so many of THE KEY subscriptions. Ardent zoölogists among us try to keep the chapter in livestock, but those girls will overfeed it.

This is all we have to offer this time. Spring has affected us.

A. M. RODMAN.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION

Our March meeting was a luncheon at the Kappa house. It was the annual election of officers, those chosen being Elsa Walsh, president; Mrs. J. R. Lane (Helen Tremper), vice-president; Katharine Wagner, secretary; and Jessie Lee Poole, treasurer. All are Beta Pi members.

We were so glad to see mentioned in Philadelphia's last letter the visit of our Ellen Howe. Doesn't it thrill you with the oneness of Kappa to hear about one of your dear friends from another section of the country?

We are welcoming to our ranks this year Lillian Balcum, Psi, and Katherine Martindale, Eta.

Just at present we are feeling very proud over the fame of one of our own alumnae, Zilpha Fenton Radford. The Women's University Club of Seattle offered a prize for the best play written by any of its members and Zilpha submitted two, and was awarded the prize for one and honorable mention for the other. Both plays were given later in the year, *In a Doorway* being a "curtain-raiser" and *Heliotrope*, an entirely new story of an absent-minded professor. Marion Blethen Mezdag, Florence Day, and Esther Palmer, three of our members took leading parts in each of them.

We fully expect Zilpha Fenton Radford to become nationally famous before long, and we are sure someone ought to begin collecting anecdotes and daily happenings.

KATHARINE B. WAGNER.

PI ASSOCIATION

A little daughter has arrived in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Weber (Marjorie Stanton) in New Orleans.

Lieutenant and Mrs. William Harrison (Marjorie Gardner, '13) are rejoicing over the advent of a small son.

Anita Crellin, '13, has returned to Grants Pass, Ore., for the second term. She is teaching history in the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Standish (Beatrice Mesmer, '14) have a young daughter.

Marjorie Coogan has announced her engagement to Malcolm Campbell, Σ N. The wedding will take place in June.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyal McLaren (Marguerite Amoss, '14) have a son.

Alexine Mitchell, ex-'10, has arrived in France to begin her duties as a Red Cross nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Scott (Marie McHenry, '13) are the parents of a young son.

Margaret Witter, '11, is teaching music in the State Normal School at San José.

Mary Van Maren, '12, who announced her engagement to Lester Stock, K A, in the fall, was married in April.

The engagement is announced of Genevieve Pratt, '10, and William Lloyd Hook, Δ K E. The wedding will take place in the summer.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ASSOCIATION

Miss Sarah Harris, Grand Vice-president, was the guest of honor at an informal tea given Monday afternoon, Feb. 26, by Mrs. Lila Burnett Louden. The other guests were alumnae members of this association.

Mrs. Ruth Steel Brooks has been chairman this year of the local branch of American Fund for French Wounded. She has been responsible for over \$500 being sent from this branch, since October, 1916. A group of women sew each Saturday afternoon; make shirts, pillows, sheets, knitted stockings, and other necessary articles. Three hundred and seventy-five comfort-bags were sent before Christmas to the wounded in French hospitals.

Mrs. Beryl Showers Holland holds the championship, 1916-17, for the states of Indiana and Kentucky, in auction bridge.

Mrs. P. K. Buskirk and Mrs. Bess Williams Pittenger are two of the four patronesses of the chapter of Delta Delta Delta, installed in Indiana University, March 3, 1917.

The active chapter presented to the faculty and townspeople their chaperon, Mrs. Flora Lillard Myers, 1890, at a reception at the chapter house, Saturday, January 6. Mrs. Beryl Showers Holland, Mrs. L. V. Buskirk, and Mrs. Ruth Steel Brooks were in the receiving line. Mrs. Theodore Louden and Mrs. Noble Campbell presided at coffee urns in the dining-room.

Twenty-five alumnae were present at the initiation service held Thursday evening, February 22. The initiation was followed by a dinner.

Tuesday evening, February 13, thirty-five alumnae invaded the Kappa house taking with them all kinds of good things to eat. It was a real old-fashioned, surprise party, enjoyed equally by the girls and the alumnae. After the buffet dinner was over, one of the girls, blindfolded and playing a guitar to which was fastened a tin cup, was led by one of the other girls

through the rooms. Into this cup were dropped coins of all denominations. When the money was counted there was enough to purchase a victrola for the chapter house.

The alumnae board members are Mrs. J. K. Beck, Mrs. L. V. Buskirk, and Mrs. Beryl Showers Holland.

Mrs. Lila Burnett Louden is president of the Bloomington branch of A. C. A. She was hostess to the members of the branch and their friends at tea, February 15. In the receiving line with her was Mrs. Flora Lillard Myers.

Mrs. Lean Adams Beck, the oldest living charter member of Delta Chapter, is very active as a member of the Hospital Building Committee of the Local Council of Women, which organization is responsible for the building of a new hospital in the near future.

BESS WILLIAMS PITTINGER.

DETROIT ASSOCIATION

More than forty alumnae have been affiliated with the Detroit association this winter, and a regular program of monthly meetings has been developed. Eight groups of hostesses entertained during the year at luncheons or afternoon affairs. So many of the girls are teachers that a majority of the meetings were held Saturday afternoons, with luncheon served before the business session. Private homes of the members, the College Club, and the new Ingleside Club have been chosen for Kappa gatherings at various times.

Early in the fall two brides depleted our number for the time being, while they went off honey-mooning. Kathleen Holznagle was married to Mr. George Sisler of St. Louis, Missouri, November 20, and Gladys Race married Dr. L. Irving Condit, November 26. Kathleen lives in St. Louis now, but Gladys is with us again.

During November, the Intercollegiate County Fair, held in Detroit the night of November 28, claimed the attention of many of the girls. In the first place, Elisabeth Sundstrom, Beta Delta, had suggested the affair as a means of raising money for the Collegiate Bureau of Occupations, of which Mrs. David Harper (Lulu Southmayd) is president. All the colleges actively represented in Detroit joined in the scheme and twenty-seven schools helped to make a rousing success of the venture, financially and socially. Beside having had "Lisa" revive the idea of the fair, several other Kappas served on committees. Beatrice Merriam was on the finance committee, and Mrs. C. S. Cole (Georgine McSweeney) had charge of the palmistry booth, with Helen Bower helping her.

In January we were shocked to learn of the death of Edwin A. Walton, advertising manager for the Burroughs Adding Machine Company. Mrs. Walton, who was Frances Colter, Gamma Rho, was in San Diego at the time and could not reach her husband at Spokane, Washington, before his death, which resulted from a sudden attack of pneumonia. Our love and most sincere sympathy have gone out to Mrs. Walton.

Spring initiation of Beta Delta was held March 3, and as usual many of the alumnae went out to help celebrate, since Beta Delta is so near Detroit. Among the "old" Beta Delta girls who attended the attractive and impressive banquet when twelve splendid freshmen were welcomed were Louise Wicks, province president, Lucy Elliott, Mrs. A. B. Parfet (Madeline McVoy), Marguerite Kolb, Beatrice Merriam, Mrs. L. Irving Condit (Gladys Race), Mrs. Carl Schoeffel (Helen King), and Anne Benjamin.

A luncheon has been planned for the May meeting particularly for actives and alumnae from Beta Delta, Xi, and Kappa—a sort of province get-together. Of course, this doesn't mean that the rest aren't as welcome as ever. And speaking of "all the rest," we have recently received into the association Mrs. G. B. M. Seager, Margaret Matthews, Sadie and Cora Palmer, all of whom are from Xi Chapter at Adrian, and Mrs. L. F. Canter from Texas. Mrs. F. P. Lucas left us to make her home in Cleveland early in the winter, when her husband's business took him there.

New Kappas in Detroit are counted as great "finds" by the association; the nearer their chapters, the better we feel that we know them, and the farther away their chapters, the more we feel that we want to know them.

ANNE BENJAMIN.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

The engagement of Miss Marion Sanders to Mr. Arthur Green was announced January 27. The wedding date has been set for June 23. Mr. Green attended the Missouri University and is a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity.

Miss Marie Abel and Mr. Clifford Scott were married on February 28 at the Kingshighway Presbyterian Church, St. Louis, Mo. They departed immediately after the ceremony for a short visit in Chicago. The alumnae association are very happy to have them make their home in St. Louis. Mr. Scott is a member of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.

We are proud to have Miss Gladys Udell join our association. She has just received her degree from Missouri University, and is a Theta of whom that chapter is very proud. For two successive years she was president of the Women's Self-Government Organization besides being prominent in many other school activities.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett North have gone to California for a two months' visit.

Mrs. Louise Thomas has just returned from a visit to Washington, D. C., where she has been enjoying the Inaugural festivities.

Kappa now holds the office of president of Panhellenic, Mrs. Ralph Miller having been elected. Plans are now being formulated for the Spring Frolic which is given each year by the Panhellenic for the benefit of charity.

LORENA B. MOORE.

FALLS CITY ASSOCIATION

The engagement of Elizabeth Ruthenburg (Iota) and Mr. Horace Mel-dahl (Bet Theta Pi) is announced. The marriage will be solemnized in the early summer.

FRANCES HARTLEY.

MUNCIE ASSOCIATION

On January 27 the January-February meeting of the Muncie Association was held at the home of Lola Warfel, Iota. Nine were present, including Mrs. Rodner Hayler (Marie Farquaher, Delta), who was a visitor in the city, and Mrs. J. J. Hirsh (Amy Ecker, Beta Delta) who is a new-comer among us. The short afternoon was spent in discussing ways and means of raising money for the Students' Aid Fund.

Ruth Trueblood, Delta, is teaching domestic science in the Muncie high school. Her address is 419 West Charles Street.

Lotta Thomas, Iota, is teaching English in the Muncie High School. Her address is 301 West Howard Street.

The pupils of Miss Georgia Lucas (Beta Mu) recently gave a most interesting and successful recital. Miss Lucas teaches the fascinating Dunning System for beginners and has some promising advanced pupils as well.

Frances Mauck, Kappa, is sojourning in Muncie with her sister, Mrs. Clay A. Ball (Helen Mauck, Kappa) who has been ill for some time.

Mrs. Everett Warner (Lalah Ruth Randle, Iota) has recently been named chairman of the Press Committee for the Eighth District of the Indiana Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. John H. Thornburg (Anna Studabaker, Nu) has been confined to her home with the rheumatism.

Mrs. H. H. Orr (Harry Branham, Delta) is still confined to her home on account of illness and the Muncie Association greatly misses her and her enthusiasm for the things of Kappa.

LALAH RUTH RANDALL WARNER.

BETA IOTA ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Robert Neville (Marie De Montslvo, '05) is living at 3 West Eighty-seventh Street, New York City.

The engagement of Edith S. Satterthwaite ('16) to Mr. Horace Thorn of Trenton, N. J., was announced during the Christmas holidays.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller (Sarah Heyburn, '11) on December 14.

A daughter, Anne S. Hess, was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hess (Martha Sharpless, '13).

A son, Frank H. Wood, was born during February to Mr. and Mrs. John Wood (Elizabeth Cadwalader, '11).

Mrs. Darlington (Louise Cockran, '10) gave a delightful luncheon and card party at her home on February 3.

Mrs. Philip Hunt (Edith Baker, '11) gave a Kappa "Five-Hundred" on March 2.

A regular meeting of the Beta Iota Alumnae Association was held at the College Club, Philadelphia, on the afternoon of February 10. Another regular meeting was held before the initiation of Mae Shallcross, '20, at the home of Mrs. Douglas in Swarthmore on the evening of March 16. The annual luncheon will be held on May 12.

The committee appointed to take charge of our gift to the Kappa Scholarship Fund is working to secure a gift of one hundred dollars. The committee is composed of Many Verlenden, '07, Emma Jane Shoemaker, '06, and Catherine Pugh, '15.

INDIANAPOLIS ASSOCIATION

The marriage of Miss Julia Noble Shubrick, Iota, to Herman William Kothe took place February 14. They will live in Indianapolis.

Miss Vera Louise Winship, Iota, formerly a member of this association, married Hubert Thomas of Greensburg, Ind. After the wedding trip they will be at home in Greensburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Millis (Vera Peck) have come to Indianapolis from Houston, Tex. As both are former Hoosiers they will find a hearty welcome from a host of friends.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hunt (Minnabel Morris, Mu) are sorry to have them leave Indianapolis. Their musical talent, so generously exercised for all Kappa affairs will be sorely missed. We congratulate Chicago Kappas on their gain.

Mr. and Mrs. Larimore (Marie Van Riper, Iota) have moved here from Springfield, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilliland are the proud parents of a little son.

ADELAIDE SMITH.

NEWCOMB CLUB

Alumnae and actives are both delighted to have Lucille Gillican make her home in New Orleans again, after a long residence on the Gulf coast.

Mary Minor Pipes is in New Orleans after spending the winter at her country home.

Adele Williams has been elected chairman of the Educational Committee of the Young Women's Christian Association in New Orleans.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Woodward (Hazel Ellis), a daughter, Hazel.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Monro B. Lanier of Birmingham, Alabama (Katherine Leach), a daughter, Katherine Beverley.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Williams (Adele Monroe), a son, George.

From the *New Orleans Item* of March 21; "Newcomb College and feminists scored another triumph when Mrs. E. J. Northrup was elected president of the New Orleans Academy of Sciences, and Miss Mary Cass Spencer, treasurer. Both are professors in the Newcomb Faculty—Miss

Spencer of mathematics." Miss Spencer, we add with pride, is a Cornell Kappa.

CHARLOTTE P. HARDIN.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

At the initiation banquet held at The Wolcott on March 3 over thirty alumnae were present.

On March 10, 1917, the Syracuse Alumnae Association met at the home of Harriet Blakeslee Wallace to sew for the Crouse-Irving Hospital. It was the regular alumnae meeting. There were about thirty present and it was one of the best meetings we have had. The pile of little garments and pillow cases that were finished made us feel that we had accomplished something really practical, and it did not take away from the sociability at all, for the tongues flew as fast as the needles.

We are looking forward to two very pleasant alumnae meetings, one on March 31, at the home of Jean Weller Archambo. This is to be a covered-dish party at six o'clock. The other meeting is to be on April 14, at Manlius, at the home of Mrs. Anna Hopkins Sutherland. Mrs. Sutherland and Gertrude Gardner Gere are to be the hostesses.

Kathleen Bagwell Houghton, '07, has recently moved to Waynesburg, Pa., where her husband has been made president of Waynesburg College. She has two little daughters, Virginia, seven years old, and Sarah, four.

Clara Steinbicker, '07, has returned to Irvington-on-Hudson, to teach.

On February 2, 1917, occurred the marriage of Grace Potteiger, '13, and Seymour C. Schwartz, '13, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. They are living at 307 Marshall Street, Syracuse, N. Y.

Harriet Harris is teaching at Onondaga Hill this year.

Dona Wilbur, ex-'15, is to be married May 1 to Neil Graham Harrison, a graduate of Albany Law College which is connected with Union College. He is a member of the firm of Harrison & Clark of Binghampton, which will be their home.

Births

To Bessie Willard Linfield, '97, a daughter, Margaret, on December 8, 1916.

To Harriette Curtiss Gaylord, '00, a son, Charles William Gaylord, Jr., on January 22, 1917.

To Rhea Hawley Murphy, '10, a son, Joseph Hawley, on November 24, 1916.

To Ruth Henderson Boydon, ex-'06, a son, Carl E., on January 26, 1917.

FLORENCE KNAPP.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

Mrs. James Peterson (Helen Brown) sailed for Japan in March.

Miss Lorine Pearson is spending the winter in Florida.

Miss Grace Murray, of Riverside, Cal., will spend the summer in Indianapolis.

Marriages: January 19, Mary Cravens to Robert McQuinn, Jr., of New York. February 9, Edith Craycraft to Rollin Gwinn, of Noblesville.
CLARE NELSON.

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION

Mrs. L. M. Jeffers (Zola Green, Epsilon), president of our Portland Alumnae Association, is spending a couple of months in the East. She left here on February 15 with her husband and little son. She writes that she spent a very happy week-end in Bloomington, Ill., where she visited not only her mother and two Kappa sisters, but also the alumnae club and active chapter there. At present she is in Washington, D. C., but we are looking forward to her return in April, as she is a much-valued association member here.

Mrs. Robert Tucker (Gertrude Wynn, Lambda), Mrs. Neta Bartlett Haslop, and Marguerite Rhose, Beta Omega, were present at the Beta Omega initiation on February 17, and report a very enjoyable time. They also tell us that the Eugene girls have a fine freshman class.

One of our members, Mrs. Will E. Jones (Helen De Brisay, Beta Mu), who was away for several months, has returned to make her home in Portland. We feared that she might remain in the East, and so were especially glad to hear that she will be with us again.

The next meeting of the Kappa Association will be held at the home of Mrs. George M. Vinton (Olive Donnell, Beta Omega), on Arlington Heights. Mrs. Vinton's home is most picturesquely located, overlooking the city, rivers, and snow-capped mountain peaks beyond; and for those who have not visited her a treat is in store.

We are very sorry to have learned only today, that Neta Bartlett Haslop, Beta Omega, is to leave next week to take a position in Bend, Oregon. She has been so generous with her time and artistic skill that we shall hardly know what to do without her.

Mrs. A. F. Kerr (Maude Service, Beta Omega), whose husband has been employed in the United States Forest Service, in Tacoma, Wash., recently, spent a day in Portland, when they were on their way to Eugene, Ore., to take up their residence on the ranch of Mr. Kerr's father near there. Mr. Kerr has temporarily left the Forest Service.

JENNIE LILLY NEAL.

EXCHANGES

ROSE AFFOLTER

We have received:

November—*Bent* of Tau Beta Pi, *Purple, Green and Gold*, of Lambda Chi Alpha, *Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

December—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

January—*Angelos* of Kappa Delta, *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta, *Kappa Alpha Theta, Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega, *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta, *Alpha Phi Quarterly, Aglaia* of Phi Mu, *Bent* of Tau Beta Pi, *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta, *Sigma Pi Emerald*.

February—*To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi, *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi, *Alpha Gamma Quarterly*.

March—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly, Delta* of Sigma Nu, *Sigma Kappa Triangle, Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi, *Beta Sigma Omicron, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi Quarterly, Aglaia* of Phi Mu.

There is a precedent, well-established with members of the Author's Union and other slaves of Cadmus, that, in juggling the assorted components of the alphabet preparatory to fishing an article out of the ink-pot, one should commence at the very beginning.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*.

Here is much serious meaning in disguise. From *The Phi Gamma Delta*.

TWO NEW CUPS PROPOSED

One for Humor, One for Fraternity Spirit

Very Dear Brother Editor:

For whose benefit is the fraternity?

One would almost begin to believe that fraternities were created for the alumni. That is: so many suggestions of efficiency; so many rules of conduct; so many threatening requests for improved scholarship are being promulgated, that life, for the undergraduate, will soon deteriorate into a series of seriousness if some one doesn't look out.

It is becoming quite common for our heaviest thinkers to assert that scholarship is the only thing: that our idea that the grind, the shark or plugger—take your choice or use your own pet epithet—was doomed to an unsuccessful life, is old-fashioned. To prove this, they say that in England and Germany an exactly opposite opinion prevails. All I can say to this is, "Yes, and now look at them."

Why so much advice and so many rules? A helping hand is one thing, the mailed fist is another; a helpful boost is one thing, but a swift kick is decidedly something else again.

Why take for granted that every freshman, if he is not quite an inebriate, an imbecile and a moral degenerate, is, at least, an embryonic prototype? (I think that last is good. I know what I mean but have a presentiment no one else can guess it from the expression). It seems to me that one might even allow himself to believe that most of the boys entering college come from good families; that they have more than a vague conception of what is right and what is wrong, what a college is for and what the life beyond the imaginary gates of the campus may mean.

Must everyone believe that efficiency is the chief aim of existence? Can't there be happiness without giant strides of progress? Can't there be wisdom without scholarship?

When two old brothers get together, do they dream and talk about the happy hour they spent at an Economic's Examination? You get the point.

Perhaps, and most likely, there can be pleasant things in spite of this new progressiveness, or rather aggressiveness, but why always keep adding to the seriousness and complexity of life?

Very soon I shall be impelled to offer two very loving cups to the various chapters. To that chapter which develops the best sense of humor, a deep, green-gold goblet with sparkling silver lining, and sitting on its edge, a fairy Fiji with cap and bells, laughing at a foolish world, and making a host of others laugh with him.

Another most loving cup to that chapter which develops the best fraternity spirit—and there's the thing, for the Fiji spirit will bring everything requisite of life's success and happiness with it—a large, lustrous bowl, with deep in its bottom a diamond and a star surrounded by a heart of gold.

(Signed) Not-so-old-grad.

In "Requisites of a Good Engineer" in the *Bent* of Tau Beta Pi it is interesting to note the breadth of scope. We are so accustomed to think that the engineer studies merely 57 varieties of mathematics.

How may the clear thinking which is fundamental to success be cultivated?

- a. Careful study and use of English.
- b. Study logic.
- c. Reading broadly to gain breadth of view.
- d. Read dramatic fiction to cultivate imagination.
- e. Force habits of concentration.
- f. Preparation of theses.
- g. Preparation of outlines or skeletons of the subjects to be discussed, to obtain order and system in thought.

- h. Form the habit of reflecting. It compels clear, orderly thought.
- i. Speak in public at every reasonable opportunity.
- j. Debate publicly and privately.

Good and effective address is essential to professional success. It is rarely natural. How may it be secured?

- a. Cultivate interest in others.
- b. Consider carefully the point of view of others.
- c. Consider the quality and character of your associates.
- d. Cultivate patience and charity.
- e. Study psychology.
- f. Ordered thought is nearly always tactful, therefore order your thought, for tact is a mighty instrument and much to be desired.
- g. Train yourself to speak clearly and with deliberation. Discriminate carefully in the use of language; avoid slothful methods of speech and avoid the use of slang. Slang arises from lack of poise and from paucity of thought.

What some of the fraternities are doing about it.

During the last three years we have seen some signs that the leaven of the doctrine of service is working among fraternity men and sorority women. The proposition that chapters should engage in altruistic work has received editorial endorsement from the ΣN *Delta*, the ΣX *Quarterly*, and the $\Sigma A E$ *Record*. In reading our exchanges we have been much pleased to observe that a number of chapters have begun to do things along charitable lines.

Instance 1. Chapters of several fraternities have established scholarship. We remember that the Yale chapter of $\Delta K E$ is one of these.

Instance 2. $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ has a cup, the Newton D. Baker Social Service Cup, that is awarded annually to the chapter of that fraternity "which has excelled in religious, ethical, and social service activities."

Instance 3. $\Phi K \Psi$ has an endowment fund, which, during the scholastic year 1915-16, received over \$2,000, and out of which was paid loans, amounting to nearly \$1,500, to eight members of the fraternity, to enable them to complete their college courses.

Instance 4. A chapter of ΣN has adopted a five-year old boy. He was found in a children's home, pledges were given that he would be given a proper bringing up, and he was taken into the chapter house to become a member of the chapter family.

Instance 5. The fraternities and sororities at the University of Kansas are supporting war babies. Each Greek-letter organization there has adopted a child orphaned by the war and contributes ten cents a day to support it.

Instance 8. The sororities are engaged in so many varieties of social service work that it is impossible for us to enumerate them. They have done work of this kind for a good many years, and we are free to admit

that their splendid example first suggested to us that fraternities as well as sororities should adopt an altruistic program.

We have made some feeble efforts to awaken an interest among members of Phi Delta Theta in altruistic work for brothers in the Bond that need material help or for persons outside who are deserving of charity, the charity that can be bestowed by either money or service. The results so far have not been encouraging, but we are not discouraged. We have an abiding faith that in time Phi Delta Theta chapters will take up enthusiastically work that will benefit members, other college students, or other persons who are struggling against adverse circumstances. Pi Beta Phi and Kappa Kappa Gamma are also mentioned.

If you are about to elect officers for the coming year read this fitting editorial from the *Garnet and White* (Quoted in part).

Too often the Chapter approaches these elections either without forethought of any consequence, or after a "political" campaign which is, perhaps, a degree worse than no forethought at all. And as a result men are chosen who are in some cases conspicuously unfitted efficiently to direct the chapter's activities and to further the chapter's prestige; or who are, in a larger number of cases, efficient enough to pass muster, but by no means the best choice which could be made among the Brothers of that particular unit in the Fraternity.

The importance of these offices is considerable. Instances are not wanting, even in Alpha Chi Rho, where a somewhat mediocre set of men (mediocre, of course, as Alpha Chi's go!) led and directed by a well-matched and efficient set of officers, have been able to do more, both for the Fraternity and for the college, than a set of young heroes whose officers were chosen for personal popularity or seniority in membership, and did not or could not forcefully and intelligently coordinate that chapter's activities for the good of the whole. In one of our chapters, not long since, the recorder was a decidedly poor writer but a born leader of men; while the head of the chapter, elected because of his faithful and thorough attention to details of chapter work during three previous years, lacked the imagination and leadership necessary to pilot the chapter through what proved to be an unusually critical year. In another case the "treasurer" of a chapter was not only inaccurate in his bookkeeping to a degree which finally produced great confusion, but was actually personally in debt to certain other members of the chapter; while one other of the ritual officers, while perfectly competent for the position he did hold, was of all men in the chapter, as it subsequently appeared, interested and expert in finance, and was the only one able to untangle the financial situation when an accounting finally became inevitable.

"These offices are for work, not glory." In order to minimize the prestige of office in the chapter, and so to discount the tendency to elect men because of their popularity rather than their especial fitness for certain

work, the Fraternity has wisely provided that not only the titles, but the very identity of the heads of a resident chapter of Alpha Chi Rho should be unknown to the outer world.

Our rights are ably defended by the men.

The *New York Evening Post*, opposing the addition of tests which would tend to reduce the proportion of women admitted to Φ B K, says editorially:

It is a pretty safe prediction that the basis of eligibility will remain essentially as it is. If men cannot, or will not, win a fair proportion of elections on a scholarship basis, the consensus of enlightened opinion will be that the young women are entitled to their victory. To attempt to wrest it from them by a sex handicap would only subject the young men to ridicule, and would do more harm to the reputation of the fraternity than any proportion of women ever likely to be found in its membership.—*The Scroll*.

The *Tomahawk* is for us too.

While we would not be understood as dictating to another organization the qualification of its members and the terms of their admission, we should dislike to see any discrimination against women in the realm of intellectual recognition. If men cannot hold their own in competition with them let them own it honestly and not discriminate. There are two sorts of Phi Beta Kappa men,—the greasy grind who never amounts to much as a social unit while in college and is never heard from after; and the bright, intellectual leader who always does things wherever he is, in or out of college. Undoubtedly the latter are the men who will add lustre to the society because of their membership. But to bar women would add increased numbers of the former type of men. Of intellectual women we have only one type—those with brains and social values. Neither now nor in the future will they cast any reflections upon their brothers in Phi Beta Kappa. "The reputation of the society" is perfectly safe in their hands.—
EDITOR.

Here is what they opine about us in print.

The following questionnaire was sent to various university presidents: May we inquire whether you have reached any definite conclusion as to the real status of the fraternities in university education in America?

And also, what your experience is in handling them?

Do you have any suggestion to offer for the improvement of fraternity relationships in university life? I am especially concerned to know how fraternities may be used in carrying on the administrative and the social life of our state universities.

President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, of the University of California, concluded his answers to the inquiries as follows:

I will bear my individual testimony that I have found the fraternities most helpful, and I have had pleasure in coöperating with them. I think the key to the correction of wrongs and abuses in the fraternities is found in giving them something real and serious to do. . . . I think fraternities rightly guided and utilized by the university authorities are likely to become a potent influence for good.

President George E. Vincent, of the University of Minnesota, replied:

We find it necessary to be alert and vigilant and never to assume that fraternities and sororities will automatically improve themselves or contribute to the welfare of the whole community. By constant, quiet, friendly, coöperative effort, we feel that we have made good progress and that we may expect this to continue.

President Frank L. McVey answered:

It seems that much is to be done by the fraternities to really justify their existence and square themselves with the purposes of university life.

After reporting that the faculty are getting on very well with fraternities at the University of North Dakota, he suggests:

If we could have an officer in the university whose whole time was devoted to the life of the students, looking after their interests and following them up individually, getting in touch with all these organizations, I believe that much more could be brought about as a consequence of their presence in the university.

Dr. Scott H. Goodnight, answering for President Charles R. Van Hise, states:

The University of Wisconsin fraternity men and women live better for the same money, have more regular and more palatable meals, and have more congenial companionship and social opportunities than the nonfraternity people. They are, of course, subject to the disadvantage which sometimes comes from too much good-fellowship—that of being distracted from their work. That we seek to counterbalance by publishing the averages of each group each semester. This keeps them at work to raise their averages, and the upperclassmen take a very great interest in keeping their pledges and their underclassmen at work. I am a firm believer in fraternities, but I am also convinced that they must have a certain supervision and regulation by the faculty to avoid evils which otherwise are bound to develop.—*The Scroll*.

THE COLLEGE FRATERNITY

BY RAY LYMAN WILBUR, *President of Leland Stanford, Jr., University.*

The association of a group of twenty or so college women, fully imbued with high ideals both for themselves and for their college, should be of marked personal advantage, as well as of benefit to the institution. Unfortunately the fraternity has too often been merely a social institution and has at times lent itself to certain exclusive tendencies not in harmony with the true university spirit.

A wonderful field is now open to women, particularly to American college women, to play a large part in the development of our country, in standing for cleaner and better living conditions and for a more complete fruition of the ideal of a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. Breadth of heart and of spirit and of sympathy is necessary if women are to do their full share.

The fraternity house must become a center of hospitality in which all women feel welcome, and not fall short of its possibilities by setting up absurd social standards based more or less directly on wealth. A university or college is no place to judge a woman by her clothes. Universities are to sharpen intellects, and the intellectual standard is the only one consistent with university ideals.

If fraternities will live up to their rituals, will abjure narrowness, make their sisterhood a source of strength to the individual members in doing things really worth while, we can look forward to their welcome and continued existence in university circles. If they degenerate into mere exclusive social cliques, their future will be inconsistent with university development and new leaders will have to remould the whole fraternity system. Democracy is moving forward with giant strides. Educated women must keep to the fore.—*The Eleusis* of Chi Omega.

President Wilbur also says in the *Lyre*.

And then comes the following conservative statement by the new president of Stanford University, Dr. Wilbur, who is not a fraternity man. In a letter of September 5 to fraternities at Stanford he says, "In order to help fraternities and Stanford I wish to inform you it is my intention at the end of two years through the national organizations or otherwise, to arrange for disbanding of any fraternity at Stanford that is in debt for current expenses or markedly deficient in scholarship. I ask your endeavor to put fraternities in the high position they should occupy at Stanford. * * * I am deeply interested in removing all grounds for legitimate criticism of fraternity conditions at Stanford and because of this I am planning eventually to urge a one-year residence rule before admission to fraternity membership."

The some-time-to-become alumna should read this and reflect 'ere it is too late:

We all at some time or other look and wish that we had only seen things then as we do now. In life, in or out of college, there are always places where we would change the past if possible, and in no situation more so than in college. We were enthusiastic to the *n*th degree and discreet to about the *n*th degree in the negative. We would give a great deal to have some things unsaid, others undone, and still others done. But such is human nature and we all have to go through it.

If only our ideal of fellowship had been as well defined then as it is now! We would surely have put forth infinitely more effort to help out some fellow and we would have held back many a criticism and many a knock. We wouldn't have said some of the things we did about someone's best girl nor would we have helped Bill celebrate so fully the arrival of that big check. But we would have talked in some real constructive way to some "prep," instead of voting him the "rest cure," which was often worse than the disease.—*Sigma Pi Emerald*.

And the article also suggests:

It must be remembered that to keep up interest the alumnus must know what is going on around the chapter house, what the fellows are doing in different phases of college activity.

Why not have an exchange of greetings every month between the active chapter and the alumni? I am sure that the spirit would be a great deal better and the fraternity would mean a great deal more to both the alumni and the active members. It might be a good idea to have a banquet during Commencement Week financed by the alumni, and thus bring every member back to his Alma Mater, at least once a year, and at the same time create a greater interest for the fraternity among the alumni. This could be made the great event of the year and would serve to keep enthusiasm up to the boiling point at all times.

We quote the following article but we cannot give credit since we "clipped off" its identity. The extract is from "College Democracy" by Benjamin Ide Wheeler.

I have known men who based faith in their own democracy on their preference for a broad-brimmed, black slouch hat; and there was once a Texas Senator whose sturdy adjuration of a dress-coat convinced him that he was a democrat and made him try to convince other people thereof, though he afterwards turned out, Prince Albert and all, to be a reactionary. A narrow black string-tie has also repeatedly failed to make a man a democrat. Neither is disheveled hair nor muddy boots, nor yet neglect of the tub, an unerring mark of faith in the people. Such things are not democracy; they represent at the most a spurious sort of *laissez-faire*, better known as laziness.

There is a great deal said these days about college democracy, and it seems to be a commodity much sought after, but one which it is not all together easy to identify by outward tokens. It does not follow unerringly upon the wearing of the sombrero or the sweater, nor upon the extending of the gladsome hand, nor upon any practice like addressing Henry in a confident and throaty tone by the appellation "Hank."

On the other hand, the possession of superfluous goods is not in itself a sure preventive of the democratic quality, though the command of a

dog-cart or an automobile represents a disparity of equipment which will do its best to tear up democracy root and branch and make, for the student so equipped, his college course in all its bearings vain and void. A college is a community, and it exercises as a community its chief influence in the training of its students.

When a man goes to college he had better make himself as quickly as possible a thoroughgoing member of the body politic, and see to it that no accidents of birth or bank account put him out of touch with the mass.

The *Delta Zeta Lamp* also casts a bit of glow over the same subject:

Not long ago we read "The Three Things," by Mary Raymond Shipmond Andrews, which deals with the present war. It is the story of a snobbish young man who enlisted and went to the battlefield, where he learned several things that had not existed in his little world. Here he learned that social position, nationality and creed were not everything, but that brotherly love was greater than all things, and in a moment of intense agony he realized the presence of Him who is Love. After being severely wounded he was sent home, realizing that social standing, nationality and creed should not hinder one from loving his brother. Snobbishness is one of the most deplorable things on a college campus.

Of varied interest:

"To assist needy students of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity Arthur G. Gilmore has left \$10,000 by his will to Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The bequest becomes operative upon the death of Emma G. Snow."—*Beta Theta Pi*.

An interfraternity society for senior girls at the University of Minnesota is called Skin and Bones. The qualifications for membership are not announced.

While the term "chapter" is commonly applied to fraternity undergraduate groups, those of Theta Delta Chi are known as "charges," those of Alpha Chi Rho as "Phis," and those of Lambda Chi Alpha as "Zetas."—*Phi Kappa Psi*.

Panhellenic at Stanford offers a prize of one hundred dollars to the fraternity girl of the junior class who shall best unite high scholastic standing with all-round interests and activities. A trophy is also given to the fraternity which has the highest scholarship average.

The Woman's Panhellenic Association of Denver offers a loving cup to the fraternity at the University of Denver which attains the highest average in scholarship during the year. The name of the winning sorority is engraved on the cup which is held till the following year and transferred

to the leading competitor. If one sorority wins the cup for three successive years it becomes the permanent property of the chapter and the association will offer another in replacement. This year the cup is held by Gamma Phi Beta.

Two unusually interesting cups are awarded by Phi Gamma Delta. The Cheney Efficiency Cup (presented by O. H. Cheney) has been awarded for the third time and goes to Bucknell University, for all-round excellence during the past college year. Thirty-eight chapters submitted data and the record of the winning chapter not only showed striking leadership in the intellectual and athletic activities of the college, but was remarkable in respect of scholarship with an average grade of 90.2 per cent.

The Baker Social Service Cup was presented in 1916 by T. J. Howells. Every fraternity chapter is a social service institution, whether good or bad, and this cup, sponsored by Newton Baker, is to be awarded annually to the chapter which does the most, for itself as a chapter, for the college, and for the individuals in the chapter, during the year.—*The Lyre*.

At a meeting of the alumni of the McGill Chapter held last spring, it was decided not to attempt to carry on the active Chapter until the end of the war. Only one active member was expected to be back at college for the 1916-1917 session and as there were so few alumni left in Montreal, it was thought advisable to suspend.

The membership of the McGill Chapter totals approximately 155. Over 60 per cent of this number have volunteered for service in the army or the navy.—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

COLLEGE FRATERNITIES HIT BACK

(From the *New York Herald*)

In the campaign that was waged a decade ago for the elimination of Greek-letter fraternities from colleges and universities, the chief point made against them was that the members were deficient in scholarship as a result of the division of energy and time between scholastic and fraternity duties.

According to a report made to the Interfraternity Conference, the fraternity men now lead the nonmember students not only in scholarship, but more "Greeks" than "barbarians" obtain diplomas, which is the highest test. This result was obtained through a "scholarship first" campaign, which has affected most profoundly every institution in the country where fraternities are represented.—*Phi Kappa Psi*.

God has given each one of us a receptive mind, a healthy body, and time in which to make the best use of them. We are cheating ourselves as well as those with whom we come in contact if we do not use these gifts properly. How easy it is to let nonsense and impure thoughts fill our minds! If we are to seek virtue, friendship, and learning it can be only after we've learned to appreciate and love truth and beauty.

The girl who keeps her body healthy and strong is the one who gets the best out of life and can give the best to others. Her attention to details of health is the one great factor in producing her happiness.

The way so many of us cheat ourselves is wasting our spare time. Our time in school is spent according to another's direction but our use of the time that is ours will show just what we are and what ideals we have. Although it may be spent in mental or physical development of self it is not selfish for any improvement will have its influence on the sorority as well as others. We cannot expect to help others until we've helped ourselves.—*Beta Sigma Omicron*.

In case you wonder why the Grand council finds no place in the numerous lives of this issue, we will explain. The copy sent about them, they could not accept as probable, let alone possible; and the copy they wrote themselves, if printed, would leave them no shred of excuse for trying to fill their jobs.—*Kappa Alpha Theta*.

Large groups and bodies of people seem in some peculiar way to acquire a reputation for some one characteristic. Take the nations, for example. England, in popular mind, stands for stubbornness and tenacity, Scotland for stinginess, Germany for efficiency and thoroughness, Russia for great brute strength, Turkey for atrocity, China for stupidity, France for nobility and character, America for democracy and individual opportunity, Holland for thriftiness, Japan for cupidity, Spain for cruelty, Italy for treachery, Wales for music, and Ireland for God knows what. The cities also have characteristics. New York stands for money and wealth, Boston for culture, Washington for society, Pittsburgh for industry, Philadelphia for historical traditions, Atlantic City for pleasure, Cleveland for egotism, Milwaukee for Teutonism, Chicago for energy and resourcefulness and so on down the list. The political parties acquire dominant characteristics, as do the religious bodies and other public groups.

It is interesting to speculate whether the college fraternities also have these individual traits of character. It seems to the writer that they have. And it seems that the characteristic of Phi Gamma Delta is social service.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

If the college sorority could realize just how greatly underhanded rushing and breaking the spirit if not the letter of Panhellenic adds to the cause of anti-fraternalism, there might be some check upon the lawless spirit which often pervades a rushing season. Those opposed to fraternities argue as follows: If a group of girls resort to chicanery, stratagem, and even untruth in order to gain the desired freshman, what influence upon character has such a course? If an intersorority compact means nothing, if any sorority deliberately evades the real meaning of the compact, has such a sorority a place in the college community? The answer to the argument is obvious.

For illustration. Panhellenic rules at a certain college contained the following: "No talking to a rushee after bids have been issued." When the excitement of pledge day had died away, one of those freshmen who had received double bids revealed to her chosen group a three-page letter from the rival sorority, setting forth in bombastic style its merits locally and nationally, and declaring in full, free, and felicitous phrase its complete superiority. When asked for an explanation, the sorority in question replied that *talking*, not *writing*, had been forbidden! Truly, it seems that a college woman should be broad and honorable enough to scorn evasions and to rise above the petty schemes and subterfuges which sometimes result in a so-called victory.—*Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta.

PANHELLENIC SURVEY

ROSE AFFOLTER

By Their Chapter Letters You Shall Know Them

PHI MU

NEWCOMB COLLEGE

At Newcomb fraternity work has become subordinate to the one great aim, which is expressed by the slogan, "Work for the Gym." The Board of Administrators of Newcomb has been promising each college generation that the next generation will have the privilege and honor of occupying new college buildings; at last, this generation is to see the beginning of our new college, for next Saturday, February the twenty-fourth, the Student Body is to see the first pile driven which will begin the construction. The Alumnae has undertaken the building of the Gym, one-fourth of the cost being assumed by the members of the student body. All energies seem to be turned in the direction of money-making schemes, and the Pi Beta Phis have set a splendid example by establishing a boot-black establishment, the proceeds of which will go toward the Gym fund. We, meaning Delta Chapter, have discussed several plans, but nothing definite has yet been decided upon.

BAKER UNIVERSITY

Zeta Alpha has adopted a system of parties, one every week, put on by a different girl each time. Last week after meeting, we had a tacky party and my! the fun we did have, and the sandwiches we did eat. Next Saturday night half of the girls are going to be society ladies and the other half society men, and we are going to put on a wonderful dance.

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Journalism is the latest hobby of the chapter. Many of us are studying it, and are taking assignments on the *University Hatchet* as well as on the *Washington Herald*. On December 14 we gave a tea in our room to the staffs of the *Hatchet*, the *Cherry Tree* (the Annual), the *Herald*, and the members of the journalism class. A typewriter for a centerpiece on a table strewn with papers, and newspaper napkins, were features of the party.

CALIFORNIA

We had one dance during the holidays and have had another since the term started. This week we are to have an exchange dance with one of the fraternities in return for one they gave us last term. We are also to have an exchange dinner with two other women's fraternities. One-third of each fraternity remains at its own house, while the other two-thirds goes to the other two houses respectively. In this way each house will have

a dinner party consisting of their own girls and those from two other houses. It will widen the acquaintance of the girls and promote interest among the different organizations.

ALPHA OMICRON PI

RANDOLPH-MACON

Instead of having a Christmas tree full of presents for ourselves, which is our usual custom at our Christmas party, we took a poor family of six children to brighten up. Nine dollars was given in money for coal and groceries, and three of us took one child, fitted him with a sweater and a cap and filled his stocking. Such a little sacrifice did anything but mar our party which we had as usual. Our especial patrons in town gave us some silver spoons, and our little sisters gave us a victrola record; so the house couldn't feel neglected if it wanted to.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA

From Chapter College Customs

INDIANA

"THE KITE"

One of the customs dearest to the heart of every Beta Theta is "Kite Day." On this day, the last Sunday before finals, all the girls gather at the house to hear the *Kite* read. The curtains are drawn, and the seniors, seated majestically around the lighted table, proceed to read us the *Kite*. First, they show us the cover, it is generally a large leather-bound book with the coat-of-arms embossed upon it. Then the Editor-in-chief, all the seniors are editors, reads the first article, and passes it to the next girl. And so the book passes from senior to senior, while we laugh over the stories and snapshots, cartoons, poems, and limericks, as they tell the story of the year.

MICHIGAN

SEMPER FIDELIS

In our living-room stands a tall, silver loving-cup, bearing the inscription "Semper Fidelis." On it the names of several girls are engraved. These are the names of the girls, chosen, one from each year's senior class, who have stood first in loyalty to Kappa Alpha Theta ideals, first in the performance of willing service for the fraternity, and first in service to the university. Each year the name is announced at the initiation banquet in February.

OHIO

FOR THE BABIES

For many years Alpha Gamma has provided for a room in the Oak Street day nursery. This was started in memory of the four girls who had died and, as all but one were mothers, it seemed appropriate that we should help care for the little children. On the door is the name "Kappa Alpha Theta," and on each bed is the name of the girl in whose memory the bed was placed there. A new building has been erected and will be ready for occupancy within a short time. In our new room the college and alumnae chapters have erected a beautiful fireplace.

From College Number of Kappa Alpha Theta

CALIFORNIA

"Cinches"

It so happened this year that the annual "Freshman show" was given a few days after the first, dreaded "cinch notices" were out. These are notices which the various professors send out several times during the semester to warn students that their work is not up to the passing mark. Several of our freshmen received them, but all in subjects which are generally regarded as not very difficult. This was particularly true in swimming (to get a junior certificate, every one must pass a swimming requirement, known as "subject C") and in hygiene, another required course. The freshmen resolved to make the best of it, however, and added to their show a clever little act. When the curtains were drawn apart, standing in a row in the center of the stage (otherwise known as the dining-room) were four strange figures. First came a girl in a bathing suit, shivering before a tiny pan of water marked "The Pool"—Subject "C" personified. Next came a large green pasteboard bottle with various chemical signs on it, representing "Chem 1C" a notoriously easy course. Then came a peculiar brown and gray figure, with queer feelers sticking out in all directions, a bacillus if there ever was one, and representing Hygiene. Last and the artistic triumph of the cinches came a pretty black and white striped pasteboard flower-pot with a large crêpe paper pansy growing in it. This was immediately recognized as Botany. These strange figures then began to sing, explaining their names and reciting their woes in a clever little song. We are happy to add that the next month there were hardly any cinch notices at all.

MICHIGAN

The Holidays

At a Woman's league Fancy Dress party this winter, the chapter went representing the holidays of the year. We had The New Year, a Valentine, George and Martha Washington, St. Patrick, April Fool, Easter, Queen of the May, a fire cracker, Labor day Workers, Halloween witch and a pumpkin girl, our pilgrim ancestors—John Alden and Pricilla—a Christmas

package, and Father Time. Of course, we all had big signs and marched together in the proper order. We thought you might like to try it sometime. We had lots of fun and we won the prize.

PITTSBURGH

Seeing ourselves

Once this year, we older girls "saw ourselves as others see us," thanks to the pledges. We did not realize that we had so many peculiarities but some how, as soon as our attention was called to them, we could remember the original. The whole burlesque was a scream from beginning to end and closed with an original song showing us that it was all in fun. There were no hard feelings for the song to heal, for each girl enjoyed the joke on herself as much as she did the ones on the others.

CINCINNATI

The band

The best thing we do and it really is very good (I'm not in it) is our "band stunt." I would laugh at my own funeral, if that band furnished the music! The girls dress up in "band suits" with as much red braid and as many brass buttons as possible, and each one has a very wonderful musical instrument, from which she calls forth the most delicious harmony. Most of the noise is really furnished by kazoos, which are almost invisible, but various combinations of curtain poles, wooden boxes, et cetera, furnish the effect. Most of the music is of a martial character and most inspiring, especially as Sardelle Emerson, the leader, makes an imposing picture in a white muff (for her head) and a coat, the tails of which flap against her heels. When we wax sentimental, however, we make the biggest hit. Who will ever forget the touching duet, *Silver Threads Among The Gold*, rendered by the Cellarius sisters (a good choice for a mournful selection)!

INDIANA

We have a fine scheme for keeping down expenses and for encouraging the "pay in advance" idea. All money that goes through the regular channels of board, room, and fraternity dues is paid under one head to a financial committee. Thus we obviate the necessity of having so many people always "collecting" for certain things. And for every week that the girls pay in advance, there is a definite deduction made, fixed on a sliding scale. The plan is so successful that the town girls are going to adapt it to their needs and we're all going to "get rich quick" from our deductions, and help the fraternity, too.

KANSAS

College Panhellenic gave its annual dance, November 18. Five organizations gave clever stunts, providing amusement for those girls who did not care to dance. Alpha Chi Omega presented a mysterious masked dancing chorus; Gamma Phi Beta, an old English Christmas play; Alpha Xi

Delta, a movie, "Before and after taken," revealing all the secrets of rushing; Sigma Kappa, an operatic star resembling Tetrazinni, and Alpha Delta Pi, a clever production of the romantic Lochinvar legend.

ALLEGHENY

Acting upon a recent suggestion which was made, with the idea of interesting the girls in the world beyond the college campus, Mu has subscribed to the *Outlook*, *Current Events*, *New Republic*, and the *Atlantic Monthly*. These magazines are to be kept in the fraternity rooms where they can be read by anyone at any time. To stimulate enthusiasm, we have planned to have, after fraternity meetings, brief discussions of the most interesting articles—while the needles of the industrious are flying, and the fudge of the hungry is bubbling.

TORONTO

Sigma's greeting cannot be a gay one, set, as she is, in the shadow of a great sacrifice; yet she would belie the intrepid spirit which surrounds and pervades her, did she write in any melancholy tone. Days such as these we are passing through could indeed, hardly fail to exert a sobering influence: they bring in compensation a deepening and strengthening of character which makes them incomparably precious. "News of our student soldiers" has been for some time a regular feature of our tri-weekly newspaper, and almost every issue sees some fresh record of gallantry added to the treasured list.

MINNESOTA

Kappa Kappa Gamma invited our chapter and pledges over to their new house for spread November 27. We spent a most enjoyable evening dancing and singing Theta and Kappa songs.

SYRACUSE

To foster good interfraternity spirit and better feeling between neutrals and women's fraternities, Panhellenic has completed an arrangement providing that every chapter house and dormitory shall entertain two girls from some other living center once in two weeks.

OHIO

At the women's Panhellenic dinner, October 26, it was decided that each fraternity member, active and alumna should pledge fifty cents to a scholarship fund which is to be given to worthy girls who are not able to remain in college on account of financial difficulties. To make this plan more interesting it was suggested that each girl earn her fifty cents and write on the chart how she had earned it. This method of raising money is to take the place of the Christmas bazaar held last year.

VANDERBILT

Instead of giving us a dance, as has been the custom, the pledges presented the house with much needed articles, mop, floor wax, broom, et cetera. Efficiency and labor-saving devices are all important to this year's freshmen. But we appreciate these most timely gifts, even though the situation be somewhat like the one where a wife gave her husband a dressing table for a birthday present. If "the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof," then our gratitude has already been thrice proved.

OKLAHOMA

We are sure that our alumnae, especially those who were with us last year, will be interested in an account of our annual mothers' house-party. This custom started last year when we had with us for a week-end, twelve mothers. This year we were especially fortunate, having with us for the week-end November 17-19, twenty-four mothers, and for dinner Sunday, November 19, nineteen fathers.

WASHBURN

We have decided to have a scholarship ring, to be worn for a year by the girl whose scholarship is the highest. We have also adopted a requirement, higher than passing, for initiation. We were very proud when we went into our sociology room not long ago, and saw a chart of scholarship at K. U. with Kappa Alpha Theta first; and we want to try to emulate Kappa as nearly as we can.

ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

OHIO

We pledged fifty dollars towards the European War Relief Fund for prisoners. The instigators of the movement asked for not only the money, but also for a real personal sacrifice. And what a variety of sacrifices were made! Not all of us made them but the ones who did had a funny time. The sacrifices ranged from the giving up of a pair of bronze shoes, which we felt "we just couldn't live without," to the giving up of the "movies" and ice cream sundaes which heretofore were considered the bare necessities of our existence.

WASHINGTON

Panhellenic has been busy again. Invitations to sorority formals will be verbal, or perhaps informal notes instead of the square engraved card of former seasons. The principal reason is to decrease the expense of the dances. The association has also donated the money made by the "Trip Around the World" entertainment, given last spring, for the furnishing of a women's restroom in the new Home Economics building. All facilities for relieving the ill or exhausted coed are to be supplied.

PI BETA PHI

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

We have completed our payment to the university of the five hundred dollars which were pledged by the chapter five years ago. The appreciation expressed by President Stockton makes our efforts seem well worth while.

SWARTHMORE

We not only have new resolutions but we have also initiated two new members into our chapter. One of them is "The Hint and Help Box," and the other is "Miss $\Pi \Phi$ Showers." "The Hint and Help Box" comes to every meeting and always takes an active and important part, and this is the way she does it. During the week if anyone notices a $\Pi \Phi$ doing anything which she wishes to criticize or encourage, she makes a note of this and drops it into "The Hint and Help Box." Congratulations find their way into this box as well as criticisms, and when they are read in meeting each week the effect is very impressive.

The other new member, "Miss $\Pi \Phi$ Showers" comes only once every two or three months but each time after her visit the chapter-room is much richer and more attractive. She always leaves behind her many useful and ornamental gifts such as pictures, curtains, and flowers. The best part of this is that each girl knows she has had a part in the giving.

WISCONSIN

The university students are now conducting a campaign here in which we are all helping to raise money for ambulances to be sent to the French front. Four of our men have already enlisted in the ambulance corps, and many others may sail soon. The women of the university are forming a Peace League that is working with the international peace movement. Katherine Whiteside, '19, is one of the organizing committee members.

KNOX

Then, too, during our vacation we had several $\Pi \Phi$ gatherings to sew cotton. No, we weren't making bandages or anything like that; merely making snow for our Formal Winter Party which occurred January twelfth. It was the prettiest party for as the snow had simply wafted down all day—especially for us—the indoor effect was much the same as that outside. From the ceiling hung millions of snowflakes which were unreal only in that they didn't conform to the laws of gravity. Then all about the room were grouped little pine trees which were covered with more sparkling snow. At one end of the room was an exceedingly life-like snow fort guarded by a huge snowman and all the necessary ice trappings. Space demands that I leave the rest of the party to your imagination.

OKLAHOMA

Dr. Mabel Ulrich gave a series of lectures on "Youth and Society" the week after we returned from the holidays, which were attended by a large majority of the women students of the university. Mrs. Ulrich is a K K Γ from Cornell, and an open Panhellenic meeting was held during her stay here in which she declared herself against fraternities in state schools. She paid a high tribute to the University of Oklahoma saying that she had found a more democratic and moral atmosphere here than in any other university she had visited.

DENVER UNIVERSITY

The nonfraternity girls of the university are organizing under the leadership of our Dean of Women into small groups of from ten to fifteen for social purposes. It is clearly understood by everyone that it is not an antifraternity movement in any way, but that it is to give the girls who have not many interests in college a better opportunity for wholesome social life. It is a gigantic undertaking, but it is working out quite satisfactorily.

GAMMA PHI BETA

WISCONSIN

Since the outside activity movement has become such an important one in the college world, we as a chapter have sought to encourage our members to participate in them in every possible way. This year we have an outside activity chairman who receives reports of work done and encourages those who are starting out. We have also found that response to roll call in chapter meeting with a report of outside activities is very effective. One of our members has made a card index of the members of the chapter and the outside work which they are doing—thus indicating general lines of progress, and helping us to see in what fields we are weak.

MINNESOTA

Speaking of athletics—the latest addition to our mantel is two beautiful loving-cups! Each year the various sororities choose a candidate from among the men of the campus to run for them in a cross-country race. The cups go to the winning sorority, and we hope to win again next year so that they will be ours for good.

STANFORD

Our annual third floor party was a great success. Each year the third floor girls entertain the rest of the chapter with a masquerade party. We had a minstrel show and several good stunts, but the best of all was the invention of a brand new shudder, namely—sliding down the stairs on mattresses.

OREGON

One of our recent meetings was held to perfect plans for the Panhellenic Bazaar which will take place at the University Club on November 26. Each sorority has charge of a booth, and each member has pledged three articles, two of which are to be needlework, and the other, a cooked article. We are hoping for large returns from this bazaar to swell our fund for the Women's Building at Eugene, to which Panhellenic has pledged \$500 this year.

ALPHA PHI

OREGON

Panhellenic has now ruled out guests for junior week-end and a general sigh of relief has gone up from everywhere. Hitherto it has been a mad rush after girls, five per cent of whom appeared at college the following year. Uniform date books have also been decided upon by Panhellenic as a feature of the fall rushing.

NORTHWESTERN

The alumnae kindly invited us to their quarterly luncheon, November 11. With so many alumnae, about fifty, and twenty-three active girls, it seemed almost like reunion. One of the things which always impresses us younger Alpha Phis is the lasting friendship which our fraternity fosters as shown in the never-waning interest and devotion of the alumnae.

And now I have saved the very best piece of news until the last. Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi again takes first place in the scholarship record at Northwestern, our average being higher than that of any other organization on the campus.

DE PAUW

Gamma Chapter has pledged \$50 to the War Prison Relief Fund to be raised among the colleges in the United States. The total pledges at De Pauw are \$1,000; a great deal of this is the result of some personal or fraternity sacrifice. Alpha Phi gave up plans for a Thanksgiving dinner at Torr's, a country home several miles from Greencastle, and also is sacrificing dessert for several more dinners to be held within the next few weeks.

STANFORD

On October 6 we gave a dance for our freshmen. It was a gala occasion, but with Oh—what dire results! The house was beautifully decorated in Japanese style with dozens of huge yellow chrysanthemums, Japanese lanterns and parasols, fans, potted plants, bamboo, red lights, and incense, until it was transformed in oriental splendor.

At eleven o'clock we were enjoying the supper dance when very suddenly the alarm of "Fire!" was sounded, and we all ran on to the

lawn to find the entire third floor a mass of bright flames and curling smoke! The girls were entirely self-possessed as they hurried to their rooms and collected their belongings. Only the two girls rooming on the third floor suffered a heavy loss of personal belongings. The house was badly damaged by water and we will not be able to live in it again until next semester. The damages while great, were entirely covered by insurance.

NEBRASKA

Our house is so suitably arranged for entertaining that Silver Serpent, the Junior intersorority organization, was glad to give their annual party there, and we were glad to have outsiders see what a lovely home we have.

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA

OHIO (ATHENS)

An event worthy of calling attention to occurred just this month when three representatives of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. came to the University and launched a campaign for the raising of funds for students in the European war prison camps. The cause seemed so worthy that about \$750 were pledged. One of the finest things about the whole affair was the enthusiasm with which most of the sororities got back of the cause. From five sororities pledges were given to the amount of \$180. Two sororities gave up a dance each; another sorority gave up decorations at dances. Our own chapter gave up the informal spring dance and pledged \$40. We feel that this is a good move in the launching of our social service work.

BETA SIGMA OMICRON

HAMILTON COLLEGE

Oh girls, there was an awfully interesting woman who lectured at the Y. W. C. A. one night not long ago, and she told us something about the suffering of the soldiers abroad. Of course, we can't do much to help them but our prayers and savings surely must do some good. So we have a "Soldier's Relief Fund" Box, and best of all it's getting heavy!

We are all so interested in our "Beta Baby," we are going to sort of adopt a little mountain girl. She is very poor and we shall send her clothes, and playthings, and do our best to send her to some mountain school near her home. This has just begun but we are all excited, and already in love with *our* little girl.

Another worthy charity is the relief of war sufferers. The Prison Relief Work has come to the notice of Lambda Chapter and we have found that we derive a great deal of pleasure from denying ourselves a dish of ice cream occasionally in order to drop a dime into the Prison Relief box.

The whole sorority has a happier, more friendly spirit when we are all interested in charity and the meetings seem twice as brisk and enjoyable

since we have acquired an "interest" for the expenditure of our excess energy.

COLORADO WOMAN'S COLLEGE

The girls of Rho Chapter are planning to give another grocery shower and a program at the Church Convalescent Home of Denver. This institution is one that deserves and appreciates aid, and it always gives us great pleasure when we can do our little part to help out.

BELHAVEN COLLEGE

Let us tell you how much we enjoyed our first Founders' Day, we had a little party at the Old Ladies' Home and everyone there seemed to have such a good time. We were convinced that you are happiest when you are making someone else happy.

HOLLINS

I want to tell you of the wonderful military drills we are going to have at Hollins.

Several companies, with generals and captains, are being organized. Each company will drill one afternoon a week from four to six.

Since our college colors are green and gold, our uniform will be of dark green serge with gold trimmings, a small military hat, and tan walking boots. To complete the soldier-like appearance of our uniform and as real guns are too heavy, and expensive, we are going to have wooden imitations.

ALPHA DELTA PI

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

The president of the college sent for two representatives of each sorority a few days ago and inquired into the religious life of the girls in the sororities. Our girls are nearly all religious and attend church at least once every Sunday. Last year we had compulsory church attendance; but this year that compulsion has been removed and the attendance is very satisfactory.

ILLINOIS

From the sound of this letter it may seem as if we are not interested in the less fortunate side of the world—far from it—the sororities and fraternities are doing a lot along this line. I noticed in today's *Illini* that the Pi Beta Phis are selling pies, cakes, bread, and candies to buy a mule which they are to send to Tennessee. Here they are supporting a school. The Betas gave a Christmas party for some poor children at which they had a tree and Santa Claus; candies, fruits, toys, and clothing were given the youngsters. The Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Phi Kappa Sigma are also giving Christmas parties. The Delta Gammas are giving a party next week. The Sigma Kappas, Alpha Omicron Pis, and Phi Kappa Psis are sending presents to the orphan children.

COLLEGE NEWS

AGNES ENGLAND

"Ex-president Taft, characteristically looking beyond the mere superficial vein, says that college students, far from being models of grace, should be regarded as horrible examples." (This statement was made about men, dear readers, but we have seen students of the opposite sex who might be called "horrible examples.") The lack of an erect carriage and the lounge in the sitting posture and a general disregard of appearance, with a view of conveying the idea of entire freedom from restraint, communicate themselves to the clothes that are worn. Tailors quick to catch the student taste, make the style to suit it. It is not that the clothes are not good—they are, and are often expensive, but they are so worn and so cut that they convey in themselves the idea of a free-and-easy slouch."—*Brooklyn Institute Bulletin*.

Though we may not be in Hermione's Little Group of Serious Thinkers, nor are we accustomed to subject ourselves to those daily five-minute soul-searchings, nevertheless we are kept aware of our faults by our kind friends. Now we are told that too much idealism in college life has brought with it a lack of efficiency. At the Saturday afternoon meeting at the Republican Club on January 14, prominent educators asserted that graduates starve because there are too many youths going to college who ought to be blacksmiths, and too many by far earning their living, who ought to have the foundation of a higher academic schooling to attain the highest usefulness in their careers.

"Colleges have dreamed their dreams," says Thomas W. Churchill, "housed in magnificent halls, and the practical end of life is little touched upon. They have exalted the white shirt and starched collar end of education and have spurned the overalls. Is this old cultural stuff going to enable every mother's son to make a living?"

Dr. A. C. Humphreys, president of Stevens Institute, stood resolutely by the technical education in his school as one developing both efficiency and character. He said there was no reason why students should not be just as efficient as engineers.

Dr. Leslie M. Shaw, in his address to graduates at M. T. H. S., Brooklyn, insists, too, that efficiency is lacking in college life. In Mr. Shaw's opinion the atmosphere of the schoolroom of today tends to make students think that when they get an education, they don't have to work. "The bread line of Manhattan," says he, "claims 50 per cent of college men, men educated, yes, but not trained to work."

It is interesting to note that an answer to critics follows shortly. The newspapers come forth, the next week, with the statement that

educators everywhere are discussing the recently announced plan of the Rockefeller General Education Board to establish at the Teachers' College of Columbia University an experimental school with the aim of discovering those studies that will best prepare our children for life.

The experiment if successful will mean practically the complete modernization of elementary and secondary schooling.

In the "modern school" as contemplated by the board, Greek and Latin will have no part, and their places will be taken by French, German, and Spanish. Experiments will be made with a view of determining what methods of teaching English, French, and German give the most substantial practical results.

"The modern school will drop the formal study of grammar," says Dr. Flexner, "for such evidence as we possess points the futility of formal grammar as an aid to correct speaking and writing. Aside from reading, writing, spelling, and figuring, the curriculum will be built out of actual activities in science, industry, aesthetics, civics. The work in science will be the central and dominating feature.

Increased attention will be given to music, drawing, and art. Organized recreation, play, and games will be provided for."

The money question is always important, and college needs are many.

New York Times, January 11.—President Hibben of Princeton asks for increase in professor's salary fund. They hope to raise an additional \$3,000,000. Wisconsin also wants a raise.

Harvard Alumni have launched a campaign to raise \$10,000,000 additional endowment for the university.

Gifts to colleges have been numerous.

New York Times, January 9.—Jacob H. Schiff, who on his seventieth birthday, Wednesday, gave \$100,000 to the American Red Cross, contributed \$50,000 yesterday to New York University to begin the permanent endowment of the division of public affairs in the School of Commerce, Accounts, and Finance.

Mr. Schiff's donation makes the establishment of the fund a certainty and Chancellor Brown is confident it will be quickly completed. In his last annual report he said \$300,000 would be required.

The General Education Board announced last night appropriations to schools and colleges totaling \$575,000. They are distributed as follows:

Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa	\$100,000
De Pauw University, Greenscastle, Ind.	150,000
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pa.	125,000

Columbia has received about \$28,000 recently.

Jews raise \$140,000 for Hebrew College. This was pledged by fifty-seven Jews at the convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, following an appeal by Adolph S. Ochs, Chairman of the

Committee on Ways and Means. Over \$10,000 of this sum was pledged by twenty men from Baltimore.

A college professor has done his share in increasing the number of "movie fans." The Universal Film Co. has issued an order to its laboratories to use phonetic spelling in all its films hereafter. The order embraced a set of rules compiled by Dr. De Witt C. Croissant of the English Department of George Washington University and the twelve words of the National Educational Association which are always to be used. These are altho, thru, thruout, thoro, thorofare, thoroly, catalog, decalog, pedagog, program, and prolog. The usage of the association in substituting "t" for words ending in "ed" when the pronunciation is "t" will also be followed.

It is estimated that thousands of feet of film will be saved every year by the use of simplified spelling and that the slow readers, for whom the printed legends are kept on the screen three times as long as is necessary for the average intellect, will be enabled to struggle through them more quickly. Since film costs 15 cents a foot the annual saving will be a formidable item.

A peripatetic suffrage college ("whatever that may be," says our young brother) is the latest move in the 1917 votes for women campaign. The object, says Dean Elinor Byrns, one of New York's active women lawyers, is to seek out local talent and train it for the task of converting the voters of the districts to woman suffrage. Hear Ye! Eloquent sisters who have been forced to waste talents on Sunday evening callers. Now is the time to reveal your aptitude.

"We are planning no pink tea," says Miss Byrns.

"There are to be reviews after each lesson and examinations at the end. Nobody need expect just to sit still and be entertained by pleasant speeches. Every pupil will have to learn to make a good speech on every subject studied. Oh, yes, there are to be home lessons also, to be prepared outside of this twelve hour day. Each woman will be assigned a certain topic, will receive literature concerning it and be told to prepare a speech upon it for the next day. I'm sure I don't know how they are going to manage it," she added.

"Much of the suffrage work done in the past by untrained workers lost effectiveness because of that very lack of training. Now we are going to find out those who are good at public speaking and train them for that. Those who can't make speeches but are good at answering questions are to have their special talent developed. Others who show aptitude for canvassing will be drilled for that particular and important duty."

Miss Byrns, who considers that there are just three types of men to be dealt with, is planning to make out three model conversations for canvassers to use as foundations for their duties. Drill in canvassing is to be an important feature of these suffrage schools. Members of this

class will be required to give a detailed report of what they said to the voters and what the voters replied to them and then listen to careful criticism.

Princeton joins the rebels, and led by Grover Cleveland's son a group of sophomores allege the undemocratic tendencies of the Princeton dining-clubs and seek to abolish them. The leaders in the anti-club movement are dead set against the present club system. This dining club system which began in 1878, two years after the abolition of secret societies, is confined to the two upper classes at Princeton, and the seventeen dining-clubs have 85 per cent of the two upper classes for members. President Hibben stated that the main fault of the club system was that, since 85 per cent of the students were members, the few who because of lack of money or for other reasons, did not belong, were marked in a disagreeable way.

For a substitute, the reformers advocate a common university club, of which all students are to automatically become members. If a considerable body of sophomores agree to remain out of the clubs, some of the seventeen will necessarily go to the wall next year for lack of financial support. The sophomores who are in the movement have announced that they would not accept nomination to any of the dining-clubs and pledge themselves to board during the next two years at commons.

On the whole the majority of Princeton's alumni side with the reformers and indorse their views, all except the contemplated substitute of a common university club, which Cleveland and his friends now admit is somewhat impracticable.

Dr. John Greet Hibben, issued a statement commending the movement and Princeton professors said that the majority of the faculty was in sympathy with the attack. Three members of the Senior Council were among the very first upperclassmen to support the movement. And several very prominent seniors, including George W. Perkins, Jr., all of whom are members of clubs, signed a letter to *The Princetonian* expressing sympathy with the stand taken by Cleveland and his associates.

"The business of hiring policemen to lecture to college students keeps on growing," says an article in the *New York World*. When Raymond D. Fosdick went up to Harvard to deliver five lectures on the importance of the police in cities like Cambridge, no one expected that Commissioner Woods would be the next on the platform, but he was.

Now Inspector Cornelius F. Cahalane is booked for four talks. He will lecture mostly on training-school work for policemen.

Some of the boys at Fordham are said to be interested in the subject and a special course in policing may be established in a college in New York City. At City College, the relation between a nightstick and higher mathematics has been discussed.

City College, continuing along these practical lines announces two new vocational courses for the spring term, one in fuel economy and the other in boiler and fuel management, both of which are expected to interest janitors of apartment houses, superintendents, and real estate managers.

Columbia is aroused over "Free-Speech" Controversy. At a mass-meeting, held on February 15, some 300 Columbia University students protested against the action by Prof. John Prince, head of the Department of Slavonic Languages and Literature, in declining to permit Count Ilya Tolstoy to speak before the International Club.

Although the meeting was an out and out protest gathering, there was a considerable group of students who approved Professor Prince's attitude. Many foreign students were present, but the majority of Russians who attended were outspoken in approval of the muzzling of Count Tolstoy, who was to have lectured on the views of his father on resistance and internationalism. One Russian student, who champions the action of Professor Prince, said that Count Tolstoy did not truly represent Russia.

Count Tolstoy has issued a statement, following the refusal to allow him to speak at Columbia, characterizing as an outrage statements since made regarding his attitude and sympathies in the present war. He took particular exception to reports quoting Prof. Micheal Pupin, of Columbia, who is Serbian Consul General in this city, as saying that "Count Tolstoy has associated himself with people who were working against the best interests of Russia and her allies."

"All my thought is for the uplift of Russia," said the Count. "I cannot permit such statement to go without the strongest kind of denial." Friends of the son of the famous philosopher said there was a real danger that reports of the discussion over his lecture might reach Russia and be thought to mean that the Count has made anti-Russian utterances.

"Charged with conspiracy to murder Premier Lloyd George and the Right Hon. Arthur Henderson, British Minister in the War Council, there now repines in an English prison a remarkable personality—Miss Hattie Wheeldon, student, thinker, college graduate, and iconoclast. Those who knew her in undergraduate days say that she was one of the strongest rebel leaders of the college. Authority in her eyes was made to be defied, tradition to be overthrown, accepted creeds to be scorned. Wherever there was a group of girls gathered discussing, Hattie Wheeldon would be in the centre advancing the most revolutionary doctrines, showing the most iconoclastic tendencies. There was a force, a personality about her, rare in so young a girl.

"A pronounced personality always makes about as many enemies as friends, and it appears that Hattie Wheeldon had not a few of the former. She was too brilliant, her attitude to law and order were too antagonistic to ever allow her to become a favorite.

"'The bad girl of the family,' she was sometimes called. Her continual fights with the prefects and tutors about the little primnesses of college life were a constant source of joy to the other students. They used to gloat when teachers openly gave in to her over some point in lectures and noticed how they used to avoid rousing the quick, rebellious temper.

Now this mutinous spirit languishes behind prison bars charged with a capital offense, a conspiracy with her mother, sister, and brother-in-law to murder Lloyd George, a man on whom the eyes of the world are focused, and one of his principal colleagues.—*New York Times*.

COLLEGE WAR NEWS

Now come our plans for the World War.

Our colleges are doing their share. From Cambridge the announcement comes that the Harvard Memorial Society had begun the collection of data concerning the life and experiences of more than 400 Harvard men engaged in the European war. The records of the men, together with interesting portraits, sketches, and photographs, will be kept on permanent file in the library of the university. William C. Lane, librarian, is in charge of the work.

New York University will adopt military courses.

Dr. Marshall S. Brown, Dean of New York University, appeared before the entire student body yesterday and outlined three possible forms of military service from which the students could choose. They have the choice of enrolling for service in either a unit of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, a Red Cross Ambulance Company, or in the city's Home Defense League. Printed slips with a brief outline of each of the proposed plans were given out and are to be brought in signed and marked with each student's choice on Monday. Those who take the military courses will receive university credits.

"I wish to state at the outset," said Doctor Brown, "that I feel a sense of the gravest responsibility in presenting to you the subject of your duty and that of the university in the momentous crisis which now confronts the United States."

The Cornell ambulance unit is already at the front in France. Seventeen hundred students are drilling now on the Cornell campus.

College girls are ready to take the places of men who may be called from their duties to go to the front. Many have already applied for positions in munition factories.

One hundred sixty-six students at Princeton University have left college to engage in some branch of national service.

Several one-time athletes of Yale are helping care for the seized German and Austrian ships in the port of New York.



This letter was recently received by Ines Pando of Beta Sigma Chapter.
Secy. Kappa Kappa Gamma,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Sir :

The members of your organization are undoubtedly interested, in some measure, in good clothes ; and since our Style Book is an authoritative guide to the correct things for men to wear, we believe they will be glad to see it.

We are sending you two copies of the book, on which we have printed the name of your organization, together with that of the merchant in your city who sells our clothes.

It would be gratifying to us if you would place these books on the reading table some where so that the men may glance at them.

If any of you would care for an extra copy, we shall be glad to mail it on request.

Yours truly,

Blank, Blank & Blank.

After reading the Editor's heart-rending query, "How much of THE KEY is read by one reader?"

I used to read all through THE KEY,

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Alas! I had to—don't you see?—

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"Directory" to "Hoots" in *voise*,

"Exchanges," "Chapter Letters" too,

Not from compulsion, but from choice.

E. R. J.

THERE'S A GREAT IDEAR IN THIS

There once was a winsome young flapper

Just too perfectly darling and dapper

She was gracious at teas

Always certain to please,

Like a true little, blue little Kapper

—S. M. DE PUYSTER.

There once was a Scotsman said "Hoot!
 If I had me a gun I would shoot
 That vexatious fowl
 That folks call an owl,
 Always flying about shoutin' 'hoot!'"
 —IBID.

THE ORIGINAL METHOD

Katherine and Margaret found themselves seated next each other at a dinner party and immediately became confidential.

"Molly told me that you told her that secret I told you not to tell her," whispered Margaret.

"Oh, isn't she a mean thing!" gasped Katherine. "Why, I told her not to tell you!"

"Well," returned Margaret, "I told her I wouldn't tell you she told me, so don't tell her I did."—*Everybody's*.

These lines "To a Smelt," written by E. M. in the Wellesley college paper will be most appreciated by the sea-coast chapters.

Odiferous outcast from the fishy deep
 Thou erstwhile darier haply known as finny.
 Emaciated morsel; thou dost keep
 Thy slender grace; thy foes do call thee skinny
 Reclining limply with a glassy stare
 Thou makest thy powerful presence ever felt.

Before we reach the first floor we are aware
 That thou are once more with us. Sovereign Smelt,
 But tiniest of Neptune's piscial sons,
 Think not we cruelly tear thee, head from heel:
 Abstemiously we feast on milk and buns
 That thou mayest last for yet one other meal.
 Think thankfully how long on earth thou dwelt,
 Thou all pervading, ever present smelt.

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"I'm sorry, madam," he said apologetically, "but if you could wait I could get some more pieces from the factory. Perhaps you would call in again?"

The prospective customer gathered her belongings together and rose from the chair.

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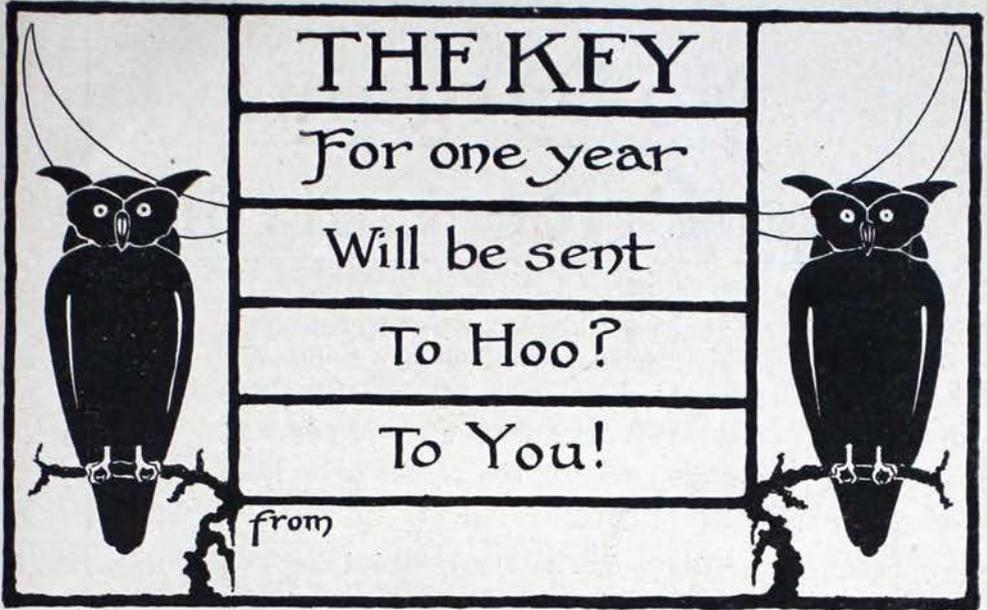
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