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LOYALTY.

(*A Toast.*)

TOGETHER on the campus—
Together in the halls—
One and all at mid-day feasts
Together at the balls ;
Assembled every morning,
Assembled every night,
No wonder Kappa loyalty
Is growing into might.

Sharing fun and frolic,
Sharing also pain ;
Helping one another
With a kindness plain—
“Slamming” in a dreadful way
So we give and take,
Each content to sacrifice,
For a sister's sake.

Growing each day stronger,
To our vows so true ;
Loving one another
As we all should do.
Mingling all together
In the closest way ;
Joined in joys and sorrows—
In trouble, work, and play.

THE KEY.

Kappas, from the Great Lakes,
 To the restless sea ;
 Scattered o'er the continent,
 Wherever they may be ;
 United by the firmest ties,
 Symbol'ed by the Key ;
 All are one in the sacred love
 And bonds of K. K. G.

Loyal to each other,
 To the inmost core ;
 Faithful to the priceless key,
 Ever more and more.
 Staunch for Kappa honesty—
 For Kappa welfare too ;
 United in our hopes and fears,
 To Kappa's best good, true.

*Here's to Kappa eminence !
 To Kappa talent, rare.
 Here's to Kappa's soul and life,
 To Kappas good and fair !
 Here's to Kappa's strength and power !
 To Kappa's gloried name !
 Here's to Kappa's pride and flower !
 To Kappa's spotless fame !*

*Here's to Kappa loyalty !
 To Kappa Honor too !
 Here's to Kappa royalty—
 For we have queens in blue !
 When Kappa meets with Kappa
 At home or distant strand,
 Right royally and loyally
 Together they will stand.*

SARAH SMITH HARBINE, *Beta Nu.*

A PRACTICAL ASSET OF LIFE.

“**S**OMETHING practical,” the new editor-in-chief of *THE KEY* had in mind when she requested the alumna, who has been feeling the rough edges of “the world,” as differentiated from “the college” for almost a dozen of years, to write an article for her first number. She hinted that a description of the method of turning out paid copy as grist for the daily newspapers would be a proper stint.

A sister alumna, who also thought “something practical” desirable pabulum for readers of *THE KEY*, suggested a dissertation on the definite duties and proceedings of Alumnae Chapters.

The alumna, having given her promise to the editor, sat down at the eleventh hour to make good her bond. Weary from the petty struggles of the day, plans gone awry, the endeavor to harmonize principle with necessity, the stifling of personal inclination, and the effort to bear in mind the broad meaning of the whole, which is the only salvation from the humiliation of many details of her work, the alumna was in no mood to bare the truth about her vocation.

Neither did she incline to dwell upon the formal relations of alumnae to undergraduates, as expressed by letters, reports, papers, and other pieces of mechanism necessary for sustaining these relations, freely as she acknowledges their utility.

“Something practical.” Out of her experience this alumna has evolved the belief that the most practical thing in the large concerns of life, the thing worth clinging to in all circumstances and happenings, is the ideal that the Kappa girl takes with her from college, the ideal that makes for enthusiasm in a righteous cause, that inspires one to reach after that which the short-sighted term the unattainable, that aims high and goes far afield in its efforts, that plays not in trying hours, the possession of which makes a life worth living and the loss of which damns one as no other failure can.

If I were a teacher instead of a mere transcriber of the record of daily events, I should insist far more strenuously upon the cultivation of ideals in regard to the conduct of life than upon

declarations and mathematical demonstrations, not that I consider knowledge of that sort incompatible with the possession of ideals, however.

Clamor alleges that college ideals are unpractical and impracticable, but that only proves with how little understanding Clamor may speak. Our cynical friend, if he be a keen observer and honest, as a cynic may be, is forced to admit that the true successes in life are made by those who are loyal to the highest standards. Whether you measure success in dollars and cents, in public acclaim, in the quality of work accomplished, or in loyal service rendered, you must hark back to the fundamental principle that all that is enduring and satisfying in the fortunate issue of life's endeavor is attained through unswerving devotion to a worthy ideal. Success of every other kind is ephemeral, and is belittled by contrast with genuine achievement.

Her ideals are the glory and the privilege of the college woman, not that she may claim a monopoly in this line, but that conditions are peculiarly favorable for her to form, to cultivate, and to maintain ideals. If she has them not, she is more blameworthy than her sister in other circumstances and her loss of them is the more lamentable. One, perhaps the chief, function of the college fraternity, is its assistance in the development of fine and true ideals in its members. In so far as it fulfills this purpose, the fraternity deserves to be recognized as an instrument of culture, all the more effective because its best influence is subtle and indirect. When it falls short of accomplishing this end, as when it becomes an excuse for partisan squabbles, a pharasiacal attitude, or personal exploitation, it deserves the criticism which it gets from outsiders, and a deeper condemnation because of its spiritual violation, a wrong that the outsider cannot measure.

"But," cries the wise person, "it is impossible to apply the ideals that obtain in the college and in the fraternity to the affairs of the business, the professional and the social world into which the student is graduated. They are not big enough. It is the extreme of folly to try to fit them to conditions which were unknown when they were formulated."

True, but our best ideals are not formulated, especially in our college days. We are continually trying to find fit words in which to express them and we discard one day what the day

before had seemed the apt expression of our beliefs and aspirations. This elusive and alluring quality of the college girl's ideal is an excellent symptom. It enables her to shift from lower ground to higher, to gain fresh insight, and to grow. If a girl enters college with her mind and soul fixed upon certain definite attainments and feels no necessity for readjusting her ideas by the time she has reached her sophomore year, and many times thereafter, the fraternity in which she holds membership is unfortunate, whatever her scholarship, personal attractions, and other recommendations may be.

It is the girl whose ideals of today are better than those she cherished yesterday that the fraternity should rejoice over, the one who makes every new condition minister to her broadened aims and uplifted standard. It is this habit of heart and mind, fostered in the college and in the fraternity, that fits a woman to cope with complex conditions of mature life successfully. It is eminently a practical quality.

So, when the alumna delivers herself of the opinion that the most useful and the most practical thing in daily life is the ideal of the college girl, she has no reference to any fixed formula, verbal or written, but to that instructive turning to the light, that desire to know truth, that loyal obedience, that enthusiastic devotion, that disregard of difficulties which serves as well in the great arena of life as in the small.

One reason that the alumna claims so much practical value for ideals of the sort that guide and inspire the college girl is that it is about the only thing that will save her from misanthropy, cynicism and all that miserable crew that lie in wait in the big world and from which it is so difficult to escape. A good, live ideal, valiantly adhered to, is a sure weapon of defense in such case.

CORA RIGBY, *Phi*, '89.

RESPONSIBILITY OF KAPPA MEMBERSHIP.

IT has been truly said that time is but a memory or a hope ! Has any Kappa known the joys of initiation night when, for the first time, she stands at the entrance to an unknown and untried path, without feeling a thrill of joy that her hopes of success will now be realized and that in treading this new road she will at every turn find sisters ready and eager to aid her in achieving it. Linked with this happiness there must come a fear—a fear that perhaps after all she may fail to do her part in this new relationship and so disappoint those who have chosen her as a sister.

But to those of us who are older in this life the memory comes of hopes blasted ; of disappointments ; of discouragements. We were going to do so much to reflect honor upon our dear Fraternity ! We had expected to find, in a certain sense, regeneration and instead we find ourselves living outwardly the lives of earlier years ; fighting the same battles with ourselves ; finding the same faults in others ; meeting the same difficulties. Yet with all we are winning greater victories over our faults ; being less hard in our criticism of others ; conquering and overcoming our difficulties because of the help which we daily get from our common sisterhood.

We are a large family—nearly thirty-five hundred sisters—and with widely diversified interests. Many of us have but the one bond of Kappa Kappa Gamma to unite us. Is it to be marvelled at that we cannot conform ourselves at once to each others characteristics and ideas of life. A friendship is not the mood of a day ; it is the work of years ; the daily adjusting of the parts of one life to those of another ; the polishing of these parts to lessen the friction ; and the gaining of the absolute trust that can come only by that mutual recognition of what is best and truest in one another. Our lives are like faulty machines whose weaknesses are best known to those in daily contact with them, and much of the repairing must be done for us—consciously or unconsciously.

We meet perhaps once in two years at Convention and gain aid and inspiration for the future. From the Atlantic to the Pacific we gather in a common cause and meet charming women with the same aims and aspirations as our own. We claim them as friends and in our enthusiasm expect to find personified in them the ideal which we have vainly been striving for. Is this latter fair or just? After awhile we discover that they are human beings! We see defects come to view one by one, and forgetting that as they show to us their weaknesses our own are brought into evidence; we are disappointed; we feel that our ideal is tottering and finally it falls. Our friends have not changed nor have we—it is only that they have failed to reach the impossible standard which we have set for them.

“Search thine own heart. What paineth thee
In others, in thyself may be;
All dust is frail, all flesh is weak;
Be thou the true man thou dost seek.”

It seems unwise to form friendships thus; life is as it is and we must meet it. An ideal fixed for ourselves is good—“the situation that has not its duty, its ideal, was never yet occupied by man”—but for others it is fatal for we fashion it as though we alone had failings to be overlooked. “If thou canst not make thyself such an one as thou wouldst, how canst thou expect to have another in all things to thy likings?” Let us meet each other on common ground granting that though many be the doubts and failures; many the hurts, we will look for what is best and truest, ignoring the mistakes, and work up to that mutual trust that only time and loyalty can perfect. “Do not think of your faults; still less of others’ faults; in every person who comes near you look for what is good and strong; honor that; rejoice in it; and, as you can, imitate it.”

From whom have we a better right to expect sympathy and encouragement in our struggles, and protection from outside criticism than from our Kappa sisters, and this right should not be demanded in vain. Without it what would our fraternity life mean? It would be but a farce. With it, it becomes the leaven which starts into being that universal love which gives us our interest in all humanity. In no better way can we testify to the good which comes through our union, of which our Key is the symbol, than by maintaining this right.

To all of us who for the first time come together to share in the work of the large body of Kappa Kappa Gamma, there cannot but be a sense of the seriousness of the responsibility laid upon us and the desire to do that which will be for the very best interests of each and every member.

GRAND TREASURER'S DEPUTY.



WOMANLINESS, WISDOM, WORTH.

IT is with a feeling of regret that we lay aside the last volume of the nineteenth century and in hasty retrospection pass over its half forgotten pages, realizing for the first time how we have failed to fulfill the promises, to live out the resolutions of one year ago. But fortunately, in this age of American progress and prosperity, it is not permitted to dwell upon the past, to regret what has been or sigh for what might have been; the glorious possibilities of the future lie before us and with pleasurable anticipation we lay our eager hands upon the first volume of the twentieth century.

What a mighty privilege has been granted the men and women of today. We have seen one of the most remarkable of the centuries draw to its close, majestic, powerful, supreme; we have been permitted to follow the development of forces, which less than fifty years ago were practically unknown. Many of these forces are still in their infancy, the resultant of which it will be our pride and pleasure to record among the wonderful achievements of the twentieth century. A magnificent future lies before us and we may look forward into this field of rich and brilliant promise rejoicing that for a day the world is ours; ours with its weight of cares, with its untold responsibilities; ours with its alluring prospects, with its unknown and almost unlimited possibilities.

Among the powerful and subtle influences acting upon the growth and development of America during the past century, education has steadily become a more and more important factor. Where, one hundred years ago, one young man of a community

was enabled, by parental sacrifice and patient self denial, to seek the coveted paths of higher education, today scores of young men and women are permitted to devote themselves to the acquirement of knowledge and to personal advancement.

They who are destined to become leaders in this glorious new century will not be those who have risen to prominence in spite of powerful limitations, but they who, beyond the reach of environments, have risen necessarily to a higher plain, commanding a broader outlook, a more comprehensive view of troublesome and perplexing situations. It is due to the efforts of those who have lived before us, who have struggled with and overcome these limitations and environments, who, by their own needs, have realized the importance, the necessity of higher and more general advantages, that we are permitted to enjoy the blessed privilege of satisfying an inherited craving for higher learning and broader opportunities.

The work is not yet done ; it is for us to continue that which has been so nobly begun ; it is for us to bring these opportunities within the reach of the masses. Let wisdom be universal. Wisdom acts not without consideration. Consideration analyzes causes and reveals effects.

During the past one hundred years while education has been exerting its constant and ever increasing influence upon the affairs of both home and state, ideas concerning woman's work in life have gradually broadened until the first day of the twentieth century finds both man and woman working faithfully and persistently for the further enlightenment, the future development and the consequent happiness of the American masses. Laying aside the petty controversy over the so-called new woman as something too narrow for the consideration of this age of culture and advanced understanding, we rejoice to know that the woman of today has, through the efforts of her fathers, been enabled to enter the realm of knowledge where she may learn to appreciate more fully all that is beautiful and pure and good. Knowledge is strength, wisdom is purity, ignorance is crime.

The future with its possibilities and its responsibilities lies before us. The result of the labors of past generations prove the necessity of action. Our existence and the privileges we enjoy force upon us an overpowering sense of our duty to posterity. The gradual development of women inspires woman to press on

toward still nobler ideals, to cherish higher aspirations, to live toward a broader understanding and appreciation of the fullness of life and its opportunities, and to hold closer to the paths which lead to the realization of woman's loftiest ambitions—womanliness, wisdom, and worth.

L. ELMIE WARNER, '97, *Grand Registrar*.



Alumnae Department

On October 13th, occurred the first meeting of the *Kappa Club* for this year in *Indianapolis*. The club is divided in sections this year, the leader of each section arranges the program for her meeting. Since our first meeting occurred on the date of our anniversary, each person present was requested to write two lines of poetry each to contain about ten feet. No other explanation was given. When finished the *choicest* (?) ones were joined together in song to the tune of "Vive la Campagnie," by a musical member present, and the club was asked to join in on the chorus. We had a very good time at the meeting. Mrs. Bosson, who was abroad last summer, reviewed part of her trip.

Our second meeting was held November 24, at which the leader of the section had arranged a farce, "Which is Which?" It was such a success that it is to be repeated. The weather kept so many away.

Composite Kappa Song of Indianapolis Alumnae Association.

Let each loyal Kappa now sing with a zest,
Vive la K K Γ.
And say to the world, "I'm made of the best ;
Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Vive la, vive la K K Γ, vive la, vive la K K Γ, vive la, vive la
K K Γ,
Vive la K K Γ.

Let every good Kappa now loyally cry
Vive la K K Γ.
We'll stand by the Kappas for aye, yes for aye—
Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Where ever you wander this wide world around,
Vive la K K Γ.
You'll find loyal Kappas bright, true and sound,
Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

THE KEY.

'Tis the month of October, the thirteenth day,
 Vive la K K Γ.
 Hurrah for Kappa Gamma, let everyone say
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

What can I say in praise of K K Γ,
 Vive la K K Γ.
 In all the world there's naught so dear to me,
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Kappa Kappa Gamma with her mystic shrine,
 Vive la K K Γ.
 Grows nobler and fairer with her years of time,
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Here's to the dear old girls of Iota,
 Vive la K K Γ;
 May she always have her usual quota,
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Kappa Kappa Gamma's the very best frat,
 Vive la K K Γ.
 I've been one fifteen years and am quite sure of that,
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Tenderly, softly comes a strain on the air,
 Vive la K K Γ.
 Bringing back the sweet memories of Kappa girls fair.
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Kappa Kappa Gamma, we love thee to-day—
 Vive la K K Γ.
 Thou beautiful and lovely fraternity,
 Vive la K K Γ.

CHORUS.—

Vive la, vive la K K Γ, vive la, vive la K K Γ, vive la, vive la
 K K Γ.
 , Vive la K K Γ.

The *Beta Iota Alumnae Association* was started in 1898, and at the present time has a membership of twenty-three. Associate, as well as Alumnae Beta Iotas have the privilege of joining. Four informal business meetings are held each year, one in October, one in February, one in April, and one in June. It is needless to say that we always have regular reunions at the February and June meetings, as many of the Kappas who live at a distance return to participate in the annual Beta Iota banquet and the festivities of commencement week.

The object of the Association is to enable the alumnae to keep in closer touch with one another and with the active chapter. During rushing season we entertain the actives and their rushers, thus enabling the prospective Kappas to become acquainted with the older members of Beta Iota. There are but two officers, a President and a Secretary-Treasurer. At present we are anticipating the pleasure of having the actives and rushers with us on December the eighteenth, purely an informal afternoon affair. Beta Iota Alumnae Association extends best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all Kappas.



A meeting was called on Monday evening, April 30, 1900, at the Woman's Club of the U. P., to consider the formation of an Alumnae Association of K Γ Γ .

On the same evening was organized the *Philadelphia Alumnae Association* of Kappa Kappa Gamma, with Miss Annie M. Jastrow as President, Miss Elizabeth A. Atkinson as Treasurer, and Miss Adelaide H. Dovey as Secretary.

It was decided that of the four meetings to be held during the year, one should be the banquet, and one should be a tea to be given particularly for those who were to leave the active chapters of Beta Alpha and Beta Iota, and to which all the active members should be invited. Such a tea was given June 2, from five to seven, and although a severe thunder storm just at that time prevented many from being present, those who did come enjoyed thoroughly the pleasant social intercourse that the Association is intended to promote. Up to the present time two meetings have been held. A banquet is planned for the near future.

Up to the present date there are twenty-four members, sixteen from Beta Alpha, three from Beta Iota, one from Chi, one from Eta, two from Omega, and one from Psi.

We hear from the *Kansas City Alumnae Association*, that it is organized chiefly to cement fraternity bonds and to further the interests of the Fraternity. The latest news from them is an account of a banquet, as follows:

"For the second time the Kappas of Omega, Theta and the Kansas City Alumnae Chapters met and banqueted on Thanksgiving Day, at Kansas City, Missouri. Among the chapters represented were Rho, Kappa, Xi, Upsilon and Alpha.

"The table was in the form of a gamma and was decorated in light and dark blue. Around it were seated thirty-one Kappas. Mrs. Lawrence, of Theta, was toastmistress for the occasion; toasts were given by Miss Burruss, Theta; Miss Wilson, Omega; Miss Reynolds, Kappa; Mrs. Brown, Omega, President of the Kansas City Alumnae; Mrs. Hutchings, Omega, and Miss L. Agnes Peters, Theta.

"One pleasant feature of the day was the presentation of a golden key to Mrs. W. O. Miller, formerly Miss Lou Stevenson, who had been a charter member of Alpha Chapter.

"The meeting closed with the election of officers for the Alumnae Chapter. Miss L. Agnes Peters, a charter member of Theta Chapter, was unanimously elected President.

"Each member left the meeting feeling that she had become much better acquainted with her sister Kappas, and more firmly resolved than before to do all in her power to aid in this very pleasant annual affair."



A Kappa luncheon will be held in New York, February 23rd, under the auspices of the *New York Kappa Alumnae Association*. It is designed to make this a general rally of all Kappas within a large radius of the city. Will each chapter aid the committee by informing them of any of their members in the vicinity. For general information address the Chairman, Mrs. Guy Walker, No. 115 W. 94th St., New York.



The *Denver Alumnae Association* of Kappa Kappa Gamma held its first meeting of the season at the home of Mrs. Parce. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Secrist; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Wood; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Grace.

Personal Notes.

GAMMA RHO.

Georgiana Crane, who graduated last June, is back, taking a post-graduate course in Greek.

Della Greenland, after a year's absence, is again in college.

Mary Colter, one of our alumnae girls, is in the hospital. With Louise Bolard, she had planned to go to Europe, but on account of her illness, the trip was postponed.

Jean Frey, a short time ago, read a paper on the "Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam," before the Women's Clubs of Meadville. Her work was pronounced a great success.

Norma Cutter will soon remove to Chicago, and we hope she will meet many of our Kappa sisters there.

LAMBDA.

Every Kappa will be glad to hear that Miss Elmie Warner, our new Grand Registrar, is gradually recovering from a long sickness. Miss Warner has had a leave of absence from teaching, for a year, on account of ill health; but we all are anxiously waiting for her return next fall. Miss Carita McEbright, one of Lambda's alumnae, is taking Miss Warner's classes.

Five of our girls from the classes of '99 and '00, are teaching this year in the Public Schools: Bertha Huston, Celia Mallison and Sophia Sawyer, in Akron; Leona Reed and May Foote, in Kent.

BETA NU.

Beta Nu has had four Kappa weddings since the last issue of THE KEY. On September 24th, Zoa Baldwin, '96, and Mr. George Gogle, X Φ, were united in marriage.

Fredrika Hull Baldwin, ex-'98, and Mr. Fredrick Roland Hoover, Σ A E, were married on October 2nd.

On the 16th of October, Fanny Fern Howard, '96, and Mr. McDonald Mitchell, of Charleston, Ills., were united in marriage.

The wedding of Flora McCarter, '97, and Mr. George McAuley, was an event of November 1st.

Miss Ellen Talbot, '90, has accepted the chair of Philosophy at Mt. Holyoke.

The engagement of Maude Raymond, '99, and Rev. Wm. Lipper is announced.

Talmadge Rickey, '00, has charge of the physical training at Otterbein University, Westerville, and at Miss Phelps' Classical School at Columbus.

Dorothy Canfield, '99, is home from a year's study abroad and has entered Columbia for a Ph. D.

BETA DELTA.

Florence Walker, class of '00, is teaching Mathematics at Ferry Hall, Lake Forest, Ill.

Lucile Morris, class of '00, is teaching History and English at Escanaba, Michigan.

Olive Rouch is teaching at Ishpeming.

Lulu Southmayd, who formerly taught in the Ann Arbor High School, is now teaching in the Detroit High School, making the sixth Kappa in the Detroit High School.

On Thursday, November 8th, at Ishpeming, Michigan, Minnie Broad was married to Mr. Richard Deming Ewing, Phi Delta Theta, of Escanaba, Michigan.

Bessie Trowbridge, formerly of Lambda, is affiliated with Beta Delta.

XI.

Jennie Gilkey, '99, is teaching in the Public Schools at St. Louis, Michigan.

On October twenty-fourth, Margaret Knapp was married to Mr. Horace Wilson, at Adrian, Michigan.

Mrs. Ethlyn Wilson Metcalf is now living at Red Lodge, Montana.

Maude Conley is at New York City, studying music under Madame Clanse.

KAPPA.

On September 26, at Hillsdale, Florence Lillian Birdsall, '03, was married to Mr. Fredd Rial Miller, $\Delta T \Delta$, graduate from the University of Michigan, LL. D.

Cora Bailey, '99, was married to Mr. Albert Dimmers, at Hillsdale, October 11.

MU.

The following Kappas are teaching in the Indianapolis Public Schools: Mrs. Harriet Casper Rhetts, Flora Love, May Langsdale, Edith Beck, Letta Newcom, Inez Elliott, Nellie Green, Edith Keay, Deborah Elliott, Edna Wallace, Elizabeth Bettcher, Clara Goe.

Anna Williams, of Wabash, Ind., was married in November, to Robert Bull, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, from Butler. They will reside in East St. Louis, after a Southern trip.

Mrs. Arthur A. Johnson, formerly Miss May Brayton, is now living in Mexico City.

Mrs. St. Clair Parry is just recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever. She was Miss Margaret Guffin.

EPSILON.

Clara De Mott is teaching Latin in the Centralia, Illinois, High School.

Letta Broch, '00, is teaching in the High School at Sullivan, Illinois.

Lillian Arnold, '02, is at the University of Illinois, taking work in the Library School.

SIGMA.

Adeloyd Whiting, who graduated last June, has accepted the position of Instructor in Physical Training at Doane College, Crete, Nebraska.

Blanche Hargreaves is attending Smith College this year.



PARTHENON

It has been, now, almost a year since I had my
A Thought for first glimpse of THE KEY. It was when my
the New Year. KEY for January of last year came that I had the
pleasure of enjoying for the first time the expres-
sions of good will and interest which the Kappa sisters exchange
through its pages.

My desire now is to add just one thought to the wealth of
inspiration for the beginning of our new year.

A short time ago there came to light again a clipping which I
made last summer—

“I hold him great, who for love's sake,
Can give with generous, earnest will—
Yet he who takes, for love's sweet sake,
I think I hold more generous still.”

Is not this beautiful? It shows the blessed two-fold nature of
true generosity.

Perhaps we all think of the old, old saying, “It is more blessed
to give than to receive.” In a moment, though, we realize that
both are equally true—each according to its own meaning.

All of us, no doubt, have learned the real joy of giving—gen-
erosity in giving has its own reward in the happiness it affords
the giver. We may not, however, have learned quite so perfectly
the art of taking. It is infinitely harder to take upon one's own,
already burdened shoulders, tasks in order to lighten those of
one's fellow beings; or to receive little acts of thoughtlessness
with a beautiful, generous spirit. And these are but two of the
many times when the act of taking does require the noblest
generosity.

But after all the kind of taking the author means, I think, is
but the very highest kind of giving—the giving, not of material
things, but of one's very self—the giving of a number of heart
throbs that one may take upon himself that which would make a
friend's life harder to bear.

So let us, Kappa sisters, in this year of 1901, see that our gen-
erosity reaches its fullness; let us be able to give and to take.
Then our year at its close will have been better in proportion as
we have succeeded.

M. A., *Beta Alpha*.

**A Second Thought
for
the New Year.**

No one can deny that college life has its worries and its temptations but the good so preponderates over the evil, the pleasant over the unpleasant that the latter sinks into comparative insignificance. If college life has pleasures for all its college students, certainly its pleasures are doubled for us who are fraternity women. To the barbarian it is not given to enjoy the jolly comradeship, the sweet fellowship, the intellectual sympathy which fraternity life offers. But we who are so proud of one another, so happy in one another, do sometimes forget that we are living a life apart, that beyond the college pale, grave questions await a solution, plain, homely duties a performance: that men and women are wearied by toil, hardened by selfishness, yearning for love.

We can seldom be accused of being personally selfish, but if someone who has no particular claim upon us comes to us in difficulty do we endeavor to be just as helpful to her as to a Kappa sister? Do we try to know the other girls, to enter into their lives as much as possible? It is so easy to be kind and good to the one we admire, but should we not try much harder to be good to the girl who is less attractive. Not only can we do this for her own sake, but in giving, our own lives are made sweeter and better. Although making thoroughly good fraternity girls for the time being, it is not only possible but exceedingly easy to become selfish therein. Unless our love for sisters enables us to have a truer love for all women, unless our sympathy, our courage, our goodwill are going to make all around us happier and better, must we not conclude that we are narrowing instead of broadening, and as a fraternity, not living upon the highest plane possible.

D. A. B., *Gamma Rho.*

**Old and
New Members.**

Much has been written and said about what the older members should do for the new ones; may we not speak briefly of what the new girl should do for herself? We shall take it for granted that the old members are doing their duty by her; they have received her with cordial sympathy and are endeavoring to bring before her some of the ideals of college womanhood. What shall the

new girl do? Naturally she cannot be of very material help till she knows something of the fundamental principles of the Fraternity. She must first of all be a learner. Let her study the constitution, by-laws, standing rules, everything that will give her this information. To a girl really interested in her fraternity these are anything but dull reading. She should have a definite knowledge of the location of each Chapter, and should learn, so far as possible, the main characteristics of each. Do you say that this takes time? Of course it does. But isn't it worth it? It has taken a good deal of time to organize the Fraternity and bring it to its present standard. It takes time to keep a Chapter in proper running order. A girl who is unwilling to devote some time and effort to her fraternity should be equally unwilling to enjoy its privileges. The greater part of the first year may well be spent in *active* preparation for future usefulness. There is always work for every girl to do; the work of the junior and senior differs from that of the freshman. But from both experience and observation I should say that one of the most practical things a new girl can do is to so thoroughly learn the organization of her fraternity and her chapter that she may by the beginning of her second year work actively and intelligently to further the best interests of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Delta.

Too often we feel that when we have initiated
Our our new girls and given them some introduction
Responsibility. to the social life of the college, our duty by them is done. But this is not so. It is then that our responsibility begins. We must try to help the sister who is inclined to be wayward, and influence her to choose desirable friends. We must teach her to associate only with those college men who are fit company for her, and not let her peril her good name by going with those whom she cannot respect, and whom we cannot recommend. For surely every Kappa girl is good enough for the best associates, and too proud to have any but the best. We cannot be too particular in this respect. Keep the standard high.

EDNA BRONSON, *Upsilon.*

A Suggestion. Always after the initiation of the new girl arises the question, how best to instruct them in the ways of fraternity life. Theta, thinking that her plan, by which she hopes to be ready for the terrible ordeal in April, may be of interest and benefit to others, takes pleasure in sending it to her sister Chapters.

A committee is appointed to arrange the subject-matter for study, assigning a certain amount for each month. The Chapter is then divided into four groups with the four most suitable girls selected as "heads." Each group meets once a week, in the order assigned, to learn the work appointed for that month. At the end of the month a written examination is held in the Chapter meeting, the questions having previously been made out by the four "heads." The grades are recorded and at end of the period of work, the girl receiving the highest grade is allowed a certain portion of her next year's dues out of the Chapter treasury.

M. B., *Theta*.

The Old Girl and the New. Rushing season is again over, and probably every chapter of our fraternity has again opened its doors to some new members. But scarcely has the first glow of the recent victory passed away ere we are made to realize that with our new joy has come added responsibility. For who has not felt, as she administered the sacred oath of friendship to others, that she at the same time was binding herself in an obligation, even firmer and more sacred. Her's is the part no longer to be guided, but to guide; no longer to look for worthy motives to be copied, but by every act of her own life to place an ideal before others—an ideal, the highest and truest of fraternity life—and to do this in such a way that each new girl shall feel that with the dawn of her fraternity career there has arisen for her the most pleasing phase of her life. It is here that every girl with the best interests of her fraternity close at heart, pauses and asks herself how she may best impart to her newly allied sisters a true and immediate conception of her own aim and purpose as a fraternity member, which even she has learned to know only by a year's or more experience.

During rushing season, a half dozen prospectives will present as many distinct types of individuality. Each one is met on her

own ground. The method of rushing is tempered to the style of each particular character and to each separate taste. Spreads and evening parties are planned for the "society girl"; it has been endeavored to reach the more serious tastes of another through an entertainment of a literary character; while attendance at the college foot-ball games, a visit to the golf links, has figured in the little plan of rushing a noticeably athletic girl.

Thus it may be shown how each one enters upon her new career with a different idea of what a fraternity as symbolical of concord and congeniality should be. It is earnestly desired that each shall find in her fraternity all and more than she had anticipated, for who can know merely in anticipation the fullness of the benefits of such a life until they have drunk of the cup of sweet sisterhood?

Surely those of us in whose minds still linger the memory of our own first days of fraternity life will grant that a strong advance has been made in this direction when the new member is made to feel perfectly at home in her newly formed relations and realizes that she is as important a factor as any one of her senior sisters. Too often the Freshman, because she is a Freshman, shrinks from even expressing her opinion on any matter discussed at large in chapter meeting lest she seem forward or presumptuous. This undue timidity having been done away with, and all the beauty and uplifting influence of fraternity life having immediately asserted itself, who will not bless the day that first taught her the significance of the key, and what old girl shall feel that her first duty to the new one has not been fulfilled.

G. ETHEL JEFFERSON, *Lambda*.

It is about time now for the various chapters of Kappa to settle down to earnest study and to acquaint the new members with the responsibilities which each person has to her chapter and to the fraternity at large. We must emphasize to the new sister the importance of making herself familiar with fraternity history and management, that she may be a credit to her chapter.

When we realize what a large organization we are, and how many really large questions come to us for solution, we surely cannot put too much emphasis upon the importance of earnest

and careful study. The management of our fraternity is left almost entirely to a convention made up of representatives from each chapter. When we attend the meetings of this convention and realize what a great amount of work is done by the Grand Council, it is quite natural that we should ask ourselves the question, Do we, as chapters, give the Council the help which we should give, and do we realize what part of the responsibility rests with our chapter? Each chapter should send to this convention a delegate thoroughly informed upon the questions which are to be discussed. At our recent convention we were all made to realize this. Her information should not cover fraternity history alone; it is not enough to know how fraternities have been managed; there are changes and new demands in this work as well as in other lines which bring in subjects that may seem to be of a nature which have no bearing upon the subject under discussion, but which must be understood if we wish to discuss seriously and justly the problem which we must solve.

It is a mistake to give all responsibility of this convention to the delegates. If they are not informed upon fraternity affairs it is not the fault of the individuals, but of the chapters. A delegate who has regularly attended the meetings of her chapter will be well informed if the course of study pursued by her chapter has been systematic and thorough.

This year we are to add a new branch to our study program, and while it will add more work to our already full days, we should be glad that this demand has been made upon us. Our chapter meetings and our conventions will surely be more dignified and business like when we have gained a knowledge of parliamentary practice.

Let us study earnestly and conscientiously this year, that we may be able to manage our fraternity affairs in an unbiased and systematic way, realizing the responsibility imposed upon us and fulfilling the trust which has been granted us.

MARGARET MANN, *Beta Lambda.*

Another rushing season has shown more forcibly than ever the most serious fault in the system.

The Invitation. This is the false basis on which girls put themselves with regard to the new girls whom they are rushing. The Freshman receives constant attentions and invitations from upper-class girls whom she has always been accustomed to regard with respect, if not awe. She is treated by these same girls much as if she were a "social lion," her wishes are carefully fulfilled, dates are arranged to suit her convenience and rival fraternities work to engage her attendance, which is gratefully received as if it were a favor. The effects of all this on the girls who are being rushed are as varied as the girls themselves, but the evil is evident. In this mad endeavor to coral the desirable freshmen the fraternity girls forget their dignity and lose sight of the fact that an invitation to the fraternity is an honor.

Psi.

In the April number of THE KEY, the following appears in the letter from Chapter Chi :

Contracts. "Early in the autumn a request was made by President Northrop, that all rushing of high school students for college fraternities should cease. This temporary injunction, which admitted of conflicting interpretations, was followed by a more definite contract drawn up and signed by one delegate from each of the men's and of the women's fraternities of the University of Minnesota, and which stipulated that no student should be rushed until duly registered in the university. In addition to this, the women's fraternities, through their delegates assembled, formulated a compact which provided for a pledge day. It is sincerely hoped that this compact, which has been worked out with great care, may prove a benefit to all concerned."

History is better than prophecy, and we are now prepared to give our arguments against the contract as it exists.

We believe this contract has proved unsuccessful. That such a contract admits of varied interpretations is obvious. No iron-clad rules can be given as to the exact definition of rushing. The contract may be obeyed in letter, and yet in spirit be utterly disregarded.

The difference between high school methods and those of the university are in themselves enough to perplex freshmen, but to

claim all of their time for the first six weeks of college, when things are new and strange, this is indeed unfair.

This method, too, flaunts in the face of the entire student body, the affairs of the different fraternities, and breeds a spirit of gossip and speculation, which is anything but desirable.

Confining rushing to the first six weeks of college makes it very much harder for all concerned. At the end of six weeks the rushers and the rushed are worn out and generally disgusted.

These are some of the most glaring faults of the contract, and we earnestly hope for some change which will better all concerned.

Chi.

Chapter In the various circumstances of life harmony is necessary for complete and united action. No-
Harmony. where in college life is there greater need of harmony than in the fraternity if it is to be the happy meeting place of kindred natures.

Sometimes the sweet bells of chapter life seem out of time, and instead of harmonious music there is jangling discord. Someone has forgotten the true aim of fraternity life and allowed personal grievances to stand in the way. Even if the cloud passes, the shadow remains, especially in the heart of the less experienced new girl, and doubts of the high ideals of fraternity held out to her arise. The experienced Kappa is so firmly grounded in her fraternity love that she forgets the impression which any misunderstanding will make upon her young sister. She should see that no selfishness is manifest in her own conduct, and it is her duty also to smooth over the pathway of the younger member. The new girl must be made to feel that her opinion is wanted and needed, that her happiness is truly taken to heart, and that the enthusiasm of new life which she brings into the Chapter with her is essential to the life of the Chapter. The sooner she realizes this, the indifference which is so often discouraging will be overcome. Perfect understanding and sympathy is the basis of harmony in the Chapter. Then, too, it is sweet to know that the harmony and unselfishness which prevails in our own happy circle will be carried into our other college relations. Surely this must be our aim if we are to attain to the full statute of noble womanhood, which is the ideal set for all within the pale of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Xi.

With this edition of *THE KEY*, Beta Nu cannot
Beta Nu and refrain from taking a few lines to tell her sisters
Beta Delta. of a few happy hours she spent with Beta Delta
at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

For weeks the college world here had been wild with the anticipation of our first foot-ball game with the great Michigan eleven. Saturday after Saturday we had been the victors on the field, so as the 24th of November drew near our hopes for a victory with the U. of M. rose higher and higher. Early that Saturday morning, at six o'clock, while the stars were still shining, nine hundred students were assembled at the station, with their scarlet and gray pennants floating in the air. Eleven of these were loyal blue and blue girls, with their chaperone, Mrs. Bartram.

As we neared Ann Arbor we became very anxious to see whether or not Kappas would be at the station, but no sooner had we stepped on the platform than ten girls, wearing that dear familiar key, rushed forward to give us the welcome grip. For a time we were so delighted to meet these sisters that we could only smile at each other, but women cannot refrain from talking long, so soon we were gaily chatting on our way to the frat-house. There several other Beta Deltas greeted us in the same cordial manner.

This frat-house for a time absorbed Beta Nu's attention, as it quite fulfilled our ideal of what a Kappa house might be. The cosy frat-room, with its Kappa pillows, pictures and pennants, made a fitting rendezvous for such an occasion. Soon we were seated at a very delightful luncheon in the parlor of the house. At each guest's plate was a dainty Michigan pennant, making a charming souvenir of this event. Every moment there was busy chat with Beta Delta upon fraternity life.

Two o'clock soon rolled around and we went to the game together, each, of course, hoping deep within her heart that her side might win. Never can I hope to see a more gorgeous sight of typical college enthusiasm. Four thousand college men and women were on the field, each shouting himself hoarse as the excitement in each half increased, for neither one side nor the other was able to score.

We were treated to a slight touch of Michigan's snow and wind. Again, however, we entered into the warmth of the Kappa

house. Kappa songs were sung and a dainty oyster supper was served in the tea-room. Then came too soon the hardest part—the “good-bye.” Of course there are always the promises of a future meeting.

We never realize how broad our fraternity affiliations are until we meet with those in the same bonds in other colleges. We then are more fully inspired with that Kappa loyalty and friendship which the fraternity life alone can give us. As a suggestion to all chapters I would urge province conventions, if for nothing else, for the much closer union of the chapters. All of us cannot have the good fortune to be delegates to a National Convention, yet far more of us might attend these province conventions, and so come into closer friendship with our Kappa sisters in other colleges.

Beta Nu sincerely wishes that others may have the happiness to enjoy the cordial hospitality of Beta Delta.

MARY F. HUNT, *Beta Nu.*

The Delegate's The enthusiasm with which a Convention dele-
Return. gate is welcomed home by her chapter is exceeded
only by the enthusiasm with which the delegate
describes that memorable week. But how these
enthusiasms differ! The chapter must know, in one gasp, the
outcome of all the questions considered, while the bursting
delegate must tell the social side of it all, with now and then a
choice bit of an anecdote which will out. And so with

Question to right of her,
Question to left of her,
Question in front of her
Volley'd and thunder'd;
Stormed at with shout and yell,
Boldly she speaks and well,
Showing the pros and cons
Nothing she will not tell,
No one has blunder'd.

Each delegate feels that for at least one week of her college career her personality has been absorbed by the all-important entity of her chapter. For a week her name consisted of one or two Greek letters and nothing more. But on the other hand she has had at stake the reputation not only of her entire chapter, but also that of her college. She has realized this responsibility, and tried her best to live up to it. But does a week of such

anxiety and hard work pay in the end? Indeed it does pay an hundred-fold; for each of the girls who gathered together this last August is now back in her respective chapter, working with a new-found devotion to instil in the hearts of her sisters a truer loyalty for the fraternity which has suddenly become so much to her.

She comes home, then, to tell her chapter how royally it has been entertained, what a good time it has had throughout, how blessed it was in being allowed to perform certain assigned duties for the fraternity, and finally how it acted on this or that question.

She has told her story; she feels how she should have acted, but the girls, bless their hearts, seem pleased.

Beta Epsilon.

I should like to say a few words to my Kappa sisters about the girl who is outside—who is not a fraternity girl. In the majority of cases she occupies a most unpleasant and embarrassing position. She may be all we could desire for a Kappa, yet we may, for some reason, be debarred from taking her. In such a case, of course, a sensible girl is likely to understand the circumstances, and will very probably be a close friend of most of the girls in the chapter. But it is not of her I wish to speak—it is of the mediocre, unattractive girl, who has few friends. She may be a devoted adherent of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She has a smile and a pleasant greeting for every Kappa; she may even try to “spike” new girls for Kappa; and all this is not from any other motive than a feeling of friendship. Yet many fraternity girls recognize in a “barb” only the embodiment of all that is unattractive and undesirable, repaying her acts of kindness with but slight acknowledgment, and imputing to her that most unworthy of all motives—“policy.”

The purpose of a fraternity is to make its members better and more womanly. And if fraternity life has taught girls to despise the “barb” its object has not been accomplished.

Sisters, let us be kind to the girl outside. Her's is not a life of sunshine. Let us make her our friend. I do not mean that we should necessarily seek to be intimate with her. But let us

show her that fraternity life has made us kinder and more charitable. If she asks us questions about fraternity, let us answer them frankly, as far as possible. We need not shun the subject; she is probably too sensible to be sensitive, and if she be not sensitive she will become so if she feels that we avoid the subject. We must make her feel that she is not outside; that our interest is not wholly confined to the girls of Kappa Kappa Gamma. We can spare some time to offer her the little attentions which will make her feel our friendship.

I read in *THE KEY* some time ago that "fraternity life was like a cathedral—no one on the outside could know anything of the beauty inside." The girl outside cannot know; but we have it in our power to do much to aid her in imagining this beauty. We must let her feel what fraternity life has done for us—let her feel that the bonds of Kappa, in binding us in its smaller sisterhood, bind us only closer in the universal sisterhood of woman-kind.

MARY MARSU, *Mu*.

The recent requests that have come from local chapters in various colleges and universities
Shall We brings up again for consideration the question—
Expand? Is it advisable for Kappa Kappa Gamma to increase its chapter roll? This is not a new question by any means, but owing to the various experiences our fraternity has been through in the past two or three years, is of peculiar importance just at this time.

On the one hand there stands the fact upon which there is no need of enlarging, that our fraternity to be successful as a *whole* must make each chapter as strong as possible—not in numbers necessarily, but in Kappa spirit. And, of course, in granting new charters added duties are laid upon the fraternity and new risks are run. As our fraternity stands to-day, is this necessary or advisable?

On the other hand, every time we refuse a request for a charter, that comes from a college which has a high standing and a class of students from whom to choose members who will reflect credit upon the chapter, we run the risk of losing a valuable aid to the realization of the desire, cherished by every loyal Kappa, of seeing Kappa Kappa Gamma stand high in national reputation.

Should we refuse these petitions for a time at least, until we have united more firmly the chapters now on our roll? Or should we widen our circle, so as to bring within it other chapters whose members come up to the high ideals of Kappa Kappa Gamma, who can in this way receive the great help and inspiration which Kappa never fails to give?

E. B., *Kappa*.

A Suggestion.

I know of a fraternity where a custom has arisen that has been the means of bringing the girls closer in touch with one another, besides calling forth their most lovable qualities and suppressing those less desirable. This is the plan of devoting the last ten minutes of fraternity meeting to mutual help and criticism. Anything that is tending to become a fault in one of the girls is spoken of—always in a pleasant, tactful way. There is no ill feeling whatever caused by this, for each one of the girls feels that anything which may be said of her is done through love, and with her own interest most at heart. When there is true sisterhood—as there must be in each chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma—such a custom could not fail to bring about good results. Each girl is strengthened by the criticism—she sees herself as others see her, and thereby is inspired to make herself a better, sweeter and truer woman.

Beta Eta.

Convention

One of the ever popular topics of conversation here at Swarthmore is the Convention. Beta Iota 1902, was well represented there, and we who did not attend feel, nevertheless, that we know all about it. We have heard it all discussed so frequently, in all its phases, socially, the business side and fraternally. In some respects this desire of the girls to share their fun with the stay-at-homes is most praiseworthy, but they have now carried it to such an extent that with the return of one of our alumnae the word Convention is lost in the sound of scurrying feet and slamming doors. However, long before this we have one and all become fired with the desire to journey out to Ann Arbor in 1902.

ELIZABETH DINSMORE, *Beta Iota*.

CHAPTER LETTERS.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

PHI—BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Initiation is over and work has begun in earnest for Phi. There is no pledge day this year, and pledging was done—very done—very early. We tried not to be too hasty, and did not issue invitations until a week later than the other fraternities. Our new girls are Gertrude Butterworth, Helen Claflin, Ruth Jennison, Marion Shaw and Elsie Tucker, all freshmen.

Initiation was held at the home of Miss Bertha Richmond. Many of the alumnae were present, and it did seem good to be together again.

Now we have settled down to work. Examinations will be here all too soon. Each fraternity is to give a play under the auspices of the Philomatheon Society, and Kappas come second on the list; so we have enough to do.

Best wishes to all sister chapters!



BETA EPSILON—BARNARD COLLEGE.

Beta Epsilon sends to all best wishes for the year to come.

We have had a pleasant autumn. What with an initiation, the enthusiastic tales of our convention delegate, and various other matters of more local nature, we have had an interesting time of it. Let us introduce to the other chapters of the fraternity our new member, Elizabeth Finnigan, whose initiation last week brought together a large number of Kappas, old and new.

We must tell also of another event of much more interest to us. Since college opened in October, Virginia Gildersleeve, class of '99, has been made a member of the Barnard faculty. We are all, of course, greatly elated over the fact.

Elizabeth Allen has been giving us charming accounts of the doings of convention week. We hope that our sister chapters are as fortunate as we in having the inspiration of so enthusiastic a delegate.

PSI—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The "rushing" season is practically over with us, and we feel very well satisfied with our new girls. We did not lose a bid, but one of the girls decided to wait until January before giving a definite answer.

On Monday, November 19th, we initiated five girls into the bonds of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The initiation was a great success, and we were fortunate in having with us representatives from five chapters, who added much to the interest of the occasion.

Beulah G. Morgan, '00, made us a short visit early in the fall.

We are now looking forward to Thanksgiving, when we expect several of the old girls back, and we are planning some jolly times together.

Psi chapter sends her best wishes to all her sisters, and hopes that they may all have a glorious and successful year!



BETA TAU—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Greetings to all our sisters in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

This may be called the initiates' number of THE KEY, and so they ought to have first place in the news letter. It seems a good while since rushing time, but its events are not forgotten by any means. Our rushing season only lasted a week this year, but how many events were crowded into that one week! We wish you might all know personally the nine new girls of whom we feel so proud, but at least you can know them by name: Faith Coon, Josephine Underhill, Fannie Ellis, Anna Telfer, Caroline Kenyon, Bessie Scott, Gertrude Sholes, Helen Allis and Mabel Crum. The entering class this year is the largest in the history of the university, and we think, of course, that we have the very nicest girls of all.

Soon after college opened, October 16-19, the sixty-sixth national convention of Delta Upsilon was held with the Syracuse chapter. The reception given to their women friends of the university was one of the most brilliant social events in college society.

Our festivities did not entirely cease after rushing was over, for we have given two informal parties since, one given by

the upper classmen to introduce our initiates, and the other by our first year girls to the Freshmen. Now some of us are planning to attend the wedding of Helen Richards, ex-'98, and Fred Dutton, '95, which takes place in Oswego, November 27th.

Lately the interest of the college has been chiefly devoted to athletics. We feel very proud of our foot-ball team this year, and think we have reason to be so, as it has lost only two out of nine games. The woman's basket-ball team has not been behind either, for it has won two games with Elmira College. Just now most of us are chiefly interested in the approaching Thanksgiving recess. Most of the girls go home and the rest visit them. Before THE KEY appears we hope that you all may have had a very enjoyable Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, and have returned rested and ready for another half year's work.



BETA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Just after Convention Beta Alpha had the pleasure of meeting two California Kappas who were visiting in Philadelphia. To those of us who are new in the chapter this was an inspiration, for it was almost our first meeting with those from any great distance. These girls were from the Pacific Coast—we had never met before—but the golden key was the "open sesame" to friendship at once. Surely the fraternity has had for us, since then, even a broader meaning.

Then college opened, and with renewed enthusiasm brought by our delegate from Convention, we started on our new year. October was devoted to introducing the Freshmen. The "opening night" at the Woman's Club came first. Then there are the teas every afternoon, at which the affairs of the day are cheerfully discussed over the dainty cups of tea. The lecture program arranged by the club is a most pleasing one. So far we have heard Dr. Albert Clay on "Excavations at Nippur," in which the university is particularly interested; and Mr. Howard Taylor, a missionary to China from England.

Of course, we Kappas gave our tea for the new girls; and after other little festivities—at a cosy informal luncheon at Bennett House, we invited our chosen two. Initiation is soon to come.

But this is only a suggestion of the pleasant things in store for us. Thanksgiving week promises to be a very full one. This year the Convention of Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States and Maryland will meet at University of Pennsylvania.

Another event of a totally different character will be the Pennsylvania-Cornell foot-ball game on Thanksgiving Day. Great is the interest centered upon this. Will the Red and White or the Red and Blue win, is the question, which will have long been settled before we see this KEY.

It is the January KEY for which we are waiting, the one always so full of holiday greetings; and in closing, dear Kappas, Beta Alpha wishes you, one and all, a bright and glad New Year.



BETA IOTA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Beta Iota can scarcely realize that it is really time to send a letter to the "new" editor. The very thought of sending this on its way out to Columbus brings back "Convention time," and once more we who have been there want to urge everybody to come in 1902.

Things have been decidedly changed at Swarthmore this year. The faculty decision postponing pledge-day until the end of the year has of course necessitated an entire cessation of rushing. Consequently we have no pledgings to announce, but we would like to say just here that, including even all the evils of rushing, about which we hear so much, a seven week's contract still seems to us infinitely better. During September we were happy to meet two more Chi girls. Miss Ulb and Miss McDonald were visiting Edith Kenderdine, and one Saturday the actives were all invited out to the Beefield Club to meet them. Some of our alumnae were also there, so we need not tell you what a jolly time we had and how glad we shall be at all times to see girls from other chapters at Swarthmore. Another jolly time was one rainy day, when once again the actives went over to Merchantville. Katharine Pfeiffer, '00, gave a luncheon in honor of Ethel Thompson, another '00, who has been her guest this fall.

Last Saturday Swarthmore again defeated her old rival, Haverford, and amid much rejoicing we welcomed back a great many

of the old girls, some of whom stayed over for the Kappa Sigma dance, given in Houston Hall Thanksgiving night.

And now we want to introduce to you once more Dr. and Mrs. Flagg, of Swarthmore. From the charter members down we have found at their house always the warmest welcome. There, every Friday afternoon, Beta Iota assembles; there we spend some of our happiest hours, and nothing could give us greater pleasure than to have all of you meet these our "associate members." In closing we send greetings to every chapter, and wish for you all a happy, successful year.



GAMMA RHO—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Gamma Rho sends greeting to all her sisters in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The first five weeks of college have been busy as usual, being filled with teas, receptions, walks and drives, and all the things which belong to rushing. As a result of such labors, Gamma Rho will soon have several new Kappas to present to their sisters in other chapters.

Just at present we are busily preparing for a Hallowe'en party, and are anticipating much fun on the night when goblins and witches are abroad. Greeting to all Kappas.



BETA PROVINCE.

LAMBDA—BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Lambda has had a very successful and eventful fall. We were so glad that fourteen of our girls could attend the Convention at Columbus. All of them enjoyed it immensely, and will not soon forget how royally Beta Nu entertained them. Miss Geisler, Beta Alpha's delegate, spent a few days after Convention in Akron. We enjoyed seeing her again, and were sorry that more of our girls were not in Akron to meet her.

Many of Lambda's active girls attended the wedding of one of our senior Kappas, Clemintina J. Barber, who was married to Mr. Harrison Hall, an alumnus of Sigma Chi fraternity of O. S. U.

We feel proud of the Buchtel foot-ball team this fall. We have won and have been defeated, but have made our opponents play

hard to beat us. We have a strong team and hope it will be supplemented with a good base-ball team in the spring.

The students of Buchtel have just organized a Dramatic Club, which expects to make its first public appearance some time in January. The program will consist of a reading from "Macbeth," and a farce by W. D. Howells, "A Proposal Under Difficulties."

Mr. Elbert Hubbard was the first to appear in the College Lecture Course. His lecture on "The Roycrofters" was instructive and humorous. Others who are to lecture are Dr. F. A. Cook, Thomas Wentworth Higginson, Dr. N. D. Hillis, and President Angell, of Ann Arbor.

Our beautiful new College Hall is to be finished before February 1st. It is an exquisite piece of Greek architecture, and calls forth exclamations of admiration from all who look upon it. We shall probably begin the next semester in the new building, and use the Gymnasium again for its proper purposes. A beautiful Tiffany window is to be placed in the Hall, presented by the women of Akron.

The first of November ended our rushing season. During those six weeks we had several very pretty and pleasant parties. The first one, an informal affair, was at the home of Inez and Gladys Parshall. The evening was pleasantly passed in progressive games. Light refreshments were served.

One of the college boys invited the Lambda girls to a chestnutting party at his country home. We will not say how many chestnuts we found, but we are sure we had a good time.

Otober 27th the Misses Goodwin, two of our alumnae, entertained us at dinner at their home on West Market street. A jolly good time was had by all.

Aside from rushing parties, the students have had two informal dances, which are always enjoyable. The upper-classmen very pleasantly surprised the freshmen at their initiations by giving them a dance at Militant Hall.

Lambda had her usual success in getting all the girls she asked, and we wish to introduce our four new girls to their Kappa sisters, Lottie Olin, Bertha Widdecombe, Emily Dawson and Katherine Huggins.

Our initiation on November 17th was held at the home of the Misses Dague. After the ceremony a dainty supper was served.

We hope that all the Kappadom had the same success as Lambda.

BETA GAMMA—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

The past three months have been busy, happy ones for us. We have no new sisters to introduce to you yet, for according to the present rule of the faculty, no one may be rushed or bidden until after matriculation day, the first of December. And sad were we, that this year for the first time in many years, the thirteenth of October had to pass without any especial celebration, or bringing in of kindred spirits to the joys of fraternity life and sisterhood. But now that the long-hoped for day is so near, we are all on the *qui vive* and eager to take into our number only the best, and those who will live up to true Kappa standards, and be capable of enjoying to the full all that Kappa love means.

May the coming year prove as happy and profitable for the sister chapters as it promises to be for Beta Gamma.



BETA NU—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Our first vacation, the Thanksgiving recess, has come and gone and we are again settled at college.

First of all I want to introduce to you our three freshmen, whom many of you met during Convention week, and of whom we are indeed proud. Mabel Fuller, Bernice Davis and Carolyn Norton were initiated on Saturday afternoon, November the ninth, at the home of Tallmadge Rickey. At seven o'clock followed our annual banquet at the Chittenden, and a great many of our alumnae were present. Lucy Allen made an excellent toastmistress, and the responses were unusually clever and interesting.

Eliza Barcus, one of our seniors last year, has returned to take post-graduate work, and we are delighted to have her with us again, but at the same time sorry to lose Maybelle Raymond, whose health will not permit her to finish the semester's work.

On Wednesday evening, November the twenty-eighth, we gave a reception at the hospitable home of Edna Pratt, for the local chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta and their visitors who were attending province convention here. Mrs. Lewellyn Pratt was assisted in receiving by Edna Pratt, Mary Hunt and our freshmen, who were for the first time formally introduced to the

college world. We were very glad indeed to meet so many representatives of Kappa Alpha Theta. About one hundred of the college men called during the evening.

Before closing I must tell you about our foot ball team, which has won new laurels for itself this year. Again they are champions of the State! On the twenty-fourth of November they played Michigan, at Ann Arbor, with a score of 0-0. About one thousand O. S. U. students attended the game, including several of our own girls, who were royally entertained by Beta Delta Chapter, at their beautiful lodge. The accounts given to us who could not go have made us envious indeed.

Beta Nu wishes you all a very happy new year.



BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since the last issue of *THE KEY*, Beta Delta has heard of you all through her delegate, and is filled with enthusiasm for Kappa. She is delighted over the prospects of having the convention in Ann Arbor in 1902.

The two short months of this college year have been especially full for us. After three weeks of rushing we captured as our prizes seven of the dearest, brightest freshmen of this year's class. They have been initiated and have already proven themselves true, loyal Kappas. One of our audacious freshmen said, in response to a toast to the freshmen at the initiation banquet, that "Beta Delta ought to be proud of her seven freshmen," and she certainly is. Let me introduce them to you: Jessie Bane, Frederika Hine, Olive Hynes, Lewis Kollock, Zayda Noe, Susan Potter, Dorothea Rouse. I wish also to present our pledgeling, Ivy Sue Hovey.

To introduce our new Kappas to our friends, we gave an afternoon reception to the faculty ladies and the girls of other fraternities. We were assisted by our chaperon, Miss White, and our two patronesses, Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Hadman.

Soon after college opened this fall, Mrs. Palmer gave an evening reception to all the faculty, at which our girls served.

The foot ball game between Michigan and Ohio State, Saturday, November 24, brought many Columbus people to Ann Arbor, among whom were twelve of Beta Nu's girls. It was a new and delightful experience to meet these Kappa sisters of

another chapter and have them in our own home. We felt especially honored in having Lucy Allen. We who had never been to a convention could realize in a measure what it must mean to meet Kappas from all chapters. We are all looking forward to the time when Beta Nu will come back to us.

The Women's League has been more active than usual this year. Several parties have been given at the Gymnasium, among which was a fancy dress party for the girls. About five hundred girls were present in pretty, original costumes.

We are all busy now making preparations for the freshman spread, which is to be December 8th, at the girl's gymnasium.

Before this reaches you, Christmas and New Years will have come. Beta Delta sends her heartiest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



XI—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

We cannot realize that three months have passed since our last letter to THE KEY, so full have they been of earnest work and pleasure. There were four girls of us who started in college this year, eager to do our best for Kappa, and now we are proud to introduce to you five new sisters, Marguerite Arnette, Florence Swift, Ethel Finnicum, Julia Hood and Mary Lyle; also Edna Neer and Maude Peebles, who were pledged last year. Each day our new girls are becoming dearer to us, and are proving to be in every way worthy to wear the golden key.

The chapter entertained a few of the new girls at the home of one of the alumnae—Florence Reynolds—on the afternoon of September 24th.

Our initiation was especially enjoyable this year, as we had with us so many of our alumnae. The hall was decorated with festoons of smilax and double blue. After the ceremony, which seemed more beautiful and impressive than ever, a dainty spread was served.

On the evening of October 24th Margaret Knapp was married to Mr. Horace Wilson, and they are now living at Lewiston, Ohio.

This fall the girls of Xi, while working hard, have enjoyed many social pleasures, and are now looking forward to the Christmas holidays. Xi sends kindest greetings and best wishes for a Happy New year to all Kappas.

KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

At the beginning of the year we were only six in number, but after a time the charms of four new girls, Idella St. John, Nellie Johnson, Anna Sands and Florence Fox, won us. Soon the appearance of the dark and light blue told the story, and it was not very long before Miss St. John and Miss Johnson were wearing keys.

This is the smallest chapter we have had for a great many years. We lost three girls by graduation—May Gurney, who is taking a domestic science course in Oread Institute, Worcester, Mass.; in company with her is our sister, Willa Wood, from Angola, Ind.; Julia Turner, who is teaching in Orland, Ind., as lady principal, and Myra Walworth, who is taking post graduate work in music at the American Conservatory, Chicago. Four others did not return this fall. One of them, Florence Birdsall, is happily settled in New Orleans this winter as Mrs. Fred Miller. We are very sorry that Libbie Cilley, who started in as one of us, was obliged to leave college on account of ill health. But we feel exceptionally strong and congenial. One of the happiest times of the week is the Saturday night meeting, when we are together in our rooms, which we have occupied scarcely a year. They have recently been made the richer by the gifts of a few beautiful pictures and a handsome lounge.

Owing to the new social rules there are not so many parties as usual to tell about. We had our customary rushing party, then one Saturday evening Mrs. Mosher, our president's wife, very pleasantly entertained us, together with the girls of Pi Beta Phi.

On Friday evening, November 23, our alumnæ and associate girls in Hillsdale gave us a reception at Daisy Blackman's, to meet the senior girls of the High School.

To our sister chapters, Kappa wishes as much pleasure and happiness as she herself is enjoying!



GAMMA PROVINCE.

DELTA—INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Delta sends greetings to all other chapters!

We have four new girls to introduce to you in this letter—Georgia Fosler, Fay Sproatt, Lucy Lewis and Ethel Lucas.

Our rushing season closed rather early this year, as we pledged our new girls the third week of college; still we had the usual good time.

Our Alumnæ Club entertained with a reception the active chapter and the new college girls at the home of one of its members, and we cannot express the pleasure we had and the good it did us.

At our last meeting before Thanksgiving we had read our *Spectator*, a paper which we have every term and which contains literary productions, poems and the usual number of friendly criticisms.

The thing that we, as well as our whole college, are interested in is Indiana's foot-ball team, which has made itself famous in the athletic world. We hold the championship of the State and are members of the "Big Nine" of the Western colleges.

We wish all other chapters the success we have had this fall!



IOTA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

It is always a source of great pleasure when the time comes for Iota to let the other chapters of K K Γ know what she has accomplished during the past months, for she then realizes that she will soon know about those with whom the bonds of K K Γ unite her so closely.

Of all the things that have come to pass since the last news letter, Iota wants to mention about the chapter in general first. When the 7th of September came most of the active girls of the chapter had returned to old De Pauw, seventeen in all, and while all the girls were overjoyed to see one another, still our minds were bent on what is called "spike" among Iota's girls. All the girls were encouraged from the first, but when our eyes were opened to the fact that Iota could take any girl she desired, words cannot express how our hearts leaped for joy. The "spike" required two weeks of hard work, still Iota has nothing to regret, and now she wants to present eight of the finest girls in DePauw, who will not only prove to be an honor to Iota alone, but to the chapters of K K Γ in general. The eight girls are: Agnes Moulden, Ethel Maxim, Mary Sherfey, Elizabeth Sherfey, Helen Hurst, Lucia Hurst, Etta Warner and Mabel Bishop.

The chapter has been blessed, so to speak, in being entertained by other fraternities and at the home of some of our active girls, this fall. But do not let us forget to mention how Iota has entertained also. Among the social fetés that have been given Iota wishes to tell about one of her "at homes." It was in the month of October, when the leaves, with their various hues, were falling to the mother earth, and all was bright and cheerful. The chapter house was beautifully decorated with leaves and chrysanthemums, the walls being covered with many pretty designs made of the leaves, but the design admired most by all those present was a large fleur-de-lis made of leaves, which seemed to have all the colors that nature was able to give to them. All the many friends of K K T were present, and all reported a very enjoyable evening.

Iota will not take up any more space telling of the little informal parties that have been given, but will close by sending her very best wishes to all other chapters!



MU—BUTLER COLLEGE.

Another term is over—a term which, perhaps, has been one of the busiest for Mu since many years, but yet surely one of the happiest, for the rushing season has brought us together even oftener than usual; and we take great pleasure in knowing we have chosen our new members after close consideration, feeling they are each equal to be the proud wearer of the Key.

On November 24th, at the home of Betta Barnhill, we introduced into Kappa, five strong and earnest girls. They are Edith Songly, Minnie Wink, Essie Hunter, Mary Wickler and Marie Martin. We have also one pledge, Ruth Braden.

Besides numerous informal affairs at the first of the term, we were delightfully entertained two evenings by Belle Layman and Carrie Howe, and on October 13th we had our annual banquet at the home of Georgia Wicker. And what a glorious time we had on Halloween. We gave a trolley ride to Greenfield and there had an oyster supper at the home of Helen Downing. On the following Saturday we were entertained by Edna Wallace and Nell Green, Indianapolis alumnae. Last, but not least, was a jolly taffy-pull at Charlotte Powell's, on the eleventh of November, the "spike" being up that evening.

How we all enjoyed the Butler-De Pauw foot ball game on Thanksgiving, and especially as Butler came out the victor.

Mu extends best wishes, hoping the term has been as successful to other chapters.



ETA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Eta sends greetings to her Kappa sisters. We have had a very successful year. The rushing season was very short. Among the many very pleasant rushing affairs, perhaps the most enjoyed was a house party held at the country home of our chaperone.

We held our initiation October twelfth at the home of Mrs. Olin, one of our charter members, instead of at our house, as is our usual custom. The initiates were Ethel McEwen, Nellie Lamereaux, Florence Pray, Ethel Lawrence, Edith Hungate, Florence Oeissert, Lucile Cluver, Amy Nichols, Madge Thompson and Mary Darrow. One of the number is a Kappa's daughter and another a Kappa's sister.

Our twenty-fifth annual banquet was held the night after initiation, with a larger attendance of alumnae than ever before. At the close the echoes of "I'm Glad I Am a Kappa," resounded in every Kappa's heart, old and new.

Among the pleasant entertainments given us by our alumnae in this town was an emigrant party at the home of Miss Flora Meere.

Plans are about completed for a chapter house to be built by our alumnae on a desirable lot across from Ladies' Hall and near to the new Historical Library and the university buildings. We are to help with the plans and expect it to be an ideal varsity house—the first to be built especially for that purpose in Madison. We hope to occupy it next fall.



BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Beta Lambda sends heartiest greetings to all who wear the key. First we wish you to know four new Kappa sisters—Caroline Langworthy, of Dubuque, Iowa; Lucille Jones and Mabel Hayward, of Chicago, and Charlotte Hawes, of Decatur. Miss Langworthy was a pledge last spring, and has been initiated this fall. We are very proud of our new sisters, and are sure they will

make strong Kappas. Our number has also been increased by Lillian Arnold, an Epsilon girl, whom we are delighted to have with us.

This has been a very busy fall. There has been much opposition between the fraternities, and, as our numbers are few, we have worked very hard. It has been a great help to us that we have our lovely house, and that we have Mrs. Carman living just across the street.

Besides many rushing parties, we have given a reception to our patronesses, and an "at home" to the faculty in honor of Mrs. Carman. Before this reaches you we shall have had an "at home" to the other fraternities and an informal dance, which is to come off the fifteenth of December.

Soon we shall be separated for our Christmas vacation, and then, the first week in January, we shall settle down for a five months period of steady work, with no break until the middle of June.



UPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Upsilon, having fought the good fight, has now pulled down her sleeves, and looks complacently upon the results of her labors. "One, two, three, four, five, six, seven; all good children go to heaven." That will certainly be our reward, for have we not made Kappa richer by seven sisters? Listen to the roll call: Mina Loew, May Fletcher, Elizabeth Bronson, Edna Wessling, Anna White, Sue Mockford, Lola Newcomb; all present, and hereby introduced to the fraternity at large. The initiation was held in the fraternity rooms, Miss Carla Sargent presiding. We were glad to have with us, among other alumnae, Dr. Josephine Young.

On the night of November 24th an informal dance was given by the chapter at Rogers Park.

Northwestern has had an epidemic of conventions this fall. Alpha Phi and Gamma Phi have each made things lively for a week.

Next semester Ruth Woolson will again be in the active chapter.

EPSILON—ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Just now the girls of Epsilon are making a careful study of child physiology, for we have six lovely babies in our chapter. We are proud to think that we have named them all so soon, and it is with great pleasure that we introduce to you Bessie Cash, Grace McIntyre, Ethel Howell, Clara Fort, Mildred Russell and Elizabeth McClure.

When the term opened and only eight girls met for the first meeting, we each fully realized how much zeal we must have to make up for the loss of our three girls who left us in June. Soon after college opened we gave a "spread" in our hall, and invited some of the new girls. On October 13th we celebrated the birth of the fraternity by initiating Ethel Howell. The service was held at the home of Bessye Welty, and we had with us at that time about fifteen of our alumnæ.

November 17th, all the active chapter and a number of guests from outside the fraternity enjoyed a Kappa tea at Alma Hamilton's. These little gatherings have done much to help us to become well acquainted with the freshmen.

And still fresh in our minds is the memory of last Monday evening, the birthday of Epsilon, when the quintet of lovely babes came as a birthday gift. Again we met at the home of Bessye Welty to witness the service which never grows old. The Bloomington Kappa Club were all with us at this time. At 8:30 P. M. the banquet was served. The small tables were placed so as to form a large "E," for Epsilon, and "the dark blue and the light blue together did wave." The toasts responded to were:

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| "Welcome," | Bessye Welty. |
| "Kappa Club," | Mrs. Homer Hall. |
| "Double Blue," | Ethel Howell. |
| "Baby Kappas," | Mildred Russell. |
| "Reminiscences," | Mrs. C. C. Marquis. |
| "The Future of Epsilon," | Grace Cochran. |

Kappa songs were sung, and I think that every one went home inspired to make the future of Epsilon all that Grace Cochran in her beautiful toast pointed out as a possibility.

Now we expect to give one of our little sewing parties this vacation, where we can meet once more with Letta Brock, Lillian Arnold and Clara De Mott. Best wishes to all the chapters for a very prosperous year in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

DELTA PROVINCE.

CHI—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

To all in Kappa Kappa Gamma, greeting.

It seems singularly appropriate that the January number of THE KEY, the first number of the new year, should introduce to you our three new girls, Edith Moore, Helen Burbridge and Sue Allen Weir.

The fall season has been a busy one for Chi, with its rushing, its foot ball games and its general interests. November third the University of Wisconsin met the University of Minnesota on the gridiron at Northrop Field, and a closely contested game resulted in a victory for Minnesota. Three girls from Chapter Eta were with us. We entertained them at luncheon at the chapter rooms, after the game in the afternoon, and in the evening at an informal party.

Alice Warner was married on the fifth of November to Mr. Theodore Lord, of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Lord will make their home at 847 West End Ave., in New York City, and any Kappas who may be in that vicinity, Mrs. Lord will be delighted to see.

Chapter Chi has been entertained by two of its alumnae this fall, both occasions being very pleasant ones.

May the new year have as pleasant an outlook for all chapters as it has for Chi.



BETA ZETA, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

To all her sister chapters Beta Zeta sends loving greetings.

These past few weeks have been very busy and happy ones for us; happy because of the six new babies we have gained. They won their way into our hearts at once and we felt that back of their pretty face and winning manner there was true womanly character. They are, indeed, "typical" Kappa girls. And now let me introduce them to you and in your mind's eye please give them the Kappa grip: Eleanora Hayes, '03; Harriet Peters, '04; Mary Makepeace Morris, '04; May Clare Shaver, '04; Bertha Kriechbaum, '04; Fan Lilly, '04. They were initiated the evening of October 19th, at the home of Alice McGee. Several of our city alumnae were present and they helped to make

the ceremony unusually impressive. Afterwards we had a delicious spread and then we spent the rest of the evening in singing Kappa songs.

The first of this term we had a delightfully informal spread at the home of Sadie and Marguerite Hess. We purposely had no formality whatever about the occasion, because we wished to put the new girls at their ease and thus become acquainted with them.

Later on we had a picnic at Edgewater, a picturesque little resort on the Iowa River. It was a perfect autumn day and everyone was in the best of spirits. We had such a good time.

The formal function was a reception held at Jean Macbride's lovely home. Light and dark blue were greatly in evidence and we realized once more what a pretty combination they were.

When we first came back we felt that we could accomplish nothing without the aid and sympathy of our three 'oo graduates. We miss them still and they will always have their own place in our hearts, for "once a Kappa, always a Kappa."

We are already planning to have a chapter home next year, and we are very anxious that our fondest hopes be realized.

We heartily hope that everyone has enjoyed as successful and happy a fall as we have.



THETA—MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY.

Theta chapter presents greetings to all the sisterhood. At the beginning of the year Irene Blair, Ardella Dockery, Strausie McCaslin, Blanche Enyart, Ida Howard, Maude Montgomery and Ethel Ringo assumed the responsibility of Kappa work, but we have since shifted a portion of our load onto the shoulders of Carrie Montjoy, Marion Burris, Leota Dockery, Verne Winters and Caroline Stoner. We are anticipating the help of Helen Montgomery, Rose Drescher and Mildred Lewis.

Owing to the energy of the fraternity men here, dances were very much in evidence, so, as a change, we gave a hay ride the first week of school. We rode, sung and ate late into the night, thereby forming a number of acquaintances, which are helping to make the year more pleasant.

Mrs. Smoke, Miss Long and Miss Allen, who have not allowed the love of their sisters to die out of their hearts, each in turn gave receptions to the Kappas and their friends. One of the

merriest events of the season was the candy pulling given by Marion Burriss in honor of Theta and her friends.

Mary Lee Read is to be married on the 21st of November to Mr. F. L. Read, of Fort Smith, Arkansas. We heartily shower our best wishes upon her, and have every hope of her future happiness.

Lena Storm, who teaches in the High School of Kirksville, Missouri, visited us last week, to the delight of her sisters of last year.

A number of the girls expect to meet the Kansas sisters and the alumnae of Kansas City on Thanksgiving Day and renew the bonds of sisterhood by the help of a substantial banquet.



SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

At present we girls are very much excited over the prospects of turkey dinners, foot-ball heroes, and last but not least, five Kappas who are coming to see the game between Minnesota and Nebraska and spend the Thanksgiving vacation with us. The week is to be such a jolly one that the girls who cannot go home are almost as well pleased as those who are going.

Rushing was a success throughout and we pledged eight girls—Louise Hargreaves, Jessie Outcalt, Mabel Bennet, Clare Funke and Dorothy Griggs, of Lincoln; Inez Maurid, of Beatrice; Marie Radcliffe, of Omaha, and Clara Dunnwick, of Blue Hill.

We had the initiation ceremony at Anna Hammond's, and then we all went to the Lincoln Hotel, where we had our banquet, and what a delightful time it was! We were all so happy to think that at last they were really Kappas, and that the doubts and fears were things of the past.

We hope to hear that all of our chapters have been successful this year, and that they feel as much helped and strengthened as we do!



OMEGA—KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY.

Omega was unusually fortunate this year in the charming girls she pledged, to whom she added the tenth, Miss Louise Miller, of Olathe, Kansas, last week. Miss Miller was a junior at Vassar last year, but was unable to return this fall on account of ill health.

We have been quite gay the past month. We have had a wedding and a visiting Kappa, Miss Lulu Cross, of Chanute, which meant, of course, the usual list of showers, receptions and parties.

The principal event of the past week was the annual Kansas-Nebraska foot ball game. Although we were defeated, our wounded feelings were somewhat soothed by the following from *The Kansas University Weekly*: "The swellest turnout at the game Saturday afternoon was occupied by a number of the Kappa girls," etc.

We are all looking forward to Thanksgiving, when we breakfast with Theta and the Kansas City alumnae, at the Baltimore, in Kansas City. The alumnae are very proud of having as one of their members, one of the founders of the Fraternity, and one of the features of the breakfast will be the presentation of a Key to her, to replace the one she lost some years ago "at the races." After the breakfast, though still Kappas, we will be Kansans and Missourians as well and will go in a body to the Exposition Grounds, where the crimson and blue, black and orange will be arrayed on the gridiron, each confident of its success.

As usual, Omega has the traditional list of weddings to report. Since the last chapter letter, Miss Mabel Wilson, of Topeka; Miss Bella Jones, of Minneapolis; Miss Norra Duff, of Horton; Miss Effie Prowd, of Clinton, Mo., and last, Miss Gertrude Spaulding, of Lawrence, have been married.

We hope that all other chapters may have just such a happy year as we feel to be before us.



PI—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Our last letter was full of hope for this season's rushing, and we told you of all our bright prospects. Now, we are glad to say that our hopes have been realized—our rushing is over, and we introduce three dear girls to the Kappa world: Gertrude Davidson, Elsie Everson and Irene Hazard.

Our initiation banquet was especially jolly, for our delegate, Viola Pattiani, had returned and told us of the Convention. I am sure many of us will make a desperate effort to be with you in 1902, for Viola's tale of Convention makes us proud, indeed, that we are Kappas.

Since our initiation we have had our pleasure in a more dignified and easy fashion, and have enjoyed our new home to the full extent, by giving a tea and two or three impromptu little dances. But the most delightful of all our pleasures was a trip to Stanford University and a visit of three days with the girls of Beta Eta. There were ten of us and they extended true Kappa hospitality to the Berkeley visitors. These little visits between the two chapters come often now, and it is such a pleasure to feel that bond between ourselves and the girls of another college, without being obliged to go to convention to do so.

Our college life is thrilled now by hopes for the coming foot ball game on Thanksgiving Day, with Stanford University. We go to practice every afternoon and cheer for the team that we hope will bring us victory on that eventful day.

Next week we will begin hard work in preparation for our examinations, and then comes our vacation, and Christmas and the new year. Pi's best wishes for all three events in the life of her Kappa sisters throughout the country.



BETA ETA—LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Since our return to college in September we have been particularly fortunate in having so many of our alumnae with us. Emma Martin, '96, was at Stanford several days before her return to New York. Mabel Combs, '96; Ida Wehner, '98; Mabel Cory, '95, and Trilla Toles, '96, made us visits at different times. On November ninth, when we initiated Ida Bell Henzel, we were fortunate enough to have Ida Wehner, Elizabeth and Bertha Braly to help us in our rejoicings.

But now the festivities of college are about over for this semester, with the exception of the Thanksgiving game, to which we all go, flaunting our cardinal banners, hoping to put University of California to shame—this with all due regard for the feelings of our sisters from Pi.



❖ College and Fraternity Notes ❖

By MARION EVANS TWISS, *Beta Nu*, '97.

A District Convention of Kappa Alpha Theta was held at Columbus, Ohio, November 28-30, wherein all chapters of the Fraternity, except those in California and the extreme East were represented. So extensive a district would seem to imply an awkward division of the chapters for administrative purposes, but it insured an important convention on this occasion. Of interest to all fraternities is the following from their proceedings: "Kappa Alpha Theta proposes to request the faculties of colleges wherein they are represented to call a committee, composed of a member from each fraternity chapter located there, which committee shall concur with the faculty in fixing a date previous to which no rushing shall be done (and of course no pledging), and further to confer as to the regulation of rushing in general." Resolutions to this effect will be handed to faculties at once, indorsed by Kappa Alpha Theta. The movement originated, we understand, with the chapter at Wooster, Ohio, where the close surveillance of fraternities by the faculty makes harmony between them a *sine qua non*. The experiment, while not an entirely new one, will be interesting.

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Phi Delta Theta—February 1, 1900—total membership, 10,487; number of active members, 1,148; initiates for the year, 475; average chapter membership, 16.5. Ten chapters now own homes and twenty-five rent the homes they occupy.—*Scroll, for June*.

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Secretary Monnette, of Phi Kappa Psi, is issuing to chapters and officers a beautiful *de luxe* edition of the Constitution of the Fraternity. It is indeed a work of art.

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"The Return of Odysseus," a dramatization in Greek, of six acts or scenes from Homer's *Odyssey*, was presented by the University to good audiences at the Lyceum Theatre, Minneapolis, October 30th and 31st. The spoken parts were taken by students of the Greek Department.—*Book Reviews*.

Delta Tau Delta sends its official organ, *The Rainbow*, to each member for a year after graduation. We hope and trust that the roll of alumni subscribers to this excellent journal is of a length proportionate to such thoughtfulness on the part of the editor.

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Conventions last fall were held by Sigma Nu, at Chicago, October 17-19; Alpha Phi, at Evanston, October 23-27; Phi Delta Theta, at Louisville, Thanksgiving week; Kappa Sigma, at Philadelphia, Thanksgiving week.

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Delta Delta Delta has compiled a history of the Fraternity, from its founding up to the present time; and a directory, replete with pertinent statistics will soon be ready for circulation.

—*Trident*.

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The advisor for the women students of Columbia University is a new office important to Barnard. It is, however, a tentative one. Mrs. Edith R. Darrach is the first appointee. This officer has no educational functions, but is expected to be of service to the women students in any way that she can, and especially in giving advice to students from other parts of the country as to where they may secure suitable quarters.—*N. Y. Tribune*.

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An Alumni Club of twenty-five members has been established by ΦΔΘ at Harvard. It was chartered November 12, 1900. Eighteen chapters are represented.

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Pi Beta Phi entered the University of California, August 17, 1900, and meets there three rivals, who entered in the following order: Kappa Kappa Gamma in 1880, Kappa Alpha Theta in 1890, and Gamma Phi Beta in 1896.

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The pocket edition of the Phi Kappa Psi Catalogue will be issued within a few months. It is a departure from the usual form of fraternity catalogues, and, while not as elaborate as the large volumes issued in recent years, promises to be very useful.

Delta Tau Delta entered the University of West Virginia, May 24, 1900. Beta Theta Pi has also entered this year.

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K K Γ was established four years before losing a chapter ; K A Θ, four years ; Δ Γ, eight years ; Π B Φ, twelve years ; and Δ Δ Δ, twelve years. A Φ and Γ Φ B have no inactive chapters.—*Trident*.

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From N. Y. Evening Post, Sept. 15, 1900.

"The announcement that the Executive Committee of Chicago University is to consider the advisability of modifying the co-education that is now carried on within its halls, by separating the young men and women in the junior colleges, that is, in the freshman and sophomore years, brings into notice the increasing popularity of the form of education known as co-ordinate. This is the type of education for women that is given at Barnard, in Columbia University ; at Pembroke, in Brown ; at Radcliffe, in Harvard, and at the College for Women in Western Reserve University at Cleveland. These four colleges offer a university education to women in separate buildings. Barnard and the college for women have corporations and faculties of their own, and in addition share the privileges of the parent university. All of these colleges, save Radcliffe, give the degree of the university on graduation. Both Western Reserve and Brown have always given the degree to all women graduates, and each has always treated the woman's department as an integral part of the university. Barnard has always enjoyed the Columbia degree, but has only within the last year become a member of Columbia, on an equal footing with every other department of the university circle.

"The history of the co-ordinate movement in the education for women is interesting. The idea came to this country in a suggestive way from England, but America has gone farther and offered more generous terms than her predecessors in this field."

Here follows a sketch of the movement in England, describing the growth of Girton and Newnham Colleges, connected with Cambridge ; of Lady Margaret and Somerville Halls at Oxford, and of Queen Margaret College, of Glasgow, ending with the remark :

"It is a regret to all friends and believers in the education of women that the English universities still refuse the degree."

The co-ordinate colleges have one great advantage, in being able to furnish so many instructors in proportion to the number of students. Barnard College, with a faculty of thirty-five members, or the college for women, with one of forty-two, for a student body of about 250, offers nearly as many instructors as are found in the service of the largest separate college for women in the East, where the student body has passed the number of 1,000. The possibilities for individual work and influence are, therefore, greatly enhanced in such institutions.

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Chicago's suggested course raises the question whether other co-educational institutions of the West will continue co-education as exclusively as in the past. The probabilities are that they will, as most of the Western States have the State university crowning the whole educational system.

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It seems probable, however, that the new education by co-ordinate methods has in itself features which will be more and more attractive to women as its nature becomes better known. The very fact that it is separate education for women within a university secures the most desirable element that separate education has so far exclusively possessed. The strength of university methods which may have been considered as inseparably connected with co-education is gained in co-ordination by the mere fact of co-ordination.—*Book Reviews.*



EDITORIAL.

THE name of Mary J. Hull has long been so prominently identified with THE KEY, and her ability has been so universally recognized in the Greek world, that it is with many misgivings that one takes her place in the editorial chair and attempts to do the work which she did so well. At the same time, we realize that the highest form of constructive ability is that which builds on solid foundations a machine so strong that it will continue doing good even when hands not the most skillful guide it. We believe that the efforts of Mary Hull and her predecessors will stand this test. The reputation of THE KEY is established; it remains for us only to sustain it, and that, with the loyal support of all Kappas, we hope to do.

Granting of Charters.

MAY all of us who vote on the granting of new charters do so with wisdom, after serious deliberation and discussion! The fraternity's policy in the past, in this respect, has been wisely conservative. The institution must first be considered, its history, sources of revenue, faculty, requirements of admission, college curriculum, etc. Let us grant charters only to women in institutions which in these things equal the best universities where the fraternity is now represented. It seems superfluous to state these things here, but when one considers how much the past, present and future standing of the college has to do with the standard of the prospective chapter, investigation cannot be too thorough or consideration too serious.

As to the young women who apply, let us reflect on their eligibility along the same lines as we do for any new members in Kappa Kappa Gamma. They must be not the students alone or the society girls first, but rather a happy combination of qualities which signifies well-roundedness. They must be the young women upon whom we can rely, with safety, to establish precedents for their chapter. And how much depends on the pioneer ideas, customs and precedents, only those of us who have studied closely the history of a chapter know.

The young women who knock at the doors of Kappa Kappa Gamma honor us by recognizing the standing of the fraternity, so let us in turn treat them with all fairness and with as much promptness as is possible.

Province Conventions.

IN an article in the Parthenon there is a plea for province conventions. The new editor wishes heartily to endorse the suggestions given there for closer union of chapters. It is mutually helpful and pleasant to meet members of other chapters, to discuss methods of fraternity study, to hear of victories and defeats, and so grow into closer union one with another. Thus one realizes in a small degree the breadth and influence of the fraternity, and so becomes more determined than ever before to live up to the highest ideals of the organization because of that influence. That the deputies of the Grand Officers may see to it that province conventions are held this coming spring is the hope of THE KEY.

Historian.

THE editor is pleased to announce the appointment of Minnetta Theodora Taylor, Iota—'80, as Historian of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Miss Taylor received her A. M. in '84. Perhaps the members of the fraternity will remember her best as the editor of THE KEY from 1881 to 1886. She is well versed in the early history of the fraternity, and has always been deeply interested in Kappa. Her knowledge of the fraternity and her marked ability in a literary way insure us a history of Kappa Kappa Gamma of which we shall feel proud.

Catalogues.

ANOTHER appointment of unusual Kappa interest is that of Mary J. Hull, Psi—'93, as permanent Cataloguer. She needs no introduction to the present readers of THE KEY, because, fortunately for the fraternity, she has been its editor for the last six years. She edited the Calendar in 1894 and again in 1897. She revised the manuscript of Beta Eta and published the Catalogue in 1898.

Happy are we, indeed, to have Mary J. Hull for our Cataloguer.

Cover of "The Key."

It seems to have been the custom in the history of THE KEY to change the design of cover with the change of administration. Not wholly because of that custom, but rather because the present editor wishes to have the designs on all Kappa publications uniform, she has used the plates that were used on the *Song Book* and *Catalogue*. The design is not pretentious at all, but it is hoped that all readers of THE KEY will approve of the change.

Alumnæ Subscribers.

THE mailing list of THE KEY shows a pitifully small number of alumnæ subscribers. The fraternity needs the interest and help of alumnæ—such interest and help as can come through the pages of THE KEY. The editor has been wondering what might be the best way in which to reach the alumnæ, to solicit their subscriptions. Each chapter has among her archives a chapter roll, on which appears the names and addresses of alumnæ. Probably this list is more up to date than the Catalogue. Because of these facts the editor proposes to ask the chapters each to appoint a solicitor for KEY subscriptions, one whose business it shall be to procure names, from among alumnæ of her chapter, for THE KEY mailing list. Let each chapter do her part in this matter.

Pictures.

THE enlarged subscription list would be encouraging, not only in indicating increased interest in the fraternity on the part of the alumnæ, but also in enabling the editor to put out THE KEY in a little more elegant dress. It is hoped that pictures may be a feature of the journal hereafter—pictures of frat houses, college buildings, etc.—and we all know that pictures come only with the wherewithal.

College and Fraternity Notes.

WE wish also to enlarge the department of *College and Fraternity Notes*, giving there news from the Panhellenic world, and statements of enlarged appropriations to and changes in universities and colleges where Kappa Kappa Gamma has chapters. Any news along this line will be gladly received at 1490 Neil avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

THE KEY requests that each chapter appoint a correspondent, a freshman preferably, whose business it shall be to clip or mail intact exchanges in the form of college weeklies or dailies, town newspapers and copies of social invitations issued by fraternity members—all to be sent to THE KEY promptly each month.

Manuscripts.

HEREAFTER, unless manuscripts are written on one side of the paper only, they will be returned and the chapters sending them will be fined.

Song Books.

A FEW song books are still for sale. Send for one to Mrs. Guy Walker, 115 West Ninety-fourth street, New York City.

Christmas and New Year Greeting.

“RING out ye crystal spheres !
Once bless our human ears,
If ye have power to touch our senses so ;
And let your silver chime
Move in melodious time,
And let the bass of Heaven's deep organ blow ;
And with your ninefold harmony
Make up full consort to the angelic symphony.”

May the Christmas Truth and the New Year Hope be realized
in the lives of all Kappas !



✧ EXCHANGES. ✧

By MARION EVANS TWISS, *Beta Nu*, '97.

The new exchange editor of *THE KEY* sends greeting to the Greek world, and only wishes that the pile of exchanges on the desk before her were larger, that it might the more effectually conceal the inexperience of the present incumbent, and the fact that she is rattling around in the chair of her illustrious predecessor. Those who have already furnished material for this charitable rampart are the *Arrow of Pi Beta Phi*, November; *Anchora of Delta Gamma*, November; *Trident of Delta Delta Delta*, August and October; *Eleusis of Chi Omega*, October, *Scroll of Phi Delta Theta*, September and November; *Shield of Phi Kappa Psi*, October and December; *Shield of Theta Delta Chi*, September. We trust that other exchanges will follow as soon as they learn the new address of *THE KEY*—1490 Neil Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

As a magnificent model for all future chapter historians, we would like to point to the 57 page article in the *Shield of Theta Delta Chi* upon its chapter at Cornell. The history is divided into periods, the character of each period being strongly brought out, tables of statistics are interspersed and interesting cuts of the old Beta chair, a monogram carved by the charter members and now framed and hung up in the old hall; following are biographies of members, and the whole is written in such charming, personal style that just those things are imparted which every fraternity ought to know about all of its older chapters.

We quote from the introduction:

“It is curious and interesting to read, after the lapse of thirty years and in the presence of the great fraternity system which now exists at Cornell, the heated discussion which took place during that first year over the establishment of secret societies at the University. Hardly was it known that a Greek letter fraternity had been installed before there was a call for the organization of the ‘opponents of secret societies,’ and by February we find the organization complete with constitution, by-laws and officers, and an address or manifesto published to the college world. The college paper bristles with communications from the members of the ‘Order of Independents’ who see in the secret

society system the direst enemy to the broad and liberal principles upon which Cornell was founded. The editors of the paper, who are evidently in sympathy with the fraternities, do not take the matter seriously nor do the fraternity men answer the communications. There are semi-humorous editorial comments upon the anti-fraternity articles and burlesque accounts of the meetings of the 'Independents,' but no bitterness is manifested and no serious notice is taken of the movement beyond printing whatever the promoters chose to offer. The result is that by May, 1869, we find the editors asking 'what has become of the Independents?' and answering their own inquiry by the statement that the 'order' has died for want of opposition and 'their strong men, one by one, have gone over to the enemy.' In a later editorial, the only one which shows heat or ill-temper, it is announced that the chief irreconcilables have established the Delta Upsilon anti-secret society."

As an example of the writer's success in picturing the individual character of this particular chapter we cite the following :

"Corbin's portrayal of the first year of the Charge existence is most vivid. Perhaps it stands out in clearer colors to him than to any of the other survivors because for him the whole active fraternity experience was compressed into a few months. 'There were but seven of us,' he writes. 'We had no lodge room, no forms, little or no paraphernalia,—nothing but a most close and abiding friendship for, and faith in, each other, which still endures. We were daily together, the older ones most helpful to the younger and full of solicitude for their standing and reputation in college. I can think of nothing that would have caused greater consternation and distress among us than a dishonorable or equivocal act by any of our number. The disgrace of any one would have humiliated us all to the dust. No such misfortune came. I have never in my life had any experience like that year of association with the charter members of the Beta Charge. We were intensely loyal to the Fraternity though we knew little of it by experience. We were desirous to get more men, but so exacting that we got none, rejecting every one of the numerous men we considered. I now think we were too scrupulous. But we were determined that no stain should come upon the fraternity through any carelessness of ours. If the Charge has been to the other members what it was to me, it has been a blessing indeed."

A bracing example of loyalty, truly! Here follows a bit of biography of quite irresistible tone:

"Freddy, as Fitch promptly named him, was the most active, alert, freckle-faced, red-headed little rascal in the class of '73. He

sang tenor in the glee club. He danced whenever there was a fiddler. He knew more members of the faculty than all of us put together. He passed every examination with a whirl and after the most intense cramming. He knew all the girls and called on them often. He dressed in a nobby fashion and embellished his slender and erect person with interesting Chinese jewels and foreign 'precious minerals' brought from his Pacific Ocean voyage. He was 'in it' in University, society and church circles. He would play but one game of cards—Rounce—but he would play that 'till morning. He was a good chess-player and after beating all the Theta Delts would go gunning for Kaps and Alpha Delts. His face was generally wreathed in smiles and when he and Fitch and Dickinson began a seance of nonsense in Fitch's room there was soon fun enough to make even the faculty laugh if they had been there."

The close of the "rushing season" brings so many echoing wails over the evils of rushing that it seems as though we should begin to get rid of what we seem to deprecate by mutual consent. Gerald Stanley Lee says that "we join clubs to know what we think and if we want to know badly we call a convention." The exchange table might well present the appearance of a receptacle for the papers of a World's Congress on the Uselessness of Rushing—perhaps we shall abandon it some day! From the *Anchora of Delta Gamma* comes this admirable appeal:

"Can we not have more personal work and less 'rushing?' A girl may or may not disclose her true character at a tea-party or on a drag-ride. It would hardly be safe to choose a girl for a life-long friend simply because she danced well and said bright things. But, if in addition to congeniality, we discovered in a girl true womanliness, we would be pretty safe in inviting her to belong to our fraternity. True womanliness, however, the womanliness that wears, will not be revealed in an afternoon's chat about the latest play, or the most recent novel. It will be revealed a great deal more quickly by the way a girl keeps her room or does her work than by the brilliant things she says.

It is hardly possible for a whole fraternity to know a girl well before she is pledged. It certainly should be possible, however, for one or two girls out of a chapter to vouch for the character of a girl who is congenial to all. In order to judge not only congeniality but character, would it not be far wiser to pay more attention to the serious side of rushing, even if the social side is somewhat neglected?

Not the least of the evils attendant on hurried and undignified rushing is the overlooking of good, but unostentatious material, as the *Scroll* points out in speaking of the "chronic kicker" in the chapter :

"Another unreasonable demand which he may make later on is that the year's initiation close with those of the first week of the fall session. There could be no worse mistake. Some of the very best men are overlooked in the scramble of the first few days—men who do not push themselves forward, but who are of real and lasting worth. Watch these quiet men, these men who develop, and initiate them."

A kindred note is sounded by *Pi Beta Phi* in the November *Arrow* :

"To confess the truth, some of the strongest, noblest and most scholarly characters are without the pale of fraternity approbation, possibly because in their first weeks in college they did not make a pyrotechnical display of their qualifications and recommendations, or perhaps because they did not possess that veneer of good manners known to polite society as "polish."

And again, in the *Trident* :

"More important than the kind of party is the spirit of good fellowship which the freshman sees displayed. Of course we entertain in our prettiest homes, and as elegantly as possible, but if the girl ever join us it will be because she wishes to uphold the principles for which she knows girls so banded together must stand. Her interest is arrested, and if we win at all it will be by the determination which she knows must exist among us to "steadfastly love one another" with a love not only manifested in words, but by deeds."

But we are ready to cry, "Hold! enough!" and turn from our own delinquencies to the bottled energy of the new member, waiting to be used. Let every freshman read and ponder!

"A WORD WITH THE FRESHMEN.

"This number of *The Shield* will reach many new undergraduate subscribers who, as Phi Psis, have never before read the fraternity journal. It is upon these brothers especially that *The Shield* desires to impress the importance of active interest and participation in the affairs of the chapter and the general fraternity from the start. In this matter giving is receiving.

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"The freshman should first come to a full understanding of his relation to the fraternity and of the fraternity's relation to the college world. He should then familiarize himself with the

principles and the methods of organization which make Phi Kappa Psi an institution differing from every other fraternity. Then he will be equipped for such service within his own chapter as peculiar conditions suggest, and within a few months he will become an active factor in the upbuilding of Phi Kappa Psi. Such a man as an alumnus will not need to be coerced into the support of the enterprises of his chapter and fraternity. Such service will be to him a source of pleasure."

—*Phi Kappa Psi Shield.*

May our shield protect us ever
 From earth's sorrows here below,
 From temptations fast besetting,
 As along life's paths we go.
 May the chain which binds together
 Delta G's from every clime,
 Never weaken nor grow tarnished
 Through the ravages of time.
 Never weaken nor grow tarnished
 Through the ravages of time.

—*Anchora of Delta Gamma.*

The current number of the *Pi Beta Phi Arrow* is full of good things, and not the least of its virtues, in this issue as in former ones, is a certain dignified courtesy with which its editor bears herself toward other members of the Greek and Barbarian world. The November number begins with poetry and a readable article on Egyptian travel by a go-abroad sister, and includes a discussion of the black-ball, from which we quote :

"In view of all this let us ask, how comes it that the fraternity has clothed each member with such unlimited authority and power? The whole attitude is certainly un-American; for instead of the majority ruling, in this case the minority not only can hold its own against the majority, but a single member can absolutely defeat the will of the whole chapter, and can do this on the most vital question that can come before it."

Upon which we would offer the comment that the fraternity does not base its decisions upon a majority vote precisely because, as a rule, it does not believe that it can safely admit a member on any other than a unanimous vote. Majorities may do for political questions (it is doubtful if thoughtful politicians in America grant even *this* any longer), but fraternities must be unanimous. Of no other organization is it so true as it is of fraternities that "A house divided against itself cannot stand."

The following from the December *Shield* we endorse, and are glad to assure our Phi Psi brethren that our "singing-chapters" are probably our strongest, and that, thanks to the Kappa propensity for warbling, many a timid freshman has found herself at home among us.

"Why is it then that fraternity spirit cannot be kept alive by song? A man can be reached more easily in this than in any other way. yet how many chapters do rush or can rush by giving an enthusiastic number from the song book and giving it enthusiastically? We sit about the room with probably three books for twenty men. We look at each other as the song progresses and appear rather abashed—either because we don't know the songs or consider it effeminate to open wide our mouths and emit sound. If we don't know our frat songs, is it because we haven't books? If so, why haven't we more books? The whole question can, I think, be answered in one sentence. Up to date the fraternity has not realized the utility of music in fraternity work, and therefore considers it unprofitable to spend the time and money necessary to bring about a musical condition.

"Now, a song is the most natural agency in rushing freshmen, and certainly an effective one if the active men would get together on a dozen good Phi Psi lyrics."

The quotation below we insert without comment. Indeed, it needs none.

"Dean Penniman, of Pennsylvania, has excused from chapel attendance the co-eds of the university. This is the result of the indignation manifested by senior men because about twenty-five of the young women, for whom no place has been reserved in the chapel, have presumed to take seats in the senior section. There are 300 co-eds at the university, but one would suppose there were 3,000 from the class resolutions passed on the subject, the literary society debates and the childish decision to ignore women students in last year's annual. The number of co-eds this fall is as large as ever."—*Phi Delta Theta Scroll*.



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