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REMINDER CALENDAR

- January 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- January 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- January 30 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends to Executive Secretary suggestions for the Convention Letter or the chapter's expression of satisfaction with existing rules.
- January 30 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretaries, Province Officers, and national chairmen send to Executive Secretary suggestions for the Convention Letter.
- February 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- February 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- February 15 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretary sends Association News Letter for the April KEY to National Vice President.
- February 20 (on or before)—Chapter Correspondent to THE KEY sends Chapter News Letter for April KEY to the Editor's Deputy.
- February 28 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends to Executive Secretary and Marshal of Convention names of delegates and two alternates to the National Convention elected by the chapter with home and college addresses and estimated cost of fare of delegate.
- February 28 (on or before)—Chapter Registrar sends to Executive Secretary a record of all additions and changes in the Catalog Roll.
- March 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- March 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- March—Registrar supervises annual chapter examination.
- April 1—Treasurer places questionnaire giving names and addresses of 1926-27 finance officers in the mail for National Finance Chairman, National Accountant, Province President, and Executive Secretary.
- April 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- April 7 (on or before)—Registrar sends papers from annual chapter examination to National Registrar.
- April 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- April 15—Treasurer places budget for 1926-27 in mail for National Finance Chairman, National Accountant and Province President.
- April 15 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretary sends annual association report as directed by the National Vice President.
- April 15 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretary sends (if association has qualified and desires representation at convention) to Executive Secretary and Marshal of Convention the names and addresses of a delegate and five alternates, with date of election.
- April 30 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends annual chapter report, typewritten, to the Executive Secretary.
- April 30 (on or before)—Treasurer sends to Executive Secretary annual per capita tax report and annual per capita tax for each member active at any time during the academic year, exclusive of initiates.
- April 30 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Treasurer sends to Executive Secretary the annual per capita tax for her association.
- May 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- May 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- June 1 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends to Marshal of Convention a photograph of the chapter.
- June 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- July 1—Treasurer places all material necessary for annual audit and check for same in mail to National Accountant. Request to send material earlier to National Accountant must be made if it is necessary.
- August 15 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretary sends Association News Letter for October KEY to the National Vice President.
- August 20 (on or before)—Correspondent to THE KEY sends Chapter News Letter for the October KEY to the Editor's Deputy.
- October 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- October 7 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends chapter's subscription for *Banta's Greek Exchange*.
- October 13—FOUNDERS' DAY. Wear Kappa colors.
- October 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- October 15 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretary sends Association News Letter for December KEY to National Vice President.
- October 20 (on or before)—Correspondent to THE KEY sends Chapter News Letter for December KEY to Editor's Deputy.
- October 30 (on or before)—Registrar sends to Executive Secretary typewritten list of names and college addresses of all active members.
- November 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- November 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- November 15—Registrar sends to National Registrar the annual archives report.
- November 30 (on or before)—Province President submits informal report of her province to National President.
- December 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.
- December 15—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.
- December 15 (on or before)—Alumnae Association Secretary sends Association News Letter for February KEY to National Vice President.
- December 20 (on or before)—Correspondent to THE KEY sends Chapter News Letter for February KEY to Editor's Deputy.

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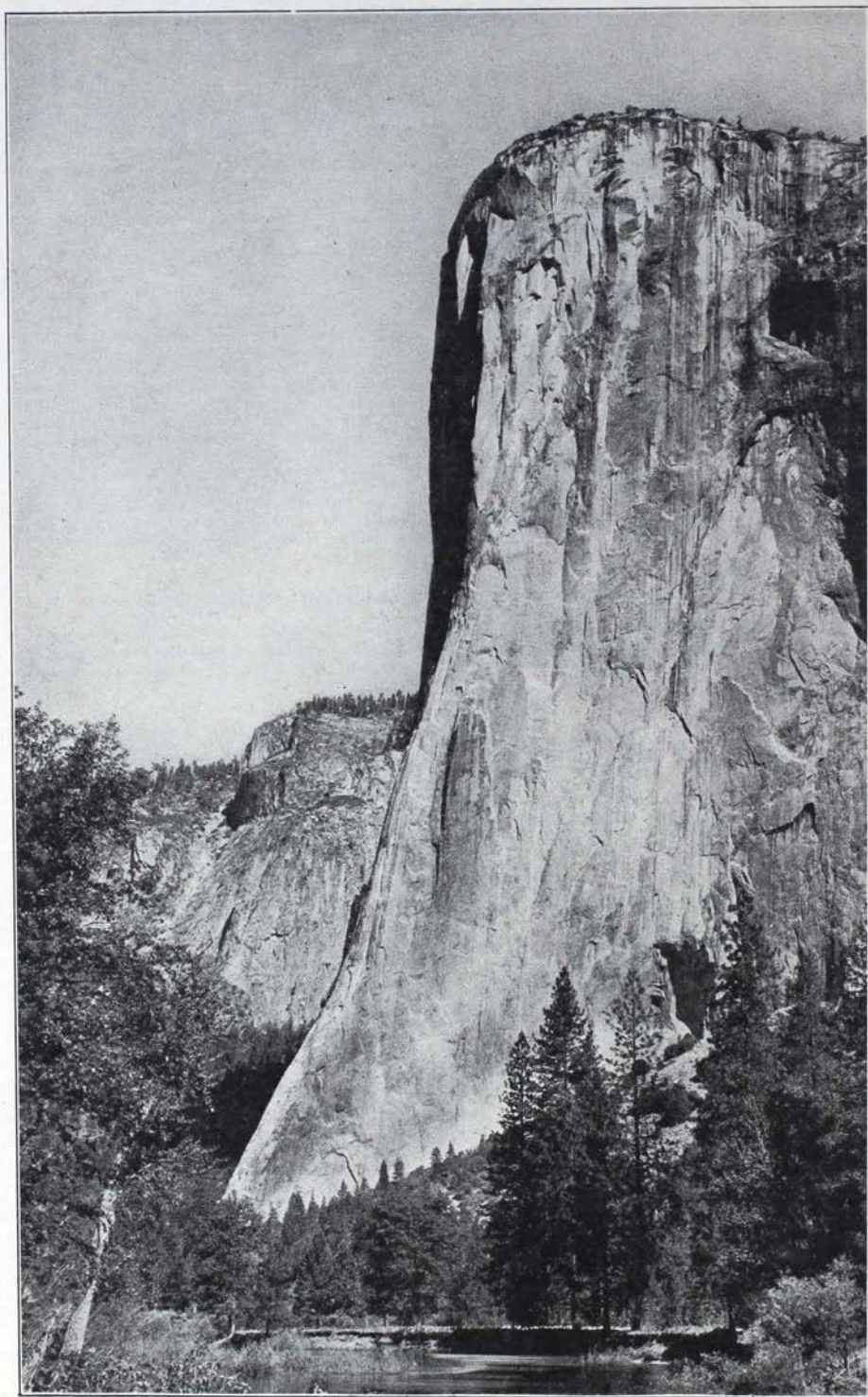
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On to California!

THE 1926 National Convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma will meet in California from July 28 to August 5. The California chapters, Beta Eta, Pi, and Gamma Xi, and California alumnae organizations are to be the hostesses.

Mills College, Oakland, with its commodious quarters and beautiful grounds, has been taken over entirely for this historic event. Approximately five hundred guests can be accommodated. The rates will be \$5.00 per day.

The new and charming City Club in San Francisco, now being completed, will also extend its hospitality to the Council for meetings preceding the convention.

This is the first time a Kappa national convention has come to the West Coast, and every Kappa is vitally concerned with the responsibility that this adventure shall be worth while from the point of view of each active and alumna delegate and members of the Council, and that in addition a contribution of merit shall be made to the fraternity at large.

Committees are now being formed and intensive organization initiated.

Monthly luncheons were started in October. Two have been held at the St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco, at which more than forty were present on each occasion. Convention and alumnae plans were discussed. These luncheons, after February 1, are to be held in the City Club on Post Street, San Francisco, the first Saturday in each month, at one o'clock, and all Kappas, especially those visiting in California or passing through San Francisco, are urged to attend. A registry will be kept at the City Club, where information may be had concerning members of the hospitality committee. At these luncheons, the following universities have been among those represented: California, Stanford, Washington, Oregon, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Indiana, Texas, Barnard, and Vermont.

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LAKE ALISO
Mills College



THE BELL TOWER
Mills College

National President, has accepted the presidency of the San Francisco Bay Alumnæ Association for convention year. She is starting a membership campaign at once. The Kappas living in this part of the country are urgently requested to communicate with her. Membership in the association costs \$3.00 per year.

TENTATIVE CONVENTION PROGRAM

Includes programs at Stanford University and the University of California. Details for Stanford are being worked out by Beta Eta chapter and Miss Ida Wehner for the alumnæ; for the University of California,

Pi chapter, and Mrs. Mary R. Davidson for the alumnae. The banquet will probably include an international program, featuring the first president, Mrs. Kunz, Mrs. Herbert Hoover, if she is able to attend, and other Kappas who are intimately concerned with international relations.

A formal reception is proposed to be held in the beautiful new Tolman Art Gallery at Mills College, to which we shall invite presidents of the universities in California, deans, trustees, regents, and other celebrities, as well as Kappa men folk.

Music will be specially featured at all programs, California Kappas being richly endowed with musical ability.

PUBLICITY

Advertise the convention publicly and privately in every way you can. Please give the facts concerning this convention to your local newspapers as they develop through the year. Please send personal messages to Kappas, telling them of this year's program and urging them to be present. Make this a Homecoming year for all California Kappas. At least 100 posters, announcing the convention, place and dates, are needed to be posted one in each chapter house and alumni headquarters during the spring semester. Will you help us to secure the most beautiful poster for this purpose?

WHAT EACH KAPPA SHOULD DO

1. Advertise the Kappa Kappa Gamma convention at Mills College, July 28 to August 5, publicly and privately, from now until the convention begins.

2. Join the alumnae association.

3. Wear your key daily.

4. Plan to make reservations early for convention; get others to do likewise.

5. Write the marshal (a) what your services will be in the intervening months; (b) facts concerning distinguished Kappas; mail names and addresses of all Kappas who have achieved distinction, telling in what lines and what they can be invited to contribute to the convention; (c) your suggestion for the entertaining of Kappa Kappa Gamma National Officers and delegates; (d) your ambitions and therefore your suggestions for a convention program worthy of our ideals, which will be a contribution of merit to life generally.

Magnificent opportunities present themselves to university women. Everywhere organization and training play an increasing rôle. Much is expected from the highly qualified. Universities must provide leaders. Is

it vain to hope that Kappa Kappa Gamma may find a unique program for national and international service? Perhaps this convention, meeting on the borders of the Pacific, may develop an outlet of service for our highest ideals. Without vision people perish. Kappa Kappa Gamma needs *you*.

We have now made plans to run a special train for Kappas from Chicago, Illinois, to Oakland, California, leaving the Chicago Northwestern Station at 8:10 P.M., Friday, July 23. This will enable delegates and their



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YOUNG EUCALYPTUS TREES



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THE SOUTHERN CLOISTERS, CAPISTRANO
MISSION, CALIFORNIA

friends to ride one of the best trains in the country, as it will be equipped with the finest equipment and have such additional features as ladies' maid, ladies' lounge room, observation car, and club car. This train will operate via the famous "Lake Tahoe Route," crossing the Rockies and the Sierra Nevada Mountains during daylight and also crossing Great Salt Lake by daylight. This latter trip is called "Going to Sea by Rail."

When consulting railroad agents, route your tickets via the Chicago Northwestern from Chicago to Omaha, Union Pacific from Omaha to Ogden, Utah, and Southern Pacific Lines from Ogden to Oakland, California.

Reduced summer excursion fares will be in effect so that Kappas may take advantage of them. For your information I am showing below some of the fares which will be in effect. They will be on sale daily from May 15 with a final return limit of October 31, 1926. These fares permit of stop-overs at any point either going or returning and your plans can be made to come to California on the special train and then take in many of the other scenic places on the return trip. Yosemite Valley, Crater Lake, Apache Trail of Arizona, Del Monte, Santa Cruz, Los Angeles, Avalon, and San Diego are a few of the many attractions. For slightly higher fares your return trip can be made via Portland, Oregon, Seattle, or Vancouver, thence east via Yellowstone Park, Glacier Park, or the Canadian Rockies.



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MIDWAY POINT ON THE SEVENTEEN
MILE DRIVE NEAR CARMEL-BY-
THE-SEA, CALIFORNIA

TO OAKLAND OR SAN FRANCISCO AND RETURN

From Boston	\$151.96	From New York	\$137.12
From Buffalo	120.40	From Pittsburg, Pa.	117.35
From Chicago	90.30	From St. Louis	85.80
From Cincinnati	105.65	From St. Paul	91.80
From Montreal	154.86	From Washington	134.75

PULLMAN RATES

Chicago to Oakland

Lower	\$23.63	Compartment	66.75
Upper	18.90	Drawing Room	84.00

Proportionate fares can be had from your home and this fare can be secured through your local railroad agent who will be glad to secure reservations for you.

Mr. C. T. Collett, General Agent, Southern Pacific Lines, 35 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, will handle details of the special train and requests for information and reservations should be made through him.

Now, all together, Kappas, for a large crowd on the special, and show what Kappas can do!

Loyally,

MRS. HARRY A. KLUEGEL, *Marshal*

Proposed Itinerary

LEAVE Chicago at 11:59 midnight, July 20, over the double-track line of the Chicago and North Western Railway and Union Pacific System, reaching Colorado Springs the morning of July 22. One day will be spent in Colorado Springs and several hours in Denver. On



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DAY IS PASSING

LIFE

Forenoon and afternoon and night,
Forenoon and afternoon and night.
Forenoon, and what!
The empty song repeats itself. No more?
Yea, that is life; make this forenoon sublime,
This afternoon a psalm, this night a prayer,
And time is conquered, and thy crown is won.

EDWARD ROWLAND SILL,
A California Poet.

to Salt Lake City over the Union Pacific, where a day will be spent, thence to Los Angeles via the old Salt Lake Route (Union Pacific System). Two days will be spent in and around Los Angeles, visiting Catalina Island and other points of interest. From Los Angeles via the Southern Pacific Coast Line to San Francisco and Oakland.

A choice of routes may be had returning, as follows:

1. Via Southern Pacific to Ogden, where a side-trip may be made to Yellowstone Park. After making the complete circle trip through Yellowstone, return to Ogden and use the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railway, through the wonderful Royal Gorge, to Denver. From Denver direct back to Chicago via the Union Pacific and Chicago and North Western Railway.

2. Via Portland, Seattle, and Vancouver, British Columbia, thence over the Canadian National through Jasper National Park, the largest sanctuary of wild life on the continent, Edmonton, Alberta, to Winnipeg, thence Duluth and the Chicago and Northwestern Line back to Chicago.

The complete cost of the trip, going via the route mentioned and using route one returning, for one person in a lower berth, is \$276.14; for two persons in a lower, \$245.82 each; and for one person in an upper, \$264. This cost includes every expense from departure at Chicago until arrival

in San Francisco, and from departure San Francisco to arrival back in Chicago.

The cost of the trip, going via the above route, and using route two returning, for one person in a lower berth, is \$267.89; two persons in a lower, \$233.82 each; and one person in an upper, \$254.25. These figures also include every expense—except while in San Francisco—for the complete round-trip—meals, sight-seeing trips, railroad fare, Pullman accommodations, and so forth.

Proposed Itinerary

These itineraries are merely suggestive and are subject to change. They will give an idea of the approximate time and cost of the trip. It is hoped that a choice of several routes may be offered.

TOUR NUMBER ONE

Leave Chicago	11:59 P.M.	Tuesday, July 20, C. & N. W.
Arrive Omaha	3:21 P.M.	Wednesday, July 21, C. & N. W.
Leave Omaha	4:25 P.M.	Wednesday, July 21, U. P.

Leaving Omaha our train follows the historic Overland Trail over the famous double track system of the Union Pacific, reaching the foothills of the Rockies early next morning.

Arrive Colorado Springs 10:58 A.M.

After luncheon we will ascend Pike's Peak, returning to the Antlers Hotel via the Garden of the Gods. The evening is left open to "go-as-you-please." Sleepers ready for occupancy at 9:30 P.M.

Leave Colorado Springs	4:50 A.M.	Friday, July 23, D. & R. G. W.
Arrive Denver	7:15 A.M.	Friday, July 23, D. & R. G. W.

After breakfast at the Albany Hotel, we will be taken on the beautiful Denver Mountain Parks drive, visiting Lookout Mountain where is located the grave of Buffalo Bill.

Leave Denver	1:30 P.M.	Friday, July 23, U. P.
Arrive Salt Lake City	8:25 A.M.	Saturday, July 24, U. P.

Immediately upon arrival we will proceed to Saltair Beach, where all may enjoy bathing in the Great Salt Lake. We return to the well-kept grounds of the Mormon Temple, and enjoy an organ recital in the tabernacle which is so famous for its acoustic properties. After luncheon we will take a sight-seeing trip around Salt Lake City, terminating at the Union Station, where our special train will be ready for us.

Leave Salt Lake City	2:25 P.M.	Saturday, July 24, U. P.
Arrive Los Angeles	2:00 P.M.	Sunday, July 25, U. P.

Headquarters at New Hotel Rosslyn. The afternoon left open to go as you please. Monday, July 26, we will visit Catalina Island, "California's Magic Isle."

On Tuesday, Lincoln Park, Pasadena, Hollywood, Beverly Hills, and Venice, "The Coney Island of the Pacific Coast," will be visited.

Leave Los Angeles 8:30 P.M. Tuesday, July 27, S. P.
 Arrive San Francisco 10:30 A.M. Wednesday, July 28, S. P.

The cost of this complete trip, Chicago to arrival in San Francisco, including every expense, is as follows: One in lower berth, \$168.63; two in lower berth, \$152.69 each; or one in an upper berth \$162.25.

TOUR NUMBER TWO

RETURNING VIA YELLOWSTONE

We will leave San Francisco at a convenient hour on Wednesday, August 4, the closing day of the convention, traversing the productive Sacramento Valley, passing through the scenic American River Canyon, and crossing Great Salt Lake Thursday afternoon on the 30-mile trestle, literally "going to sea by rail."

Arrive Ogden 7:05 P.M. Thursday, August 5, S. P.
 Leave Ogden 9:05 P.M. Thursday, August 5, S. P.
 Arrive West Yellowstone 7:30 A.M. Friday, August 6, U. P.

The next four and one-half days will be spent in viewing the wonders of Yellowstone National Park, making the trip in large comfortable twelve-passenger automobiles, with accommodations at the Camps while in the Park.

Leave West Yellowstone 7:00 P.M. Tuesday, August 10, U. P.
 Arrive Ogden 6:10 A.M. Wednesday, August 11, U. P.

After breakfast in the new half-million dollar Union Station we will board special cars for Ogden Canyon, where we will spend the morning enjoying the crisp mountain air and partake of a special mountain trout and chicken dinner at noon, for which the Hermitage Inn is famed from coast to coast.

Leave Ogden 3:20 P.M. Wednesday, August 11, D.&R.G.W.

Passing through the famous Royal Gorge shortly after luncheon on Friday, allowing ample time to view the magnificent scenery.

Arrive Denver 8:30 P.M. Thursday, August 12 D. & R. G. W.
 Leave Denver 11:30 P.M. Thursday, August 12, U. P.
 Arrive Omaha 3:30 P.M. Friday, August 13, U. P.
 Leave Omaha 3:45 P.M. Friday, August 13, C. & N. W.
 Arrive Chicago 7:10 A.M. Saturday, August 14, C. & N. W.

The cost of the above tour, including every expense from the departure San Francisco to the arrival at Chicago, Pullman accommodations, meals, side-trips, accommodations in Yellowstone Park, and so forth, will be: One person in a lower berth \$107.51; two persons in a lower berth \$93.13; or one person in an upper berth \$101.75.

TOUR NUMBER THREE

RETURNING VIA CANADIAN ROUTE

Leave San Francisco 11:40 P.M. Wednesday, August 4, S. P.
 Arrive Portland 7:15 A.M. Friday, August 6, S. P.

Sight-seeing trip over the famous Columbia River Highway to Multnomah and Horsetail Falls. In the afternoon a drive will be taken through the old and new residential districts, including Kings Heights, Nob Hill, Washington Park, and Chinatown.

Leave Portland 11:15 P.M. Friday, August 6, U. P.
 Arrive Seattle 6:30 A.M. Saturday, August 7, U. P.
 Leave Seattle 9:00 A.M. Saturday, August 7, C. P. S. S. Co.
 Arrive Vancouver, B.C. 7:15 P.M. Saturday, August 7, C. P. S. S. Co.
 Leave Vancouver, B.C. 9:50 P.M. Saturday, August 7, C. N.
 Arrive Jasper Park 8:15 P.M. Sunday, August 8, C. N.

Jasper National Park, in the midst of the Canadian Rockies, 4,400 square miles of mountains, valleys, canyons, and waterfalls, is the largest sanctuary of wild life on the continent. Two full days will be spent here. Automobile trips to Pyramid Lake and Mount Edith Cavell have been arranged. Numerous interesting points are within easy hiking distance.

Leave Jasper Park 9:45 P.M. Tuesday, August 10, C. N.

Passing through Edmonton, Saskatoon and a succession of prosperous Canadian towns.

Arrive Winnipeg 9:05 A.M. Thursday, August 12, C. N.

A day will be spent here visiting all points of interest.

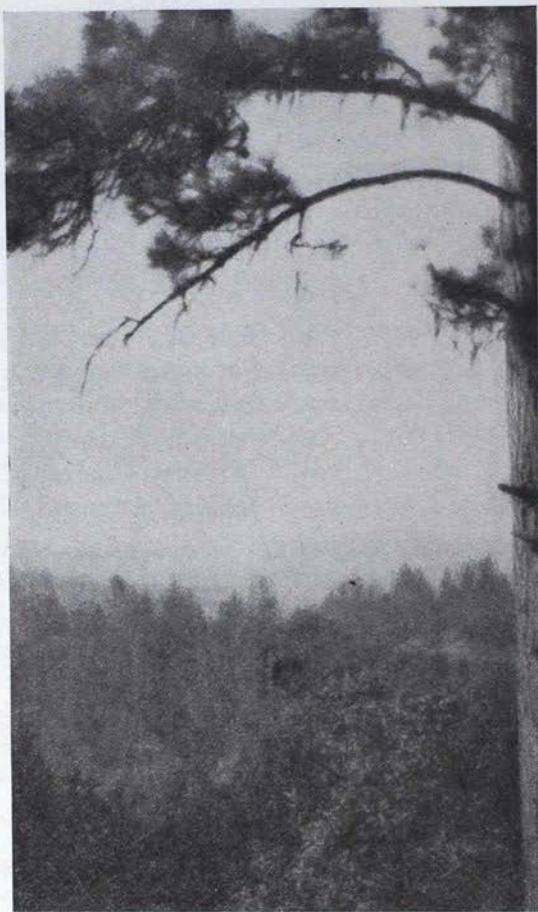
Leave Winnipeg 6:45 P.M. Thursday, August 12, C. N.
 Arrive Duluth 9:30 A.M. Friday, August 13, C. N.

Special automobiles will take us for a tour of the city, visiting the residential districts, ore docks, and other places of interest.

Leave Duluth 5:40 P.M. Friday, August 13, C. & N. W.
 Arrive Chicago 8:25 A.M. Saturday, August 14, C. & N. W.

The all-expense cost from departure San Francisco to arrival Chicago for the above tour will be as follows: One person occupying lower berth \$99.26; two persons occupying lower berth \$81.13; or one person occupying upper berth \$92.00.

NOTE: Railroad fares returning from San Francisco via Portland are \$18.00 higher than returning via direct routes.



Photograph by Cleora Wheeler

ACROSS THE CANYON, MOUNT HERMON,
CALIFORNIA

PEACE

'Tis not in seeking,
'Tis not in endless striving,
Thy quest is found,
Be still and listen,
Be still and drink
The quiet of all around.
Not for thy crying,
Not for thy loud beseeching,
Will peace draw near;
Rest with palms folded;
Rest with thine eyelids fallen—
Lo! peace is here.

EDWARD ROWLAND SILL,
A California Poet

TOUR NUMBER ONE—GOING

Breakfast—diner	\$1.00
Luncheon—diner	1.25
Dinner—diner	1.25
Breakfast—diner	1.00
Luncheon—Antlers Hotel	1.25
Pike's Peak and Garden of Gods trip.....	4.50
Dinner at Antlers Hotel	1.50
Transfer to depot25
Transfer—depot to hotel in Denver.....	.35
Breakfast—Albany Hotel.....	1.25
Mountain Parks Drive—Denver.....	4.00
Dinner on diner out of Denver.....	1.25
Transfer to depot.....	.35
Breakfast on diner into Salt Lake City.....	1.00
Saltair Beach trip.....	.35
Sight-seeing trip around Salt Lake City.....	1.00
Luncheon at Hotel Utah.....	1.25
Dinner on diner.....	1.25
Breakfast—diner	1.00
Luncheon—diner	1.25
Transfer to Hotel in Los Angeles.....	.50
Dinner	1.00
Lodging—room with bath.....	3.00
Breakfast75
Catalina trip and submarine boat trip.....	3.85
Transfer to St. Catherine Hotel and return.....	.10
Luncheon at St. Catherine Hotel.....	1.25
Dinner—Rosslyn Hotel.....	1.00
Lodging—room with bath.....	3.00
Breakfast75
Pasadena drive—(Ostrich Farm) .25¢.....	1.75
Luncheon—Rosslyn Hotel.....	1.00
Hollywood drive.....	1.50
Dinner at Rosslyn Hotel.....	1.00
Transfer to depot.....	.50
Breakfast into San Francisco.....	1.00
Lunch—Albany Hotel.....	1.25
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	\$49.50
Pullman—Los Angeles—San Francisco.....	4.50
Lower berth—Chicago—Los Angeles.....	27.38
Parking and sanitary charges.....	1.25
Round-trip railroad fare from Chicago.....	86.00
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	\$168.63

TOUR NUMBER TWO—RETURNING
(VIA YELLOWSTONE)

Transfer50
Dinner—diner	1.25
Breakfast—diner	1.25
Luncheon—diner	1.25
Dinner—diner	1.25
Side-trip Ogden-West Yellowstone.....	15.95
Breakfast—West Yellowstone.....	1.25
Trip through park—Camps.....	45.00
Breakfast—Ogden	1.00
Luncheon—Hermitage	1.75
Car fare to Hermitage.....	.30
Dinner—diner	1.25
Breakfast—diner	1.00
Luncheon—diner	1.25
Dinner—diner	1.25
Breakfast—diner	1.00
Luncheon—diner	1.25
Dinner—diner	1.25

\$ 78.75

Lower berth—San Francisco to Chicago..... 28.76

\$107.51 Total cost

Upper berth.....\$23.00
Lower berth..... 28.76

TOUR NUMBER THREE—RETURNING
(VIA CANADIAN NATIONAL)

August 5	Transfer	\$.50
	Breakfast—diner	1.00
	Lunch—diner	1.25
	Dinner—diner	1.25

ARRIVAL PORTLAND \$ 4.00

August 6	Transfer to hotel.....	.50
	Breakfast—Multnomah Hotel	1.00
	Columbia River drive.....	4.00
	Lunch—Multnomah Hotel.....	1.00
	City drive.....	1.75
	Dinner—Multnomah Hotel.....	1.50
	Transfer to depot.....	.50

DEPARTURE PORTLAND \$14.25

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August 7	Transfer to hotel.....	.50	
	Breakfast at Seattle.....	1.00	
	Drive at Seattle.....	2.00	
	DEPARTURE SEATTLE		\$17.75
	Lunch—CPSSCo	1.00	
	Dinner—CPSSCo	1.50	
	Drive Vancouver.....	1.25	
	DEPARTURE VANCOUVER		\$21.50
August 8	Breakfast—diner	1.00	
	Lunch—diner	1.25	
	Dinner—diner	1.25	
	Transfer at Jasper Park.....	.50	
	Lodging (2 days).....	12.00	
	Mount Edith Cavell drive.....	3.00	
	Pyramid Lake drive.....	3.00	
	Transfer to depot.....	.50	
	DEPARTURE JASPER PARK		\$44.00
August 11	Breakfast—diner	1.00	
	Luncheon—diner	1.25	
	Dinner—diner	1.25	
August 12	Breakfast—diner	1.00	
	ARRIVAL WINNIPEG		\$48.50
	Drive	2.50	
	Lunch—Fort Garry Hotel.....	1.00	
	Drive	2.50	
	Dinner—Fort Garry Hotel.....	1.25	
	DEPARTURE WINNIPEG		\$55.75
August 13	Breakfast—diner	1.00	
	Transfer to hotel.....	.50	
	Luncheon	1.00	
	Drive	2.50	
	DEPARTURE DULUTH		\$60.75
	Dinner—diner	1.25	
	Breakfast—diner	1.00	
			\$63.00 Total tour priv.
			36.26 lower berth
			\$99.26 (\$29.00 upper berth)

NOTE: Railroad fare returning from San Francisco via Portland is \$18.00 higher than returning direct.

Convention Side Trips

TO DESCRIBE the side trips of convention in a few pages of **THE KEY** is like trying to master the French language in a single night.

So varied is the scenery of California, so numerous are the places that may be visited, that in this brief article we shall be able only to touch upon the outstanding features.

To many, California is known as a winter resort, but spring and summer also have their attractions. In May, when winter has loosened its grip on the ice-bound streams and snow of the high Sierras, and the water is rushing in mad joy to fling itself in youthful abandon over the cliffs to the flower-carpeted valley below, then is Yosemite a place of wonder and beauty. The rainbow caught in the spray of Yosemite Falls seems to reflect the soft coloring of the spring blossoms at its base, and the perpendicular sides of the valley, towering thousands of feet above the floor, seem less forbidding because of the filmy streams which veil their rugged faces. As summer progresses, the valley's youthful exuberance gives place to a maturer beauty. The falls become less boisterous and a reflection of autumn is seen in the reds and yellows which glow in the rocky walls.

Half a day's trip from Yosemite lies one of the groups of "big trees," known as "Wowona Grove." Here the visitor sees a huge auto bus drive through the very heart of a monster redwood, while she joins hands with a dozen others in a vain attempt to encircle the base of one of the forest giants.

In June and July Lake Tahoe holds out welcoming hands—an emerald lake set among snow-clad peaks. Weeks might be spent here to advantage, for this is a little paradise tucked away in the high Sierras. Here may be enjoyed long mountain tramps, horseback rides, or lazy hours on the veranda of one of the commodious hotels. But whether the time spent at Lake Tahoe is long or short the visitor should not fail to devote at least one day to the trip around the lake on the inquisitive little steamer which pokes its nose into every inlet and curve of the exquisite "Lake of the Skies."

Although the best time to visit Yosemite is in the spring, and Lake Tahoe is most charming in mid-summer, yet there are other places which are delightful at all seasons of the year. Carmel-by-the-Sea, where artists and writers work and play together, may be visited with unvarying pleasure from January until December. Here the sand is as white as powdered pearls and the sea as blue as the sky that touches it at the horizon. In the

woods the attractive homes of members of this artists' colony peer out between the trees, and at no great distance stands the old Spanish Mission, recalling the days when the padres selected this site as the home for their Indian children. The automobile rides and the delightful walks around this place are too numerous to recount, and we can only mention the delightful evenings which may be passed at the Golden Bough Theater, where artists and authors give to their audiences performances of rare beauty and charm.



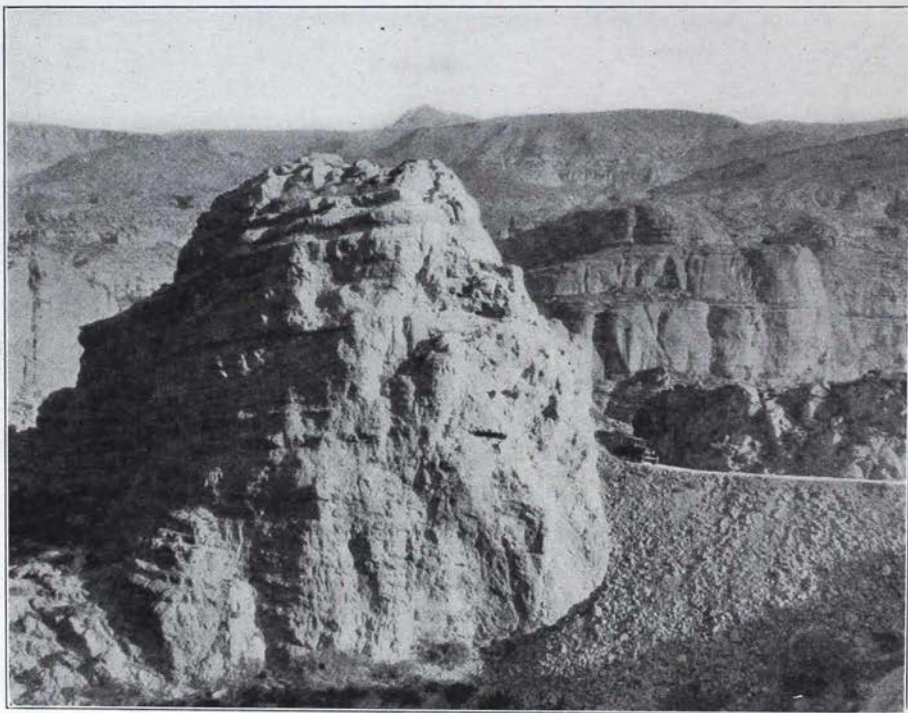
LAKE TAHOE

Scarcely six miles from Carmel-by-the-Sea lies Monterey, which still reflects the atmosphere of old Spanish days, and lures the stranger along crowded, winding streets, and into quaint adobes. Here may be seen many a haunt of Robert Louis Stevenson, whose memory is still held dear by the inhabitants of the little town. To those who delight in spacious rooms, close-clipped lawns, formal gardens, tennis courts, and a golf course, Hotel del Monte on the outskirts of Monterey offers a delightful place for rest and pleasure.

Santa Barbara, a little farther south and therefore warmer in climate, is also a seaside town, but with a charm and individuality rivalled by none.

Here the rolling hills almost meet the ocean, and here also may be seen one of the oldest and most charming of the California Missions.

For those who prefer the busy marts of the world, Los Angeles holds untold charms. It is a teeming city, full of life, business, and commercial co-operation. Near by is Pasadena, containing many beautiful residences of Easterners who spend the winter in this Southland. Along the shore near Los Angeles stretch the "beaches," one differing from the other only in name, where hundreds of people refresh themselves with a cool dip



APACHE TRAIL

in the ocean, and where just at dusk little groups gather to enjoy a picnic supper cooked over a snapping camp fire.

Motoring is one of the happiest pastimes of Californians, and for this reason the roads from San Diego to Mount Shasta are in excellent condition. A motorist starting at the southern end of California and traveling north will find the scenery as varied as that to be found in half a dozen eastern states. The orange groves of the South give way to the cherry orchards of the North, and the palms are replaced by sturdy oaks and eucalyptus. The road from San Francisco to Eureka lies through a wide belt of redwoods, giving vistas which bring to mind some old cathedral of

Europe. Crater Lake must be visited on this northern trip and beyond are the rugged Siskiyou Mountains with the great white head of Mount Shasta towering in the distance.

The side trips a few hours distant from the place of convention must be reserved for another issue of THE KEY, for they are too numerous even to be touched upon here. Mills College, where the convention is to be held, is in the heart of a most delightful section of California, and it is



MOUNT SHASTA

hoped that Kappas will remain in the vicinity of San Francisco Bay long after the actual work of convention has been finished.

ELIZABETH GRAY POTTER

New York Panhellenic House, Inc.

"Mother Knickerbocker" has taken another step forward. Her new address is 17 East Sixty-second Street, New York City. On October 1, the Panhellenic House headquarters were transferred to three large comfortable rooms at this address. Fraternity women are happy to have this home, but continue their campaign to raise \$1,000,000 with which to erect the Panhellenic Clubhouse. They are counting on your help.

Invitation from Eta Province

Extract from a letter of the Province Vice President of Eta Province to the Executive Secretary:

I am so glad that convention is to be in California this year for it may be that a number of our girls can go. I do want to ask that we may be notified when to meet special trains going through Albuquerque on the Santa Fé. We invite all Kappas who can stop over in Albuquerque to visit us. We hope to have many Kappa visitors this summer, and to meet every Kappa who even stops at our attractive station for half an hour! We can have cars and run up to the "Hill" and see Gamma Beta's Pueblo University.

Loyally,
MYRL HOPE SISK

The Executive Secretary has had the opportunity to enjoy Gamma Beta's hospitality and to see that very unusual university. She advises every Kappa who possibly can to take advantage of the invitation from the New Mexico Kappas.

A KAPPA MOTHER'S SONG

(Tune—*Mother Machree*)

Once a Baby smiled fondly up into my face—
Surely Heaven was close to her mother's embrace!
And I prayed to guide wisely those dear little feet,
"O, God bless her and spare her, my baby so sweet!"

Then a gay little schoolgirl went tripping one day,
'Mid her struggles and triumphs, the years slipped away,
Until now she wears proudly that bright, golden key—
"O, our Father, I thank Thee, who gave her to me!"

But how swiftly the years come, how quickly they go,
As the soft rippling brooks to the broad rivers flow!
Soon a woman, so gracious, so fair and so fine,
"O, God bless and protect her, this treasure of mine!"

There's a sweet little maiden enshrined in my heart,
I will love thee most fondly wherever thou art.
So thy mother doth sing with a smile and a tear,
"O, God bless thee and shield thee, my daughter so dear!"

MARY WORTH BONE

December 2, 1925

California Photographs by Kappa Artist

THE California photographs by Cleora Wheeler which are appearing in these issues of **THE KEY** are reproductions of a part of an exhibit of seventy or more prints in colors which were recently hung in the art gallery of the beautiful public library of St. Paul, under the auspices of



CLEORA WHEELER, Chi

the St. Paul Institute. This constituted the only exhibition during the year which filled this large gallery with the work of one person. The pictures are being reproduced for the first time in **THE KEY**, and as they are part of a professional record they bear the name of the member who made them. Miss Wheeler thinks of California as her second home, as she spent a year with Pi after graduating at Minnesota. For two successive summers she has tramped the California mountains, and as a result has

produced the pictures which you are now enjoying at the request of Mrs. Westermann, and of which Arthur L. Wilhelm, the art critic, wrote the following:

UNUSUAL QUALITIES ARE DISPLAYED IN WORK OF MISS
CLEORA WHEELER; SUBJECT MATTER SELECTED
WITH VIEW OF UNUSUAL

BY ARTHUR L. WILHELM

There is on exhibition at the St. Paul Public library this week a collection of colored California prints by Cleora Wheeler, St. Paul artist and etcher. The St. Paul Institute is sponsoring the exhibit.

In the collection of more than eighty prints are many that have unusual qualities. All are atmospheric studies and are colored, many of them with fine Japanese dyes, giving a wide color range and depth. Miss Wheeler has grasped the fine essentials of design in many of her studies. Many simple little prints take on glowing beauty under the touch of her brush. The subject matter is carefully selected with a view of the unusual. Here, in one print, one sees a fine flowing rhythm. Again one feels the structure of design carried out to a fine point. Again there is quality of the color that charms. Always there is something unusual to attract.

COLORADO-CALIFORNIA

Miss Wheeler has arranged the prints so that one follows her in her journey to the West, where the pictures were taken. First we see eight prints from Colorado, the first rampart range of the Rockies, a field of wild sunflowers with a great upthrust of rock in the background, and others.

Then we have what she terms the "Call of the Wild," with a score of prints taken at random along the coast and in the big woods of the Sierras. There are many pictures that are romantic in feeling and others that have a rich poetic sentiment. The colors are soft and glowing or in the nocturnes are dimmed by the blue of night.

There are ten prints taken at Pacific Grove which include pictures of the woods and sea, pictures with the fog stealing in, and prints tinged with the sunset glow.

DRIVE PICTURES THE BEST

Perhaps the most charming group of the exhibition is that taken on the famous seventeen-mile drive at Monterey. Here the old cypresses are shown with all their varied forms. Also the rocks and the sea are most charmingly depicted. There are pictures of young eucalyptus groves with a bit of flaming sky showing through the foliage. One print, "The Old Witch," is a portrait of a famous old tree which is known to the thousands of tourists who have made the trip.

There is a group of prints from Santa Barbara and several from points farther South.

The exhibition is enhanced by an oil painting, a landscape done by the mother of the artist, which has a fine feeling of harmony and color. The entire exhibition is both unusual and charming.

National Officers from Nebraska

THE idea has been advanced that no institution has furnished as many national officers for women's fraternities as the University of Nebraska. We are presenting the statistics that we have been able to gather, and thanks are extended to Mrs. D. D. Otstott, who made this survey.

Where names of province officers have been given by correspondents, these have been included because of their general interest and because fraternity policy varies in regard to recognition of these offices as national.

Included in the list are four National Presidents:

K K Γ—May C. Whiting Westermann, 1902-04 and 1922-

Δ Γ—Blanche Garten, 1902-05

Π Β Φ—Anna Lytle Brannon, 1918-21

K Α Θ—Martha Cline Huffman, 1922-24

There are at least five national treasurers, four national secretaries, and two national editors, besides other special officers peculiar to the different organizations. There may be others whose names are not on this list.

Can any other university equal or approach this record?

ALPHA CHI OMEGA

Frances Whitmore White (Mrs. Walter W.), Member of the National Council, 1922-24

Marion Whitmore Webster, Province President, 1924-

Verna Hyder Boyles, Province President, 1922-24; National Council, 1924-

Marjorie Hesselstine Scott (Mrs. Clifford B.), Custodian of the Song-book, 1924-

Alice Lerher Mauck (Mrs. T. H.), Province President, 1913

Dale Pugh Hascall (Mrs. Vincent C.), Province President, 1915-18

ALPHA DELTA PI

Thelma W. Sealock, Province President, National Editor

ALPHA PHI

Pauline Meyer Howell, '96, Secretary of the General Board, 1910-12

Janet Wheeler Westover, '12, Custodian of the Pin for the Central District

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Bertha DuTeil, National Treasurer, 1908-12

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Mary Chapin, Deputy of Western Provinces since 1919

DELTA GAMMA

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 Ethel Tukey Korsmeyer, Editor of ANCHORA, 1907-15
 Jean Burroughs Reed (Mrs. Merrill V.), 1921-

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Nettie Wills Shugart (Mrs. C. E.), Secretary; National Big Sister

KAPPA ALPHA THETA

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Mrs. Alice Towne Deweese (Mrs. F. M.), Alumnæ Secretary, 1919-21

Mrs. Martha Cline Huffman (Mrs. Y. B.), Grand Treasurer, 1911-22;
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May C. Whiting Westermann, Grand Treasurer's Deputy—1898-1900; Performed all the duties of Grand Treasurer for the entire term; Grand Secretary—1900-1902; Grand President—1902-1904; Historian—1904-1905; Custodian of the Badge—1918-1922; National President—1922.

Adele Lathrop, Editor of THE KEY, 1904-5

Louise Pound, Province President

PHI MU

Marjorie Lichtenwallner Hornberger (Mrs. Evans), '13, National Secretary, September, 1922-June, 1923; First Vice President, 1923-25

Sarah Saunders, '22, President of Zeta Province

PI BETA PHI

Mrs. Anna Lytle Brannon, Grand President, 1918-21; also Province President, 1907-09

Anne Stuart, Grand Treasurer, 1912-25; also Province President, 1904-12

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MAY CYNTHIA WHITING WESTERMANN

Phi Beta Kappas of Beta Pi

JOYCE GOWEN

JOYCE GOWEN was a member of Athena Debating Society, and was prominent in her activities on the campus. Her particular field was the Y.W.C.A. and in her senior year she was president of that organization. She was elected to Tolo, women's honorary, recently granted the Washington charter of Mortar Board. She is now teaching school in Yakima, Washington.



MARGARET EAGLESON



LOUISA BLAINE

MARGARET EAGLESON

Margaret Eagleson was a member of Athena Debating Society. Although holding no offices on the campus she was active in general committee work. She is now studying for her master's degree at Columbia University.

LOUISA BLAINE

Louisa Blaine was a member of Athena Debating Society and took an active part in debate during her college career. She was also affiliated with Spurs, holding the office of president when a Sophomore. In her senior year she managed the treasury of the house, and her work here with

the national budget system was invaluable. At present she is teaching in the Economics Department of the University of Washington.

ELIZABETH KERR

Elizabeth Kerr spent three years at Washington after entering from Mills College in 1922. She took part in numerous campus activities and was affiliated with Athena Debating Society. Her main work, however, was in the house where she supervised a most successful rushing season, and as chairman of the scholarship committee piloted Beta Pi to victory.



ELIZABETH KERR

This verse was written by Gertrude Hill and appeared in the last issue of the *Blue Moon*, which is the literary publication of Whitman College.

THE CLOUDS COME

The clouds come o'er the sun,
And the heavens weep,
Little do we know this or care,
When day is done;
For night gives place to day
And day to sleep,
E'en though the clouds come o'er the sun
And the heavens weep.

The Key of Other Days

1886—A NEW PROFESSION FOR WOMEN

ONE of the professions practically open to women, but which has yet been hardly entered by them, is architecture. There is no reason why a woman cannot master all the scientific and mechanical knowledge necessary to an architect, and there is surely a fair chance of her succeeding in the work of planning and designing. To be an architect does not necessitate being a practical builder, carpenter, mason, and so forth; nor does an architect necessarily attend to the actual erection of his buildings. Some one must do it, to be sure, but not necessarily the designer. Moreover, the profession is becoming so wide that there are now branches of it, each one of which may be followed separately, such as drawing and coloring perspectives, designing interior details and furniture, and especially interior decoration, and design. There is a vast opportunity for women in each of these specialties of architectural design, besides the general work of planning and designing for all varieties of domestic and civil architecture.

Already a few women are practicing as architects in America, and a few others are studying in some of the schools, with the intention of making practical use of their study. The office work of an architect, it is true, is very confining, and often physically tiring. Still, a woman with average health and common sense, who could manage to live out her allotted years as a teacher of "the young idea," would probably find the work of an architect's office no severer strain, and far more interesting. Everything that must be followed day after day as a business becomes more or less tiresome. But there is a constant change, and hence an abiding interest, and even fascination, in the work of an architect more than there is in that of any other profession.

To make it advisable for one to study for an architect, it is not necessary that he should be an artist, though the more true artistic feeling and talent the student possesses the better architect he will probably make. But a great deal of the art, as well as all of the science of architecture, can be gained by instruction and cultivation. The traditionary method of educating an architect is by apprenticeship in the office and drafting-room of a practicing architect. It is comparatively a recent idea to have a systematic course of instruction on the subject. *École des Beaux Arts* in Paris includes a school of architecture which was founded in 1671, and which now

holds the highest place among all such schools. There are other lesser schools in France, though none in England; and within the last quarter of a century five such have been established in America. These are located at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston; Columbia College, School of Mines, New York City; Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, and the University of Illinois, Chicago. The Columbia College school is the only one which does not admit women. There is a general similarity among the courses of study, all of which cover four years, and lead to the degree of Bachelor of Architecture. This is not equivalent, however, to saying that the advantages are equal in all. Columbia College has some decided advantages over all the others, perhaps, but inasmuch as they will probably be hidden treasures to women for some years to come, it is not worth while to discuss them here.

In general, the courses require a solid grounding in mathematics, embracing geometry, algebra, trigonometry, descriptive geometry, analytical geometry, differential calculus, and stereotomy; in the sciences, such as botany, chemistry, physics, and blow-pipe analysis, and a fair amount of French or German, or both. Besides this there is instruction in strictly architectural work, such as mechanics and strength of materials, building materials, construction, history of architecture, decoration, design, water color, photography, sanitation, ventilation, acoustics, contracts, specifications, office practice, and so forth. Through the whole four years a large per cent of time is devoted to free-hand drawing, sketching, and tracing, as well as to the architectural methods of linear drawing and coloring, and to designing. Faulty as this method of gaining an architectural education may be in some respects, it is a great improvement over the older method. The best results are obtained when the two systems can be combined, and five or six years be devoted to the college course in connection with practice and experience in an office.

In conclusion, it may be worth while to say that as far as events show at present, there is very little narrow-mindedness among American architects about recognizing women in the profession. The only case that has come under my notice is that of Mrs. Louise Bethune, of Buffalo, New York. She and her husband are practicing architects in that city, and in December, 1885, she applied for admission to the Western Association of Architects. It was the first time such a request had been presented to the committee on membership, and they asked for a discussion of the question whether the association should admit women. It was decided to admit them on the same conditions as men, and Mrs. Bethune was elected without a dissenting vote. This is a promising precedent; and although all

associations may not admit women as readily as was done in this case, still the traditionary objections against woman's entering the various professions are steadily dying out, and her work is more and more generally accorded a fair and just recognition, based on a consideration of its worth, and uninfluenced by any consideration of the personality of the doer.

THE GOLDEN KEY, March, 1886

1896—THE SORORITY MAGAZINES

Once upon a time long ago, more than a year, the writer was given a problem to solve. The problem was this: Given several groups of college girls united by the closest possible ties and representing different sections of the country, and given a magazine produced by each group, will these magazines differ? The writer answered, "No," and was sure that she was right. Nevertheless, since this is a scientific age and everything must be proved by experience, she took occasion to read the sorority magazines. To her surprise they were not exact counterparts of one another. Alike they were, it is true; but their differences were more striking than their resemblances.

All the sororities which possess more than two or three chapters publish magazines. These are the *Kappa Alpha Theta*, the *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, the *Anchora* of Delta Gamma, *The Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi, and the *Trident*, which is the official organ of Delta Delta Delta. These are all somewhat modest in their outward apparel, which indeed seems to be designed for some other purpose than to exhibit the greatest possible number of emblems in a given space. Love for the horrible, too, is in abeyance, for there are no skulls, no crossbones, no serpents to bite you, no mailed hands to seize you. Whatever mystery there is in the sororities is by far too mysterious to be shadowed forth on magazine covers. The *Trident*, *Anchora*, and *Kappa Alpha Theta* are content with the name and date set forth in fanciful letters; *The Arrow* adds a scroll pierced with an arrow and resting upon a twig, all three of which are bathed in the light coming from some letters in the background; the *Alpha Phi Quarterly* is the gayest of all, for besides the bands of silver leaves above and below the name, there is a generous sprinkling of stars in between.

There is unanimity in the fraternity world as to the object of the fraternity magazine; it is to further the interests of the fraternity. But when it comes to deciding what kind of articles will have that result, and what should be excluded, differences of opinion at once arise. The first place belongs of course to news of the fraternity; other fraternities and colleges elbow each other for second position; while among the sororities the third is usually accorded to what will interest the college woman as

such. The fourth place is when the battle comes. Some of the magazines, among which is included THE KEY, maintain that anything beyond the third is outside their province. Others hold the opposite opinion and publish stories and sketches which have no relation to fraternities. For several reasons the latter course seems to be a mistake. Once outside the fraternity pale, the fraternity magazine has no reason for existence; a gradual decline and easy death would be preferable to turning it into a school for the literary talent of young collegians. It cannot hope to compete with magazines whose contributors are paid and to depend for support upon the loyalty of its subscribers, after it has ceased to fill one of their real wants, is unworthy of a self-respecting magazine. Nor does it help matters to go through a story and label all the characters as fraternity men and women. An imaginary trip to the north pole is no more suited to the "Omega Epsilon News," because its readers are informed in the first paragraph that the chief explorer is an Omega Epsilon. Nearly all of the sorority magazines offend in this respect either from principle, or from the dearth of other material. Let us hope it is from the former reason.

The one department which is found in all the magazines is that of the chapter letters. Who first wrote a chapter is not down on the annals, but if heredity counts for anything, he wrote on both sides of the paper. Spencer and Weismann may dispute as long as they like, all editors of fraternity magazines know that acquired traits are transmitted, and not only from father to son but from secretary to secretary. If there is any magazine which has received no double-faced contributions, let it come forth, that its sisters may put it on a pedestal and then turn to worship its contributors. The quality of the sorority chapter letters varies little. They all incline to put in the things which interest no one but themselves, and leave out all the items which their sisters most want to know. Yet they are an improvement upon those written by the men, and their writers need not be ashamed of them. They would have reason to be proud, if they could in some way show the individuality of the different chapters. As it is, one may begin with the oldest, THE KEY, and read them all down to *The Trident*, which is the sorority magazine baby, without finding any variation from the same dead level of events. *The Trident* is the only one which differs at all, and even here the monotony is broken only by the title. The letters of Delta Delta Delta are called "Ocean Breezes."

Besides the chapter letters the interests of the sorority are discussed in the editorials and in the alumnæ departments. Of course every magazine has its editorials. Without these, what would become of the editorial "we"? The alumnæ departments are not so democratic, and confine them-

selves to *The Arrow*, the *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, and *THE KEY*. Their name might imply that they are for the purpose of informing active members about the brilliant achievements of their predecessors. Never could guess be farther from the truth. The deeds of the *alumnæ* are chronicled among the personals; here their words are handed down to posterity. In short, whenever the editor-in-chief writes to one of the "old girls" and begs for an article, this is where her production is put.

Most of the magazines print all they can find about other fraternities and about the different colleges of the country. *The Arrow*, *The Trident*, and *The Alpha Phi Quarterly* have a special department for the purpose. All occasionally contain leading articles, often illustrated, describing colleges and the chapters there. *The Arrow* is unique in not possessing an exchange department.

What more is there to say? It would never do to compare this magazine with that; it would be a difficult thing to do, and might bring down upon *THE KEY* untold wrath. They all are good, they all might be better. There may sometime be an ideal magazine; but now, and it is to be feared, for many years to come, such a blessing must be looked upon as a literary Mrs. Harris. The writer is firmly convinced that there "ain't no sich person."—*THE KEY*, January, 1896

1906—JULIA WARD HOWE'S TRIBUTE TO THE LATE MRS. MARY A.
LIVERMORE, HER LIFELONG FRIEND

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Mrs. Lowe was an honorary member of Phi chapter and Mrs. Livermore an honorary member of Iota.*

On the eve of her eighty-sixth birthday, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, one of the most remarkable women America has ever produced, wrote a poem commemorating the death of that other noted woman, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, her lifelong friend.

It is a tribute, simple in its lines, but heartfelt in sentiment, and will stand as a bit of literature beside Mrs. Howe's immortal poem, *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*, written at the close of the Civil War. It reflects still the tremendous genius which Mrs. Howe used to make the world listen to her message; as a production of its kind, it is probably without parallel in the world's history:

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The darkening of a brow below'd,
The silence of a voice of cheer,
That roused, reminded and reproved
For many a day, in many a year.



NINTH NATIONAL CONVENTION OF KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA HELD IN
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA IN 1888

IF YOU CAN IDENTIFY ANY PERSON IN THE PICTURE
PLEASE NOTIFY THE HISTORIAN.

The Minutes of Convention give the list of delegates as follows:

Beta—Hallie Morrison
Gamma—Eva Donaldson
Epsilon—Nellie Pollock
Zeta—Helen Copeland
Eta—Flora Mosely
Kappa—Shirley Smith
Mu—Kate Hadley

Rho—Mary Christy
Sigma—Hattie Curtis
Upsilon—Clara Tucker
Phi—Mary Kingsbury
Chi—Olivia Porter
Psi—Mila Tupper
Omega—Annie McKinnon

Theta and Xi sent no delegate.

The following delegates were not present at the first roll call:

Delta—Minnie Faris
Iota—Jessie Cowgill
Lambda—Winifred Herrick

Omicron—Lizzie Proudfoot
Tau—Ida Goldman

This Convention was presided over by Charlotte Barrell, Phi, and Kate Bird Cross, Chi, was elected Grand President.

She stood beside the beds of pain
Where fainting soldiers scarce drew breath;
She won them back to life again,
Or smiled away the pangs of death.

When Duty bade the woman speak,
How bravely did she heed the call!
With presence resolute, yet meek,
She graced the temple and the hall.

Three decades of laborious years,
Their holiday, the light of home;
Their record in the past appears,
Their promise, in the days to come.

For every earnest word she spake
Shall in Time's furrows ripen seed;
The labor shall our world awake
To take deep thought for human need.

We meet in sorrow at her grave,
Right lovingly we say farewell;
All richer for the life she gave,
All poorer for its broken spell.

THE KEY, January, 1906

1916—ELIZABETH GRAY POTTER, PI '96, WRITER

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Mrs. Potter is now Librarian of Mills College and an active worker for the coming convention. Hers is the article on "California Side Trips" appearing in this issue. We like to think of her as an example of a Kappa who has never stopped working for the fraternity!*

Elizabeth Gray Potter is a California woman through and through. She was born in Oakland, California, where she was graduated from the grammar and high schools, and then entered the University of California in the neighboring town of Berkeley. Her college course was interrupted by a six months' journey in Europe, and since that time she has taken several extended trips abroad. A few years ago, she completed the two years' course in the Library School at Albany, New York, and the following year delivered lectures in the Library School at the University of Wisconsin.

During her college course, Elizabeth Gray was one of the students who applied for a charter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, and later she became one of the charter members of Pi chapter. She was always very active in the fraternity, and a few years after her graduation from college was the delegate of Pi Alumnae Association to the fraternity convention at Columbia. Here she was appointed Historian of Kappa Kappa Gamma,

and two years later was elected editor of THE KEY, a position which she filled most ably for six years. During these years she wrote also a number of successful short stories. She again represented Pi Alumnæ Association at the last convention at Estes Park, and is now the chairman of the Fraternity committee on philanthropic work.

After her marriage to Mr. Frederick Potter, she lived for a short time in Kansas, but soon came back with him to California, and since his death has been living in her own home in Piedmont. About three months ago, she and her sister, Mabel Thayer Gray, published a most charming book, *The Lure of San Francisco*, which has been a source of great delight to its readers, those who are familiar with the "City by the Sea," and those who are not. As Mrs. Potter goes on with her writing, her friends are predicting for her a most successful future.

ELEANOR V. V. BENNETT, in THE KEY, February, 1916

WEEDS

She was gathering weeds,
Milk-weed pods and cones.
A child saw and cried—
"Oh, see the lady picking weeds,
Old, dried, ugly, horrid weeds."
She went on picking stems,
Rosin-weed and grasses,
Nor noticed the child at first.
"Oh, isn't it funny to pick weeds—
Oh, why, why do you pick weeds?"
"I paint them gold and silver
And many gorgeous colors."
"Oh, how queer to paint old weeds,
I think it's funny to paint brown weeds."
Hearing, I said, "My dear, dear child,
To make the ugly beautiful,
To keep one's courage strong,
To trust and love and serve,
(She does all these)
Is to be tuned in with the Infinite."

KATHERINE HAYES HINKLE, *Beta Zeta*

Prominent Washington Kappa

MRS. CLAUDE S. WATTS (MARIE VAN RIPER), *Iota*
EDITOR, FREDERIC J. HASKIN INFORMATION BUREAU
PRESIDENT, WASHINGTON, D.C., ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

TO BE the editor of the largest agency of its kind in the world, an agency which receives as high as 50,000 pieces of mail in a day, to answer queries from all over the world—from farthest Hindustani and the wilds of Siberia, to our own capital—is the office of Marie Van Riper Watts as editor of the Frederic J. Haskin Information Bureau. The bureau also sends daily articles to more than a hundred papers in the United States. Mrs. Watts edits the service, selects the answers to questions which appear in the papers daily, and directs the staff of researchers.



Harris and Ewing

MRS. C. S. WATTS

No question is too trivial or too abstruse to merit her careful attention. One person wants to know the correct garb at a funeral; another all the places where the dinosaur has been found. When books have been searched in vain for the information, expert advice is sought and obtained from the scientists and other specialists in the government departments. Army and navy records are scrutinized for the whereabouts of soldiers and sailors whose addresses have been lost by their friends.

For the past five years Mrs. Watts has been engaged in this work in which her sympathetic interest in all her staff, her appreciation of their services, and her tact account for their devotion to her.

In the Washington Alumnæ Association, also, this almost unconscious executive ability and pervasive gentleness are strongly felt.

We are proud that Marie Van Riper Watts comes from an active Kappa family. Her sister, Mrs. Jarvis Laurimore (Emily Van Riper), Iota, is president of the Indianapolis Alumnæ Association, and her daughter, Mrs. George M. Hostetler (Alice Watts), Iota, is chairman of the social committee of the Washington, D.C., Alumnæ Association. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Guernsey Van Riper (Edith Longley), Mu, is also a Kappa.

ALICE JOUVEAU DUBREUIL, *Psi*.

TREASURES

Wrap your hands in silk, Mother Love,
For they are jewels to me.
They hold more song in their tender grasp
Than winds from the restless sea.

The ends of the earth hold nothing for me,
For your hands bring a torch from above.
The treasures of ages are less in the world
Than the gift of your hands, Mother Love.

HELEN A. DOOLEY, *Epsilon*

Work for the Fund that *FAB* built!

Clippings

[Clippings for this department will be appreciated by the editorial staff.]

HELEN FIELD FISCHER is not only a poet, but a landscape designer and hardy perennial expert of considerable repute. She has spent the greater part of her time with plants, studying them from the practical point of view so that she is ably fitted to settle home problems of planning and design, to do a great amount of lecturing among civic clubs, and more recently to broadcast her lectures by radio. She is "on the air" every Wednesday at 3:30 P.M. over KFNF and frequently over KMA. Her success and popularity in this line is attested by the fact that she has more than a hundred radio letters a week to answer and has made numerous planting plans from photographs sent to the radio stations from which she broadcasts.

Mrs. Fischer, who was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma at the University of Nebraska, writes that she has two water lily pools, a rock garden, and many lovely perennials in her own yard.—From *Fraternity Life*, published by Burr, Patterson and Company

COLLEGE CREED ON CITIZENSHIP

CLASSES AT WILLIAM AND MARY ADOPT IT

PUBLIC GOOD IS PARAMOUNT

Performance of Duty Regardless of Personal Effect Emphasized

Williamsburg, Va., Dec. 12 (Associated Press).—Attention has been drawn to a citizenship creed recently adopted by the classes in Virginia government and citizenship of the Marshall-Wythe School of Government and Citizenship at the College of William and Mary. The college authorities say many applications have been received asking for copies of the creed. Here it is:

1. To acquaint myself with those fundamental principles embodied in our constitutions and laws which experience has shown are essential to the preservation of our liberties and the promotion of good government, and to defend these principles against all attacks.

2. To inform myself on all public issues, and on the character, record, and platform of all candidates for office, and to exert actively my influence in favor of men and measures in which I believe.

VOTE FOR PUBLIC GOOD

3. To vote in every election, primary and general, never using my vote for personal or private ends, but only for the public good, placing the welfare of my country above that of my party, if the interests of the two should ever conflict.

4. To connect myself with the political party which most nearly represents my views on public questions, and to exert my influence within the party to bring about

the nomination of good men for office and the indorsement of measures for the public weal.

5. To have the courage to perform my duties as a citizen regardless of the effect upon me financially or socially, remembering that a cowardly citizen is as useless to his country in time of peace as a cowardly soldier is in time of war.

6. To stand for honest election laws impartially administered.

TO OBEY ALL LAWS

7. To obey all laws, whether I deem them wise or not, and to uphold the officers in the enforcement of the law.

8. To make full and honest returns of all my property and income for taxation.

9. To be ever ready to serve my country in war and in peace, especially in such inconspicuous capacities as juror and election official.

10. To acquaint myself with the functions of the various departments of my Government and to spread the knowledge of the same among my fellow citizens in order that they may enjoy to the fullest extent the advantages offered by the Government, and may more fully realize the Government as a means of service to the people.

UPHOLDING GOOD MEN

11. To encourage good men to enter public service and remain therein by commending the faithful performance of their duties and by refraining from criticism except such as is founded on a knowledge of facts.

12. To seek to promote good feeling between all groups of my fellow citizens and to resist as inimical to public welfare all partisan efforts to excite race, religious, class, and sectional prejudice.

13. Not to think alone of what my Government can do for me but more about what I can do for it.

14. To inform myself with respect to the problems which confront my country in its foreign relations, and to support policies which safeguard its legitimate interests abroad and which recognize the responsibilities of the United States as a member of international society.

WOULD HAVE "FRATS" OF VALUE TO NATION

DR. BLAIR ASKS STUDENTS TO VIEW FRATERNITY LIFE AS START OF WORLD SERVICE

SEES SNOBBISHNESS GONE

Members Are Now Learning to Handle Great Problems, He Tells Conference
The New York Times, Sunday, November 29, 1925

College fraternities can be converted into a national asset by making the member student realize that his fraternity life is the beginning of world service, Dr. John Allen Blair, pastor of the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia said in an address yesterday to more than 300 fraternity men at the seventeenth annual Interfraternity Conference at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Henry R. Johnson, of New York, newly elected president of the Conference, described the college fraternity as "an established factor in the American college system."

Dr. Blair said that the fraternity of the past was "constituted of snobs who were exclusive and bound together by secret ties." He went on:

"'Frat' men formerly shut out the world and looked only at each other. Now they are beginning to realize the new ideal of world service and are learning how to handle the great problems of life. The fraternity today is a great national force because it is composed of youths. It has greater potentialities for service than any group now organized to promote the welfare of man.

"Don't consider fraternity ideals as cards to play with, but as tools for a great world service."

The Conference was called to discuss the common problems of college fraternities. In describing the aims of the modern fraternity, Mr. Johnson said that it "stressed patriotism, clean living, and freedom from racial and religious prejudice as well as congeniality, and comradeship."

"This Conference recognizes," said Dr. Walter H. Conley of the Department of Public Welfare, the retiring president, "that the co-operation of all fraternities is essential to its welfare, and believes that the individual entity of each fraternity should be jealously guarded; that the characteristics and ideals of each fraternity should be maintained."

Harold Riegelman, chairman of the law committee, speaking of the plan to ask Congress to classify college fraternities as educational institutions for purposes of taxation, said:

"The value of the fraternity as an educational factor and as a necessary and useful part of the educational system of the country will be materially enhanced by this program of expansion."

The Conference adopted a resolution introduced by Mr. Riegelman that inter-fraternity committees be established in different sections of the country. They will be special committees of the executive committee. One of their functions will be to get local viewpoints and to establish closer relations among fraternities and co-operation between fraternities and faculties.

Dr. H. Sheridan Baketel of Jersey City, the retiring secretary, was elected vice chairman, and William R. Bayes of New York was re-elected treasurer. The following new members were elected to the executive committee: C. A. Lydecker of Bound Brook, New Jersey; Clifford M. Swan, and Robert H. Neilson of New York.

FRATERNITIES SEEK LEGACY TAX REPEAL

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF GREEK-LETTER SOCIETIES TO ASK CONGRESS FOR EXEMPTION
MAY TEST RULING IN COURTS

W. L. Sheppard of University of Texas Wants Concerted Action to Fight Anti-Fraternity Laws

The New York Times, Saturday, November 28, 1925

Problems of Greek-letter college fraternities, including contemplated legislation against them in some states, and Federal tax legislation which discourages legacies to fraternities, were discussed yesterday at the seventeenth annual meeting of the Inter-fraternity Conference at the Hotel Pennsylvania. The purpose of the Conference is to bring the fraternity men together for discussion of their common interests.

Dr. Walter H. Conley of the Department of Public Welfare, chancellor of the Phi Sigma Kappa, is chairman of the Conference which will continue in session

today. More than 300 fraternity men are present, representing chapters in eighty colleges and universities all over the country.

The hardships worked on college fraternities by the Federal tax laws which grants them no immunity on the ground that they are educational institutions, were described by Harold Riegelman of New York, of Zeta Beta Tau, of the legal committee of the Conference. He said that the Federal laws discouraged legacies to fraternities.

He pointed out that the income tax permits gifts to a fraternal society operating under the lodge system to be deducted from the gross income to determine net income, but only on condition that such gifts are used exclusively for scientific, literary, educational, or other stated purposes.

"Gifts to college fraternities," said Mr. Riegelman, "are often, if not usually, for such purposes and should be separately funded. Such gifts would certainly seem to be deductible where so used." He said his committee would petition the Ways and Means Committee, at the next session of Congress, to so amend the proposed revenue bill as to exempt from taxation all gifts and contributions to college fraternities.

"If the Ways and Means Committee fails to act," he said, "we will test out the present language of the statute by appropriate action at law. I am convinced that no court of law will sustain the attitude of the Treasury Department in refusing to allow exemption from taxation of gifts to college fraternities."

The committee on chapter houses submitted its report recommending that college fraternities guard against building their chapter houses too elaborately.

The efforts that leading fraternity men of the country have made to bring about the repeal of anti-fraternity legislation in South Carolina and Mississippi and to discourage proposed legislation of a similar nature in Texas and other states were described by Walter L. Sheppard of Kappa Alpha (S), chairman of the committee on expenses. He said the situation in South Carolina and Mississippi was still unchanged.

"Fraternity men everywhere," he said, "eagerly look forward to the day when the existing antifraternity legislation in these states will be repealed. Repeal can only be effected by the active co-operation of fraternity men residing in those states. The difficulties in the way of creating a militant organization are apparent."

He reported that there was no basis for reports of contemplated legislation against fraternities in Nebraska and Tennessee.

FELLOWSHIP AWARD IS ESTABLISHED BY SIMON GUGGENHEIM

FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES MEMORIAL TO JOHN, SON OF FORMER SENATOR, WHO
DIED DURING 1922

From the New York Herald Tribune

Notices have been sent to every university and college in the country announcing the establishment of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Fellowships for advanced study abroad by Mr. and Mrs. Simon Guggenheim in memory of John Simon Guggenheim, a son, who died April 26, 1922. The first general awards will be made for the year 1926-27 and all applications for the fellowships must be in the hands of the foundation by January 1, 1926.

The foundation proposes after the first of the year to maintain annually from forty to fifty fellows abroad. The fellowships are intended for men and women

of high intellectual and personal qualifications, who have already demonstrated unusual capacity for productive scholarship or unusual artistic talent.

The stipend will in the normal case not exceed \$2,500 for a year. Fellowships will be open to men or women and to married or unmarried candidates. The trustees prescribe no age limits, but appointees must be old enough to have shown decided ability in their particular subject. It is expected that ordinarily they will be not younger than twenty-five and not older than thirty-five years. The fellowships will be open to citizens or, in exceptional cases, to permanent residents who are not citizens of the United States, irrespective of race, color, or creed.

The widest possible liberty will be given to fellows in carrying out their work. Fellowships are not restricted to candidates interested in any particular field of knowledge, nor are they confined to academic or artistic subjects. They are open as well to candidates who are interested in the working of foreign systems of government, in the study of agricultural, social or business conditions, or in productive scholarships in the fields of the various learned professions.

The only proviso attached is that in each case the candidate should look forward to making the results of their study available to the public and not merely to the utilization of them for their own private success.

MISS NELLIE LEE HOLT—ENTHUSIAST

Reprinted from *The Grail* of Stephens College, Missouri

Nellie Lee Holt, Nebraska '22, got tired of hearing the younger generation "batted around," so she started to find the reason for it. Her investigation led to a study of the economic and eugenic situation that grows out of the spiritual problem, and then to her coming to the Stephens College faculty.

Miss Holt has survived the reputation of being a flapper—administered in her day for wearing galoshes and the flapper hat—in the University of Nebraska. Another notion, however, of her University reputation may be had from noting her school record.

She has an A.B. degree with Greek as a major, and an M.A. degree in English. She is also a graduate of the Conservatory of Music at Notre Dame. Miss Holt is a member of the Theta Sigma Phi, journalistic sorority; Chi Delta Phi, literary sorority; Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Delta Omicron.

One summer she spent traveling in Chautauqua with Mrs. Anna Dickie Oleson of Minnesota, the first woman candidate for United States senator.

Miss Holt had planned to enter Radcliffe at Cambridge, Massachusetts, this fall to finish her doctor's degree. She came to Columbia last May to speak to the Missouri Convention at the National League of Women Voters. Dean J. J. Oppenheimer and his Junior League heard her talk. He came back and told President Wood what he thought of her. Mr. Wood took a train to Falls City, Nebraska, Miss Holt's home, and talked her into doing some work for him in England and Europe, as well as coming to the English literature faculty at Stephens.

So Miss Holt spent the summer interviewing those persons who could tell her what is being done in the world regarding applied religion among young people.

Some of the opinions obtained are from such authorities as: Dean and Mrs. Inge, St. Paul's Cathedral; Havelock Ellis, author of *The Dance of Life*; A. C. Boon, publisher of Harold Begbie; Dr. Franklin Kidd, eldest son of Benjamin Kidd and editor of his father's book, *Science of Power*; Dr. George Kerchensteiner, famous

professor of pedagogy in Munich; Abdullah Yusuf-Ali, champion of the British Empire, who has served under Victoria, Edward, and George, and who has been associated throughout his life with Mahatma Gandhi; Maud Roydon, pastor of the Guild House, London, and foremost woman disciple of applied religion. These are about half of those interviewed. Miss Holt asked each one whether religion can be taught to the mass or must be confined to the relatively small group. Everyone of them answered that it could be taught to the mass.

Miss Holt is also giving a series of lectures to the University Women's Leadership Group, which meets at the Y.W.C.A. at four o'clock every Wednesday afternoon.

—*The Nebraska Alumnus*

"COED" AVENUE

BOARD OF REGENTS SETS ASIDE THE EAST SIDE OF SIXTEENTH STREET FOR WOMEN'S DORMITORIES AND SORORITY HOUSES—PART OF GREATER CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Sixteenth Street will become Coed Avenue in Lincoln if the plan now being worked out by the board of regents of the University goes through.

At a meeting held late in July, the governing board of the institution set aside the east side of Sixteenth Street, north of R Street, as a dormitory-sorority row.

On this street, the University will erect all women's dormitories. Sororities which wish to enter this women's row will also be allowed to build there.

Fraternities now owning property on Sixteenth will be asked to vacate when the plan is put into operation. The University will purchase their properties at a fair price, and the fraternities will then erect their new homes or buy houses on other streets.

The motion passed by the board of regents at their recent meeting set aside "the east side of Sixteenth Street as a dormitory zone." It says that only sororities and women's dormitories will be allowed on the street when the institution takes final action on acquiring the property.

In the meantime, fraternities are being discouraged from building on that street. While there is nothing which absolutely forbids a fraternity from building on Sixteenth Street at the present time, they are being encouraged to erect their new houses on other locations.

When the plan to make Sixteenth a University women's avenue finally goes through, the University will take over any fraternity houses then located on that street. On the advice of the board of regents, the Delta Tau fraternity stopped building operations after the basement had been dug between R and S on Sixteenth. They now are planning to erect their new house on another site close to the campus.

Six fraternities, other than the Delts, own property on Sixteenth, while six sororities have property there, four of them on the west side of the street.

The fraternities which own houses or lots on the proposed Coed Row are the Delta Tau Delta, Alpha Sigma Phi, Sigma Chi, Phi Kappa Psi, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Chi, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. The sororities which own lots are Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Delta Delta Delta, and Alpha Chi Omega. The Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta sororities have built new homes this summer, the Kappas on the east side of Sixteenth and the Thetas on the west side.

The tentative plans as now outlined call for the exclusion in time, of all fraternity and sorority houses from the west side of Sixteenth Street. It will be many years,

however, before the University expands to that street, and the new Kappa Alpha Theta house on the southwest corner of Sixteenth and R probably will not be disturbed until it is ready to be replaced.

No action has been taken to stop the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority from building on their lot just west of the Thetas, nor to stop the Gamma Phi Betas from erecting a new home on a lot a few sites north of the new Kappa Alpha Theta home.

About the only definite action the regents have taken as yet is to encourage fraternities not to build on Sixteenth Street, but to erect their new homes in other districts.

The new plan is being sponsored with the idea of grouping the University women in one section of the city, and to prevent the erection of fraternity and sorority houses side by side. It bids fair to meet with the whole-hearted support of both fraternity and sorority alumni.

But, more particularly, the plan will provide a dormitory section on the city campus. It will make possible the erection of modern dormitories for women in one group, relieving a condition of inadequate dormitory facilities on the campus.

Coed Avenue will not become a reality for a number of years. It will not be possible until increased appropriations are secured from the legislature. But, when the dormitory zone is realized it will make for a larger and more beautiful University of Nebraska campus.—*The Nebraska Alumnus*

SLIGHTING COLLEGE STUDIES

Reprinted from *The Literary Digest* for November 21, 1925

Matters have now reached the pass where voices in the East, West, and Center of our country are raised in college halls against the neglect of cultural activities by our students. Athletics, social life, even pure laziness, it seems, demand more attention than books and studies. And worse yet, according to President Lowell, this attitude is abetted by recent graduates. "When I have one of Harvard's robust graduates come to me and loudly say, 'I am a red-blooded man; I want to know why the football team doesn't win,' I can not help recalling what the physiologists say, that human blood is most red when it has not been through the brain." President Lowell confided his thoughts to the Convention of American Universities "behind closed doors" in New Haven. The doors were evidently too thin. "Students and graduates of this generation," he says, "are far more proud of their achievements on the athletic field and on the campus than in the classroom." President Little of Michigan University complains of neglected studies, though he recommends athletics as an antidote to more frivolous avocations. On the Pacific Coast, a professorial Thersites is even more bitter against the growing effeminacy of college students, and cheerfully commits the future of the nation to the "roughnecks" who can not go to college. As reported by the press, President Lowell who later complained of being misquoted, says:

"If it is true that in four years men in college will not acquire any desire to live an intellectual life, how can we expect to produce the men we need to carry on the work of the last generation in business, politics, and the other walks of life? We can only give the world leaders proper training by arousing in our youth a love and desire for the things they have no use for now.

"What can we do to arouse this interest? I would say that this is the crux of our educational problems. Certainly the answer to this does not lie in abolishing out-

side interests, such as athletics, publication competitions, and other activities. Such a course would simply throw the men off into other forms of pleasure, that would be harmful and destructive, and take them all the further from intellectual and all-round development.

"If we could make youth feel that scholarship was worthwhile, we would undoubtedly have more scholars. The question is, how are we to do this? One way is to get rid of the idea prevalent among undergraduates that a man studies hard for honors only because he wants to and does not care for anything else. As soon as students can be made to realize that examinations are not a test of an ability to grind and work unusually hard, but are rather a test of intellectual grasp, mental ability, and general taste, then they will show some interest and see that this kind of work is really worthy of effort.

"Another requisite for the accomplishment of this purpose is to give the students more personal contact with their instructors. And this contact should be not with a man who has an intellectual interest in only one particular phase of his subject, but with one who sees clearly all that goes on in the whole field with which he is connected. A narrow viewpoint can only harm the student who is interested often in widely divergent topics."

President Little turns to athletics as a means of salvation:

"In the day of highly explosive mixtures of youth, gasoline, and liquor, borne swiftly on balloon tires to remote retreats; in an era of college comic publications and terpsichorean efforts skimming on the thinnest possible ice of decency, it would take Hercules himself to guarantee a fair substitute, and I believe he cheerfully would admit that the Augean Stables were in comparison an early season practice game."

Dr. J. B. Finley, who has just surrendered his professorship in the University of California to become dean of the University of Mexico, declares "our universities of today turn out 75 per cent of their graduates unable to speak and write the English language correctly." His remedy advanced in a dispatch to the *New York World* is to limit the privilege of university training to those who are intellectually worthy:

"Our Nation probably will be saved, for a few years at least, by the young men who cannot go to a college or university.

"Manhood is the ideal that is being overlooked in our educational system. We are trying to polish an article that is veneered. Give me an oak tree with the bark on it.

"There was a time when a father, realizing that his son was not up to standard, picked out a school that was known to be hard-boiled.

"A master of arts or a doctor of philosophy is now a boy whose parents have money enough to keep him in college until the professors are tired of looking at him.

"When I sit in a classroom and look at a male student who hides his mental weakness and moral unfitness behind a coat of face powder and cosmetics, I wonder which way our civilization is headed.

"I am not worried about our women. Girls may dress as they please and play upon the charms of sex. The heart of a mother is not far beneath the surface.

"I do not wish to assume the dramatic rôle of cynic or pessimist, but as I leave behind me the shores of a country of which every American is proud I confess to some misgivings. We have built our colleges and universities to produce better citizens. Are they doing it?"

Dr. Finley urges "selection of men for university careers as truly as dogs are selected for a dog show." Then in conclusion:

"What is the remedy? We never shall give up our colleges and universities. Limit the opportunities to those who are seriously in quest of knowledge. A thoroughbred dog wins the ribbons at a dog show. Let the man who believes in himself have our college degrees. Latin and mathematics are but the daily dozen for the exercise of brains. Give us men."

President Lowell may lean back and sigh over the *laissez faire* response his words receive in the *New York Sun*. It is not outside college that boys are "agonized over":

"It is impossible not to sympathize with Dr. Lowell's profound regret that so many students regard their studies as a chore to be done as quickly and easily as possible. Yet it is to be doubted that in this respect boys and girls differ much from the general run of adult humans. Even in adult life, when most men and women find it necessary to concentrate their energies on the sole business of earning a living, such singleness of purpose is rare.

"There are, to be sure, individuals who find in work such complete absorption that little else matters. These are the persons who usually succeed in attaining distinction in whatever they undertake. These are they who, in the poet's phrase, while their companions sleep, are toiling upward in the night. They are not always geniuses, but they at least have two of the indispensable qualities of genius, the 'transcendent capacity of taking trouble,' of which Carlyle wrote, and the 'great aptitude for patience,' which Buffon described as genius itself."

Mr. Jesse Lynch Williams, in *Scribner's*, is pleasantly ironic on the subject:

"If a young man really wants an education, he can get one anywhere, even at college. To be sure, few of them nowadays seem very keen to be educated at all. Perhaps that is why so many of them are crowding into our universities. The motive is not educational but social. At college the little sons of new wealth will meet the right sort. For in this land of the free and home of the brave it is undemocratic to acknowledge that we have class distinctions, but a university degree makes a very convenient badge of social status without jeopardizing our theoretical democracy. It stamps the wearer as a college man. He belongs to the American gentry, and is listed in the Social Register.

"Whatever may be the motive, they are now storming our academic strongholds in such unprecedented hordes, like the Goths and Vandals of long ago, that some of our older universities have raised their standards, like walls, for their self-protection. It is not only much harder to get in, but far harder to say in, than it was in the good old days. Our American colleges used to welcome almost anybody. Now they have begun to pick and choose.

"This is creating considerable dissatisfaction among certain of the loyal alumni who always give three cheers for dear old Alma Mater but seldom anything else. For not only is this new and fatal policy keeping out valuable athletes, but even sons of prominent graduates. One of the questions asked last fall in the 'psychological test,' which is really an innocent-looking camouflage for rejecting undesirables, was: 'Why do you want to go to college?' The answer supplied by one young hopeful whose father had been a 'big man' in college was: 'To become eligible for the University Club.' He was not admitted."

Permanent Advisors

WHO is the Permanent Financial Advisor of your chapter? Where does she live? The Permanent Advisor is a required member of every chapter finance committee. She is expected to serve over a period of years and is selected by the chapter. Preferably she is to be a Kappa, and so she is, in all but two instances where Kappas were not available and admired friends were asked to serve in such a capacity. She is the secretary of the committee and keeps on file in a note book all financial communications. It is hoped that in the course of years constant association with said note book will transform her into a sort of financial wizard—able to solve chapter financial problems at a glance. For the present she is frequently a much harassed lady attempting everything from advice on balanced budgets to college girl diet.

There are several things which chapters should recognize about Permanent Advisors. These women are giving graciously and willingly of their time—and in great abundance in many instances. They love to do it, of course, but there are countless demands upon the time of the most loyal Kappas after college days. Their service can mean only one thing—that they love and have faith in the chapters which they serve, and in the high ambition of the fraternity. Love expressed in fine service deserves recognition. A loyalty keen enough to live itself out in hard work should command the respect of the group for whom the work is done. A chapter owes much to its Permanent Advisor. It should give her loving confidence, sympathetic consideration, admiring recognition of the loyalty that has lasted. Such attention need not be abstract. Meetings planned in advance, and of which the Permanent Advisor is notified in advance, are fully appreciated by both the busy mother and the stirring professional woman. Meetings held on scheduled time and crowded full of worthwhile endeavor save the money of a Permanent Advisor paying someone to take care of baby—and help her to write out the required check when home again with a feeling that it has been worthwhile. You will never believe it now—but most Permanent Advisors are busier than college girls and need prior consideration in determining time and length of meetings.

Permanent Advisors have offered chapters their services, at each chapter's own request. The committees must be careful, then, that in the rush of college living they do not omit these invited guests from their financial deliberations. The maturity of greater age and experience produces sound judgment valuable in financial matters. Careful budget planning in the

presence of a Permanent Advisor is bound to elicit worthwhile advice from her in the matter of expense paring. In the year's operation of the planned budget the Permanent Advisor can be of real help in countless ways—cleaning and repair problems, menu planning, and so forth. (What she does not know she can make up with an air of grave dignity—I whisper to any horror-struck P. A. who may read this.) The active manipulation of any budget produces problems which the advisor should be called upon to help solve. She should be a real aid in bill collecting. Frequently, being removed from the active chapter viewpoint, she can make a debtor realize that bill collecting is impersonal and essential—not a subject for the debtor to be hurt about, but the chapter, if any hurt be necessary anywhere.

The Permanent Advisor is most of all what her name implies—permanent in the shifting population of a chapter house. It is for her to conserve for the future and use intelligently the worthwhile experiences of today. Classes graduate and scatter, and all too frequently the experiences that have taught them much are not passed on to those behind.

In proportion to her interest and ability the Permanent Advisor will permit of no such waste in the years ahead. What a chapter achieves that is fundamental will be told about and so be of value to the chapter groups that follow after.

Clear to the vision of all should be the fact that we build not for one college year. What we have as a fraternity today has come from years of patient effort on the part of those who have gone before. Chapters of today have received much. It is their obligation to give much. It is necessary that the fraternity be the better for the contribution of each graduating class. When this is not so, the given graduating class has failed in fullness of service and Kappa has been weakened.

In the fine service of the fifty-four Kappas who are giving of their scanty time to the aid of the chapters as the Permanent Advisors, every wearer of the Key should recognize a measure by which to judge her own loyalty and devotion; every Kappa should feel her individual inspiration to fuller participation and deeper co-operation in the affairs of this fraternity.

Remember cleanliness is akin to godliness—Use *FAB!*

FAB Campaign News

We took the contract for selling *FAB* just a year ago. Due to delay for several reasons, the orders did not begin to come in until April so that the distribution was not made until January. All the chapters have now received their percentage on sales.

The total number of orders received to date is 5058. More than half have come from the active chapters. There have been no orders from four active chapters and twenty-nine *alumnæ* associations.

"Individual Responsibility" seems to be lacking in many chapters as well as associations, and also with many of the vice presidents.

Delta Province has the most orders and Indiana the most among the states. Delta, of Indiana University, our oldest chapter, leads all the others in number of orders secured, with Gamma Delta (Purdue, Indiana) in second place, while Gamma Epsilon (Pittsburgh) ranks third.

Columbus *Alumnæ* Association with Beta Nu Building Association has the most orders among the *alumnæ* groups. New York is second, and since the total from New York goes to the Endowment Fund, that is the largest amount for the Fund. Tulsa stands in third place.

The next distribution will be made the first of May in order that the checks may be in the hands of the secretaries in time for their annual reports.

Whenever possible please remit money for orders by check or money order. Bills or stamps are more easily stolen in the mail, and it is more difficult to keep account of them.

This is the kind of a letter that cheers the Chairman of the *FAB* Campaign on her way. Gamma Delta, the youngest chapter in the province, ranks second to the oldest chapter in the fraternity in the number of orders for *FAB*. Gamma Delta had a *FAB* organization for the Delta Province Convention and the chapter organization has been on the job all the time.

To all chapters: "Go thou and do likewise, only do better!"

January 21, 1926

My dear Mrs. Walker:

Emily Kennedy, our corresponding secretary, gave me your letter, and I wish to thank you very much for sending the money. I am enclosing a check for \$66 (sixty-six dollars), the amount which was our share of the *FAB* sales. We wish to give this money to the Endowment Fund, as that was the end we had in view

when we sold the *FAB*. Besides, we feel that we have done little enough to help the national projects, and this is one of the times when we can do our bit.

Can you tell me the time limit on sending in orders? I am not sure, and would like to know how to plan our campaign.

I wish you all success in this work, and Gamma Delta is going to do all in her power to make our name first instead of second.

Sincerely yours,

MARTHA C. DUKES,

Chairman, FAB Committee Gamma Delta Chapter

HE WENT DIRECT TO THE SOURCE

Judge (to culprit): So we caught you with this bundle of silverware, eh? Whom did you rob?

Inexperienced Burglar: Two fraternity houses, sir.

Judge (to orderly): Call up all of the downtown hotels and have them claim this stuff.—*Carnegie Tech Puppet* via *Triad* of *Acacia*

PROBABLY IT DOES

Visitor: What does the chaplain do here?

Fresh: Oh, he gets up and looks over the student body and then prays for the college.—*Black and Blue Jay* via *Triad* of *Acacia*

A new university is being planned as a memorial to the late President Wilson. A fund of \$5,000,000 is sought for the proposed institution, which is to be located near Washington.—*The Purple, Green, and Gold* of *Lambda Chi Alpha* via *Triad* of *Acacia*

The oldest college student in America is John Franklin Browne, age 75, who is gratifying his passion for learning at Salem College in West Virginia. We understand that recently he was very much put out because the folks at home wouldn't allow him to have the family car during Junior Prom week.—*Sigma Chi Quarterly*

Soph: Yes, I was a freshman once. I spent some of the happiest years of my life as a freshman.—*Bison* via *Sigma Chi Quarterly*

Endowment

DEAR KAPPAS:

Hearty good wishes to you for the New Year. We are hoping that you are wishing the Endowment Fund a prosperous year. We feel that 1926, particularly the first half of the year, is especially important because it marks that lap of our race to sell *FAB* and earn money for Endowment, as well as our chance to do as much as possible on Life Memberships before convention.

The most frequent question coming to your chairman is, "Won't you please send me a copy of the latest report of Endowment to read at our next meeting?" We, therefore, plan to give a report in each issue of *THE KEY* and trust that both active chapters and alumnae associations will present it at one of their meetings.

The Endowment Fund on November 30, 1925, consisted of \$5,229.73 derived from the following sources.

Sinking Fund	\$1,650.00
Life Membership payments on 508 signed pledges	2,593.00
Contributions from alumnae associations and chapters	656.50
Interest on Sinking Fund invested in Liberty Bonds and bank balance	275.32
Income from interest on loans to chapters after 4 per cent is paid on loan and expenses of Endowment defrayed	258.15

\$5,432.97

Earnings of Endowment to June 30, 1925, paid to Executive Office toward its support	203.24
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Balance \$5,229.73

The balance is held as follows:

Loaned to Beta Upsilon Chapter	\$3,000.00
Invested in common stock of the Panhellenic House Association, Incorporated	100.00
Sinking Fund, invested in United States Liberty Bonds	1,650.00
Bank balance, Miners Bank of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania	479.73

Balance \$5,229.73

Six chapters, Beta Mu, Beta Zeta, Beta Kappa, Delta, Sigma, and Beta Upsilon have received loans for chapter houses through the Endowment Fund. The loans have totaled \$37,000 of which \$34,000 is still outstanding. *THE KEY* Publication Fund has loaned \$32,600, the Endowment

Fund, \$3,000, and the Rose McGill Fund, \$1,400. These loans are possible because of the arrangement whereby Endowment may borrow money from THE KEY Publication Fund and the Rose McGill Fund pending the time when the Endowment Fund itself will be large enough to make substantial loans.

In closing, your chairman feels that the biggest contribution that we, as Kappas can make to Endowment in the next few months is to co-operate in every possible way with Mrs. Minnie Royse Walker, chairman of the *FAB* committee, 199 Fulton Street, New York City, in selling *FAB*.

Loyally,

IRENE FARNHAM CONRAD,
Chairman, Endowment Fund

Life Memberships are \$10 payable in two installments. Mail check to Kappa Kappa Gamma Endowment Fund, 40 Neron Place, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Congratulations to the chairman of the Endowment Fund upon the arrival of Sherman Farnham Conrad on February 10, 1926—another birthday in the month of great men!

QUIET ENOUGH THEN!

"So that's your new overcoat, eh? Isn't it rather loud?"

"It's all right—when I put on a muffler."—*Boston Transcript* via *Triad* of Acacia

National expression of sentiment against an excessive stag line has been expressed by Pi Beta Phi, who has also added to its national house rules a rule to the effect that no man who comes to a Pi Beta Phi house or function under the influence of liquor to any extent whatever may return to the house or to any other function for the remainder of the current semester or term.

Alumnae Department

THE BOSTON INTERCOLLEGIATE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

At last we feel we have the machinery with which to carry on the work of a real Alumnae Association. We are only a year old, you know, and have had no officers or real goal until now. At our October meeting committees were appointed, and at the November meeting we elected four officers and two members of the executive board. So, with these officers and board members we hope to keep the wheels, or should I say "keys," turning, opening new ways to service for Kappa.

The officers elected were as follows: President, Mrs. Francis W. Willett; vice president, Mrs. Ernest P. Railsback; secretary, Mrs. Melvin Gurshin, and treasurer, Mrs. Kenneth Collins. Mrs. Frederick H. Andres and Beatrice Woodman are members of the executive board. We have three committees, with three members serving on each, the nominating, the membership and the program. Mrs. Kenneth Collins, as chairman of the FAB campaign in our association, is working very hard and has asked every one to be responsible for selling at least ten boxes. Mrs. Crocker, as chairman of the membership committee, is writing, telephoning, or calling on all Kappas whom we hear of who have made Boston their home either temporarily or permanently. Since we are primarily a group of Kappas from many chapters, we wish to welcome all Kappas who come to Boston. If you come only for a short time do let us hear from you, and perhaps it may be just at the time of one of our monthly meetings, which are on the third Wednes-

day afternoon, in the home of one of our members, with one or two other members acting as hostesses with her. The November meeting was a delightful one in Mrs. Andres' home in Arlington, one of Boston's suburbs. The January meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. Collins on Charles Street, in the quaint old Beacon Hill section.

SYRACUSE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

On November 14, the annual Syracuse-Colgate football game was played in Syracuse. As usual, it was the occasion for a large alumnae gathering the night preceding. Among the many Syracuse graduates who returned for the reunion and the game were a number of Kappas. The class of 1925 made a splendid showing. Those who visited the chapter house were Vivian Watkins, Irene Lloyd, Frances Sharp, Florence Bray, Marjorie Latham, Grace Miller, Katherine Kingston, Alice Pirnie, Katherine Robertson, Helen Cheney, Catherine Cahalan, and Pauline Steele.

FLORENCE KNAPP

WESTERN NEW YORK ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

It would be scarcely true to say that the Western New York Association was dormant, for all its members are probably at this moment doing arduous shopping in the downtown stores; but as an *Association*, perhaps we might say that it is not functioning actively just now. This being an alumnae association, there are too many stockings to fill! So we planned not to have a December meeting. That is fine for everybody but the corresponding secretary. What is a

secretary going to write about when nothing has happened, fraternally speaking?

Of course there was our November meeting which was in the highly enjoyable form of a dinner at the Samovar. We were glad to welcome four new members who have recently come to Rochester. We have also received the names of two more Kappas, new residents of Rochester, from our Grand Secretary, Mrs. Burt. They are Priscilla Green, Beta Mu, at 256 Dartmouth Street, and Mrs. R. LeB. Goodwin, Gamma Kappa, at 10 Alvin Place.

If anyone wants to find Mrs. Lansing, Phi, she may be found at the Art gallery these days. She has a new vocation which is proving very interesting for her, and for us who find her so pleasantly at the desk when we visit the Gallery. Mrs. Lansing felt the need of something to occupy her time, when her son, Richard, left to attend a boys' school this winter.

At the last meeting Laura Spur, Beta Beta, was elected an alternate to the Panhellenic Board.

The annual Panhellenic bridge party was held at the D.A.R. house on November 21 and was a very delightful affair.

The Western New York Association would like to issue a plea, and if only every Kappa in the geographical province of the Western New York Association would read this plea, it might prove successful. We wish that we might receive into active membership every Kappa alumna residing in this end of New York State, and most particularly those Kappas who live in Buffalo and the towns near to Rochester, who by very little effort, could join us in several of our meetings during the year. Our regular meetings are on the first Monday night of each month and then we have an annual luncheon in May and an annual dinner in the fall, both of which would be splendid opportunities for out-

of-town Kappas to attend. We feel that they might enjoy the fraternity contact, and we know that we would particularly. If Kappas residing in Buffalo and other cities of Western New York would only send their names to the corresponding secretary of this association, whose address is given in the front pages of *THE KEY*, we would be most happy to get in touch with them.

At the present moment we have two new Kappas in Buffalo, Mrs. Karl Jenks, Beta Delta, at 319 Colvin Parkway, and Mrs. Everett Weidle (Rose Williams, Gamma Rho), at 41 Somerton Avenue, Kenmore, New York. Rose Williams Weidle has just come from the Cleveland Alumnae Association, where she has been quite an active member.

The Western New York Alumnae Association wishes to thank Mrs. Westermann for the charming little Christmas greeting which she sent to us, and may we in turn extend a wish for happiness all through the coming year to Mrs. Westermann and to Kappas everywhere.

Loyally,

RUTH BALDWIN PIERSON

TORONTO ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Though Easter wishes will be more in order when this appears, it is now the time when Christmas preparations keep us busy, and Santa Claus demonstrations in the department stores thrill the children and grown-ups alike with Christmas delight and expectancy. A few soft snow falls have come to add the mystic touch and proper setting for the season. So with our minds full of Christmas plans and thoughts for some of our own members in far places particularly Jo Dickson with her husband and children in Inland China, and Rose McGill, who is progressing favorably at Gravenhurst, we include you all in a very big wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We are very interested to hear of convention in California next year and already several are considering it a splendid opportunity to see this land of sunny dreams under the most favorable auspices.

Our meetings—three so far this year—have been characteristically lively and busy. As an association we seem not to have lost the gay and friendly informality which we so much prized in our club meetings. We have an especial interest in the active chapter this year since it is their first experience as members of Panhellenic and we watch with pride their standing among the other fraternities. Together we have enjoyed some fine parties this fall, and did our best to assist them by giving them a Topsy-Turvy bridge party for their rushees. An Oliver Twist Party was the latest—the hostesses all costumed for the title rôle received their guests, prospective new members, garbed as old fashioned “Little Girls.” And some of us appeared for the first time as little boys in blue and blue and romped gleefully through the childish games.

Having had such a successful beginning, we are looking forward to the coming year and the joys it may bring.

JEAN I. HUTT

MIDDLEBURY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Middlebury Alumnæ Association met at luncheon at the Tea Shop in Rutland, Vermont, Tuesday, November 17, and afterwards had a business and social meeting. Miss Higley presided at the business meeting. Miss Ross, the Dean, Mrs. Bryant, wife of the head of the Physics Department, Mrs. G. H. V. Allen, our delegate to Ithaca, were there—also the mother of a Kappa pledge and a Kappa mother and daughter. Everyone came away with a deeper Kappa feeling. Much routine business was done, after which there was a discussion of

a possible delegate to the convention in California and a short talk on the Province Meeting by Mrs. Allen.

There was also news of some of our other alumnæ. Barbara Smith, '13, sailed from New York December 6 on a trip around the world. She expects to spend Christmas in Jerusalem, and will join a college friend in India about January 20, with whom she will continue her trip. She plans to arrive in San Francisco on her way home in August.

Florence Noble, '24, after a motor trip across the continent with her mother, Mrs. Jacobs and Professor Jacobs, has sailed for Honolulu.

Ruth Mary Collins, '25, is teaching in the Dana School at Wellesley.

We are looking forward to our next meeting which will take place at initiation time, when we expect quite a large gathering. LOUISE EDGERTON CLIFT

ITHACA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The campus is in the whirl of pre-vacation excitement and as most of us are connected with the University either through our own work or through that of our relatives we are carried along with the rest. Our executive committee is meeting next week to map out our program for the year after which meeting we will have our December gathering to start materializing our plans.

The item of greatest interest in the past few months has been the opening of Willard Straight Hall, the new union building, given in memory of Willard Straight by his wife in accordance with his wishes “to make Cornell a more human place.” The building has lounges and dining-rooms for both men and women, separately and in common, a large game room, a theater, offices and meeting rooms for student activities, bedrooms, and dormitories for visiting teams, university guests and visiting alumni—and alumnæ, of course. Though prima-

rily for the students, who become members of the union upon registration, faculty and alumni may become members if they so desire. Many of us are taking advantage of this that we may enjoy the privileges of the building. Its beautiful furnishings and splendid equipment promise to make it one of the most popular social centers of the university community.

PERSONALS

Sara Speer Miller, Psi '21, is the mother of a baby girl born September 15.

Another addition to a Psi family is a baby boy whose mother is Mildred Muller Klee, '20.

Mary McCormick, Psi, is back in Ithaca this year as librarian of the Ithaca High School.

GERTRUDE MATHEWSON

NEW YORK ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

New York Kappas are enjoying an interesting year. This "year" goes back to October, 1925, and extends to May, 1926. On the third of October, fifty Kappas lunched together at the Town Hall Club. Can you imagine a luncheon for which there were fifty reservations, and fifty people came? It actually happened, and was a splendid beginning for the year. Luncheon was followed by a meeting at which Mrs. Westermann, our National President, told us about Beta Province Convention.

On the afternoon of Hallowe'en the association played cards for the benefit of the Endowment Fund. Combining business and pleasure we cleared a neat little sum (\$81, if you would like to know) to go into a worthy fund. Perhaps I am "letting the cat out of the bag" but I believe Mrs. Goddard may expect this addition to the Fund from our card game. The credit for the success of the affair goes to Mrs. T. H. Low and Mrs. C. H. Hoard. The card

party was held in the Brooklyn store of Oppenheim-Collins, where there is a room in which the store allows clubs to have card parties, free of charge, providing the proceeds are used for some philanthropic purpose. We much approve of the system.

Our November meeting was held at the International House at 124th Street and Riverside Drive. The International House is a wonderful new dormitory for foreign students attending Columbia University. Here we united with the other members of Panhellenic in listening to a piano recital by one of America's leading women pianists, Olga Samaroff. It is superfluous to say that the recital was perfectly delightful. Our association gathered together for an hour's business meeting before the recital. Following the musical program, we all heard about the present status of the Panhellenic House-to-be. I could write a page about that, but this is not the proper place for it. We are all very much interested here in the Panhellenic House, and inasmuch as our Kappa President, Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn, is President of the Panhellenic House Association, you may know that we hear, think, and feel a great deal about the undertaking. We are proud, and justly so, of the work which Mrs. Hepburn is accomplishing. To return to the recital—that was not intended to be a money-making affair, and did not disappoint us in that respect. It did fulfill its purpose—to get Panhellenic girls together for a good time and to get them interested, or renew their interest, in the Panhellenic House.

Our next interest, in point of time, was the Panhellenic Ball, which was held on the first Friday in December in the Grand Ballroom of the Plaza Hotel. That was avowedly a money-making affair and it turned out to be a huge success in every way. We cleared over two thousand dollars! I may be pardoned for saying "we," I hope. It seems

more personal, and I feel quite sure the Kappas did their share. There were many keys on people whose faces were not familiar at our regular Kappa meetings. Evidently our letters and tickets, sent out to the more than five hundred Kappas who live in New York City and its environs, brought results. I hope some of the Kappas who were there and haven't become acquainted with our association will turn out for our meetings and see what jolly times we have.

The Panhellenic House is really coming. At present I can tell you this much: a piece of property for the building has been purchased by a holding company and plans for the building will soon be presented. The Panhellenic Club is now established in three pleasant rooms on the second floor of the building owned by the American Women's Association of Painters and Sculptors. It is located at 17 East Sixty-second Street, just off Fifth Avenue. Look it up.

On January 2, New York Kappas had an opportunity to see these club rooms, for we held our regular meeting there, preceded by luncheon in the tea room on the ground floor of the same building.

Our next affair to raise money for the House will be a Panhellenic theater party to see *Princess Flavia* at the Century Theater.

We have a little gossip to pass on:

Amy Gerecke, Psi, returned the first of September from taking a party on a European tour and the first of November she left to tour Spain, Algiers, and Morocco by auto. In February she will conduct a party on a cruise through the West Indies.

Zella Ward Tippy (Mrs. W. M., Iota), returned this fall from four months in Europe.

Katherine Thornton Willett (Mrs. Francis, Beta Xi), a very active Kappa from Boston, is in New York for a few months. Her address here is Alger Court, Bronxville, New York.

Gertrude McInness, Beta Mu, spent the summer abroad with her mother. She is now in New York and may be addressed at The Shelton.

Mrs. Guy H. Tolman is adding two new buildings to the summer camp which she conducts in northern New York. The camp is for adults.

Mrs. Louis Seagrave, Beta Pi, has recently moved to our city from Boston. Her address is Rivermere Apartments, Bronxville, New York.

Belle Trimble Ray (Mrs. G. W., Beta Xi) is making her home in Jackson Heights, Long Island.

A recent bride is Sadyebeth Heath Lowitz, Beta Delta '25. She was married September 12, 1925, at Holmfirth, St. Clair, Michigan, to Anson C. Lowitz. Mr. Lowitz is a Delta Kappa Epsilon from Wesleyan '23. They are now at home in The Traymore Dwellings, Bronxville, New York.

Our newest bride, however, is Gladys Burch Wolcott, better known as "Happy," from Kappa Chapter. She was married on November 21, 1925, at the Little Church Around the Corner in New York City, to Jack Wolcott.

Maud Andrus Macon (Mrs. W. W., Beta Tau) returned to us this fall from a year abroad. Her two daughters studied in Paris last year.

Mabel Potter Daggett, Beta Tau, is expected to return to New York very soon, after spending two years abroad. She lived for some time with Queen Marie of Roumania. You might be on the lookout for something interesting from her pen ere long.

MAUD HINDMAN FROST

PHILADELPHIA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

"When joy and duty clash
Let duty go to smash."

At the December meeting, we, the Philadelphia Alumnæ Association, while agreeing with Rebecca, sternly put be-

hind us such naughty ideas and diligently held a business meeting before turning our attention to the evening's entertainment, namely an auction.

Thanks to several clear thinkers, the business of taxes, house repairs, FAB and Christmas cards was soon settled, and the meeting immediately became engrossed in its Christmas shopping.

It was a great success, for there was no hurry, bustle, nor rush; no rash expenditure of cash, and best of all each Kappa had her cake and the association the pennies to put away in its house repair fund.

HELEN G. CROOKES

BETA IOTA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Beta Iota Alumnæ Association opened its 1925-26 season of activity a little later than usual, but we have already more than made up our lost time.

The first official meeting was held in Swarthmore November 3, and since then we have had a very delightful luncheon at the home of Mrs. Andrew Jackson, in Swarthmore—the first of our regular series of luncheon meetings throughout the winter—and a very pleasant (and, we understand, very profitable), card party under the able direction of Gertrude Wood Thatcher at Strath Haven Inn the following Wednesday. The purpose of the latter and the main subject of discussion at the former was, of course, our building fund.

We hope you all aren't getting bored with hearing Beta Iota talk so much about its new building fund. But if you—prosperous Kappas in gorgeous houses!—had existed since 1893 in one room whose actual measurements cannot be more than ten by fourteen, you too would be thrilled by the prospect of new quarters. And the prospect is now more than a prospect. It is even more than a possibility. It is already a probability and is within a little more than a

\$1,000 of being a reality. Is it much wonder that we talk of little else?

At the last luncheon, the members of the senior class of the active chapter were present as the guests of the association. They told us all about chapter and undergraduate affairs, as well as pledging prospects. It is always a real pleasure to have the actives with us at our meetings, as we are thus better able to fulfill our aim of keeping in the closest possible touch with our active chapter.

Several members were not able to be present at our last meeting as they were attending the wedding of Marjorie Kistler, '21, and Charles Larkin, '21, Phi Sigma Kappa, in Wilkes-Barre on December 5.

In case some of us do not know all our "Kappas in Literature," Beta Iota would like to "point with pride" to the December issue of the *Atlantic Monthly*, where will be found a most interesting article by Nora Waln, ex-'19, of whom we are most justly proud.

PITTSBURGH ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Greetings, sister Kappas! It has taken us a long time to get started, but when we do start, well, you know the old story of the tortoise and the hare. We've always liked that story, somehow! It gives such a good alibi!

In December, the Pittsburgh Alumnæ Association held a delightfully informal tea at the home of Virginia Niemann. "Peg" Davis Loomis presided at the tea table, and, in spite of the busy Christmas season, we had many loyal Kappas there.

At the same time, we had a business meeting at which the offices of president and secretary, made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. R. Evans and Phyllis Newlands, elected last spring, were filled. Mrs. Helena Flinn Gregg was elected president by an unanimous ballot, and

Mrs. Howard V. Krick was elected secretary.

Our next meeting, in January, is planned as an initiation of last years' seniors of the active chapter, into the alumnae organization, and, instead of the February meeting, we are planning our annual benefit bridge party. Last year the money we made was turned over to the chapter house. We hope to make the party an even greater success this year than last.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Helen E. Covalt to Harold Moore, Phi Delta Theta. The wedding will be a spring event.

Quite a number of Kappas have married since we last wrote to THE KEY. Mary C. Campbell was married to Dr. William Wolfer Briant, Phi Rho Sigma, on June 17, and Mary A. Merrick married Dr. Gerald R. Chain, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, on September 2. On October 22 Marion Mealy married Lewis G. Shryver. Marion's father performed the ceremony.

We also have some new babies to report, among them two future Kappas.

To Elizabeth Fulton Reese, on July 14, a son, Mark. This is "Beck's" third baby.

To Harriett Smith McLuckie, a daughter, Margery Jean, on October 25. This is Harriett's second baby.

To Hazel Kellett MacMillan, a son, Donald Curtis, in September.

To Louise Pennywitt Cameron, a daughter, Nancy Louise, December 3.

There! Isn't that a record to be proud of? Our family tree is spreading beyond our reach—just as this letter is getting beyond our humble control—Good hunting!

MRS. HOWARD V. KRICK

MORGANTOWN ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

We alumnae in Morgantown have some things of interest to write to you in this letter. We are going to begin with

Founders' Day. We always look forward to a grand reunion on October 13 and we knew the active members would expect us to be at the Kappa house that night, so we got our heads together to decide what we could do for the Kappas to make the day a memorable one. We decided, as the chapter had just bought a new home and were trying to make it look "homey," we alumnae members would paper the dining room and also have a new lighting fixture put in, providing it could be done before that Tuesday. It sounds like a fairy tale, but it was finished and the girls were so happy and felt sure they would enjoy their meals much more with such pleasant surroundings. At that joint meeting an interesting program was given. The history of Beta Upsilon was read and some of the noteworthy things that its members had accomplished. We have three members who have doctors' degrees, Margaret Buchanan, Byrd Turner, and Elizabeth Stalnacker, and three with masters' degrees from Columbia University, Miss Lytle, the Kappa house mother, Mrs. Mary Stewart Paull, and Virginia Miller. The history was followed by a musical program consisting largely of good old Kappa tunes, and at the close, light refreshments were served.

Thanksgiving is always a big day in Morgantown, for all the Old Grads make the W. and J. and West Virginia University football game a good excuse to get back to see their friends, and incidentally the game. Among the out of town visitors at the Kappa house were Mrs. Stratton from Williamson; Eleanor Miller, Agnes Talbott, Sara Watts, and Ruth McCue Greer from Fairmont; Marie Smart Wilkinson from Montgomery; Hazel Ross Leatherwood, and Lou Lanhan Sinsel from Clarksburg; Jeannette Schultz, who is teaching at Sistersville, and Katherine Cole, who is an art student at Carnegie Tech.

Miss Clara Lytle has recently been elected alumna member of the catalogue committee of Beta Upsilon Chapter.

Elizabeth Moore is now teaching Spanish in Panama.

We have one wedding to report, the marriage of Betty Goucher to Mr. Donald McCann, on Thursday, October 15. They will make their home in Akron, Ohio.

VIRGINIA MILLER

WASHINGTON, D.C., ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

November was a festive month with us. In the early part we had a delicious spread at the home of Letta Brock Stone, Epsilon; later we had a tea for the petitioning chapters at George Washington University and at the University of Maryland; and last, on the fourth Saturday, came our monthly luncheon at the clubhouse of the American Association of University Women.

A benefit card party was held at the same place December 9. On the last occasion we had also a miniature bazaar of novelties, which Helen Heinly, Beta Tau, was commissioned to buy for us in Europe last summer, and also a sale of goodies—nut bread, cookies, fudge, and so forth—from the hands of some of our famous cooks.

While there are only about thirty *bona fide* members of our Alumnæ Association here, there are eighty Kappas in Washington who represent thirty-three chapters. As the alumnæ of Chi are the most numerous by one or two, the personals this time will be confined to the eight from the University of Minnesota.

Mrs. Roy Adams (Ella Grace Clapp) is studying law at the National University, and expects to receive her degree there this June.

Charlotte Chatfield is doing research

work in home economics for the Department of Agriculture.

Mrs. Theodore Knappen (Nellie Cross) sets the record for Kappa relatives; she has ten in her family. Her sister, Kate Cross, now Mrs. F. C. Shenehon, was Grand Secretary and Grand President. Another sister, Clara, is Mrs. Fred A. Kiehle. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Norton Cross (Martha Ankeley) is not only a Kappa, but has three daughters who are Chi Kappas, as are also the three daughters of Mrs. Shenehon.

Mrs. Robert E. Olds (Rose Nabersberg) is our latest very welcome addition. Her husband, who is now Assistant Secretary of State, has held some very important positions in Paris, where they have been living for the last eight years. Mr. Olds was head of the American Red Cross in Paris during the war, he was president of the American Library of Paris, and American Arbiter of the British-American Arbitration Tribunal.

Mrs. Warren W. Owens (Alice C. Officer) has two daughters at Smith College and a sixteen-year-old boy in high school.

Mrs. Gilman Smith (Addie Tidd), who was a charter member of Chi, is still active in Kappa service; she was chairman of our tea committee for November. Her only son is living in Texas.

Mrs. Edward R. Stone (Margaret Castle) has just returned to us from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where her husband, Colonel Stone, was stationed.

Mrs. Seiforde Stellwagen (Elinor W. Lynch), who was our president last year, has a small daughter, Barbara, born October 27. She was heralded by her father with the words, "Well, we now have some Kappa material."

KAPPAS GATHERING IN BALTIMORE

In Baltimore, just forty-five miles from Washington, Kappas are gathering,

though as yet there is no club or organization. At the home of Mrs. Carlton Douglas (Nina Vest), Upsilon, was held the first meeting at which the following were present: Mrs. John L. Tregellas (Kathryn Strong), Beta Mu; Elizabeth Rutherford, Beta Lambda; Alfreda Honeywell, Gamma Alpha; Marie Duggan, Sigma, and Alice Du Breuil, Psi. Another tea for Maryland Kappas was given December 29, at the home of Alice Du Breuil. It is interesting that five of the Kappas now in Baltimore are nurses in training at Johns Hopkins Hospital: Polly Pruett, Nancy Anderson, Mildred Taylor, Anna Beckwith, Juanita Thayer. A sixth, Alfreda Honeywell, is dietitian there.

ALICE JOUVEAU DU BREUIL

AKRON ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Akron Alumnæ Association has been more than busy during November and December, attending parties. Just one, however, was for social purposes. This was a luncheon bridge party given at the home of Blanche Loomis. Much amusement was furnished by two of the girls endeavoring to sell such articles as "jello" and "egg-beaters" to raise money for the Students' Aid Fund.

All the other parties were benefit bridges, to raise money for the Helen Harter Hay Memorial Fund—that is the Students' Aid Fund, and also to help the active chapter. There were seven of these parties in November. Mrs. Giltner was appointed chairman. Those who entertained were Katherine Meisner, Blanche Loomis, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. King, Mrs. Akers, Mrs. Sechrist, and Mrs. Kohler. The parties continued in December. Mrs. Wilson, Margaret Gardner, Kathryn Kryder, and Dorothy Armstrong had bridge teas at their respective homes.

The parties were all a grand success.

We not only had a good time but we also succeeded in raising our quota for the fund.

MRS. STERLING W. ALDERFER

COLUMBUS ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

When I wrote my last letter Columbus was in the midst of its fall rummage sale and I am glad to report that my estimate of the proceeds fell short of the actual amount. We were fortunate to rent our tables and racks to another group holding a sale the following week. Counting this and the sale of a dress suit made after we closed, our total was boosted to \$285.62.

On December 9, seven hundred and fifty university women representing twenty-four sororities on Ohio State campus dined together at the new Neil House. This hotel replaces the old one of the same name which has housed many famous personages since it was first built in 1832. Charles Dickens stopped there on his trip through the United States mentioning it in his *American Notes*. The occasion of this function was to award the annual prize given by the City Panhellenic Association to the group holding the highest scholastic record for the previous year. Of the national sororities Alpha Xi Delta came in first with an average of 2.572, second Sigma Kappa with 2.497 and third Kappa Kappa Gamma with 2.469. Two locals obtained very high records but were unable to compete for the prize as they were not members of National Panhellenic. For the second time consecutively Lillian Maetzel of Kappa Kappa Gamma was awarded the corsage for having the highest number of points of any sorority girl. She held 397.9 out of a possible 400 beating her own record of last year by a fraction of a point. Margaret Wood Sater, '21, treasurer of this organization for the coming year

and Frances Davis, '25, from the office of the dean of women represented Kappa at the speakers' table.

Mrs. George L. Gule, 894 Franklin Avenue, has been appointed alumnae registrar for Beta Nu Chapter. Next spring a new national directory is to be published as well as the history of each chapter. Will you communicate with her if you have changed your address, if you are doing some interesting work or have heard of honors received by other Beta Nus. It is also our desire to keep our record up 100 per cent in the future so write 894 Franklin Avenue in your address book.

The marriage of Gerald Roush, '21, to Harold Weisner, Pi Kappa Alpha, took place October 21. They are now living at 655 East Eighty-second Street, Chicago, Illinois.

December 12 was the date of the marriage of Julia Davis to Walter Vernon Harrison formerly of Logansport, Indiana. They will make their home in St. Louis, Missouri.

Mrs. Charles Farber (Mary Hull, '94), is taking a course in filing this winter at the Library Institute in Chicago. Her new address is 2708 East Seventy-sixth Street. Other members of our association away this year are: Margaret Speaks, '25, who is studying voice in New York City; Edna Rogers Hamilton, '17, Elma Hamilton Ebright, '18, Nola Dysle Havens, and Nell Parker Van Buskirk who are in Florida.

We are sorry to lose Helen Cashatt Drais who has moved to 332 Western Avenue, care of Mrs. L. C. Davis, Los Angeles, California.

By the time this letter is in print we will have started on the new year, may it bring to each association and chapter happiness and prosperity.

CLARA PIERCE

CINCINNATI ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

We have already passed the New Year, with its good resolutions and hopeful joys. So much has happened since the last edition of THE KEY. First of all, in the first part of December was the active-alumnae meeting. We had a large attendance of both actives and alumnae and all seemed to get acquainted. We have found meetings of this type very beneficial for the two organizations; we can learn to know the pledges and actives while they can find that we are really vitally interested in the work they are doing and the standards they are upholding.

In January there was a luncheon meeting, at which we had a bakery sale. It was decided at the beginning of the year that a good way to raise money was to have several sales of bakery goods during the year. Certain members bring the supplies and the others buy them. We not only help the association in this way, but we treat ourselves and our families with home-baked cakes, and cookies.

On December 14, we and our mothers were invited to a banquet, entertainment, and dance, given by the Kappa Dads. Could there be a more lovely thing than to have a party where Kappa Dads, and Kappa Mothers, and Kappa girls get together, meet each other, and get acquainted?

The Christmas Dance was held December 21 in one of Cincinnati's new hotels. It was just as all Kappa Christmas dances—perfect.

Before we stop, something must be said of all the engagements, and weddings within our association. Helen Storrs has announced her engagement to Jack Manss, Sigma Chi; Jane Schmid, Betty Sidle, Helen Beiderwelle, and Mildred Brokate have married, and Katherine Walker Beaman has a young son, Jimmie, Jr., all within two months.

MARY ELIZABETH KUNZ

CLEVELAND ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Cleveland Kappas send greetings and best wishes to all our chapters and especially to those from which our members come.

We feel glad to have new girls from our latest Ohio chapter at Delaware join us when they are in Cleveland. Active girls help keep alive our Kappa spirit.

Just now we have several plans forming. We are helping to make a success of the big Panhellenic dance to be given December 18 at the University Club. Cleveland Panhellenic supports a scholarship for two girls at Western Reserve University. All the fraternity women in Cleveland work well together and really do things.

In February we are to have our annual card party for the Student Aid Fund. We intend having it at a home this year instead of at a hotel.

In January we are trying our first dinner dance at the new Westlake Hotel. Our husbands enjoyed our evening card party in October so much that they are anxious to get together again.

We are glad to have an interesting wedding to report. Edith St. John Smith was married November 18 to Mr. Louis J. Esty, an attorney and business man of Cleveland. They are enjoying a month's wedding trip to Bermuda and will be at home after January 1 at 2545 Wellington Road, Cleveland.

SUE DOUDICAN

RHO ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The last Rho Alumnæ letter brought us up to the initiation in October, when one old Rho Sigma, Elinor Hills Christy, came from Cincinnati to join in the circle of the golden key with ten pledges. Since then our plan has been to readjust ourselves to the new school year, and its duties as an association.

At our last meeting we were very

fortunate in having with us for an hour, Clara Pierce of Beta Mu.

The last week in October was a joyous one for all sons and daughters of Ohio Wesleyan University, because it was Homecoming week, when, as each year brings different ones back, we feel grateful to the old college for the spirit and power it still holds over her alumnæ to bring old acquaintances back to one another—where a friendly glance, word, or handshake sends us back to our every day world, freshened by the enthusiasm of the collegiate world.

Kappa Kappa Gamma celebrated her first Homecoming by having a tea at the home of Amelia Watson after the football game on Saturday afternoon. Many of the old girls were back, and felt again the thrill of being with new and old Kappa sisters.

The chief topic of interest last month was rushing, and how we could best help the active chapter.

During Rush Week three homes of the alumnæ were opened to the girls for their parties. An evening bridge party was held at the home of Mrs. Robert May, and a play was given at Mrs. Seman's. The last party was a get-together evening, held at Mrs. Russell's home.

The outcome of Rush Week was truly very flattering, as well as a happy consummation of a strenuous week. Not a bid was lost, and we pledged fourteen girls at the pledging services, which was one of three of the largest groups pledged on the campus. We are very proud of our pledges.

Yes, we are "Fabbing!" Our campaign has been a success in the small way we were compelled to carry it on, but we are glad and happy to help FAB.

We send our greetings and best wishes to all chapters, alumnæ, and active, for much success during this coming new year.

EDITH HALL RUSSELL

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Indianapolis Alumnæ Association entertained with its annual Christmas party, Saturday, December 12, at the home of Mrs. Fred Mills. Mrs. Everett Schofield (Betty Bogert, Mu), read a Christmas story which was acted by some of the girls. This was followed by a social hour and an Exchange of gifts.

Mrs. Schofield has also played the rôle of Nettie Minnick, the leading character in *Minnick*, the first play of the season put on by the Little Theater Society of Indiana. She is serving as chairman of the monthly play reading and weekly radio programs of the Little Theater Society which are broadcast over the good will station WFBM.

We are glad to welcome two new Kappas to Indianapolis, Mrs. Harry Sunderland (Dorothy Tevis, Iota), who has moved here from Martinsville, and Mrs. William Henry Harrison from Omaha, Nebraska.

Wilhelmena Mass, Delta, was married on August 19, to William L. Thompson, Sigma Chi, of Indianapolis. They are making their home here.

On November 14, Helen Cox, Delta, was married to Dwight Van Osdol, Beta Theta Pi, of Rushville. They will also live here.

On November 5, Mildred Stockdale, Mu, was married to Deane Maurice Stephenson, Phi Delta Theta. They are living in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Dwight Van Osdol (Helen Cox, Delta), has had as her guest Mildred Sheets (Delta), and Mrs. Frank Boyer (Francis Adams, Delta), of Terre Haute.

Jessica Wood McKeand (Iota), formerly of Indianapolis, has been visiting here from Miami, Florida.

Thelma Morgan Donovan (Delta), of Milwaukee, has been visiting her parents.

Alma Holt Wiant (Iota), of Parkersburg, West Virginia, has been visiting

Mrs. William Remy (Isabelle Hughes, Iota).

Born, December 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Faris (Kathleen Stanley, Delta), a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Faris now live in Washington, D.C.

Born, October 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Allerdice (Laura Kirkpatrick, Mu), a son.

Born, October 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ostrander (Guinivere Ham, Mu), a daughter, Nancy.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones (Rhoda Davis, Beta Eta), will leave after the holidays for a trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. Wickliffe B. Lewis (Margaret Harlan, Delta), has moved to Charleston, West Virginia.

Mrs. G. B. Taylor (Sue Davis, Iota), has gone to Florida for the winter.

We are proud of our vice president, Mrs. Ruth Hendrickson Allee (Mu), whose poem written to Mrs. Lydia Kolbe, was recently published in the poetry contest in *THE KEY*. Mrs. Allee is also Treasurer on the Panhellenic Board.

WANDA M. PEARSON

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

November 20-21 were most eventful days in the annals of Indiana University history. On Friday, November 20, the new Women's Memorial Hall was dedicated to those women from Indiana University who had given their services and lives in the World War. This building is just across the street from our new Kappa house and is most beautiful with its four great towers and its open entrance arches. The address of welcome at this dedication was given by Mrs. S. F. Teter, a Delta Kappa, and trustee of the University. Other addresses were by Miss Agnes Wells, Dean of Women, under whose enthusiastic persistence the building became no longer a dream but a reality—Mrs. Virginia Meredith, trustee

of Purdue University, and Judge Ira Batman, of Bloomington.

On November 21 before the Indiana-Purdue football game the new stadium was dedicated to the memory of the Indiana men in the world war. This marked the beginning of the greatest constructive period of Indiana's history.

With the addition of sixteen new evergreens ranging in height from five to twelve feet and with 175 new shrubs we are hoping our Kappa house next spring will be surrounded by one huge bouquet.

MARY LOUISE HARE

MUNCIE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Muncie Alumnæ Association started the year with a rousing meeting in October. There are nineteen members in all and they are nearly all present at each meeting, for we convene at 4 P.M. and plan to eat at six. It is always a dinner meeting—four hostesses grace each party—and the food makes glad the heart and warm the friendship.

We are planning our next meeting for the holiday season, so the teachers can be hostesses and "do their stuff." They have to have plenty of time to cook. We have the Ball Teachers College here you know and appreciate the co-operation of teachers there and that of our high school ones as well.

We dragged in all the rummage we could this fall, and really I didn't know Kappas could have so many old clothes. Our proceeds from the rummage sale and the extra we have from dues always goes to philanthropic work. We have always been able to find something to do right here at home and have directed most of our efforts toward helping some Muncie girl each year. We help her with clothes, books, fees, or whatever she needs most to give her a boost in higher education. Last year we had an I.U. student under our wings. This year we

are planning to help a student of our own normal.

Our secretary, Caroline Ballard, gave her heart and life to another this month. She married Mr. Darrall Randall Parsons, November 28. They will be at home here, however, and Caroline will still be with us to lend her helping hand and spirit. Wedding festivities have forced me, a novice, to write and sign this news letter.

MRS. C. J. KIRSHMAN

ADRIAN ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Adrian Alumnæ Association has made a successful start with its program of monthly luncheons to be held at Guessenbauer's Cafeteria. Every one is enthusiastic over the idea, especially in having the luncheons cafeteria style, thus making each member responsible for herself.

Our first was an enjoyable affair, coming as it did during the Thanksgiving vacation. Plans were made at this time for a big luncheon and meeting during the Christmas holidays, at which we hope every active alumna, every associate member, and every visiting Kappa will be present. It is to be a very special and jolly occasion, as a reunion of congenial souls should be. Before we organized as an association, we met always at the Christmas season, and it is a happy custom to which we cling.

All who possibly can are going to attend the program of stunts to be given in the near future by the different organizations of the college. We hope our active chapter wins the loving cup offered for the best performance and the cash prize for selling the largest number of tickets.

We decided, too, to attend the vesper services given on Sunday afternoons at the college by the music faculty.

We have lost for the present one of our most valuable members in the person

of Mrs. Charles Hood. She and her husband have gone to California for an indefinite period, owing to Dr. Hood's ill health. We sincerely hope for his complete and rapid recovery in the milder climate.

Frances Mae McElroy, one of our most noted, as well as most loved alumnae, was recently a visitor in Adrian. We wish we might keep her right here with us.

Dr. Wilbur of Pittsburgh has filled the pulpit at the Plymouth Church during the past month. Mrs. Wilbur was a Xi chapter member and has kept up her interest in her own chapter and has also been most active in the Pittsburgh Alumnae Association. It was a rare privilege for us to have her in our midst. We shall look forward with impatience to her next visit, for this one has been all too short.

Genevieve Alger, who has been studying voice in Chicago, has returned to her home in Adrian and is again one of our active alumnae members.

Our cradle roll has several new names which we are happy to report: Mary Elizabeth, born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ballenger (Margaret Stover, '20), on October 19. We rejoice with her in her wee daughter.

A son came to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sisson (Freida Lutz, '22), during the latter part of the summer.

A son, Herbert Stephen, made his appearance in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Sudborough (Winifred Stephens, '21), on November 3. Personally the writer takes great pride and joy in this child, since he is her own.

WINIFRED SUDBOROUGH

DETROIT ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Just now, the Detroit Association is feeling very Christmasy, for we have been gathering together things to take out to the tubercular children at the Northville Sanitarium, near Detroit. The

matron, who is, by the way, a cousin of a Beta Delta Kappa, had written that the children longed for a victrola, so at the November meeting, we voted to get them one, and to collect from among the members as many suitable records as possible. What was our surprise, however, when the notices for the December meeting came round, to read an announcement from the committee which had been appointed to buy the victrola, that Hudson's store had donated a perfectly new victrola to the cause. This left the fund of contributions from the various members to be used in another way, and as the committee suggested, we are sending it out to the matron to expend as she finds best, in gifts for the adults at the sanitarium. The victrola is to be accompanied by over a hundred records, given us by Grinnell's Music Store, besides those from the members of the Association, and quite a large collection of clothing of various sorts which will, we hope, add to the Christmas gaiety at Northville.

The December meeting, at which all this good news was imparted to us, was a tea at the Society of Arts and Crafts, where, after tea on the balcony, I think most of us enjoyed taking a peek at the lovely things displayed for Christmas in the shop section of the Society's rooms.

The Association is very proud of the distinction which recently came to Frances Sutton, of Beta Delta. She has the honor of being the first woman in Michigan to pass the Michigan architectural registration by examination. Moreover, she received the highest grade of all those taking the three-day examination at Ann Arbor, given by the State Board of Architects. Miss Sutton was graduated with the architectural class of 1923 from the University of Michigan, and since that time, has been designing houses in Detroit, first for Byron Mills and then for R. W. Koch.

The home of Franz Kuhn, president of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, is her work. In spite of all this, she is only 24 years old. Do you wonder that we're proud of her?

We are so happy to spread the news that Erie Layton Cates, Beta Delta, has come to be General Secretary of the Detroit Y.W.C.A., after being engaged in Y.W.C.A. work in New York.

Mrs. Rempel Wesson (Groeso Gaines, Beta Delta), following the death of her husband last June, has come to Detroit to follow her profession of landscape designing.

Two members of the Association have distinguished themselves in other ways. Mrs. Russell Shields (Phoebe Ferris, Beta Gamma), is proud of a baby son, which arrived in November, and Mrs. F. M. Dewey (Ruth Sturmer, Beta Delta), is the mother of a baby girl born October 31.

Kappas who have recently come to Detroit are Naomi Sloan, Upsilon, who is studying at the Bonstelle Dramatic School here; Mrs. Donald Hunter (Irma Schreiber, Beta Delta); Mrs. Russell Richardson (Catherine Cavins, Mu); Julia Kennedy and Mrs. Gordon Saunders (Marie Jones, Omega); Mrs. E. A. Byrum (Lois McDonald, Delta), who is living in Ann Arbor; Mrs. Clarke McColl (Amanda McKinney) Beta Delta), and Mrs. W. P. Winslow (Virginia Beymer, Upsilon).

If we keep on growing this way, we'll be a really big association some day!

MARGARET GEORGE BELKNAP

LAFAYETTE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

At this time of the year everyone is looking forward to the holidays. Our plans are to have one of the biggest meetings of the year in the form of a Christmas party. We have asked many Kappa alumnae who live near Lafayette. With a real tree and exchange of gifts

we intend to enhance the Christmas spirit.

Our benefit card parties were found to be successful, inasmuch as we cleared nearly forty dollars.

During November, Mrs. Eli Seebirt of South Bend, came here under the auspices of Lafayette A.A.U.W. Mrs. Seibert is a vocalist of fame. Her *Songs of Nations* were received enthusiastically by a large audience. She is a member of Chi chapter.

At the last meeting we combined business with pleasure and formed three tables of bridge after the business session. Each one paid the small sum of ten cents which will help toward the funds.

KATHRYN B. CASSEL

NORTHERN INDIANA ASSOCIATION

The Kappas of northern Indiana can not be accused of being "Sunnyday" Kappas, for even a deluge of rain did not diminish our number when we were the guests of our sisters at Huntington. Despite the dreary weather eleven Kappas from Fort Wayne and the same number from Bluffton attended the meeting. We were especially pleased to have Mrs. Strauss (Delta), Mrs. William Shaffer of North Manchester and Mrs. Johnston (Marjorie Lewis, Delta), of Marion, attend their first meeting.

The Kappas of Huntington were charming hostesses and delightfully entertained us at the new Hotel La Fontaine with a luncheon bridge.

The following Saturday the State Panhellenic Council held their annual convention at Huntington. We all felt a rather keen interest since our own Ann Koch (Delta), is president of the Greek-letter club in Huntington.

Miss Margaret Ostrum (Iota), opened the Christmas festivities by entertaining the Fort Wayne Kappas with a lovely Christmas party. You felt the Christmas

spirit from the time you saw the red candles and holly until you left carrying with you "your hobby" in the form of a small gift pulled from the Christmas tree.

Mrs. Jonce Monahan (Mary Warner, Delta), is teaching in Bluffton this year.

Mrs. R. G. Culbertson (Effie Reading, Iota), has returned to Bluffton, to live.

Irene Kelly, Gamma Delta, was married to Kenneth Huyette, October 23, at Indianapolis. They are living in Bluffton.

We are happy to announce another Kappa for our association: Mrs. Ernest R. Carlo (Lucille Woodruff, Upsilon), has recently moved to Fort Wayne.

Mary Deam, Iota, of Bluffton, is home on a furlough, from Manila, where she is the business manager of the Mary Johnson Hospital.

Another prospective Kappa is the daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Denton (Anne Louise Skiles, Iota).

Born to Dr. and Mrs. Truman Caylor (Julia Gettle, Iota), a son.

E. LOUISE SPAKE

SOUTH BEND ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Edna Place, Iota, is spending the winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chillias (Margaret Bicknell, Iota), who were recently married will reside in South Bend.

Mrs. Charles Wattles (Carmen Irwin, Iota), has returned from Oxford, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marsh (Frances Young, Iota), are back in South Bend after spending some time in Hollywood, Florida.

A Conference on Rural Education was held November 17 at Plymouth, Indiana, under the auspices of the following Indiana organizations: Farm Bureau, Township Trustees, County Superintendents, Parent-Teacher Association, State Normal School, League of Women Voters,

State Teachers, State Bar Association, State Department of Public Instruction and Indiana University. Leading Indiana Educators were on the program including Mrs. Homer J. Miller (Ottillie Poehlman, Lambda), Organizer of the Indiana Parent-Teacher Association.

Mrs. Eli Fowler Seebirt (Edith E. Gunn, Chi), is appearing in concert this winter in Shakespeare characters. Short descriptive talks are given by her mother Mrs. Lutie Baker Gunn, pianist of note. Songs are from the following plays: *Hamlet*, *Othello*, *Romco and Juliet*, *Falstaff*, *Merry Wives of Windsor*, and groups of Old English Ballads from other plays. Recently these artists gave this program at St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, and at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana. The report of one newspaper was "Mrs. Seebirt nearly brought the audience to its feet with her glorious singing. Not only has she the voice and the ability to use it, but she has the rarer quality, charm."

OTTILLIE POEHLMAN MILLER

NORTH SHORE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The North Shore Alumnæ held an enthusiastic Christmas luncheon and meeting December 9 at the home of Mrs. Fowler. Everyone was greatly encouraged by the large number of alumnæ who came. During the afternoon they made Christmas stockings and dressed dolls for the Northwestern University settlement children. The alumnæ were delighted to have as their guest Jeannette Boyd, one of the two surviving national founders of Kappa. At their urgent invitation she promised to come again and tell all that she can remember of the founding.

Minerva Fouts Bibbins, who now lives at 217 Lennox Avenue, Syracuse, New

York, was another alumna whom everyone was glad to see again.

Helen Fouts, '20, has recently announced her engagement to Hubert Gary of Wheaton, Illinois.

There are three new Kappa babies—William Henry Lowitz, son of Carroll Dyrenforth Lowitz, born October 6; Catherine Below, daughter of Catherine Goss Below, born November 29, and Dorothy Ellen Knight, whose proud mother is Dorothy Edwards Knight.

MARGARET DUTHIE CASSUM

CHAMPAIGN-URBANA CLUB

Greetings! By the time this letter reaches all Kappas, we will have forgotten Christmas. However, right now it is our main concern as it is coming at break-neck speed.

Our club is selling Christmas wreaths again, and we hope to make a hundred dollars or more. The money is to be used to pay a \$1000 building and loan share which we have bought for a new house fund.

No doubt all Kappas have heard of FAB. We are going to sell as much of that as we can to help our Endowment Fund.

This year we have Mrs. Nicholey from Syria with us. We are so glad she is here to help us.

Louise Pritchard has just returned from a trip to Alaska. We missed her help this fall.

The club is sponsoring a dance for the actives December 11. As usual the idea is to raise money. We are hoping to have a large crowd!

Our next meeting is to be a luncheon rather than our usual evening meeting in hopes of having a larger attendance.

We have two new Kappas with us this year, Mrs. Foster from Mu chapter and Mrs. Cook.

NELLE B. MARVEL

MADISON ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Homecoming in October brought over forty Kappa sisters back to Madison, and at the Kappa house the visitors and their friends were made welcome at a tea given by the active chapter after the game.

On November 28 the Madison alumnae were entertained at the home of Flora Mears. Mrs. Mae Evans of New York City and Florence Sullivan of Milwaukee were welcome guests.

Brynhilde Murphy teaches in East Side High School in Madison.

Elyda Main, 1916, is doing graduate work in the University School of Music.

Ethel Vinje Walker, and small daughter are spending part of the winter with Justice and Mrs. Vinje in Madison, while Mr. Walker is scouting the southern mountains in mining interests.

Kathryn Parkinson, Dorothy Hubbard, and Josephine Ferguson are in New York City for the winter.

Jane Thorpe, ex-'25, and Woodbridge Bissel were married at Evanston, Illinois, November 17. They reside in Gary, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brader (Leone Sanders), announce the birth of a daughter in Madison, November 23.

JESSIE BOSSHARD MAURER

MILWAUKEE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Milwaukee Alumnae Association is beginning the season with much enthusiasm.

It is a real alumnae chapter for its membership dates from 1875 to 1925, and includes daughters, mothers, and grandmothers, present and prospective. Perhaps the continuous line of descent gives the chapter an unusual atmosphere, as traditions and customs form an interesting link between those of such varied ages.

Naturally the membership is recruited largely from Eta chapter at Madison.

although in it are also represented the University of Illinois, Ohio State, De Pauw, Leland Stanford, and Vermont.

The non-Wisconsin members show their loyalty to the state of their adoption by working as industriously as the real Badgers to complete Italian hem-stitched doilies and napkins for the chapter house at Madison, supplementing a supply that was sent last year.

The season opened with an afternoon of sewing, visiting, and the customary ministry to the desires of the inner woman at the home of Florence Sullivan, the efficient and popular head of the organization.

The enrolled membership is fifty; the usual attendance, a good showing for monthly meetings of people with so many other demands upon their time.

FANNY WEST WILLIAMS

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

On November 19, Kappa Club celebrated her thirtieth birthday. Minutes of the first regular meeting were read and the roll of the charter members called. The following five charter members answered "present": Lottie Probasco, Mrs. Wilbert Ferguson, Mrs. B. C. Van Leer, Grace Loudon, and Mrs. Archie Augustine.

There was much reminiscing and the true Kappa spirit of fellowship mingled with the keen appreciation of our beloved and gracious founders, abounded. A delicious dinner was served—the *pièce de résistance* being a huge birthday cake surrounded by lighted candles.

After dinner an auction was held and many beautiful and artistic things sold, netting "a tidy sum" for our scholarship fund.

Not only Kappa Club but all Bloomington was shocked and deeply grieved by the tragic and untimely death of Mr.

Arthur Pillsbury, father of one of our youngest members, Frances Pillsbury.

Mr. Pillsbury was killed in an automobile accident. On the return trip from the Illinois-Michigan game, the car in which he was riding was overturned and four of our prominent citizens injured, and Mr. Pillsbury killed.

Our hearts go out in deep sympathy to Frances and Mrs. Pillsbury in their grief and bereavement and with them all Bloomington feels a keen sense of loss for we have had taken from our midst a talented architect, a noble gentleman, and one of our best beloved and most distinguished citizens.

Just recently Louise Lacock accepted a position as assistant Girl Reserve Secretary in the Dayton (Ohio) Y.W.C.A. We miss Louise but are glad to hear from recent letters that she is very happy in her new work.

The next event on our calendar is the Christmas party December 10, to be held at the home of Mrs. Edson B. Hart. A program of stunts has been arranged and we are looking forward to an evening of rare entertainment.

LUCY PARKE WILLIAMS

MINNESOTA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Minnesota Alumnæ Association has held two meetings since its last letter. That of October 27 was a supper meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Donovan. A letter from Mrs. Harris, our National Vice President, encouraging alumnæ organization, was read.

As November and December are such busy months, we decided to have one meeting December 1, which was a supper at the home of Mrs. Cross.

Among a few of the things which helped to fill our November calendar was a benefit bridge, at which we cleared \$255.65. A week later we had a two-day rummage sale and cleared \$245. During that week Mrs. Harris spent a few

days at the chapter house and started the actives on the National Financial System. She gave the alumnæ, as well as the actives, must profitable advice. We are all in hopes that Mrs. Harris will visit us again before long.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Strong (Mary Barnard, Chi), announce the birth of a little daughter.

DOROTHY LOOMIS

KANSAS CITY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Kansas City Alumnæ Association, having taken care of all financial obligations by a benefit bridge given early in the year, now is able to enjoy its social meetings without the stress of money-making activities. Individual members are still selling FAB, working in the Children's Bureau, on the Mayor's Christmas tree preparations and other activities, but the monthly meetings for the rest of the year will be freer of business and devoted more to the interesting programs arranged by the program committee in charge of Mrs. Mary Chorn Hazard.

At the December meeting held at Rockhill Manor, Mr. Fred Jenkins of the Jenkins Music Company, gave a very interesting selection of numbers on the new orthophonic Victrola. At the recommendation of Harriet Reynolds, chairman of the philanthropy committee, the association voted to give ten dollars to the mother of the high school girl that we are helping through school, to spend in any way she saw fit for her family's Christmas.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Kitchen (Hassel-tine Clark, Omega), have just returned from a two months tour of Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Metcalf (Mary Martin, Omega), announce the birth of a daughter, Martha, born November 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Shutz (Maxine Christopher, Theta), announce the birth of a daughter, Elinor, born November 24.

MARY SAMSON HARMS

IOWA CITY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Iowa City Alumnæ Association has been meeting once a month for dinner at the chapter house. In this way we come into close touch with the actives girls and also enjoy the beauty and comfort of the new house.

When Mrs. Harris was here in November, we had a most enjoyable luncheon for her at the home of the president, Mrs. B. J. Lambert. The talk given to us in the afternoon by Mrs. Harris was particularly enjoyed by all and also was most helpful and enlightening.

We have had a white elephant sale with good results and have helped the active chapter with their bazaar, taking entire charge of the food table.

We are glad to have with us this year some alumnæ from other universities. Katherine Graves is a Ph.D from Ohio State who is doing special work in the Child Welfare Station. She has charge of the parent training division. Marian Streng from the University of Wisconsin is a director of Interpretive Dancing in the University Gymnasium. Mrs. St. John, who is one of the charter members of Beta Zeta, is here this year and also is doing work in connection with the Child Welfare Department. She is assistant principal of the Home Laboratory.

For the remainder of the year we are planning meetings each month alternating between the chapter house and the home of a member.

CLARA JONES WEATHERBY

LINCOLN ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Since our last letter, we have had a musical, which was very successful, thanks to Lenore Burkett Van Kirk,

vocalist, and Ethel Burkett Russell, pianist. Josephine Strode Jones kindly offered her lovely home for the affair and our efforts and those of the performers were more than appreciated. We also owe much to Louise Pound for donating the tickets and programs and for her interest in furthering it.

At our last meeting, we decided not to rent our lovely new home next summer, as we have done in previous years, for the damage done to the furniture would more than offset the amount made.

The selling of FAB was presented by Mrs. Folsom, and Mrs. Wells kindly offered to take charge of the campaign here so it was decided to order a supply of it to keep on hand and orders will be filled and delivered by her.

When we were raising money for the house fund, we were quite successful in getting people to pay some or all of their pledges and those from whom we had no reply were just kept bothered. Now we are out to get more payments and those who don't respond will just keep on hearing from us, as we want to get our pledges all paid up.

I believe I told you all about our new Lincoln Panhellenic which has been formed with representatives from each sorority alumnae group and each one giving \$5 toward the buying of scholarship prizes. We think this a splendid idea.

There is one birth and one marriage to announce, the birth of a son (Jimmy) to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Waters (Marion Jungblut), on October 7, and the marriage of Miss Mildred Doyle to John Lawler (Delta Tau Delta), on November 28.

LAVETA F. WILKINSON

ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI, KAPPA CLUB

We have but few news items this time, but St. Joseph Kappas do not want to fail to do their part toward the 100

per cent representation in the next issue of THE KEY.

We are all hoping to have some interesting meetings during the holidays when a number of our members will be home for their Christmas vacations. We shall not only enjoy seeing them, but shall be more than glad to hear all of the news from the active chapters.

Katherine Rullman has gone to San Antonio, Texas, with her mother for the winter months.

We have one birth to announce, that of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hunter Allen.

Several St. Joseph Kappas attended the Missouri-Kansas football game at Lawrence on November 21, and while there had the pleasure of meeting the Kansas Kappas at the Kappa House.

We are glad to have Virginia Nell Power of St. Joseph as one of our pledges at Kansas University.

MARGARET L. CARTER

LAWRENCE, KANSAS, ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

There has been a decided need for a new addition to the Kappa house for several years. Both active chapter and alumnae are working hard to secure the needed addition, and hope to realize our ambitions within a short time. Last year we had a rummage sale and cleared \$150. This fall we assisted the active chapter with a rummage sale on which they made \$110. On December 10 the chapter and the alumnae association had an auction sale at the Kappa house.

With a common aim to strive for, the active chapter and alumnae association have been brought into closer contact.

Miss Janet Simons, '24, was married to Leo McNally of Miami, Florida, on December 7.

Miss Dorothy Higgins, M.A. '25, is teaching Spanish in Weatherford College, Weatherford, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Flig announce the birth of a daughter, Lucile Kathryn, October 9. Mrs. Flig is from Beta Alpha chapter.

From the glitter and glare
Shines the gold of your Key.
In a garden of flowers
Blooms a blue Fleur de Lis.

In a world of enchantment
Just one thing is true.
Just one thing that matters
That Kappa—is you.

KATHRYN KAYSER

MANHATTAN, KANSAS, ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Manhattan Association has had several interesting meetings this fall. We are resting after our strenuous effort of early autumn when we helped Gamma Alpha refinish the chapter house and aided in the rushing. But we are gathering material for the 1926 catalogue and planning a campaign for the sale of FAB.

Our association president, Ruth Hill Hobbs, has a baby daughter, Miriam Ruth, who arrived on November 5.

November 14 was Homecoming Day at the College and Gamma Alpha alumnae came back in considerable numbers. The bad weather prevented many reunions which had been planned. Edith Glasscock, a charter member of Gamma Alpha, who is living in Kansas City, Marie Julian Clearman of Hastings, Nebraska, Rebecca Deal who has recently become Mrs. Glenn Oliver and is living in Kansas City, Margaret Rochford who is teaching in Mankato, Robina Manley and Lorna Troup of Junction City, Marjorie Hubner and Curtis Watts of Westmoreland, Gertrude Catlin of Fairbury, Nebraska, Mary Dudley of Topeka, Leona Van Trine of Abilene, and Valley Kirk of Iola were among those who returned for the week-end. Kate Hutchins Colt

entertained with a very delightful tea on Sunday in honor of the visiting alumnae.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Elizabeth Hanna, Gamma Alpha, to Paul Poole, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, on November 20 in Manhattan. They will make their home in Galena, Kansas.

MARGARET MARTIN

TOPEKA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Topeka alumnae have very little news for you this time, other than that we continue to enjoy our increased membership.

We did not undertake any specific charity this year as the Provident Association of our city asked all organizations to co-operate with them in conducting their Christmas store for the needy. This we did individually.

In the near future we are planning to have a luncheon in Topeka, for the Lawrence and Manhattan Alumnae Associations. We have great hopes that this will help to bring closer together these three groups of Kappa women who are so close together, geographically speaking. After the Christmas rush has subsided we may have more to report concerning this.

MRS. W. WARREN RUTTER

DES MOINES ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The National Federation of Women's Clubs, is using the Drama Outlines of Mrs. Pearl Bennett Broxam (Beta Zeta), of Maquoketa, as a basis of study throughout the United States.

Mrs. Sidney Nichols (Lois Loizeaux, Beta Zeta), and small daughter, Nancy Lee, of Los Angeles were guests of Mrs. Gerald Jewett (Bertha Shore).

Miss Helen Hovde will spend the holiday season with her sister Louise in New York City.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown Howell was re-elected president of the University Wom-

en's Association; she also responded to the toast "Fraternity" with this sentiment, "As if my brother's pain and sorrows were my own," at the Panhellenic banquet, December 5.

Julia Haymond Watson has again located with her sister, Martha, at Victoria Hotel. She will teach Dramatic Art. She taught at Central College for the past five years and has spent considerable time studying Shakespeare's plays in Stratford, England.

Our Des Moines Alumnae Association are enjoying buffet suppers the first Monday of the month with eight members as hostesses; the first hostesses were, Mesdames J. W. Cokenower, Gene Holloway, J. W. Riley, and Dorothy Arant, Frances Deering, Elizabeth Morning, Helen Hoode, and Alice Seeley, at the home of Miss Hoode on 1917 Arlington Avenue. The evening was given to sewing for the bazaar on December 12 at Gamma Theta chapter house. The proceeds from the bazaar are to apply on the grand piano. Gertrude Arant and Carolyn Giltner, with the president Mrs. Burton F. Bristow and Miss Helen Peg, representing the actives are members of the bazaar committee. They expect to feature FAB with all the Christmas things that go to make a successful bazaar.

Mrs. Ione Craig Holloway with her husband, Dr. Gene, will leave for their future home in Chicago, December 26.

Early in November we had the pleasure of a visit from our National Vice President, Virginia Rodefer Harris of Indianapolis, Indiana. Teas, luncheons, and informal evenings were the means used for us to make our acquaintances with her, whose charming personality and words of wisdom will be a lasting memory.

Miss Elizabeth McMein is teaching music in the Public Schools.

Miss Maxine Van Meter, Gamma Theta, and Ralph Acheson Sullivan, of Bat-

tle Creek, Michigan, were married November 28. After a wedding trip, they will be at home, in Battle Creek, Michigan. Many pre-nuptials were given by Kappa sisters and family friends in her honor.

On December 8, Miss Dorothy Bonduant and Arthur Hyde Keyes were married and will be at home after January 1 at 602 Forty-eighth Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss Pearl Campbell, '25, will be one of the popular brides of yuletide season. Her wedding to Ike J. Armstrong, will take place December 28, and her future home will be Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. Armstrong is head coach and athletic director of the University of Utah.

Ruth Ash was an Alaskan traveler this summer.

May the New Year bring to us the thought

There is only one thing should concern us,

To find just the task which is ours
And then, having found it, to do it
With all of our God-given powers.

MRS. J. W. COKENOWER

DENVER ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Engagements, weddings, and arrivals of new Kappa sons and daughters, seem to occupy our whole horizon at this time.

Marion Ohling, Beta Mu, has announced her engagement to Lee Willard, Beta Theta Pi; Prudence Ewing, the daughter of a charter member of Beta Mu, to Maynard Oakes, Beta Theta Pi.

Helen Van Zant was married on September 25 to Captain William Betts, and they are at present making their home in Arizona. On November 4 Margaret Underwood, Beta Theta, and Beta Mu, was married to Dr. Julian Meyer, Phi Kappa Psi. They are living in Denver.

Born to Eva Gertrude Bardwell

Brown and Jackson Brown, a daughter, Beverley, October 25.

To Lucile Pattison Esmiol, and Morris Esmiol of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a daughter, on November 25.

To Olive Morgan Oakes and Harold Oakes, a son John, on November 26.

On December 26 we have our annual Christmas party for the active chapter. The girls are fine, and the alumnae look forward to the chance of meeting them all together each year.

The cook book is out. We were much interested in a letter from a Kappa in Teannich, Alness, Scotland, Mrs. Francis B. Harrison, asking us to send her two cookbooks. That gave us the biggest thrill in our cookbook career. Orders from any place, even in the United States, will be gladly accepted.

KATHERINE K. CUNNINGHAM

ALBUQUERQUE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

It has been quite a while since readers of the KEY have heard from the Albuquerque Alumnae Association, but we have been very busy. We met a few times during the summer to get interest started in the sale of FAB, and also to discuss rushing. Then in the fall we resumed the monthly luncheons at the homes of the members, which were so successful two years ago. A business meeting follows the luncheon.

Most of our work and interest has centered on selling FAB. The association voted to give the entire 50 per cent to the Endowment Fund, instead of keeping part of it; and each girl pledged to sell twenty boxes. Up to this time, most of the girls have sold their twenty, and a few have sold more. Mrs. Arthur Sisk is FAB chairman.

We have the following officers this year: president, Margaret McCanna; recording secretary, Mrs. Gordon Gass; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Hugh P.

Cooper; treasurer, Mrs. Allen Bruce; and Mrs. E. A. Wood acts as financial advisor to Gamma Beta chapter.

Our annual Christmas party with the active girls will be given the week before Christmas. We always look forward to this as one of our happiest get-togethers.

Mrs. W. J. White (Katherine Conway), who was our president last year, is spending the winter in New York.

On June 9, Helen Mac Arthur was married to George Savage. On September 2, Rosalie Furry was married to George Doolittle. Both Helen and Rosalie are living in Albuquerque, and are members of our association.

On November 11, Ethel Wynn Hart was married to Charles Culpepper. They are living in Farmington, New Mexico.

A son was born on June 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lighton (Irene Fee), of Albuquerque.

We have also received word of the birth of a son to Helen Vincent Sedwick of Wilmington, Delaware, who was a member of Gamma Beta chapter.

MRS. HUGH P. COOPER

DALLAS ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Dallas Alumnae Association held their first regular meeting of the year with Mrs. D. D. Ottstott, Sigma, on November 17. At this time, it was decided to have a tea on January 9 for any Kappas who might be attending the National Panhellenic Congress. We hope there will be many Kappas, and that they can stay over for our party.

All Dallas fraternity women are keenly interested in this National Panhellenic Congress which meets in Dallas January 4-8. The president of this organization is Dr. May Agness Hopkins, Zeta Tau Alpha, and a prominent physician of Dallas. Elaborate plans for the entertainment of a large delegation are being made. Mrs. Walter Dealey (Willie Pearl

Gardner, Beta Xi), is chairman of the program committee.

Mrs. T. A. Rose (Margaret Runge, Beta Xi), is building a lovely new home in Highland Park, West.

Mrs. C. L. Moss, Jr. (Virginia Spence, Beta Xi), announces the arrival of Margaret Moss in July.

Lyndall Finley Davis (Beta Xi), is spending the winter in Dallas after spending a year in a trip around the world.

The association is sorry to give up Mary Helen Holden (Beta Xi). She has resigned her place as an advertising artist with a large department store here, and taken up a similar work in New York City.

Dorothy Baker (Beta Xi), was married to Jules Edouard Schneider, II. They will make their home in Dallas at Maple Terrace Apartments.

MARY B. ALDREDGE

NEWCOMB ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Our campaign to increase our finances and thus assure us of a representative at convention has been moving along successfully. We had a rummage sale—the first the alumnae association has ever attempted—and netted \$90. Our small monthly bridge parties bring in a little more each month and our paid-up membership is better than usual for this early in the season.

Our work for the Charity Hospital Needlework Guild is going ahead and each week finds a number of us at work making bandages. In the eight times we have met this fall we have made 5,738 bandages.

We plan to continue the same Christmas work we have been doing for the last few years—that of fixing up attractive Christmas baskets with groceries, candy, fruit, cake, toys, and one or more articles of wearing apparel in each to deliver to needy families.

The remarkable success of our splendid football team and the national recognition of our star—Flournoy—has put Tulane before the public eye as never before. New Orleans was so pleased in general that in our one week's drive we easily raised the \$300,000 necessary to build a stadium large enough to hold the ever increasing crowds that attend the games. We hope to have some of you with us during the coming season and regret that we will not have the opportunity to play Northwestern again.

During the illness of one of the teachers in our famous School of Art, Evalyn Gladney is substituting, and doing the work very successfully.

Two of our members—Helen Aldrich and Marjorie Callendar—have opened an attractive shop in the French Quarter. Their specialty is block designing and decorating dresses.

Minnie Barkley recently married George Walsche, Alpha Tau Omega. Ione Brady Giles is the proud mother of a daughter. Lucile Scott Ewin has another son. One of our charter members—Adele Monroe Williams—has recently increased her family.

AGNES GUTHRIE FAVROT

OKLAHOMA CITY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

On October 13, as has been the custom for the last few years, we Kappas, with the pledges from Beta Theta chapter, met at the Oklahoma Club for the Founders' Day banquet. This banquet was really a huge success, for there was a splendid program. There were 75 present, and the Kappa *Gazette* made its third appearance. If the alumnae editor of THE KEY would permit, selections from the pens of these journalistic Kappas might be quoted, but we will not impose upon her good nature.

Homecoming! My, what an unfortunate word to use in the presence of the

five or six thousand of us who went to the game in the expectation of seeing Oklahoma score heavily over Kansas, and of enjoying the use of our seats in the new Stadium. A muddy field, and a "Norther" such as has never been experienced in Oklahoma, resulted in a 0-0 score, and frozen spectators.

Our first luncheon meeting was held the first Saturday in November at the hospitable home of Fritzie King Currie, with Dorothy Snedeker, and Dorothy Long McComb assisting.

Kappas all over the state were deeply grieved by the death of Mr. Craddock, father of Miriam Craddock, and Margaret Craddock Miller.

Elaine Boylan has returned from a five months' stay in New York, and is now in charge of one of Oklahoma City's branch Libraries.

LOTTIE A. CONLAN

MIAMI ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Miami Alumnæ Association was delightfully entertained last month by Mrs. Frank Morgeson and her sister, Miss Leah Craft, at the Granada Tea Garden.

There were so many Kappas present who are new-comers to Miami, that we spent a pleasant afternoon getting acquainted. It seems everyone is coming to Miami and it is such a joy to us few Kappas who have been here for years to have many other Kappas come too.

We expect to meet the second Monday of each month, one month having a luncheon—the next a meeting at someone's home. Our next luncheon is Monday December 14, and the following month Mrs. Morton Milford will entertain us at her home in Coral Gables.

HAZEL WILLIAMS HOWE

BOISE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

It is rather hard to think of things that happened two months ago and write about them. However, I must tell you of

our rummage sale we held in October. We have found a rummage sale is really a rather good way of earning money. It isn't as much work as some other things, and is really no expense to any one, nor does the work fall on just a few, and best of all we can earn money. You must know all our logic is correct for others evidently thought the same as we, and on the day of our sale there were two or three others in our town, nevertheless with a one-day sale we actually took in around \$75.00. With this money (and some more we had in our treasury), we purchased a banquet cloth, eighteen and one half yards long, which we sent as a gift to our Beta Kappa chapter.

At our last meeting we decided to use our excess money in buying memberships into our National Endowment Fund. You see our plan is this—when we have in our treasury ten dollars or more over and above our expenses we will subscribe for a life membership in the Endowment Fund (or three, or four, or five, depending how lucky we are), and these will be taken out in the names of our members. We will continue this plan until we have at least fifteen memberships, one for each of our fifteen members. Isn't it a good idea to pass along? We think so.

I believe in my last letter I said Maud Shaw Sherman was going to New York at Christmas time to visit her oldest son, but he was ordered back to the Orient sooner than expected, so he spent a ten-day furlough here visiting his mother and father. Ensign Howard Putnam has been here with his mother Jessie Eaton Putnam. In this same connection I must say Charlotte Putnam, a daughter of Jessie Eaton Putnam, Minnesota, '99, went to her mother's Alma Mater this fall and in true Kappa spirit she has pledged herself to Kappa so soon we may welcome her in the circle.

Margaret Blackinger has been married to George Pearson.

Born to Lucy Davis Thometz, a daughter Marie Pauline, October 14, at Phoenix, Arizona.

MONTANA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

This year the Missoula Alumnæ Chapter is concentrating on one thing—paying for the house, so that before the depreciation is too great we can sell the house and build a new one. A general campaign among Kappas is being conducted asking them to buy bonds in the Kappa Alumnæ Building Association. The bonds cost \$50 and bear 5 per cent interest.

The forty alumnæ living in Missoula have organized into eight teams of five members each; each team has been given a different month in which to work, and they will compete with each other to see who can raise the most money for the house by "hook or crook." Food sales, card parties, auctions, rummage sales, and fire sales are all in order—there's no limit even to robbing ice boxes for the food sales and starting a fire in order to stock a fire sale.

Helen Sanders, who has been working for the past two years for the South American Development Company in Ecuador, will return in February. Catherine Sanders has left for Ecuador and they will return by way of Panama, and New York. Ann Rector will take Helen's place in South America. Audrey Allen is studying this year at the Prince School in Boston, an institution for training in store service. Gertrude Pease is doing graduate work at the University of Wisconsin.

We are continuing our plan of having alumnæ meetings every second and fourth Monday in the month and joint social meetings with the actives every six weeks. The meetings are exceptionally well attended for three reasons: first and uppermost, interest in Kappa; second, as a matter of self-defense, for they

know they'll be talked about if they aren't there; third, most of the alumnæ, with the exception of a few of the worst of us, are splendid cooks.

In the next letter I'll tell you how much money we make by fair play or foul, with the new team plan—perhaps some other alumnæ chapters can use the suggestion.

HELEN NEWMAN

SEATTLE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Surely this has been a busy fall for the Seattle Alumnæ Association. Early in October we had a fashion promenade and silver tea at Marion Mesdag's home.

Carman's, one of our very best women's apparel shops, loaned us the clothes and really managed all of that part for us. Some of the active girls as well as alumnæ were models so there was everything from campus wear to the most formal evening gowns and wraps. It was a real fashion show even to the music and the runway. Throughout the performance the freshmen from the active chapter served tea for us. It was a very nice party and we cleared almost a \$100.

The week-end of November 8 was the annual homecoming on the campus. After the big game with Stanford we all gathered at the Kappa house for a spread which the active chapter gave for us. Everyone who could, had come for the game so there were over a hundred of us there some of whom we hadn't seen since college days. It was lots of fun!

We were so proud of our active chapter, when we learned that, for the third time, they had won the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup, that we wanted to do something for them. Before, we had given them some little gift, but this time the cup was theirs forever, so we decided to have a nice party for them. On November 14 we had a bridge luncheon at the

Women's University Club. There were 40 tables and it was a lovely party. The afternoon was a complete success when we learned by radio that our football team had won from California.

We had planned in the fall to have a large evening bridge party as a means of raising money. That meant renting some place so we decided instead to have smaller parties in the various districts. December 2 was the night. Six parties were given and we cleared over \$250.

You see our fund is growing and we will some day have that \$10,000, which is our goal. We trust we won't lose our enthusiasm in the meantime. There are so many demands on our time these days that it is hard to do all that we want to do.

RUTH TRENHOLME

WALLA WALLA ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

To meet with an active chapter is always a pleasure and one which we in a college town may often enjoy. If any of your Kappa enthusiasm is dormant, it is surely awakened by the eager participation of the pledges in all Kappa undertakings and the keen interest of the girls striving to become finer women and better Kappas.

Our last alumnae meeting was in the form of a bridge party given in honor of the active chapter and their patronesses. Although the evening was necessarily short because the girls in school must be in their halls and in bed on time, the evening, I'm sure, was most enjoyable to everyone.

Each year, usually just before Christmas, our association devotes one meeting to sewing for a poor family, and so for our December meeting we plan to quilt a comforter at the home of Minnie Marsh who has seen both the active and alumnae chapter here grow from infancy.

DORIS LIND

PORTLAND ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Portland Alumnae Association is centering its attention on its philanthropic program. Although we have tried each year to give financial aid to some definite charity it has been felt that more would be accomplished if we would concentrate our time and attention on a particular charity. After some investigation the Fruit and Flower Mission Day Nursery was found to be in need of help. As this charity requires our personal attention as well as our money we decided to establish it as our regular philanthropic work. Accordingly, we have taken a life membership in the Fruit and Flower Mission for \$50 and have pledged to take charge one day a week at the Day Nursery, when we will have two or more representatives take care of the children.

Our next meeting will be December 19, and it will be in the nature of a Christmas sewing party at the home of Mrs. Boyd Hamilton for the Day Nursery. At that time we will make a supply of aprons for the children to wear at the nursery to keep their clothes clean, and we will also make them diapers. Each member at the party will bring twenty-five cents and with the money we will provide toys for the Day Nursery Children's Christmas party.

We are \$115 richer as the result of a rummage sale held November 18-19. This money will go to make up our philanthropic budget and our pledges to our chapters at the University of Oregon and Oregon Agriculture College.

We are proud to announce the arrival of three new Kappa babies: Louise Bailey Stamm has a daughter, Carol Ruth; Jean Geisler Morgan has a son, Morris Hartley Morgan, Jr., and Gail Acton Kreation has a small daughter who has been named Jane Acton Kreation.

Rita Payson Madden, who has been living in Tokyo, Japan, for the past four years, has been visiting in Portland for

several weeks prior to establishing her residence in San Francisco.

EDITH C. LEE

YAKIMA VALLEY CLUB

Since the first year of the organization of the Yakima Club there have not been enough girls in Yakima during the school year to keep up our regular meetings. In fact, until recently when Edith Helliesen Gholson, a bride of this fall, came here to live, there were none of us in Yakima besides the three officers and it has been almost impossible to get the girls from neighboring towns together at the same time.

Aside from a luncheon during summer vacation or holidays when the active girls were home from school we have been inactive.

We are looking forward to the time when there are enough of us here to resume our regular meetings.

FERN GRAHAM

EUGENE ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Eugene Alumnæ Association has had a busy and interesting fall. There has been the satisfaction of seeing the girls settled in their new chapter house. They are comfortable and happy, busy, and contented. There was the open house reception, both afternoon and evening, which brought hosts of friends to the house. Dean Virginia Judy Esterly received with the undergraduates, alumnæ, and house chaperon.

The alumnæ gave a second large party at the house, which took the form of a benefit bridge tea and pre-Christmas sale. It was a delightful occasion and the proceeds will be applied on our obligations for the building fund.

During the week-end of the University Homecoming when hundreds of former students return to the campus, we always have a Kappa reunion breakfast. This year there was the added interest in the

new house and we had an unusually large number of Kappas back. Mrs. W. W. Canby, a former National President and twice a member of the Grand Council in other capacities, was our guest of honor and principal speaker. Mrs. George T. Gerlinger, a regent of the University of Oregon, and a Pacific Coast Kappa, because both California and Oregon claim her, was the second speaker, and Margaret Dunaway, a University of Oregon alumna, was the third. As is our custom, everyone was asked to tell her "name and her fame" in a word or two.

One brand new name was discovered—Mrs. C. R. Lockard (Brownell Frasier), University of Oregon, who was married in Portland, Oregon, this fall and expects to live in the east. She may be near some of you. Two other Eugene Kappas are in New York; Dorothy Wheeler has recently gone there, and Louise Allen has been there for some time.

ELIZABETH FOX DeCOU

LOS ANGELES ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Los Angeles Alumnæ chapter met for the second time this year on Saturday afternoon, November 21, at the home of Mrs. Arthur M. Hadley (Mary Lyda Clark, Delta), for a delightful bridge tea. Mrs. Fred M. Cox, our president, presided most charmingly, and welcomed several new members, among whom were Mary Elizabeth Westphaling, from our new chapter in Arkansas, Gamma Nu; Mrs. Mont Cambier (Lindell Heyden), of Colorado, a bride of a few weeks; and Marjorie McCutcheon, also from Beta Mu. With ninety-three members already in our little blue-and-blue yearbook, we shall probably soon reach one hundred active members.

Our Christmas party, December 19, will be a bridge tea, when we shall meet at the beautiful Wilshire Country Club,

as guests of Mrs. Joseph M. Bleukiron (Eva Lambert, Sigma), and a very representative committee, including Mesdames Earle H. Knepper (Anita Perrin, Beta Eta); Thomas F. Cooke (Nellie E. Ford, Eta); Frank T. Parritt (Clara Burke, Epsilon); Eugene Sabin (Ada Sellars, Beta Mu); Franklin Baldwin (Florence Gates, Beta Eta); Benjamin Walter (Mildred Pettit, Omega); Geoffrey Mayo (Elizabeth Stanton, Beta Sigma), and Harriet Andrews, Beta Eta, and Jean Valentine, Beta Eta.

Beta Eta was hostess to a number of our members who motored up to Palo Alto for the big Stanford-California game, November 21. Jessie Hill, Theta, is taking postgraduate work at Stanford this year. Kappas from afar were most enthusiastic about their charming hostesses at Stanford.

MILDRED LEWIS RUSSEL

SAN FRANCISCO BAY ASSOCIATION

The San Francisco Bay Alumnae association is knee-deep in preparations for convention next year. We are proud to have it at Mills College and we are working hard to have it the best in years.

Mrs. Harry Kleugel, who has been appointed marshal of convention, has instituted monthly luncheons which are held at the St. Francis Hotel in San Francisco. In this way all the Kappas around the bay can gather together in an informal way and incidentally talk more about convention plans. Later in the new year when the new San Francisco Women's City Club is completed the luncheons will be held there.

Our association redecorated the alumnae room at the chapter house in Berkeley and made it spick and span much to the joy of the active girls.

We had our annual election in November and voted Eva Powell, president,

Edna Martin, secretary, and Myrtle Sims Hamilton, treasurer.

This next year will be a busy one for us all and a happy one in anticipating the wonders of convention next August.

ELIZABETH KOSER

HAWAII ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Kappas of the Hawaii Association are most sorry that circumstances would not permit the fall meeting to be held on Founders' Day, as originally planned. Nevertheless it was with a great deal of enthusiasm we met a week later as the guests of Mrs. L. C. Brown (Gladys Buchanan, Pi), at her charming quarters at Ft. DeRussy.

It was nice to have Mrs. Rollo K. Thomas (Ruth Reeves, Theta), with us again after her many months on the mainland and to know that Mrs. Earl C. Flegel (Barbara Steiner, Beta Pi), once more is in the Islands although she was unable to be with us that day. However it was with deep regret that we realized that Mrs. A. F. Griffiths (Helen Clemence, Beta Beta), and Mrs. L. D. Merrill (Dorothy Singlehurst, Beta Beta), would be away for at least a year, and that Mrs. Joel F. Watson (Louise Malloy, Beta Xi), would not return as her husband, Captain Watson, has been transferred to the mainland army post. Kappas in Hawaii are very grateful to Mrs. Watson for it was largely through her enthusiasm and efforts that the local association was formed.

We were fortunate in having Mrs. Walter F. Kruesi with us for one more meeting before she returned to New York, and our hope is that some day not far distant, she and Mr. Kruesi will no longer be able to withstand the charm of Aloha Land and will return to make their home here.

The Kappas at Schofield have a most

delightful custom of meeting once a month and having their husbands as guests. Sometimes they have beach suppers and other times buffet suppers and bridge. Helen Gawthrop and J. Purdy were guests of Mrs. Clyde B. Hallam at the November meeting, a supper and bridge party—Helen winning first prize.

Regular meetings of the Hawaiian Association are held in October, December, March, and June, and special meetings when the occasion arises. Visiting Kappas are always welcome and we hope that visitors to Hawaii will get in touch with the members here. Perhaps these names and addresses will help:

President—Mrs. L. C. Brown—Fort DeRussy—Phone 6195.

Secretary—J. Purdy—2229 Kalia Road—Phone 79982.

J. PURDY

PALO ALTO ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

Since the last issue of THE KEY we have had two meetings; but little else was done at these besides discussing convention and trying to formulate plans for the same. Miss Bennett came down to talk matters over with the active chapter and alumnæ.

The Stanford-California football game has taken place and a wonderful day it was for Stanford. The weather was ideal and the sight of 80,000 people assembled in the enlarged stadium was, in itself, quite a thrill.

The local chapter, Beta Eta, kept open house on that day. A very charming thing for the girls to do and greatly appreciated by the alumnæ, many of whom availed themselves of this opportunity to take luncheon in the familiar and beloved surrounding.

IDA WELMER

Exchanges

Few questions of fraternity policy have created as much stir during the past year as has Mr. Irving Bacheller's suggestion that Alpha Tau Omega establish chapters abroad and thus help to solve the much-discussed problem of international friendliness. Phi Gamma Delta, in an effort to force a discussion of this policy, asked three of its members who were in a position to know foreign educational conditions to contribute their opinions on the subject. The answers were so interesting to us that we are repeating two of them almost in their entirety.

We quote first from Dr. David A. Robertson, assistant director of the American Council on Education in charge of international relations.

For the general aim of Mr. Irving Bacheller's suggestion to establish chapters of American college fraternities in European countries there can be only the deepest respect. Indeed, in every European nation and in the Sixth Assembly of the League of Nations as recently as September 19, 1925, efforts have been made to bind together in fellowship the students of all the earth.

But is the American college fraternity with chapters in all other countries the best agency to attain this greatly desired end?

To be able to answer, one must know conditions among European students and must know the American college fraternity.

The realism of the French student is a genuine challenge to the ideals of the American fraternity man. The French student will not be satisfied with an eloquent statement of American fraternity ideals; thrifty as a Frenchman always is, he will wish to know exactly what it is that will justify him in spending as much as the American spends on his fraternity. So with the British students, oppressed by the present economic situation in England; so with 75,000 German students, constrained to work with their hands, 10,000 of them in the mines, to earn their way through the university. Under present heavy economic burdens these students will wish to be very sure that what the fraternity can give them is not already available in another way, and in any case is worth the money.

What then is the fraternity for? Emphasis on the ownership of houses, both by individual fraternities and the Interfraternity Conference, and the authorities of institutions where dormitories provide inadequate housing, might lead a foreign student to think that provision of residence is a prime aim. But the Oxford and Cambridge colleges have such provisions; and the Scottish and other British universities are housing more and more men in hotels. The joy of the common table bulks large in the discussions among American students. But in Oxford a man has luncheon and breakfast and tea in his own room and there entertains his friends; and he dines at a common table in the hall of his own college. And these ancient habits are not likely to be changed in Great Britain. There is more likelihood of the American ideas serving the huge continental universities like Paris and Berlin; but here there oper-

ates the jealously guarded individualism of the students of Europe. Club conveniences and luxuries are available in the Unions of Great Britain and in the newly developed centers—but without luxuries—of the *Wirtschaftshilfe der Deutschen Studentenschaft*. Group organization for local academic political purposes does not appeal to the men of Europe, for they engage in real politics and have in their own universities their national party organizations. A glance at the bulletins in the main entrance of the University of Berlin, a visit to a British Student Union, or to the Congress of the International Student Federation will convince one that more than Americans, European students organize on national party lines. For them the academic political arena, where battles are fought regarding captaincies of teams and club presidencies, is a side show which will draw few from the main tent of world politics. Is it mutual aid of another sort? Such is not unheard of in European countries: in Austria and Germany there has been an impressive amount of this through the *Wirtschaftshilfe*. Does the American fraternity foster sports, especially involving team play? The lessons therefrom would be good for continental individualists. But since the war there has already been a great advance in French and German interest in these sports. Does the American fraternity represent merely an adolescent interest in secrecy and ritual? The French will wish to know if "secret society" means anti-religious. Can it be that, as at least one observer has thought, it is merely part of a national enthusiasm for joining organizations—especially those which have insignia to put on walls or in windows, on stationery, on fingers, or watch chains, waistcoats, or coat lapels? In spite of blazers of English schools and colleges, and the colored caps of German students—less numerous than when the corps was in favor—one wonders if private decorations will catch on in countries where civil, like military, decorations are conferred by the State. An honest, full, frank answer to the question, "What has the American college fraternity to offer the European student?" may lead some Americans to wonder and to afford the fraternity the benefit of their thinking. Such men may even consider that European experience may have something of value for American fraternity men.

When the college fraternity has demonstrated its possession of a statesmanlike point of view, perhaps even the legislatures of the United States will listen respectfully to the college fraternities of America as the nations of Europe and the Assembly of the League of Nations listen to the 135,000 European students banded together in the International Federation of Students.

William Whitlock has been engaged in publicity work in France and looks upon the question with the eyes of one who understands well the French temperament.

Now then! All together!! Let us all laugh heartily, three times!! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha!

Who ever heard of French men or boys getting together in a fraternal fashion? The idea hardly exists. That is, it has a kind of billboard existence. On every governmental building in the country is that interesting catch-phrase: *Liberté—Égalité—Fraternité*. So the idea is, after all, advertised, you see. But practiced? Never!

The French are the greatest individualists in the world and are proud of it. They tell you themselves, "We don't like discipline. We don't understand co-operation." And they speak the literal truth.

Large business corporations, where many able men work together, subordinating their personalities to the general good, are rare and such as there are have developed recently. Chauffeurs are just beginning to learn that they *must* do what the traffic officer directs. And it hurts. Theaters have to send to England and America for their chorus girls because the French girls cannot learn to work with a rhythmic unity.

Men's clubs and lodges hardly exist. Those which do have English names which point in the direction of their inspiration.

The Frenchman is a Latin and, as such, he is like Kipling's cat: he loves to "wave his wild tail alone." He does it—and all the rest of the French public, being busy doing the same thing, lets him alone, which is, after all, very decent of them.

He has no love for the mysticism of ritual. The hidden doings in the sunless ceremonial chambers of the northlands have no attraction for him, living as he does with a background of outdoor, sunlit individualism behind him. If anything, it is fêtes and pageants which stir him. Just two things absorb his attention, his income and his family.

He finishes the Lycée at about eighteen years of age with a bachelor's degree which represents something less than the American degree of the same name for it opens the door only to about what constitute American university curricula. But he accomplishes his graduation from the Lycée with the feeling that he is a man and, Latin that he is, he really is much more mature at that age than members of the northern races. He is often quite indifferent to things which throw him among other men. He finds the society of girls, or of one girl, more to his taste. Sports are still quite strange to his soul. Horse-racing is the great outdoor game and even in that it is the Latin love of gambling which is the chief attraction. Golf is almost exclusively supported by the strangers within his gates. One notes that tennis and a very open form of soccer football are beginning to take hold. But there again is the chance to shine individually and to be as free from discipline as any sport will permit.

So he goes into what corresponds to the American university as a man thinking very seriously—much more so than before the war—in terms of income and family. He studies hard. But he displays little desire to associate intimately with his fellow students, small evidence of a budding ideal of co-operation, no vision of what the personal contacts with his fellows can do for him and for them, no realization of the fellowship and fraternity of humanity. He has been taught from a child by precept and example to let others alone and his public instruction does not alter this inclination.

This is good for Art, perhaps, and for Letters and it might tend toward originality and beauty in Music, if the Frenchman were musical. It even has a use in Science. But it is bad for Commerce and for Diplomacy and for Politics. No western nation suffers so much as does France from lack of team work.

This atmosphere leaves the Frenchman still what he has proverbially been, a well-mannered, untraveled, fireside-loving individualist, with a finger of exceeding sensitiveness weighing every franc which passes through his hands, unventuresome in business, unfraternal.

It may be a good way. Certainly one lives in remarkable seclusion in his country behind the stone walls that surround his houses great and small, free from inter-

ference on the part of neighbors or strangers in one's personal affairs. Free from a curious interest, even.

But it is no climate for Greek-letter fraternities—just yet! Women are emerging into business and into higher education. They are therefore getting out of the plaything class. This is making a difference. Then motion pictures from abroad and occasional Olympic Games are teaching their lessons. One of these days the Frenchman will actually forget himself in thinking of his neighbor. But that day is a long way off. When it comes, a fraternity might be organized and it might grow. But I doubt if anyone present will live to see it flourish.

From Alpha Xi Delta comes this information about European Universities.

The European university is, in general, a very different type of institution from the American one. Usually one finds that the university itself consists of one large building, with the scientific institutes housed in other places, often far removed from the main building. As a rule, there are only four colleges, or faculties, i.e., those of medicine, philosophy, law, and theology, and there is rarely such a thing as a campus, with its many buildings, fine lawns, beautiful trees, and crowd of hurrying students. The idea of combining the technical subjects, philosophy, medicine, and law, is something unheard of abroad. If a boy wants to be an engineer, he does not go to the university but to a technical high school; this does not correspond to our high school, but to the College of Engineering, and he receives a degree which is just as great an honor as the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

The system is entirely different there; a university composed of graduate students alone would be the nearest approach to the European system that we can imagine; the degree bestowed is Doctor of Philosophy, but the title corresponds neither to our doctor's degree, nor to our degree of bachelor; it is something about half way between the two.

In Vienna we attended the university for one semester. It was a decidedly interesting experience, and I can think of no pleasanter way to enjoy a six months' vacation! In the first place, no professor ever knows the people in attendance at his lectures. No record of attendance is kept; one goes when one feels so inclined and when one doesn't, why, then one stays away. After a student has been in the university and has decided in which department he wishes to major, the head of that department assigns him a desk in the seminar and there he gets to work on the thesis which is required before any degree is granted. The average length of time required to obtain a degree is eight semesters (four years), but we met numbers of people who found the university life so enjoyable that they had no intentions of applying for a degree, though they had already been registered twelve of fourteen semesters. Another reason for remaining a student is that car fare, railroad fare, theater tickets, books, and opera tickets can be obtained by students for from a third to a half cheaper than ordinarily. Of course, there are no examinations given in any courses. As with our American graduate students, the student is expected to do research work and then, after the thesis has been accepted, an oral examination is given by three or four professors, with whom the student has done his work.

On the whole the women of the university have a less exciting time and less social prestige, than falls the lot of the girl student of America. Girls go to the universities to study over there—not, as I am afraid the case often is here, because it is the "thing

to do." On the whole, there are few girls of the upper social classes in the institutions of higher education, though there are many brilliant students among the women. There are practically no dormitories for women, and, as a consequence, most girl students are "town" girls. Being scattered all over a large city makes it hard for the girls to get together, and as a result they have little social life in common.

Though there may be points in which our universities could profit by copying their sisters across the water, on the whole, I should say that our system is the better, for it is more democratic. Since we have a great deal more money we can hire many times the number of professors per student than the European university can, and as a result we have a much closer contact with our professors, and a great deal more personal supervision. On the other hand, the fact that the European student must figure things out for himself, without the aid of the professor, makes him much more independent and a much more careful research student.

Doesn't this make you feel rather good?

Sorority neighbors of our Sigma Nu chapter at Syracuse University recently won an interesting court decision. The City of Syracuse brought action in the supreme court of Onondaga County, demanding that the Theta Delta Phi Corporation be permanently enjoined, restrained, and prohibited from carrying on and conducting the business of a sorority or chapter house or operating the same at No. 601 Comstock Avenue, which is in the block adjoining the Phi Gamma Delta house. It was argued by the plaintiff that the use of the house for sorority purposes was in conflict with the zoning rules and regulations of the city.

In dismissing the complaint the justice in the case made a pronouncement that is a striking tribute to the aims and ideals of the fraternity world. He said:

"A college sorority is a family, a college family perhaps, but nevertheless its membership not only live together, and cook together, but are bound together by fraternal ties, *ties that, in many cases, are more binding and enduring than those of kinship.*"

It is gratifying to fraternity people to see this public recognition of the fact that bond brotherhood is accorded a position at least on the same level with blood brotherhood.—*Scroll of Phi Delta Theta*

It will be of interest to every Kappa to know that Sigma Alpha Epsilon's beloved "Billy" Levere spent two months in Europe last summer searching for pictures of Minerva for the Sigma Alpha Epsilon museum. In an article for the December *Record* he relates his adventures during the search. In this number appear also many of the pictures of our mutual goddess.

I should like to tell the whole story of these Ancient Minervas. Some of them I brought home with me, others have arrived in the foreign mail, many are still on the way. When they are all here, properly arranged, framed and hung, I think there is no doubt but Sigma Alpha Epsilon will have the greatest collection in the world of Minervas. They are not merely pictures of the goddess as the great artists of the world have conceived her, but many of them are historical pictures in which not only Minerva but many others of the mythological characters are shown associated with her in scenes from the tales of the gods.—*The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon*

It is interesting to know that Sigma Alpha Epsilon has secured some furniture owned by the late President William McKinley, an honored alumnus of that fraternity. It has been placed in their national house at Evanston, Illinois.

—*The Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha

Sigma Alpha Epsilon is developing a general fraternity library at its national headquarters in Evanston. This library is intended to be one of general reference for all fraternities. The fraternity is seeking a collection of the magazines of the different fraternities and as fast as it receives the unbound volumes, it is having them bound in the colors of the fraternity which they represent. It is intended that the library shall, in addition to a division dedicated to books of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and other fraternities, have a division which shall be given over to books written by Sigma Alpha Epsilon authors.—*Banta's Greek Exchange*

And speaking of Banta, what do you know about this?

EDITOR OF GREEK EXCHANGE IS MODERN MOUND BUILDER

Menasha.—Soil scooped up personally in his travels and brought from nearly every state in the Union in cigar box containers, is building a "states" mound in the back yard of George Banta, Sr., a publisher of this city.

Soon, when the mound has gone beyond the scope of states, it will take on international importance, for this man with a hobby of collecting soils already has made a start of bringing into the country material from foreign lands. From the battlefields of Europe, soil has found its way to the back yard of Mr. Banta.

Soil from the Panama Canal Zone, from the ruins of the great fire in San Francisco, from the scenic spots of America, from American battlefields—millions of grains of sand and containers of clay and other soils have come to grace and make interesting the home grounds of a Menasha citizen.

It is said that a cigar box of soil came from Rome, but whether the hobbiest scooped it out of the grounds of the Vatican, is still a mystery in Menasha.

How does one account for a hobby such as this? Those who know Mr. Banta best attribute it to the nature of him for he is a man who loves the soil—chiefly American soil. He has a preference for sand, the northern sand that grows vigorous pines, for the northern pines, too, are his friends. Before he began to collect soil from other commonwealths Mr. Banta imported loads of it from northern Wisconsin, for no other purpose than to plant pines in his yard.

Nor does Mr. Banta confine his hobby to the soil, sand, and pines. He knows the native wood of America, not necessarily wood as found in rare old furniture, but wood in the rough—that rugged, hardy American.

When Mr. Banta came to Wisconsin from Indiana many years ago, he was impressed with the pines and the wood of other northern trees. He liked the fragrance of the pine wood and began to make a study of pines and sand. This led him to interest himself in other soils. His work then took him to many states and he then conceived the idea of collecting soils via the cigar box route. Period stuff, so much sought after by collectors of other articles, especially furniture, is nothing in the ambitions of Mr. Banta. It is just good, old every day soil, plenty of it, and from as many places as possible, with this modern mound builder.—*Aldebaran* of Beta Phi Alpha via *Triad* of Acacia

Kappa Delta is rejoicing in a new central office, located at Indianapolis, through which all fraternity business is transacted.

And why should you go to convention? Because it will revive your enthusiasm—if you are an alumna; because it will be a fitting climax to college life—if you are a senior; because it will give you splendid inspiration for your last year in the chapter—if you are a junior; because it will enable you to be of real value to your own group—if you are a sophomore; because it will be the one magic touch to make you understand the true strength and meaning of Gamma Phi Beta—if you are a freshman. And what will you carry away with you? A renewed vigor and loyalty, a greater love for your sorority, a closer cementing of old ties, the joy of new friendships and—memories. Come to convention!—*The Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta

Convention styles seem to be moving west. Besides our own Kappa convention, California will welcome those of Delta Zeta, and Kappa Alpha Theta, while Kappa Delta will journey there in 1927.

A twenty-story skyscraper with rapid elevator service, class rooms, living quarters, swimming pools, libraries, and dining-rooms in the middle of the old campus at Yale, was mentioned yesterday by Dean Frederick S. Jones, of Yale College, as a bare possibility for a solution to the problems of the future expansion of Yale University.

At present Yale can expand in only two directions, and either possibility might destroy much of the centralization which has been the keynote of Yale campus plans in the past.

"Fifteen years ago I suggested this skyscraper solution as a bare possibility," said Dean Jones. "It could be built in the middle of the old college quadrangle, and the 'tradition' buildings, the fence and flowers could be left untouched around it. This would relieve the congestion which forces us to house a large part of the class in separate houses for lack of dormitories, and would lead to even more convenience than we now have here."

It was also pointed out that the University of Pittsburgh is now building a skyscraper to house the complete university, and that the cost would not be excessive, considering the huge sums Yale has spent on other recent buildings. Foundations could be built so that additions could be made as they were needed.—*The Times*

From the *Triangle* of Σ Σ Σ:

PAÑHELLENIC SPIRIT

Panhellenic spirit is not a thing to be displayed on occasions and then safely tucked away in a high bureau drawer. Panhellenic spirit is like a flower—it needs sunshine to make it grow.

It means the spirit of friendliness governing your relations with the other groups on the campus and carried into your own house. Inspire in your chapter group a deep respect for other Greek-letter chapters. Think of them not as your rivals but as your friends. Remember that they grew from the same universal desire for sisterhood, that their pin and their secrets are just as precious to them as ours are to you, that their loyalty to their fraternity is the same as your loyalty to yours, that after all every Greek-letter woman belongs to the same big family. It is only in an atmosphere of such Panhellenic spirit that the truest Zeta spirit can ever be born.

A "THANK YOU" COMMITTEE

Many times it has come to mind that every chapter should have a "Thank You" committee whose sole duty it should be to make sure that none of the pleasant amenities governing the receipt of gifts, the sending of flowers, and the social correspondence with guests be overlooked.

In the hurry and hustle of college life with its many demands upon time, the smaller courtesies, so small and yet so all-important, are apt to be neglected, or, one member leaves it to another and perhaps she leaves it to someone else and in the end, the duty goes undone. Seldom it is an intentional omission. It is one of those things which "just happen" and which could so easily be handled by a committee. To keep the chapter well balanced it is decidedly beneficial to give each member something to do and at least one freshman could receive good training by service on such a committee.

Hearts are warmed, friends are made and kept, alumnæ are held and their interest is kept alive by expressions of courtesy that we may rightly expect from college women. It isn't wise to let the argument of lack of time crowd out the little things that go to make life more pleasant.—*Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha

The University of California has a course popularly known as "dumbbell English."

Every entering student has to take an examination to see whether he can write 500 words of simple English clearly and correctly. Those who fail—which is most of them—must take a special course in elementary composition, for which they pay a fee, and for which they receive no university credit. The purpose is to guarantee that no one goes on to the higher university work who has not acquired at least a minimum capacity to write ordinary straight-ahead English.

The puzzle is to know why an actual majority of ostensibly educated young people, who have satisfied the other requirements for university entrance, cannot write educated English.

Poor teaching in the preparatory schools is not explanation enough. These schools do furnish satisfactory training in other things, and their English teaching is certainly not uniformly worse than their other teaching.

A better explanation may be the slovenly English that has become almost fashionable. And the demoralization of education, which brings to the institutions of higher learning whole regiments of students from homes with no tradition of books may be another.

At least, the experience of this university—and it is by no means exceptional—indicates that we are raising up the best educated generation, statistically, in the history of the world, and that somehow, it is a generation that cannot write its own language.—*Trident* of Delta Delta Delta

The Greek World seems to have run to rhyme lately. A few choice bits gathered here and there are quoted forthwith.

A BOB BALLADE

Good-by, good-by, ye golden tresses;
 Ye curls and braids, a fond adieu.
 Farewell! The barber now possesses
 The tendril loves I once did woo.

A hair divides the false and true;
Alas, that fashion could thus rob
The crowning glory that was you—
There is no beauty in a bob.

Where once my roving soft caresses
On silken curls touched, light as dew,
An everlasting wave depresses
The ardor of that lovelorn crew.
My lips have lost their revenue,
My heart has ceased, almost, to throb;
Oh, shameful unshorn residue,
There is no beauty in a bob.

Too baldly this mad fad confesses
What art's soft contours never knew:
Those graceless glimpses that distress us
When necks and ears pass in review.
Too youthfully does age renew
A youth that long since left the job;
Time flees and flouts those who pursue—
There is no beauty in a bob.

Envoy

Oh, for a siren's rendezvous,
Far from the maddening mop-topped mob.
I'd comb and sing the long days through,
"There is no beauty in a bob."

—*Trident* of Delta Delta Delta

THINGS LIKE THAT

BY DOUGLAS MALLOCH

Here is the road beside the brook,
And here the byway that we took,
And here the log on which we sat
And talked of love and things like that.

Not ours; ah, no. Two students wise,
Not love we talked, but analyzed—
The latest gossip in the frat,
Engagements, weddings, things like that.

The Tri-Delt girls, their Psi U beaus—
We talked of love, but loves like those;
Yes, there beside the lake we sat
And talked of things like that.

For you were young, and I was poor—
Might even flunk; I wasn't sure—
And so I dared not come out flat
And talked of rings and things like that.

Yet even when I spoke of Bess,
I thought of someone, more or less,
Who even then beside me sat
And thought of me—and things like that.

Well, you are back in your home town;
I flunked; but now I've knuckled down—
You'd be surprised the way I bat
In Greek and math. and things like that.

But now and then I take a book
And find the byway that we took,
And sit the very place we sat
And think of eyes and things like that.

In other words, I'm doing fine;
And so I thought I'd drop a line
To ask—wherever you are at—
That you would write—and things like that.

For I'll be out of here in June,
And I'll be making money soon,
And then I'm coming right out flat
And talk of love and things like that.

This poem is found in the October number of *The Ladies' Home Journal*.
Douglas Malloch is the father of Dorothy Malloch Swan, president of the Rochester
Alliance, who permanently annexed a "Psi T beau" some years ago.

—Angelos of Kappa Delta

Hard work and hard water yield to *FAB!*

Chapter Department

BETA BETA'S BREVITY Beta Beta, St. Lawrence University

Late in October another honor came to Beta Beta. Fernabelle Brandow was elected, by popular vote, president of the Women's Self Government Association.

coed editor of the *Hill News*, the weekly paper.

Jean Cornwall, '27, was taken ill before Thanksgiving recess, and returned home. We hope to have her with us after the holidays.



BETA BETA CHAPTER
St. Lawrence University

It is the highest office that a woman can hold at St. Lawrence.

Mrs. Florence Lee Whitman, '82, was a recent guest at the lodge. She has just been elected one of the four councilors at large at Cambridge, Massachusetts. She is the first woman to hold this position.

We have two members in the cast of the mid-winter play, *The Truth About Blayds*, by A. A. Milne—Jeanne Lasher and Helen Farmer, both juniors. Helen Farmer has also been appointed assistant

Carol Huntington, '29, of Troy, New York, was pledged November 23.

HELEN FARMER

PHI OF KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA Phi, Boston University

It doesn't seem possible that the college year is nearly half over. It has been a busy one for Phi, with rushing, pledging, bridge parties, and so forth, to say nothing of the usual studies.

Rushing period was shortened to five weeks this year. It was closed rushing,

as usual, though we are hoping for open next year. Pledging took place November 6.

It seems we are enjoying the apartment more than ever this fall. Sunday night spreads before the open fire are becoming quite a custom.

We held a tea, the Sunday after pledging, to introduce the new girls to our "alums."

An informal bridge party in December, for the purpose of helping along our needy treasury, proved a big success. There were eleven tables, mostly filled with girls from other sororities. Just the nicest Panhellenic spirit possible!

We are all looking forward now to the new year and extending our best wishes to all chapters for a successful 1926.

MARTHA A. FARNSWORTH

UNUSUAL FRESHMEN?

Beta Tau, Syracuse University

You will agree that we have thirteen of the most progressive freshmen on the hill when I tell you that they have already conducted a benefit bridge and movie. Following the last chapter meeting before Christmas they entertained us at a little party, giving a stunt that was written by one of them, and bringing the party to a climactic close by presenting us with a new orthophonic victrola. Betty Chapin, '29, has been elected to the staff of *Green Leaf*, the freshman publication. Grace Roxby, '29, has been elected president of the freshman Y.W. C.A. Cabinet.

At Panhellenic banquet, a few weeks ago, the scholastic ratings for last year were announced. Kappa was proud to find that she was fourth on the list of twenty-two sororities.

During the past week a straw vote on the function of the United States entering the World Court was instituted on the hill under the direction of the Y.W. and Y.M.C.A. The majority favored

the Harding-Hughes-Coolidge plan of entrance.

Our eventful Colgate week-end was far better this year than ever, despite our defeat, for every one of our twelve seniors that left us last June returned from the four corners of the earth to help join our festivities.

Rumors of Santa's coming to the Kappa house have been heard. Every Kappa is looking forward to our annual Christmas party for the poor children. It is hard to tell whether the children or the girls are anticipating more fun from this party.

The night before we leave for vacation we are having our Christmas formal 'neath boughs of spruce and pine.

CHARLOTTE WILSON

CORNELL DEDICATES NEW HALL Psi, Cornell University

Cornell is rejoicing now in its new Willard Straight Hall, which was formally dedicated on December 14, by Mrs. Leonard K. Elmhirst, the donor. This new hall satisfies a need long felt by the University. It contains a perfectly appointed theater which was opened by a presentation of *Contrasts* by Royall Tyler, when three Kappas, active in dramatics, ushered: Agnes Lester, '26; Ruth Clark, '27, and Margery Blair, '28.

There are dining rooms and lounges, a cafeteria, activity rooms, rooms for visiting teams, and countless other rooms where students may satisfy their needs in work or play.

Competition for the position of women's editor on the *Cornell Daily Sun* board has started under the leadership of Rheua Medden, '27, who will be editor next year. The competitors are working hard for the coveted position, which will be filled in April.

Meanwhile other Kappas have been active on the campus. Agnes Lester was one of the nine women elected to Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic

fraternity. She is also a Phi Beta Kappa. Nancy Deal, '29, debated on the women's debating team against Syracuse in December. She and Janet Houck were recently initiated into the Dixie Club, a society of southern girls. Sunday, December 1, we had our annual Christmas party. Invaluable presents were distributed by a peculiar looking Santa Claus in the person of Betty Matthewson, '26. The pledges at this time presented the house with a large mirror.

They have entered heart and soul into the work and rules of the chapter, carrying out very admirably their special duties.

For our first rushing party on December 8, we had every Kappa, active or alumna, wear an Oliver Twist suit of light blue and dark blue material. Our guests were dressed as little girls and as such, seemed to take great delight in Santa Claus and the Christmas tree.

We have been giving rather special at-



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Everyone is packing now to leave for Christmas vacation, forgetful of studies, although, before this letter is published, finals will have come and gone.

MARGERY I. BLAIR

BETA PSI MEETS CONDITIONS SUCCESSFULLY

Beta Psi, Toronto University

Our chief concern this fall has been the new problem of rushing, keeping in mind Panhellenic rules with which we used to have nothing to do. Though somewhat disappointed in the quantity, we are more than satisfied with the splendid quality of our three new pledges.

tention this fall to chapter policy and have inaugurated one or two rules which we find have contributed towards greater efficiency. When a member is absent from a meeting, her written excuse is read by the president so that we may know what particular college activity she is participating in. Such little things we have found, emphasize individual responsibility which is the key-note to successful meetings.

ALICE TAYLOR

A GLORIOUS SEND OFF

Gamma Lambda, Middlebury College

Christmas vacation in sight at last! Gamma Lambda hailed it with joy at

the last meeting of 1925! The seniors policed the vim and exuberance after starting it by a speechless comedy in four acts. By the time the villain was battled to the dust, the hero freed from prison by his daring heroine, and she at last clasped to his manly breast, the house was in an uproar. Exchange of vacation addresses in little, red, shoe-shaped leaflets, and practice of carols mixed with Kappa songs brought the realization of



GAMMA LAMBDA CHAPTER HOUSE

the full meaning of the holidays. Hot cocoa and sandwiches prepared us for the cold tramp around to the homes of some of the alumnae, where our carols were warmly greeted.

The seniors and juniors gave an informal dance and Christmas party the first Saturday night in December. From all accounts 'twas a pretty jolly affair!

Looking back over the part of the year that's gone, there has been work, too, as well as fun, but not without compensation. Adelma Hadley, '28, won the \$10 prize offered by our alumnae for scholarship. Ruth Collins, '25, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

Margaret Doty, '26, was elected president of the English Club. Margaret Sedgwick, '27, and Helen Bradley, '28, were elected vice presidents of their respective classes. Adelma Hadley, '28, was sent to Boston as representative of the Women's Athletic Association to the intercity and international hockey tournament. Helen Bradley, '28, was

sent to Boston to the committee meeting for planning the 1926 student's conference at Maqua, the Y.W.C.A. camp.

We're looking forward, now, past the mid-year exams to initiation of eleven fine pledges and all the joy that such an event means.

HELEN E. BRADLEY

SOCIAL NEWS

Gamma Rho, Allegheny College

Our letter this time will be mostly devoted to social events. Our local alumnae are very active this year, and are planning to entertain the chapter regularly. In November, Martha Harper and her mother gave a delightful tea for actives and alumnae; and the following month Mrs. Wilson entertained us all at a charming bridge.

In December the chapter gave a tea for the wives of the college faculty, and we are glad to say it was successful.

The week after the faculty tea, we had our fall party, an informal dance which we enjoyed very much. Several of the alumnae came back for this, and we staged a regular reunion during the dance. The ballroom was decorated in red, black, and white, with huge spades, hearts, diamonds, and clubs fastened on the walls to represent cards. This motif was carried out also in the place cards, and table decorations. The committee deserves much credit for the cleverness and completeness of their plans.

Eleanor Barnhurst was on the committee which chose the senior class play, *Charley's Aunt*, and Marian Whieldon will take the part of "Ella."

We take great pride in introducing to Kappas, young John Culbertson Hazen, born on Thanksgiving to Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Hazen. Alice Townsend Hazen is an alumna of Gamma Rho, so we consider the baby quite a chapter possession.

As we write this, it is time for Christmas vacation to begin; so we are forced

to give up hope of having the boiler burst for our special benefit. A new heating plant is being installed here; meanwhile the boiler in the old plant is so weak that we momentarily expect it to burst, and allow us a little more vacation. We did have one day's enforced

But the daily tasks seem lighter because we have twelve pledges working with us. In spite of all the anxiety connected with a rushing season, Beta Alpha managed to have a good time. From the opening tea to the dinner and dance two weeks later, there was the buz and hustle



GAMMA RHO
Allegheny College

recess, but what is that when we might have had a whole week or so? However, the installation of the new plant will be completed during the holidays; so we must resign ourselves to attending all the classes scheduled in the college catalogue.

BETTY HAMMETT

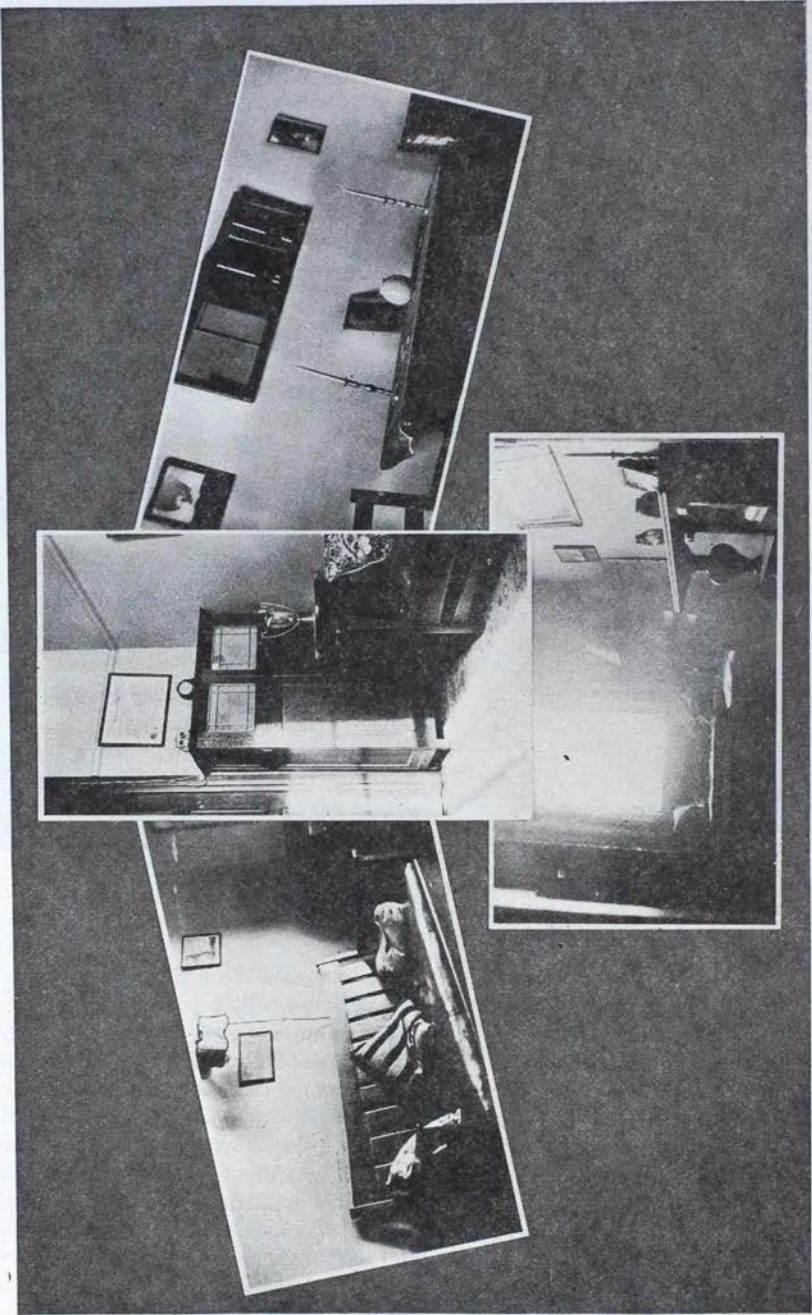
AN OWL LUNCHEON AND KAPPA PAGEANT

Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania

At last it is over—rushing I mean, and we are settling down to the usual routine.

of preparation for the next event. I hardly know which party was best from the freshman point of view, but the Owl luncheon, and Kappa pageant seemed to be favored most by the Kappas. Even as I write this the thought of the alumnae party comes to my mind, and I feel like taking back what I have said. There is something wonderful about Kappa "alums" who come back and pull with us at this season. It makes the actives and the freshmen too, realize the depth of our sisterhood.

Speaking of alumnae, reminds me of



BETA IOTA

Christmas cards right now. We are quite excited about a hardwood floor our older sisters are giving us. Selling cards is but one of their means for getting money. Last week they had a bazaar and at the rate they're working, it seems that our dream will soon be a reality.

The rummage sale I told you about in my last letter was a great success.

The Y.W.C.A. held an International bazaar last Wednesday and Thursday. A most beautiful and fascinating display of silks from China, dolls from France, and brasses and handwork from other countries was shown. Much credit is due Betty Sadler for selection and purchase of such lovely goods.

Basketball season is in full swing. Although varsity has not been selected, we are proud that Elizabeth Cubberley is manager. Four Kappas, Emma Embry, Beatrice Hayman, Mary Johnson, and Esther Mac Neir made varsity hockey.

Elizabeth Cubberley, Dorothy Drake, and Elizabeth Sadler have been invited to become members of Sphinx and Key. This makes five Kappas from the class of 1927 who are junior honorary girls.

We've already been fortunate enough to have one initiation this year. Doris Joy, '28, and Dorothy Drake, '27, have put aside the pledge pin for the key. Dorothy, by the way, is chairman of Student Friendship, not for the University of Pennsylvania, but for the entire Eaglesmere region.

The regular pledge meetings are proving mighty attractive in program. The national organization, the local organization, the place of fraternity and campus activities, are being presented to the freshmen and discussed by them. We are waiting impatiently until mid-years shall be over, and these twelve shall be Kappas in truth. Until then, Christmas with its holly and evergreen will help us pass the time merrily.

MARY MANGIGIAN

BETA IOTA CHAPTER
Beta Iota, Swarthmore College

We at Swarthmore soon expect to be enjoying a women's student building on the campus. It is to be built after the fashion of our new dormitory, Worth Hall, which is of old English architecture, and is, in fact to be joined to Worth. The new building will consist of lodges for the women's fraternities, and a student building containing a large room for the nonfraternity girls and rooms for such student affairs as the Y.W.C.A. Through our alumnae much has been done toward raising the funds for this new building. In the latter part of November, Cecile de Horvath, ex-'05, an eminent pianist, gave a recital under the auspices of Sommerville Forum for the Women's Student Building. The students have banded together and are selling Fleisher silk stockings to add to the capital already accumulated. In raising money for the individual fraternity houses our alumnae have been particularly instrumental. In December, they gave a benefit bridge for the building and now have a great deal of money in cash and pledges. Each active Beta Iota has also pledged a certain amount of money. Rummage sales and such activities have added to our funds. As soon as three fraternities have enough funds for their houses the work will be started. Each house will be joined to the other in sections so enabling the work to be carried on in this way. Beta Iota has raised \$8,000 of the \$10,000 needed and we feel that we will soon have a house of our own on the Swarthmore campus.

Now that Thanksgiving is over the basketball season has started, three of our girls have made the varsity squad, Gertrude Jolls, '28, who won her letter last year, Florence Hoskinson, '26, and Marcia Perry, '27. Marion Palmenberg, '27, just returned from Pittsburgh where

she successfully represented Swarthmore in debate.

December 4 we held initiation for Sarah and Marion Pratt at Polly Pol-lard's, '25. The sophomores were the cooks of the chapter and served us with a feast fit for kings. December 5 the college Glee Clubs, men's and women's, gave a joint concert followed by a dance in the gymnasium. The following Saturday the chapter attended a lovely dance given by Margaret Pusey, '25. After vacation Betts Miller, '27, and Betty Winchester, '27, are giving an informal dance at Betts' home.

Our rushing, which really consists of a period of normal social intercourse will be over in February, the first week of which may be devoted to intensive rushing but as yet this is not definite.

MARCIA PERRY

BETA SIGMA CHAPTER

Beta Sigma, Adelphi College

Beta Sigma's rushing acquisitions number seven, five of whom are freshmen, one a sophomore, and the other a junior. It was a most exciting season and the chapter is delighted with its pledges and its success. Pledging occurred on Friday, November 13 and initiation of the two upper classmen December 16, both at the home of the Editor-in-chief, Rosalie Geer Parker.

College activities are piling up faster and thicker than ever and Kappa is proud of its representation in administration, social, athletic, literary, and musical affairs.

PRISCILLA PECK

SUCCESSFUL SALESMEN

Gamma Epsilon, University of Pittsburgh

Gamma Epsilon begins the new year with one week of intensive rushing and, just among ourselves, we have some promising material.

Our benefit bridge was a huge success

and we've made so much money selling FAB and Christmas cards that we're thinking seriously of hanging out a shingle with "Information for Sorrowful Salesmen" delicately wrought upon it. But, we've made such a great number of improvements on our house that we had to have all that money, and more; so now plans are under way for an extensive candy sale.

Betty Harrold, our one and only pledge, is to be initiated some time after the first of the year. She, and five of the actives were recently recognized by Mortar Board.

We had a lovely Christmas party this week—everyone drew names to see who was to be the honored recipient of their elaborate, ten-cent gift. After some extremely original stunts the sad news was broken to our pledge that there is no Santa Claus. A light luncheon was then served.

Tell you more after rushing season!

MARGERY HEWITT

VIRGINIA LEARNS "CHARLESTON" FROM QUAKERS

Gamma Kappa, College of William and Mary

William and Mary is so much the hostess for historical and sight-seeing gatherings that it is difficult to pick the outstanding events of the season. Kappas made punch for the foreign students from Columbia who visited the college last month—very good punch it was, too—and thereby profited in hearing those charming foreigners talk. Then last week the Phi Beta Kappas held their annual big jamboree on December 5 and initiated Mrs. Leonors Speyer, the poetess, Senator Goff, General Cocke, and Homer L. Ferguson. We feel hesitant in mentioning Phi Beta Kappa without producing a shining example from our chapter, but, in extenuation if not in explanation, we must say that at William and Mary students are elected only after graduation and not in their junior or

senior year as is done at so many colleges; if that means nothing to the reader we will further add that we expect to have some from this year's senior class.

Everybody knows "Greenie" from Swarthmore; at least, everybody in Beta Province does, so they know how delighted we were to have her visit us this fall, as she has done every year, and sometimes twice, since installation of Gamma Kappa chapter. With her she brought the Charleston. Why do you suppose that a typical southern college should be the last to learn the Charleston? At any rate we are trying hard.

We announce for the last time, with the consent of the chapter, the appearance of our one and only oddity—two seniors who will graduate in February, one Elizabeth Kent, president of Student Government in 1923-24 and the other, Thomas Bland, president of Student Government in 1924-25. We challenge any chapter to have at once two ex-presidents who are still undergraduates, roommates, members of the same honorary fraternities and rivals in general. The chapter photographer was too busy to prepare a snapshot of them for this issue, but hopes to have one ready next time.

Anne Townsend has recently been elected to Alpha, the senior honorary fraternity. Anne, the retiring president, is being succeeded by Virginia Hardy, our black-haired May Queen, whose picture recently appeared in Burr-Patterson's *College Life*.

ELIZABETH HENT

A STUDIO TEA

Lambda, University of Akron

The Christmas tree in the Kappa Kappa Gamma rooms is on duty again just shouting "Merry Christmas" with all its brilliant tinsel heart. Even though you can't see it we hope the thought

of it helps to cheer you. Now to get down to business.

That which is freshest in the minds of Lambda's members is the very clever party we gave for eight charming girls at the home of one of the actives. It was a "studio tea" and we wore artists' smocks, and scattered a profusion of local color about such as pillows, scarfs, easels, drawing equipment, sketches, and everything common to studios. For entertainment we had a drawing contest and some of the more gifted members danced and sang for us. Dinner was served on small tables which was a glorious end for a successful party.

Someone asked for ideas on how we raise money. Our main source of outside money supply is through benefit bridge parties—and rummage sales. Two or three years ago we gave a Kappa benefit tea dance and were able to realize a small percentage from that. These ideas are much used at Akron University and to tell the truth we will be very happy to get some new ones. So we are looking forward a great deal to the publication of the next Key.

Lambda has been giving a series of spreads for various reasons—if one might call stray Greeks, special students, new comers and such, "reasons." We have initiated two girls since our last Key letter. Saturday December 19 is Pledge Day and we are excited about that. We feel confident that Saturday evening the girls of our choice will be wearing a double blue pledge pin.

DOROTHY MELL

BETA NU CHAPTER

Beta Nu, Ohio State University

The Homecoming football game this year brought to Ohio's stadium not only Red Grange, but also many Kappas, both Beta Nus and otherwise, who helped swell the crowd of eighty-five thousand which had gathered to witness the last

college game of the season. Although the Kappas did not win the prize for the most attractively decorated house, there was nevertheless a spirit of a gaiety and hilarity which welcomed mothers, friends, sisters, old grads, and members of other chapters. We had all seen a great game in the afternoon, and somehow or other the spirit of it all seemed to stay with us even binding us closer in the bonds of Kappa.

After all the excitement of the opening weeks of school Beta Nus are settling down to study. Finals, which come before Christmas, are creeping up all too quickly and Kappas have a reputation to live up to. The Panhellenic banquet at which scholastic honors were given, was held the first part of December. Lillian Maetzel again was awarded the prize for the highest individual standing. Lillian surpassed only her own record of last year by making 400 out of a possible 400 points. This high standing has never equalled by a fraternity woman on Ohio's campus.

Beta Nus are concentrating upon the FAB campaign at the present time. Snow, ice, rain, and zero weather mean nothing to some of our enthusiastic solicitors; incidentally many of us are learning the art of salesmanship.

THELMA L. HUGHES

A BRIMMING LETTER Beta Rho, Cincinnati University

Beta Rho is enjoying some honors and several parties. Helen Wehman, as president of Woman's League, was the woman delegate from the University of Cincinnati to the Student Conference on the World Court held at Princeton, December 11-12. Lucille Gassman was recently elected secretary of the junior class, and Eleanor Heuck is freshman representative to Woman's League. We are very proud of Eleanor who at the freshman trial was awarded the ring for the best all-round freshman in the class.

She is the organizer and president of a freshman Rooters' Club, was captain of her class hockey team and is in the Glee Club.

To be placed on the mantel of a house sometime-to-be we have a beautiful new loving cup given us at an interfraternity sing on Homecoming Day by the alumnae association of the University.

Our mothers entertained the active and alumnae chapter with a tea November 16, and we loved seeing them all together and enjoyed immensely their home talent program. On December 14 the "Alfalfa Hay Chapter of Dutiful and Discreet Kappa Dads" gave a dinner dance for the mothers and daughters. They initiated the pledge fathers and gave some clever stunts followed by dancing. The Dads just can't be beat and we love their enthusiasm. On this night our mothers gave us their Christmas present—four dozen goblets, eight dozen teaspoons, and six dozen salad forks. The silver was engraved with K K T.

Toward the last of November little invitations written on fleur-de-lis shaped blue paper, told in French that the pledges would entertain us with a dinner party on December 4. The dinner, served by French maids, showed that at last culinary talents had come into the chapter. A bridge followed and then at a slumber there were clever and original stunts and songs. We were pretty sleepy the next day—but were awake enough to say most enthusiastically that there never was a better freshman party.

We are now looking forward to our Kappa Christmas dance where we have the very best time of all the year. It is to be a supper dance, on December 21. We are counting the days until then.

DOROTHY PIERSON

ONE BEAUTY QUEEN FOR BETA CHI Beta Chi, University of Kentucky

As the few remaining days before the Christmas holidays fly by we are

cramming them full with quizzes, parties, and the all-important occupation of getting ready for Christmas.

Emily Gregory was initiated into Mortar Board, and Curtis Buehler into Theta Sigma Phi, a journalistic fraternity. Mary Lair, one of our sophomores, recently was elected Colonel-Sponsor of the R.O.T.C. The beauty contest has been held in a different way this year as all the contestants were required to send in a picture and from the number sent in



BETA CHI

Lexington, Kentucky

Flo Ziegfeld selected the five most beautiful. Margaret Williams, a last year's pledge, was awarded one of the honors.

The Woman's Panhellenic banquet was held November 13 at the Phoenix Hotel and Ruth Robinson was chosen to give one of the five toasts which represented parts of a book entitled, "A Girl's College Life."

On November 26 we gave a tea for the Kappa mothers and they came from far and near to make it a success. We all feel that this is the best party we give during the year and if you have not done so we urge you to try it.

The W.S.G.A. of Kentucky held its annual meeting here this year and the

meetings were most efficiently presided over by Eugenia Herrington who was also toastmistress at the banquet that was given for the delegates.

On December 19 we are to give our tea-dance at Patterson Hall and we are going to see that it is a success so that we shall imbibe the Christmas spirit before going home, but just as a precaution if we should fail to catch it then we are going to give our annual party at the house the night before we leave for home. We always look forward to this as the most delightful party of the year. Santa Claus is always present and there is a gift for each one of the chapter with an appropriate verse attached.

Our chapter has been divided into two teams for the FAB campaign which we are putting on but we have just started so there is no startling progress to announce.

LOUISE JEFFERSON

SEVEN HOURS SUPERVISED STUDY A DAY

Delta, Indiana University

On November 21, Indiana University celebrated a most notable Homecoming, consisting of the dedication of the Memorial Dormitory for Women, and the Memorial Stadium. Although our score was tied with Purdue, we felt a great victory in the realization of long hoped for things. Mrs. Sanford Teter, one of our Bloomington alumnae and a trustee of the University, spoke at the dedication of the dormitory. June Bolinger and Esther Freeman participated in the dedication of the stadium. June appeared as "Miss Indiana" and Esther worked efficiently on the all-campus Homecoming committee.

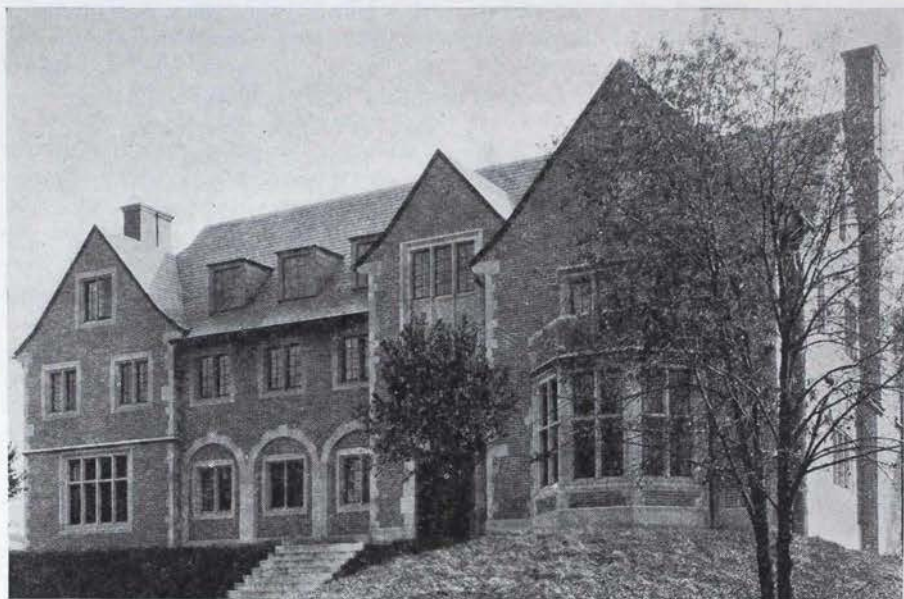
We were glad to welcome seventy-five of our alumnae and guests at this Homecoming.

We have had several important campus

recognitions. Esther Freeman, a senior, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. This is an especial honor as only those of highest scholastic standing are elected in the fall. Elizabeth Stout, '27, has been appointed junior member of Y.W.C.A. council. Helen Toay Underwood, '27, a

pate in intramural sports but were defeated by Memorial Hall.

In an attempt to make real progress in scholarship we have installed a system of seven hours of supervised study a day. Those upper classmen whose grades are unsatisfactory and all freshmen must at-



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Bloomington, Indiana

pledge, has been chosen by a faculty and student board to serve as a sophomore assistant on the business board of the *Arbutus* staff. Wilna Davidson, '29, a pledge, was elected first vice president of the freshman class.

Interest in athletics grows each year and this fall the following made hockey team: Ellen Rooda, '28, Elizabeth Stout, '27, Jane Zahner, '29, Jane Cooper, '29, and Elizabeth Teare, '29. Also Elizabeth Teare, '29, made the varsity hockey team. Esther Freeman, '26, made the varsity soccer team. For the first time in several years we had a volley ball team partici-

tend a required number of hours a day.

Our social activities have been few but delightful. An informal house dance was held November 13. On December 14 the Bloomington Alumnæ entertained us with their annual Christmas dinner. We also had an informal meeting with our alumnæ to discuss fraternity affairs. The following Wednesday, the chapter held its formal Christmas party. After the turkey dinner, our Christmas dinner from our housemother, we exchanged ten-cent gifts that were accompanied by appropriate lines of free verse.

We are happy to hear of the success of

Eleanor Loudon, ex-'26, who is doing social service work for the Red Cross of Cleveland, Ohio.

Christmas cheer has been brought to our door by the many Christmas greetings from our sister chapters. Best wishes and success to all those striving for the Efficiency Cup in 1926.

MIRIAM DOWDEN

TWENTY KAPPAS AT MATRIX TABLE

Iota, DePauw University

Within the last few weeks we have been busy with campus affairs. Dorothy Smith was elected to Duzer Du, an amateur theatrical fraternity; Julia Van Cleve, a member of Pi Epsilon Delta, National Collegiate Players, directed *Why the Chimes Rang*, one of the three one-act plays directed by students. Martha Andres, and Louise Gentry were elected to membership in the Cosmopolitan Club. And our list of activities continues to increase.

We are quite proud of the fact that twenty Kappas attended Matrix Table, December 6. The banquet was sponsored by Theta Sigma Phi, national journalistic fraternity. Approximately 150 faculty members and townspeople attended.

It is hard for us to realize that the first semester is almost over. Christmas vacation commences in a few days, and we are all rushing about in a vain effort to have everything done. The night before we go home, the freshmen will give their stunt. We have heard rumors of an elaborate musical comedy with six scenes including one from the Cannibal Isles. But the freshmen are very secretive, and we can tell nothing more. The next morning according to custom, we will celebrate our Christmas party. A group of girls awaken us by singing carols. Then we go downstairs to an open fire and our Christmas tree with its Kappa symphonies for the freshmen and

small gifts for all the rest of us. It all gives us a beautiful "Christmasy" spirit and makes us appreciate our vacation just a little bit more.

Just three weeks after our return, the first semester will have ended. We are anticipating a most happy and successful second semester and we extend our best wishes for a prosperous new year.

SARA ANN POUCHER

SANTA BRINGS A "GRAND PIANO"

Mu, Butler

Although Christmas is yet two weeks off, faithful old Santa has already made his visit to Mu. Imagine the thrill and gratitude we felt last Friday when the Mothers' Club presented the chapter with a beautiful new grand piano! It just seems too good to be true for that has long been a much cherished wish. In addition to this, each class is getting a gift for the house which will be given at our little chapter Christmas party next Wednesday.

The Christmas party is in charge of the seniors and judging by the secrecy that has been evidenced we know it will be delightful. One of the members of the class has been prevailed upon to reveal one or two of the deep secrets which surely sound promising. There is to be a Santa Claus court with the twelve members of the class as jury. Each girl is to be brought before the court where it will be decided whether or not she is deserving of a gift. The dinner is to be prepared and placed in little individual Christmas baskets. We are planning to have as the grand finale of our party, a serenade to all of the sorority and fraternity houses on the campus, singing at each, a Christmas carol, a Kappa song and a song from the respective organizations. Every girl will have a lighted candle and with a group of forty-eight we hope to have a very impressive serenade. Betty Keller, one of the artists

of the chapter, is making elaborate Christmas greetings, done in an old English style for each organization.

Everyone is looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to our Christmas formal, which is to be given December 19. Our social chairman has promised

well as a great time-saver in active meeting.

We are justly proud of one of our pledges this year, namely Louise Frisbie, who has made the varsity debating team and also chosen to serve on the *Drift* staff, a group which is ordinarily com-



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Butler University

that we are to have lovely favors, which adds somewhat to our anticipation.

Until the present time, the chapter has been guided more or less by the senior council or the members of the senior class, but this year we, too, are adopting the plan of having each class represented in the council. In this way, the problems confronting the chapter can be discussed at more length and a decision be reached more readily than when considering the opinions of the entire chapter. Our council is yet in its infancy, but we expect it to prove beneficial as

posed of juniors and seniors. Our president, Irma Ulrich, has had more responsibility and honor added to her curriculum. She is to have complete charge of the May Day Pageant this year, which is a tremendous undertaking, but we who know Irma's capabilities are confident of the success of the pageant.

Our last monthly meeting with the alumnae was certainly most interesting and deeply significant. Mrs. Flora Frazier Dill, the only member living in Indianapolis of Mu's five charter members, was present and recalled to the

chapter the installation of their tiny group by Delta chapter, their little secret meetings, their attempts at social affairs, the enormous sum of five cents for dues and of the gradual development of the chapter until it is now one of the largest on the campus. Lastly, Mrs. Dill presented our president with the dear, old-fashioned key of Mrs. Jeanette Teeter Ritter, another of the charter members, who died four years ago and whose wish it was that her key be returned to the chapter. It is perhaps an inch and a half in length, with large black letters and jeweled in twenty-four rubies; it was an engagement present from Mr. Ritter. In the future Mrs. Ritter's key will be worn by each successive president of Mu. We shall always be grateful to Mrs. Dill for her inspiring words.

MARY WAGNER

AN ALASKAN CHRISTMAS DANCE

Kappa, Hillsdale College

The stormy middle west has sent greetings to Kappas throughout the land and now with vacation upon us we may view all that has taken place during the fall.

Kappa chapter has been unusually active socially this fall. The weekly teas which we began when the cold November days begged for pleasant groups about a cheery fireplace have proven all we hoped and we have spent many delightful hours with our friends of the campus and town.

One of the most pleasant occasions of the year was the dinner party which the patronesses gave for us in their usual charming manner. A gay evening was spent in playing an intricate guessing game and in singing Kappa songs. Our patronesses have many favorites but they always call again for the "Pat" song.

The Christmas formal was unanimously voted the best party of the year,

and one of the best the chapter has ever sponsored. Reams of paper provided a beautiful blue sky on which twinkled myriads of silver stars; evergreens helped too, to create a Christmas atmosphere. The orchestra sheltered by a shining Igloo, played music that set hearts, already light, into ethereal realms of fancy, and feet to tripping over a carpet of fallen snow.

MOLLY EBY

AUNT JEMIMA ENTERTAINED

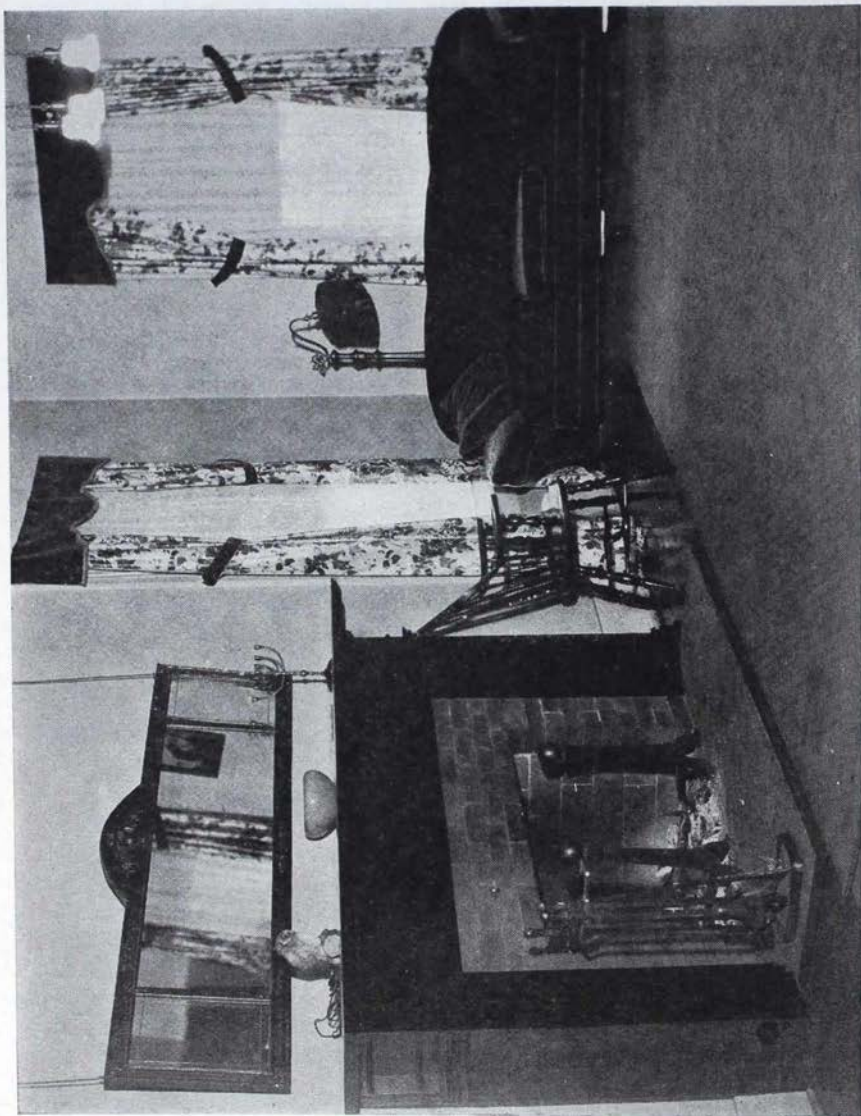
Xi, Adrian College

Things have settled down into a semblance of order since rushing is over and we have again succeeded in pledging the choice of the campus. Xi has eight new pledges, whom she would be very proud to introduce to all her sisters.

We had such good times at our rushing parties! The annual lake party at our president's cottage was a huge success, even though it did rain and was cold. The men came out and serenaded at six o'clock in the morning. Our so-called "middle party" was a bit unusual, so we'd like to tell you about it. We had an Aunt Jemima party, with one of the alumnae dressed and "blackened" to represent Aunt Jemima, the pancake lady, you know. The setting was an old fashioned southern garden, and the guests came dressed as children. Later a colored cateress served waffles and syrup, sausages, and all the rest that goes with them. And then we had our usual formal progressive party followed by Bid Day.

Honors! Xi has had more than her share this time, in fact they are too numerous to mention. They include leading parts in Dramatic Club play, class offices, active parts in college clubs, and a few days ago we won the biggest honor of them all.

This year, under the direction of Coach Sprinkle, Adrian College put on a Stunt Night program, for the first

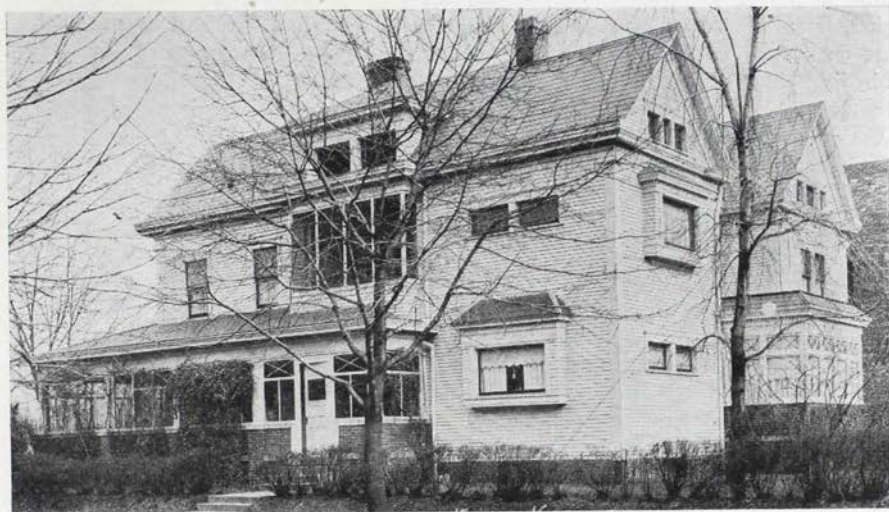


A CORNER OF THE DRAWING ROOM OF OUR CHAPTER HOUSE, KAPPA CHAPTER, HILLSDALE COLLEGE,
HILLSDALE, MICHIGAN

time, proceeds going to the Athletic Association. All of the fraternities on the campus and one nonfraternal group put on original stunts, with the prize a silver loving cup. Xi won, with a stunt entitled "Kappa Komics." Roommates in the girls' dormitory are reading a "Funny Paper" and as they read, these different groups come in and act their part. Andy and Min were there, Harold

operated on and won't be with us until the next semester; and Esther Templin was forced to leave school because of an injury to her hand received in an automobile accident. We miss all of them very much and write often to give them all the chapter gossip.

The Lafayette Kappa mothers sent their Christmas present, a beautiful lamp, over to the house in time for the lovely



GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER
Purdue University

Teen, Lester DePester, and Reg'ler Fellers. We have only our wonderful president, Margaret Osgood, to thank for it was entirely her idea and she directed it. In fact, much that we are, we owe to Margaret.

FLORINE ROSENTERER

WEDDINGS, DRAMATICS, ATHLETICS, AND SO FORTH Gamma Delta, Purdue University

Three girls have left our circle since the last KEY letter. Mary Ruth Morrison, '28, married Winston Robbins, '25, Delta Upsilon, and went to San Francisco; Gertrude Conlon went home to be

operated on and won't be with us until the next semester; and Esther Templin was forced to leave school because of an injury to her hand received in an automobile accident. We miss all of them very much and write often to give them all the chapter gossip.

formal tea we gave for Mary Simison, our chaperon. Mary has been prevailed upon to stay with us for this whole year. On November 28, the Lafayette Club saw a happy and hilarious crowd at our pledge dance. The committee headed by Jim Lindley deserves much credit for such a successful evening, and thus end our social activities for a while.

Gamma Delta just seems to step right along when it comes to activities. Violet Foster coached the one-act play given for Dads' Day and Madelyn Markley had the lead in it. Irma Wittte, Martha Dukes, Violet Foster, and Katherine O'Mara all made Theta Chi Gamma,

honorary English fraternity, and Thelma Snyder and Justine Kelly have places on the *Exponent* staff. Martha Dukes, Eleanor Eisenbach, and Mildred Albright are working on the editorial staff of the *Debris*, Purdue's annual, and Irma Witte is connected with the business staff.

As long as we have Margaret Lauman we will have athletic teams. Our volley ball team fought to the finals and was then defeated. However, two of the girls, Irma Witte, and Margaret Lauman are on the senior volley ball class team; Phyllis Young and Esther McGinnis are on the sophomore class team, and Helen Watson and Helen Harmeson made the freshman volley ball squad. Margaret and Irma are also on the senior basketball class team. The University rifle squad has Violet Foster, Lucille Meek, Betty DeHass, Emily Kennedy, and Louise Roehler.

In a few days the freshmen are to read their letters to Santa Claus, and the upperclassmen are expecting gifts of an appropriate nature. Our annual Christmas all-night party will be December 21 at which time the pledges will entertain with a stunt. They are already working hard on it and mysterious whisperings and glances are constantly passing among them.

MILDRED ALBRIGHT

!!!SMALLPOX!!!

Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan

On account of a smallpox epidemic in Bloomington and the severe measures taken to check it, everyone in college who had not been vaccinated within five years was required to be immediately. The few who were able to limp around yielded to the pleas of the less fortunate and the annual farmer's feed was postponed.

However, we held an informal dancing party on November 13. Some have confessed that they have become superstitious, for what could be more unlucky

than to have to sit out on account of their exceedingly painful limbs, and watch the others dance. Nevertheless, the few voted it a huge success.

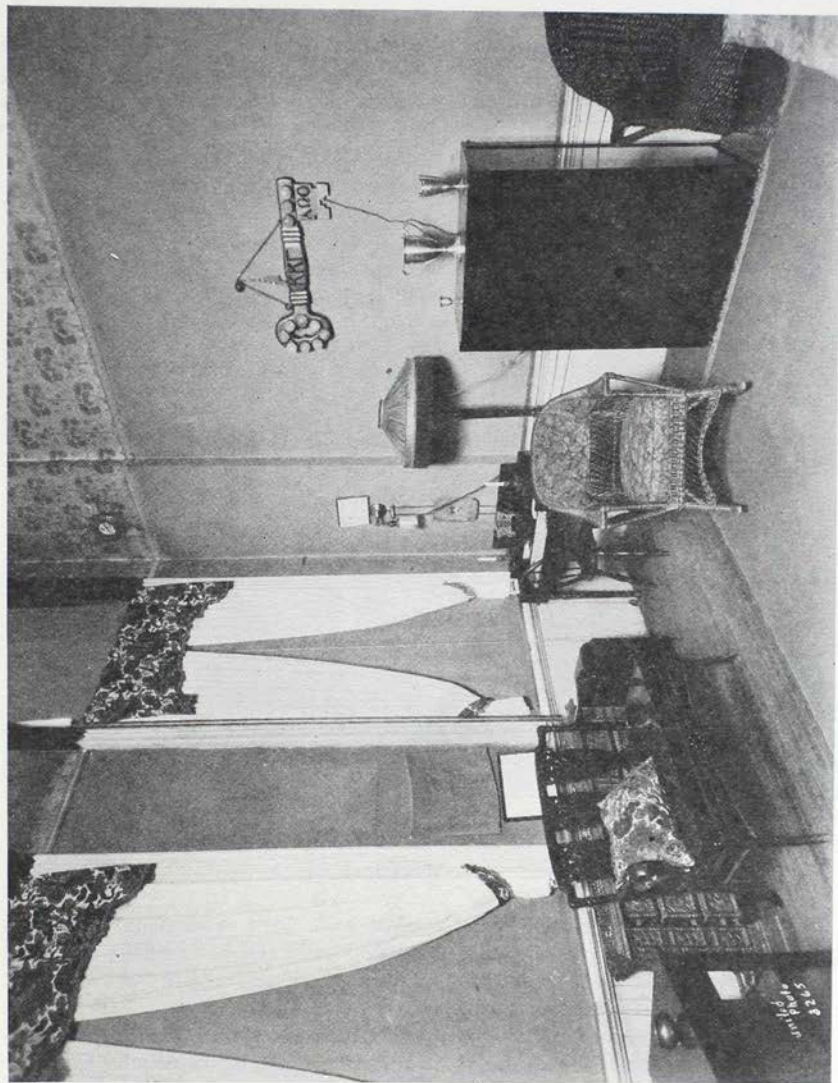
Several of our girls were chosen to represent their respective classes in the interclass field ball tournament conducted by the W.A.A. Pearl Houk, Rozanne Parker, and Henrietta Prothero played on the junior team; Frances Prothero on the sophomore, and Marian Williams on the freshman.

During the Thanksgiving vacation we had a spread at the home of Rachel Hodge. Many of our younger "alums" were back fresh from their new and exciting experiences of being called "teacher."

On December 14, we held our annual Christmas spread at Courtenay Davidson's. After our supper we gathered around a beautiful Christmas tree and Santa Claus distributed our gifts. Previous to the spread each girl had drawn the name of another and purchased a gift for her. Attached to each present was a verse which had been inspired or "ground out" as the case might be. You can imagine the fun and laughter that these rare pieces of poetry excited. As a crowning surprise, Santa presented the seniors, Dorothy Williams, Rachel Hodge, and Eleanor Welch, their senior pins of white gold with tiny crests upon them. After the spread we all went to a basketball game and saw our team win after an exciting contest.

Lately we have been studying with alarm clocks in front of us and several are considering hiring a timekeeper as the hours pile up. Epsilon is working to rank first in scholarship this year. Each of us must study at least twenty-five hours.

We wish to announce the marriage of Louise Lindsay and Edward Millard Howard on December 16, at her home in Lexington, Illinois. Louise was gradu-



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ated from Illinois Wesleyan in the class of 1925. Mr. Howard is a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity and was graduated from Boston Tech. For the present their home will be made in Ottawa, Illinois.

MARY JEANNETTE MUNCE

PARTICIPATING PLEDGES

Eta, University of Wisconsin

We have been especially pleased with the enthusiastic participation of our

ings of any sort, she immediately rouses an interest among the pledges for prompt participation. Upon the announcement by Junior Castalia, a literary club, of its first organization meeting, Sally, without delay, had herself and others excused from study hall in order to make a representation for Kappa. It is an inspiring sort of satisfaction to feel this intense interest manifested by our pledges.



ETA CHAPTER HOUSE

Madison, Wisconsin

freshmen in activities this year. Katharine Foster was elected to the vice presidency of the freshman class, and is very active in athletics, making the hockey and swimming teams, and doing worthwhile work on the Hill—Memorial Union, Fathers' Banquet, and Y.W.C.A. discussion groups. Sally Davis, who is president of the pledges, has shown remarkable leadership in really accomplishing things at pledge meetings. When there is a call for freshman gather-

We have been conducting study hall at the house, and in order to determine the favor or disfavor of it, we asked the pledges, in one of their meetings, to write criticisms. One pledge, Jo Kleinhans, impressed us especially with her sincere statement that, to her, studying is a matter of K K I honor—and we think that they all feel that way!

Our traditional Christmas party is to be held next Thursday night, just before school dismisses. It is strictly a

"sister affair," with Santa Claus, however silly, and many interesting presents. I can't tell you the plans for this year, because each time it proves to be unique and distinctly singular, and the committee makes no announcement.

We have entertained with two formal parties this year, the last one being given by the pledges, who, unostentatiously, however, evidenced "Sigma Delta" in various ways. Of course, we have ceased to have unusual decorations, letting it suffice merely to place baskets of flowers around with candles lighted about the rooms.

Memorial Union has occupied our interest and time to a great extent. Plans are in force to start construction on the building next fall. As a result, drives are being carried on for money. The freshmen, sophomore, and junior classes in our house showed perfect loyalty in subscribing 100 per cent to life memberships besides doing extensive campaign work.

Items of probable interest:

At the annual Y.W.C.A. Christmas bazaar Lucile Horton was chairman of the dance committee, an important feature of the bazaar. She also was chairman of the W.S.G.A. tea, which is an annual fall function for all freshmen women; and chairman of women's arrangements at Homecoming.

Virginia North was elected to Kappa Beta Pi, an honorary law fraternity.

Isabel Cunningham received a *Badger Board* nomination and election this fall.

Martha Walker, a Kappa from Iota chapter, was elected to Theta Sigma Phi, the national honorary journalism sorority.

Anita Showerman, Esther Saenger, and Louise Holt are our recent contributions to Phi Beta Kappa. Louise was formerly president of Y.W.C.A., but owing to illness was forced to resign.

Alice Miller, who is assistant dean of

women here at Wisconsin, has been appointed president of Epsilon Province.

The chapter announces the marriages of Mary Ann Walker, Edna Eimon, Mary Cunningham, and Beth Bloom. The engagements of Frances Porter, Katherine Wilson, and Josephine Carle have also been announced.

DORIS LARSH

AN INTERESTING LETTER

Chi, University of Minnesota

The fall quarter has been packed to the brim with work and play, and we are



CHI'S CHAPTER HOUSE

eagerly looking forward to our two weeks of Christmas vacation. One of our greatest pleasures was the short visit that Mrs. Harris made with us in November. She had meetings with alumnae, actives, and pledges, and was a wonderful inspiration to us. She came at such an opportune time, too—just when we were launching our new financial system, and her help was certainly appreciated. Her reports about convention have thrilled us all and we are already making plans on "how to get there!"

On Homecoming day we walked off with the first prize for house decorations, so we have added another silver loving cup to our mantel. The credit goes to

one of our pledges, Charlotte Putnam, the chairman, who came to us from Mills College with lots of clever ideas.

Corice Woodruff has won honors in the dramatic world this fall. She took one of the leading rôles in the Minnesota Masquer's production, *The Goose Hangs High*, and we were proud of her.

We are still holding our own in the athletic circles on the campus. Six of our number have been members on the hockey teams this fall, and Leah Taylor captained the junior eleven. Margaret Murray is president of the Women's



DINING-ROOM IN CHI'S CHAPTER HOUSE

Aquatic League, and Marjory Keyes won her M in athletics. We are working up enthusiasm for a basketball team, and we are going to fight hard to keep the cup that we won last year.

During the past few weeks, we have been having supervised study in the library for our pledges, and we are hoping that most of them will make their averages so they can be initiated January 16. Eleanor Mann was recently elected to Freshman Commission.

Our annual New Year's reception will be held January 1. On that day the alumnae and friends will be our guests at the house. The following Friday we are having our Christmas formal.

A few weeks ago, Eloise Taylor, who came to us from Northwestern, was affiliated. One night in December

Pauline Fletcher, a sophomore, surprised us all by announcing her engagement to Jim Gray, a graduate of Yale. A baby daughter was born to Mary Barnard Strong in November.

MARJORY KEYES

A 1925 RÉSUMÉ

Upsilon, Northwestern University

Upsilon, during the rush of Christmas vacation and Prom, stops and looks over the accomplishments of its many members during the fall.

The *Syllabus* boasts five Kappas on its board—Barbara Greer, Ruth Bracken, Priscilla Lowe, Virginia Thomas, and Eulah Stevens.

In athletics, Virginia Ingram was manager of sophomore hockey, and on the class hockey teams were Barbara Greer, Virginia Ingram, and Jane Condore. Marjorie Reynolds was captain of the sophomore soccer team, and Lucille Tatham, Virginia Thompson, Marjorie Reynolds, and Virginia Bixby were on the class teams. Marion Blessing made varsity archery team and on the class teams there were Betty Irwin, Eulah Stevens, Marion Blessing, and Beatrice Pank.

Mary Coyle was elected president of Green Lantern, a freshman organization, and Caroline Cooper was elected secretary-treasurer of the freshman class. Lucille Tatham is a member of the freshman social committee and Marjorie a member of the sophomore social committee.

On December 18, the pledges gave the active chapter a Christmas party. They prepared a delicious dinner for us, had excellent entertainment, and on the whole proved charming hostesses.

The "hot dog wagon," our chief source of income for our house fund, has been put up for the winter, and Guelma Giehl, who has been managing it, reports a tidy profit. We miss the wagon, as it was the meeting place for all the Kappas, and

at chapel time you could almost call chapter roll.

We held initiation for Betty Fletcher and Judith Perrine on December 5, so they are now proud wearers of the key.

Upsilon wants to tell all the chapters who have girls at Northwestern how pleased we are to have these transfers with us. They are wonderful girls! Since the Wisconsin and Illinois universities are so near, we have made use of these chapter houses at frequent week-ends spent there, and all the girls have been lovely to us. We thank you for your hospitality, and we hope that you will visit us often when we have our house.

Prentice Players has pledged Betty White, Priscilla Lowe, and Alice Light, a transfer from Illinois Wesleyan.

RoKuVa initiated Betty Hunt; Eulexia, Betty Fletcher, and Alethenai, Alice Mills and Virginia Bixby.

Marion Blessing is the new president of the chapter and Ruth Nerbovig is the recording secretary. Ruth Bracken has been head of freshmen, who have Josephine Vennum for their president.

Marion Blessing has announced her engagement to William Stahl, Delta Tau Delta.

VIRGINIA BIXBY

OMEGA CHAPTER

Omega, Kansas State University

Omega chapter, aided by the town alumnæ, held an auction December 10 for the purpose of raising money for the new addition to our house. The auction was an unexpected success, as it was a new venture on our part, and we recommend this plan to all chapters seeking money-raising ideas. Each member of the chapter, and the town alumnæ, donated gifts valued at approximately one dollar; however, the gifts sold at much above their face value, due, somewhat, to the extraordinary ability of our volun-

teer auctioneer, Kenneth Fitch, Sigma Chi.

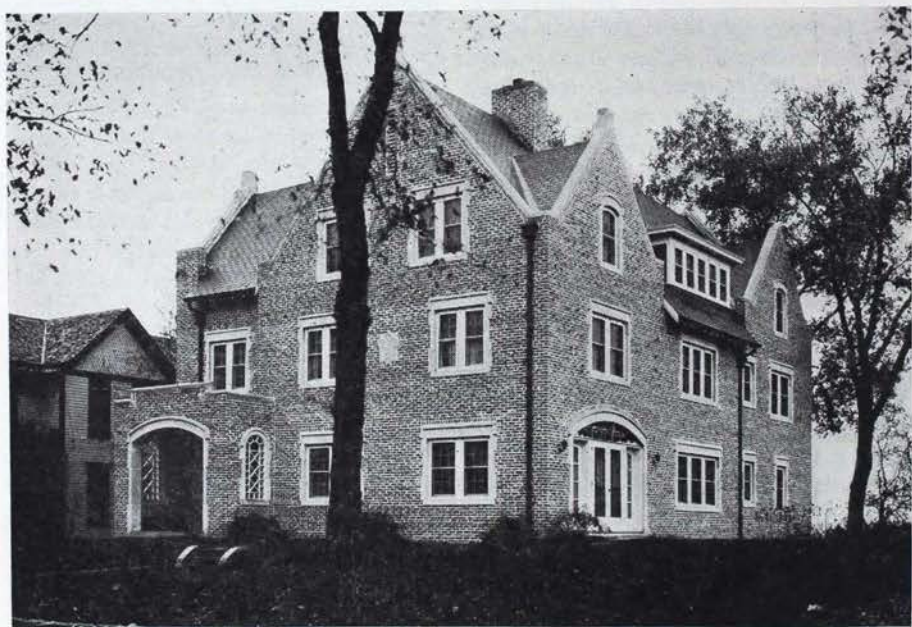
Every fall we hold a mock wedding within the chapter, for an evening of fun and foolishness. This year the event was "Yiddish" in character, and the atmosphere was made more real when Jakie presented his blushing Rosie with a bouquet of green onions! Needless to say everyone had a rollicking good time.

Since the last chapter letter was written, other members of Omega have become active in phases of campus life. Katharine Allen and Helen Skilton were initiated into MacDowell fraternity, which, under the leadership of Mrs. Edward MacDowell of Peterboro, New Hampshire, sponsors students in all the arts. Josephine Jackson, our president, is pledged to Mu Phi Epsilon, honorary musical sorority. Helen Skilton was made a member of Rhadamanthi, the club for aspiring "poets." Barbara Bunting, president of the chapter freshmen, is active in the Physical Education Department. Veda Bender and Aline Eberly were among the twenty girls selected from the student body by the *Jayhawker* staff, to be photographed for the beauty section of the annual. Six girls will finally be chosen from among these twenty. Dorothy Gage, guard, and Barbara Bunting, forward, were placed on the first mythical Kansas University women's basketball team, and Aline Eberly, center, on the second team. The musical comedy which will be presented this spring is *Wango-Pango*, written by Helen Skilton, '26, with music by Helen Marcel of Alpha Xi Delta.

Friends of the University will be glad to hear that work has commenced on the new Union Building, and that the second section of the Stadium has been completed. Chi Omega and Gamma Phi Beta have both built magnificent homes on the west University Heights, on the Tudor and Georgian Colonial styles, respectively. The old Spooner Library is



THETA CHAPTER HOUSE
Columbia, Missouri



SIGMA CHAPTER HOUSE
Lincoln, Nebraska

being remodeled into an art museum, and will hold the remarkable collection of the late Mrs. L. B. Thayer, of Kansas City.

HELEN SKILTON

A NEW VICTROLA

Sigma, University of Nebraska

On November 21, after mid-semester, Sigma pledged two girls, Anne Pearsall, of Omaha, and Zora Schaupp, of Lincoln. Miss Schaupp is a graduate student in the University and a member of the faculty in the department of philosophy. She was graduated from Bryn Mawr, where she received a Ph.D.

Our alumnae have been more than generous in furnishing our new house. New andirons and a screen for the fireplace, not to mention a few rugs and a lamp, have been their latest gifts.

Instead of giving a present to the other girls in the fraternity, such as fraternity mother and daughter generally do, Sigma voted to take the money and invest in a new victrola, so a console type orthophonic is the latest addition to our house.

The annual Christmas party for actives and alumnae was held this week. Directly after dinner the freshmen presented a stunt, "The Seven Stages of Purgatory," and following this was the Christmas tree with presents.

Margaret Schmitz, of Hastings, was elected the new corresponding secretary for 1925-26.

After the new semester begins we are planning a large tea and open house for all relatives and friends of Kappas as well as any residents of Lincoln who would be interested.

ELICE HOLOVTCHINER

KAPPA "ARTISTES"

Gamma Alpha, Kansas State Agricultural College

With the Christmas holidays so near it seems almost impossible that it has been three months since we returned to

school. Gamma Alpha has had an exceptionally busy season, and has a number of interesting things to add to the long list of memories for future days.

About a month after we came back to school, we suddenly became inspired to paint the furniture in our rooms, so, for over a week, every Kappa was armed with a paint brush which she wielded at every opportune moment. The result was six rooms, each one painted a different color, and presenting an appearance of which every girl was justly proud.

In college activities, Gamma Alpha has been noticeably prominent. There are seven Kappas in the Women's Glee Club, those being Mary Alford, Irene Austin, Ruth Mann, Ruth Carswell, Helen Cortelyou, Geraldine Cutler, and Florence Ormiston. Clarabel Grover, Lucia Haggart, Louise Wann, and Viola Ridge are on interclass volley ball teams. On the hockey teams are Louise Wasson, Welthalee Grover, and Mildred Sims, the latter also being on the varsity hockey team.

In the annual Aggie Pop stunt, which was presented December 4-5, Kappa placed second.

At present there is a great deal of excitement over the selection of the college Beauty Queen. The pictures of the girls are to be sent to Cecil B. De Mille for judging, and of the thirty-one candidates, five are Kappas.

WEDDINGS

Elizabeth Hanna, '26, to Paul M. Poole, '26, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Jessie Lehman to Alfred Huesner, Beta Theta Pi.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hobbs, a baby girl.

IRENE AUSTIN

GAMMA THETA CHAPTER

Gamma Theta, Drake University

Gamma Theta has been fortunate in many respects during the last two months.

Mrs. Harris' visit the week-end of the Nebraska game was an outstanding event. After due celebration over our victory, and a tea with our guests from Sigma,



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we had time to enjoy the sympathy and help of our vice president. Carrying her challenge in our hearts, how we envy Mu its ability to see her oftener.

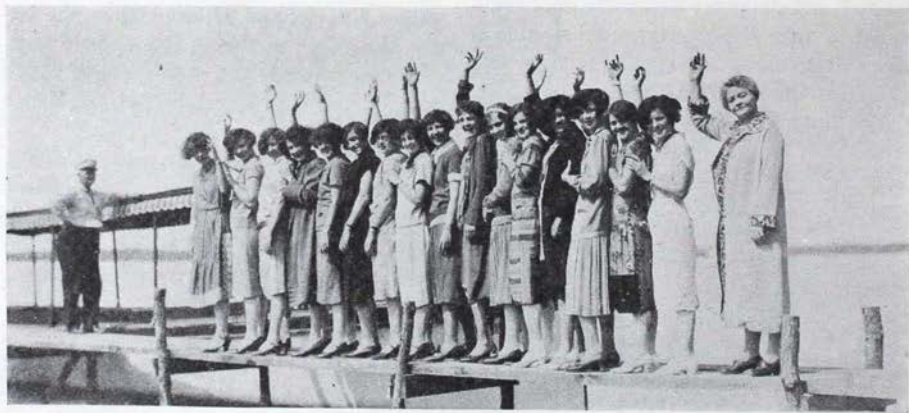
The float, as is the Gamma Theta custom, was designed and decorated by the pledges.

Our pledges have had two candy sales, and have the reputation for making the best candy on the campus.

A Christmas bazaar under the leadership of Mrs. Marjorie Green Bristow, our alumnae association president, proved a great success. Each active, pledge, and member of the association, made or bought an article for which she had paid \$4.00 or more in materials. The collection for the bazaar made our house a veritable gift shop, and we were happy in selling out in two days, and increasing our house fund by \$300.

The pledge chapter entertained the active chapter at a dancing party on December 11, and, needless to say, we had a lovely time.

We gave a dinner for the entire alum-



GAMMA THETA

Initiation for Doris Forbes and Helen Birmingham was held November 27.

We are happy in possessing our scholarship cup, all golden reality, in the place of highest honor among our cups.

At Drake Homecoming, the Kappa float, a blue and white ship, with twelve white-clad galley slaves, and victory at the helm, won the cup for first prize.

nae association of Des Moines, at the chapter house one meeting night, and feel strengthened by the bond between us. Our alumnae association is very active and we are happy in their closeness.

Preparations for the W.A.A. musical comedy are under way and our two members on the board, Dorothy Givens, '26, in charge of properties, and Lois

McCord, '27, in charge of lines, are busy already.

Three freshmen, Lucile Harlowe, of Kingman, Kansas; Elizabeth Evans, of Knoxville, Iowa, and Nancy Campbell, of Des Moines, were pledged by Zeta Phi Eta. Nancy was elected president of the Zeta pledge chapter.

Helen Pegg, '27, of Marshalltown, Iowa, was awarded the freshman scholarship cup, a present to the chapter by Gretchen Habenicht, '25, for having the highest grades her freshman year in Kappa. She recently was elected to Mu Phi Epsilon.

The alumnae announce the weddings of Maxine Van Meter and Pearl Campbell.

JEANNE SHOCKLEY

GAMMA IOTA BRIDES

Gamma Iota, Washington University

We again have a long list of engagements and marriages. October saw the plans of Winifred Church and Edward Herman completed, whereas in November, Ethel Johnson became Mrs. Edwin Hughes. Ethel was a lovely bride, her brunette beauty forming a striking contrast to the whiteness of her bridal dress and veil. The ceremony was followed by a supper for the bridal party and immediate members of both families.

The engagements mentioned are those of Frances Kessler to William Goodall, and of Catherine Atwood to Clark Fisk. Kate was one of the founders of Gamma Iota chapter, and has been our friend and advisor ever since she graduated. We extend our best wishes and hearty congratulations to both couples.

As has been the case in the past, we are again well represented in campus affairs. In activities we are justly proud of Ume Chaplain, who was chosen as a member of the all-St. Louis hockey team which played in Chicago last month. Ume is a member of the freshman team besides. Emily McLean has been taken

into Tenerion and Peppers, the former being an honorary junior society, and the latter being a pep organization. Genevieve McNellis is now assistant art editor of *Hatchet*, our school yearbook. Dorothy Ross, a pledge, has made the staff of *Student Life*, our weekly paper.

This year Washington University is trying a first production in musical comedy. The Kappas will maintain their reputation, as eight of our sisters are to take part in this performance.

On the nights of December 4-5, the sororities gave individual acts in what is known as Coed Vodvil. Our act vied with the Pi Phis for the honors of the program. Our act was entitled "If George White Were Dean, or the Vision of a Great Educator," and offered suggestions as to how the school should be run.

We are looking forward to welcoming into our chapter at a very early date Maurelian Knabb. Maurelian comes to us from Theta chapter, at the University of Missouri, and will officially affiliate with Gamma Iota on December 21.

It seems that Gamma Iota is given over to social tendencies this year, but along with our fun we have been working very hard. We are now preparing for the fatal mid-year exams.

ANITA FAIRFAX BOWLING

ADVICE WANTED ON SOPHOMORE PLEDGING

Beta Mu, University of Colorado

We are plodding through finals and snow now, but in a few days we shall all be homeward bound for Christmas holidays. To add to the gaiety, our Denver alumnae have planned a luncheon for us. Mrs. John Fry, one of our charter members, is our housemother in the absence of Mrs. Brinker, who is in California.

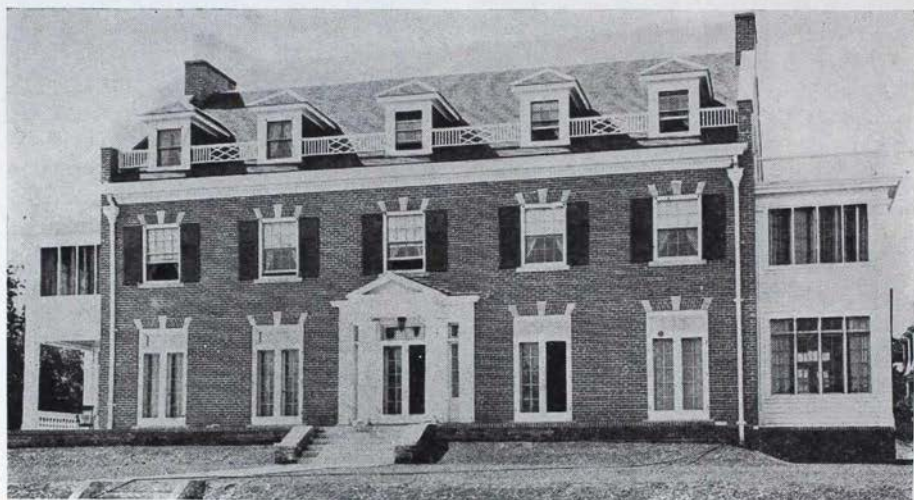
We have set the date of initiation for January 9, when we hope to initiate all of our pledges into the happy bonds of Kappa. In their honor we entertained at a formal, and with good music, de-

licious food, an attractive house, and such a jolly group of girls you may know it proved successful. At the annual Thanksgiving party each active's place card bore an appropriate verse, and the freshmen amused us with funny stunts during the evening.

There is considerable agitation on our campus in favor of sophomore pledging. As yet no definite decision has been reached. If it has ever been tried by

On each of the University Prom committees Kappa is represented; Louise O'Leary from the junior class, Elizabeth Martin from the sophomores, and Susan Leonard from the freshman class.

Try-outs for Women's Athletic Association vaudeville were held and Nancy Lomax, Marian Wilson, Elaine Carlson, and Genevieve Blincoe are to take part. Twelve members made the Operetta preliminaries.



BETA MU CHAPTER HOUSE
Boulder, Colorado

your chapter, will you please write to us as to the success or failure of the system.

We are proud of one of our pledges, Norma Raley, and Alice Connett, whom we welcome from Sigma this year, for they are new members of Players Club. Alice also interpreted well a rôle in a group of Little Theater plays. Much of the success of these plays was due to the efforts, ideas, and management of Anne Matlack behind the scenes.

Each class displayed unexpected talent at the Christmas tree party; the seniors and juniors were the town gossips; the sophomores, a humorous fashion show; and the freshmen, the evolution of the dance from cave men to the Charleston.

Athletes, too, have we, for Anne Matlock, Edith Harcourt, Marie Powers, and Jane Pollard made hockey teams, and Betty Martin the swimming team.

Twice have we been happily surprised. The engagement of Kathryn Lingenfelter to Allen Beldon, Sigma Phi Epsilon, was announced; and Prudence Ewing's to Maynard Oakes, Beta Theta Pi.

ELIZABETH MARTIN

TOPSY AND EVA REPEAT

Gamma Beta, University of New Mexico

It hardly seems possible that holidays start in four days, and that Christmas will be here in less than three weeks.

If I am alive Saturday morning, I shall expect a medal, for things that have to be done are piled in huge stacks in front, behind, and on both sides.

On Friday night, the alumnae are giving us our annual Christmas party. It is always a very jolly affair, as we go in costume, usually as small children, and are duly impressed as becomes our rôle by the appearance of Santa with his pack of toys. Last year we played all sorts of games and enjoyed ourselves thoroughly, and we know that the alumnae have something just as nice planned for Friday night.

Every year each organization on the hill presents some sort of a stunt before our Christmas dance, the best of which receives a prize. The dance is Thursday night, and we are working hard to prove our supremacy.

We are planning a short take-off of *Topsy and Eva*, with a chorus of six. Eunice Herkenhoff plays the piano and we have worked out some harmony for several new songs that can't fail to go over. We will undoubtedly be offered prominent positions behind the footlights after the exhibition of our talents Thursday night.

We were surprised and pleased last night at meeting to learn by very formal invitation that the pledges will be "at home" to the actives on Wednesday afternoon. They even give us parties. It is rumored that they have written a beautiful new Kappa song which they will sing during the afternoon. We can't wait to be present.

Gamma Beta has the most unique money-making scheme! Our permanent advisor thought it up, and really it's quite fascinating to watch the money roll in. At a certain marcel shop in the city, one can buy a ticket good for 12 marcel for \$10. The chapter buys a ticket, and when any member wants a marcel she

takes the ticket, gets her marcel, and pays her dollar. Therefore, for each ticket used up, \$2 goes into the treasury. You've no idea how quickly we use up a ticket, and the big round dollars come clanking in. It makes sweet music to our ears.

We had our fall formal on the seventh. Ernestine Huning's parents kindly lent us their beautiful home "The Castle" again—and the dance was a tremendous success. We made a false ceiling for the ballroom of blue: very light, shading into dark. Blue owls covered each of the wall lights and at one end of the room two electrically lighted owls sat perched up in a real tree. Helen Sisk's artistic fingers designed and executed the programs which were of suede in the shape of owls painted in blue on tan. The music was wonderful, and everybody had a huge time!

Ethelwyn Hart was married on November 11 to Charles Culpepper, Pi Kappa Alpha. They are living in Farmington, New Mexico.

ALICE WILKERSON

BETA XI SCHOLASTICALLY DETERMINED

Beta Xi, University of Texas

Beta Xi, after a Thanksgiving holiday crowded with good times, has begun to settle down to preparation and study for the fall term examinations. We are enforcing the study hall plan rigidly as we are especially anxious to have a larger number of our pledges initiated, and also we are working hard for a high fraternity average.

It is rather difficult to concentrate on our studies as there are many things just now to divert our attention. Christmas vacation is less than two weeks away, and everyone is talking and planning for that time. On December 13 we are to have our annual Christmas tree. This is always one of the most interesting Kappa

events. Upper classmen and pledges exchange characteristic gifts. A Kappa Santa Claus distributes these and explains them by reading the burlesque verses which accompany every gift.

The mock Christmas gifts remind us of a splendid real Christmas gift which the Kappas have given to the house. Formerly, it was customary for each initiate and pledge to give individual presents. This year we wanted a victrola very much, and so it was agreed to use our Christmas money in this way. We have bought a new victrola, and are already enjoying it.

Orchesus, which is an honorary dancing club, had its try-outs last week. We were pleased when two of our pledges, Margaret Heye, and Julia Matthews, were made members. It is a very great honor to be elected to this club, as the requirements are exacting, and only a small number are chosen.

Perhaps the most interesting event of this month is the announcement of the engagement of Gene Hammond to Ernest Funkhouser. Gene is a junior, and has been very prominent in both campus and fraternity activities. We are very sorry to lose her. Ernest received his degree last year, and is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity. They are to be married on December 30. Several of the girls are to be in the wedding, and from all reports it will be a most attractive affair.

MARIE LOUISE BARRY

BETA OMICRON RETURNS TO FRESHMAN PLEDGING

Beta Omicron, Tulane University

The faculty was unusually good to Newcomb students this year and gave them two extra holidays at Thanksgiving. Beta Omicron took advantage of the extended week-end and went on a house party at Adele Cleveland's summer home at Bay St. Louis. They were unusually cold days for us, and everyone had to take her own sheets and

blankets, as the house had been closed since summer; but we have never been on a more luxuriously comfortable house party. Adele and Cecil Mooney proved excellent housekeepers, and the Thanksgiving dinner table was lovely with fruit, pine cones, and evergreens. Mrs. Hills, Doris' mother who chaperoned the party, turned the dinner into a banquet by giving us a huge turkey.

An engagement that was a thrill but not a surprise was that of Corinne Robin and Andre Lapeyre. Corinne is a senior this year, and made her debut last year, managing, at the same time, to get just about the best marks in the chapter. Co and Andre are both of New Orleans and will make their home here to the satisfaction of all their friends.

Newcomb fraternities have at last achieved freshman pledging. It will do wonders for us, probably, as we can spend at least half the year, doing something besides rushing. Pledging this year will be immediately after reports come out, and rushing will be suspended from the first of the examinations. That gives us only a few more weeks to rush and our party will come the last week before exams. The officers for 1926 have just been elected. They are: Winder Dudley, president; Irmine Charbonnet, corresponding secretary; Cecil Mooney, recording secretary, and Dorothy Gamble, marshal.

The last chapter event before the holidays will be a Christmas tree given to sixteen orphans. We do something of the sort every year and always have as much fun as our small guests.

FRANCIS BUOLE

BETA THETA DADS' DAY

Beta Theta, Oklahoma State University

October 17 was Kappa Dad's Day for Beta Theta. Almost thirty of our dads came down; and we only hope they enjoyed it as much as we did. Right after

lunch we took them to the Drake football game, which Oklahoma won. The dinner that night was decorated with autumn leaves and fruits; between courses the freshmen gave clever stunts. At dinner Sunday Mr. Hall, Winniemae's father, gave us a check for \$500, which simply left us speechless with gratitude.

Mrs. Woolridge, our Province President, came to visit our chapter on Sunday, November 1. We all had such a good time that evening, talking quite informally, and singing Kappa songs. Mrs. Woolridge talked to the older girls and pledges in meeting Monday night. She is surely a very charming person, and an enthusiastic and capable leader of Kappa.

The Tulsa Alumnae Association sent its president, Mrs. Engle, and Mrs. Redgrave down to do more work on our lawn, to which Tulsa is attending. We certainly appreciate their visit and all that they have done for us.

We are quite proud of Emmalu Jarvis who was elected R.O.T.C. Queen, November 3. Lorraine Coppedge was her predecessor. Emmalu is also a member of the varsity quartet.

Homecoming, November 7, brought back crowds of alumnae. It is so much fun to see all the girls again and hear their views of after-school days. After the game Saturday, we had a formal dinner especially for the Alumnae. Homecoming is always so rushed and crowded, but looked forward to all during the year.

Mr. Snider sent us four turkeys just before we went home Thanksgiving. Can you think of anything better than a Kappa Thanksgiving dinner? We surely enjoyed it, and celebrated in quite a fitting manner.

On November 22 we had a Kappa brother's dinner. There were fifteen brothers here, from almost every fraternity on the campus.

Dorothy Mills, and Mary Potter Wilcox made the varsity hockey team. Be-

sides being quite athletic, Dorothy is making a straight A average; the highest grades made by any freshman in the University.

President and Mrs. Bizzell and their daughter came to dinner. Dr. Bizzell is our new president and is making himself liked and respected by the student body.

The Christmas tree party and the freshman stunt both come next week. We can hardly wait to see just how clever our pledges are. HELEN C. CORNISH

COLLEGIATE HECTICISM

Gamma Nu, University of Arkansas

Strong coffee. The incessant clicking of a typewriter. Cries of "Don't you dare forget to wake me at six in the morning." All of which means that examinations approach and term papers must be written.

In our present state it is hard to remember that there was a time several months ago when term papers were the least of our worries and the pledges were giving us a Hallowe'en dance. But that very thing did happen. It was an especially happy occasion because we had pledged three more girls that day.

Not long ago we had a baby party for our pledges. We put the little angels to bed early and hinted that house initiation might follow. Later they were dragged out of their little cradles, blindfolded, taken down stairs, and made to amuse us for awhile. When the blinds were removed, a feast was spread out before them. At each "baby's" place was a cap, a rattle, and a baby record book. After the feast a better baby contest was held and Madge Curtis was awarded first place.

And speaking of babies reminds us of Mary Jane Curtis, Gamma Nu's first baby. She was born December 2 to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Curtis (Mary Bratton).

We launched our building fund campaign several weeks ago by inviting

everybody to "eat, drink, and be merry," with the Kappas at Steve's Place, a local confectionery which we operated for a day. Since then we have added to the fund by addressing some envelopes for a drug store. A shoe repairer gives us 10 per cent on all the business we bring him. Consequently, there is great rejoicing when a professor or a student is seen with an old pair of shoes in one hand and a little yellow ticket in the other, for it means a small addition to the building fund.

Sigma Alpha Iota, national honorary musical sorority, was installed in the University of Arkansas recently, and our own Elizabeth Burrell is a charter member. One of our pledges, Mildred Cummings, has been selected for social service work in Rose Hill, Fayetteville's settlement district. She is organizing and directing girls' clubs there.

Elizabeth Smith, our president, was campelled to leave school because of ill health. We miss her and hope that she will return soon. We are, nevertheless, progressing nicely under the leadership of our acting president, Nina Holder.

This letter would be incomplete without mention of our Christmas tree. Each year we have one and on it is a characteristic gift for each girl. The gifts were especially funny this year and we enjoyed them very much. But there were some real gifts too; some lovely tumblers from our housemother, crested china from our alumnae and pledges, and an owl lamp from the pledges. Wasn't Santa Claus good to us?

NELDA HICKMAN

BETA PI

Beta Pi, Washington State University

It doesn't seem possible that another fall quarter has slipped by already, but Beta Pi has been busy and is able to look back over it with a good deal of pride.

Formal pledging took place on Novem-

ber 9 and so the pledges were able to proudly wear their new pins at our fall informal which was the fourteenth. This was a gala day, as the "alums," to show their appreciation of our winning the Panhellenic scholarship cup for the third successive time, entertained the active chapter with a lovely bridge luncheon and then in the evening the sophomore class gave the informal. The house was cleverly decorated with realistic spider webs, and fat, crawly spiders. After it was all over everyone agreed it had been a big success.

Homecoming was the week-end of the Stanford game and the organized houses on the campus competed with original signs for a prize. Owing to a difficulty with our lighting arrangement we were unable to display ours the night of the judging but, nevertheless, we received many compliments. After the game there was a spread at the house for the "alums." Everyone talked fast and furiously to fill in the gaps since their last meeting with old friends.

December 4 was the annual varsity ball and also the frosh frolic. The sophomores gave a dinner for the freshmen and their escorts before the dance, and much to the satisfaction of the freshmen, the sophomores waited on table and answered phone calls.

But Beta Pi has been doing other things besides having a good time. Gertrude Dunn was pledged to Boots and Saddle, a national riding club which was established at Washington. The freshmen started in at the first of the year and have been active on the campus as well as keeping their scholarship very high. Helen Snyder, Sarah McLeod, and Polly Brown were pledged to Athena, debating society. Helen Snyder also made the Women's Federated Players. Margaret McKinny made the hockey team and Francis Allen, Helen Meisnest, and Shirley Goodwin were pledged to

Axe and Grindstone. The other freshmen are in Y.W.C.A. and Women's Federation work.

The entire campus is rejoicing over the football championship which Washington won this year, and at the last game on Thanksgiving the alumni presented Coach Bagshaw with a Buick sedan in appreciation of his fine work with the team.

Kathleen O'Donnell played in *Captain Applejack*, the Montana Masquer's main production for this quarter. Eloise Walker, and Dortha Garvin, one of this year's pledges, have taken part in one-act plays. Kathleen O'Donnell was also elected president of the Rifle club.

Homecoming was a huge success this year. Montana won from her ancient enemy, Montana State, and we celebrated



BETA PHI CHAPTER HOUSE

We are now looking forward to the Christmas holidays.

Elizabeth Hulburt announced her engagement to Carl Austin of New York.

JOSEPHINE SHAW

A SENIOR HONOR

Beta Phi, University of Montana

A great honor came to Beta Phi this fall, when Gertrude Lemire, our president, was initiated into Penetralia, the women's honor fraternity. This is the highest honor a woman may receive on the campus.

Kappa has been prominent in dra-

by dashing the homecomers into a maze of luncheons, dinners, and dances. The Chi Omegas were the guests of Beta Phi, Thanksgiving Day. We entertained them with a buffet luncheon and a dinner. Before the game we sold chrysanthemums for our house fund, and found it to be an easy means of making money.

We are all looking forward to "Hi Jinx," the annual razz fest, in which this year the men of the university razz the women. We have been subjected to midnight marauders, who have carried off dresses to supply their ballets and choruses.

We are happy to say we have another future Kappa. Lois Allen Williams has a baby girl.

Beta Phi is now in the mad rush of exam week, eagerly searching our books for that last bit of knowledge which so often raises Kappa scholarship.

ESTHER SKYLSTEAD

THE LOST SHIP IN A BLUE SEA

Beta Kappa, University of Idaho

The Christmas spirit exhibited itself at Beta Kappa by means of two interesting and unusual parties. First the pledges gave a bridge luncheon. We played bridge by a clever set of rules which were called "Pledge Whist."

Our party for the pledges came as a complete surprise to them a week later. They were astounded when they found themselves dressed in bathing suits at the bottom of a blue and blue sea being entertained by mermaids and the crew of a lost ship. They were equally surprised to climb up the ladder into the ship and find a huge Christmas tree, covered with presents waiting for them.

We were very proud of three of our pledges who have been elected to the Glee Club. They were Margaret Scilley, Helen Ames, and Pauline Ware. Mary Mabel Morris was also honored by being elected to Sigma Alpha Iota, national musical fraternity.

Beta Kappa is glad to announce the engagement of Bertha Church to Carter Pitcher, Delta Chi. Mildred Holmes married Robert Field, Beta Theta Pi, in October; Margaret Blackinger married George Pearson, Phi Delta Theta; and Myra Armbruster will marry George Gaham, Phi Gamma Delta on December 26.

A baby was born to Pricilla Munsen Bowen last June, and Marie Pauline has come to bless the home of Lucy Davis Thometz.

ALENE HONEYWELL

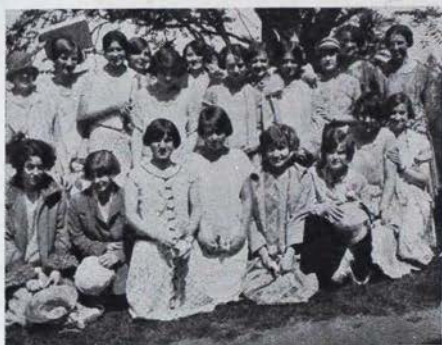
EXAMS AND MEASLES!

Gamma Gamma, Whitman College

Exams and measles hasten to overtake us at Whitman as we finish up the year of 1925.

The exams we are meeting full force, but the measles we hope to evade before Christmas vacation commences.

Gamma Gamma have a number of activities chalked up to their credit as the fall term ends. During Homecoming our conservatory of music gave the opera, *When Johnny Comes Marching Home*



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and eight Kappas took part. Also during Homecoming both the men's and women's fraternities on the campus decorated windows downtown welcoming the returning "alums." And who should win the \$10 prize but Kappa Kappa Gamma! Our window was a miniature of the campus with all the buildings electrically lighted. Everything was present from the drinking fountain to the cat on the bridge. Although our pledges are studying consistently, they took time off and gave us a pledge dance. The gypsy idea was amply evident both in the ear-ring favor dance and in the food according to our custom. The chapter is showing its holiday spirit by making a collection of clothing and food from the members with which some poor families may be made happy at Christmas.

Several honors have come to others of our girls. Mary McMaster took part in the sophomore play, *The Torch Bearers*. Mu Phi Epsilon has pledged Mary Margaret Trout as one of its three new members. Our forensic talent has been brought to the front by Harriet Hood who recently made the varsity debate team.

MARJORY OTIS

On December 5 we had our Christmas bazaar in Colfax, a neighboring town, and are proud to announce that it was very successful in that we made over \$200. The bazaar was under the management of Thelma Harper, one of our seniors, and she deserves a great deal of credit for the way it went off. We turned this money over to the building fund. A committee is working hard on



GAMMA ETA

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

Gamma Eta, Washington State College

Everyone is excited; packing their grips; tending to the last minute things; all in preparation for our Christmas vacation. Last week-end we had an informal Christmas fireside at the chapter house, which started our holiday spirits with a bang. The best part of our Christmas celebration here at college is our annual dinner party and tree for a group of poor children in town. One of the girls dressed as Santa Claus came in with a big sack of toys for the children. How their eyes sparkled and their shrieks of joy thrilled us girls! I think we enjoyed the party just as much, if not more, than they did.

plans for our new house, that we hope to be able to build in about two years.

We have six new members in the Women's Athletic Association. They are: Julia Bair, Jeanette Sievers, Katharyn Wilson, Allie Amundson, Theda Lomax, and Orlena Harsch.

Ruth Wilkins and Charlotte Walker made Phi Kappa Phi, the national scholastic honorary.

Two of our freshmen have offices in Freshmen Commission of Y.W.C.A. Margaret Andrew is vice president, and Charlotte Norris is secretary.

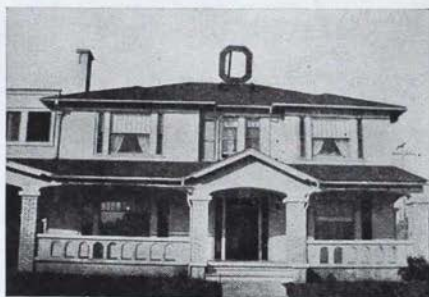
Ella Olson announced her engagement to Howard Mathaney, Beta Theta Pi.

RUTH A. ALLEN

A CHRISTMAS SHOWER

Gamma Mu, Oregon State Agricultural College

Our Christmas party this year was a shower for Jessie McDonald, '24, and Ruth Price, ex-'27. The living room was decorated with Christmas decorations and a tree laden with gifts from each member of the house. Jessie will be married in the near future to Kenneth Henderson, '24, Phi Gamma Delta, and Ruth is to be married January 1, to Walter Snyder, '25, Sigma Nu. They will live in Myrtle Creek, Oregon, where Walter is teaching.



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Mary Lanza, one of our pledges, was a member of the cast in *The Passing of the Third Floor Back*, which was given by the National Collegiate Players last month. She was pledged to that honorary organization as a result of her ability.

Our house is represented on the varsity debate squad this year by Erna Starr, sophomore, who was chosen a member after recent try-outs.

The sororities give an annual stunt show in the first part of the spring term each year. Half of the houses take part each time. We are on the list this year, so plans and practice will take up all our extra time during the winter term. A cup is given for first place and a cash prize for second place.

HAZEL MCKERN

PI CHAPTER

Pi, University of California

Since our last letter we of Pi chapter have had an unexpected experience. We were quarantined for two weeks because Beatrice Cooper had infantile paralysis. Fortunately it proved a slight case and she is back at college. During the quarantine we were well taken care of by friends and parents.

We are sorry that we have no picture either of our chapter house or chapter room and we were unable to get one.

Helen Wills keeps us busy taking care of all the honors bestowed upon her. She made Phi Beta Kappa this year and also Delta Epsilon, the art honor society. She was also presented with a big C by the Women's Athletic Association. Next semester she is going to Europe for six months.

Eleanor Bennet and several others of the alumnae have talked to us about convention next August and we are looking forward to being hostesses to our Kappa sisters at that time.

ALICE MARIAN QUAYLE

BETA ETA NEWS

Beta Eta, Leland Stanford University

Our annual Christmas party on Monday, December 14, sounded the completion of a wonderful quarter. To the honors attained last year several were added this quarter, among which were Ellen Callander's election to Phi Beta Kappa, and a house prize for selling the most *Chaparrals* on Quad. Ellen also announced her engagement to Louis Alabaster, a Stanford Beta, the night before the big game, and has been busy accepting felicitations in the form of many socials since then. Yvonne Pasquale, and Kathreen Clock gave a lovely bridge party for her at the house, and surprised her with a shower.

Several of the girls in the house had parts in the football show, and Jean



HELEN WILLS

Wakefield wrote and sang some clever original songs. Jean Ward, president of W.A.A. is busy organizing the women's pageant which comes in the spring.

We had a delightful reunion on the day of the big game and were so glad of an opportunity to renew our old friendships.



BETA ETA CHAPTER HOUSE

The biggest thing of the year to us is of course the convention. We are overjoyed at having it here in the west, and look forward to meeting our sisters of other chapters outside the state.

AILENE BURKS

GAMMA XI CHAPTER

Gamma Xi, University of California, Southern Branch

The next few weeks will be strenuous ones for the members of Gamma Xi! Finals and more finals. We are, however, enjoying the Christmas holidays while they last.

There is nothing very startling to tell about the chapter for the last two months. We came out with a very healthy surplus in the house and commissary funds and I know other Kappas will agree that this is a most satisfying feeling. Now we have more girls who can live in the house, consequently, we shall probably move into a larger one as soon as we are well started on the new year.

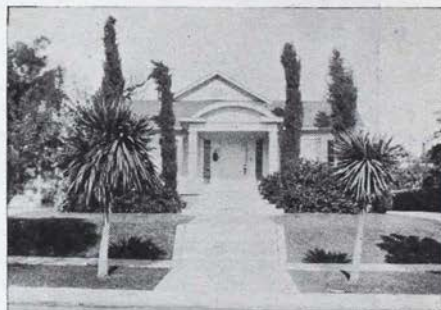
Rushing rules at the Southern Branch have again been changed. The period of

rushing has been shortened from seven weeks to one week. The administration has made very definite statements which we have had to accept even though we felt that some things in the new rules could be changed with advantage to everyone concerned.

On December 19, the pledges gave the chapter a dance. It was just before the Christmas vacation and everyone was feeling so elated that the dance could not help but be a success. The dance was most charmingly managed and the chapter were unanimous in their appreciation and approval.

December 13, the week before, we held our presentation tea for the fourteen new pledges. The tea was one of the most delightful that we have ever given, and we have every reason to be proud of our pledges. Now they are all working hard to attain the average necessary to be initiated.

I must not close the letter without saying that we have accomplished some-



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thing of which we are very proud. We have won the Southern Campus yearbook sales contest and are to be rewarded with a leather bound yearbook when the publication comes out in the spring! We sold 118 reservations and our nearest competitor was far down the list.

OKLA GLASS

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Beta Upsilon
Rho
Beta Delta
Beta Lambda
Theta
Beta Zeta
Gamma Zeta
Beta Omega

LATE

Beta Kappa
Beta Alpha
Delta
Psi
Kappa
Gamma Theta
Beta Nu

SENT TO WRONG ADDRESS

Beta Pi
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Gamma Xi

INCORRECTLY SIGNED

Beta Phi
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Gamma Epsilon
Gamma Iota

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Pi

Pledges

Phi

Olive Fisher
Katherine Heater
Josephine Jeradi
Louise Joyce
Marjorie Leatherbee
Phyllis Leatherbee
Virginia O'Malley
Barbara Walker
Mary Weis
Elinor Williamson

Beta Sigma

Nancy Blake
Dorothy Guy
Ruth Lemon
Helen Osborne
Eunice Poole
Sally Wilford
Dorothy Smack

Gamma Lambda

Florence Porter
Irene Avery
Catherine Baldwin
Arlene Brownlee
Grace Cheney
Frances Foley
Margaret Harworth
Catherine Hodges
Jean Renton
Mildred Ross
Ruth Sturtevant

Xi

Lilias Alston
Ruth Gladden
Katherine Kinneer
Mildred McClanahan
Alice Rorick
Virginia Smith

Virginia Tucker
Helen Wotring

Beta Psi

Helen MacCallum
Margaret Franklin
Ruth Allen

Gamma Kappa

Luella Cudlip
Esther Stewart
Kring Rodgers
Mary Hess
Margaret Venable
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Virginia Harper
Mary Alice Currence
Katherine Rhodes
Elizabeth Dublin

Eta

Mary Frances Byard
Mary Dadmun
Dorothy Davis
Sally Davis
Katherine Foster
Cornelia Howe
Ione Judson
Josephine Kleinhans
Helen Kohl
Cecelia Marling
Gertrude McPherson
Barbara Noyes
Martha Rowland
Eleanor Samuels
Betty Wilson
Genevieve Wilson
Mary Swenson
Marion Greer
Rebecca Horton
Flora Tanner

Initiates

Delta Province

Iota

Isabel Wheeler
Louise Gentry
Marjorie Waddell
Margaret Jane Cox

Alpha Province

Kappa

Lois Le Bosquet
Cleota Hedde
Winnefred Lewis

Leonore Mitchell
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Dorothy Stewart
Ruth Hanney
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Gamma Alpha

Viola Ridge
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