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MY FIRST VOTE

CAMILLA D. CLARK, *Pi*

Camilla Clark, a California voter didn't find that her first vote made her "less a lady." In this story she tells the details of her first experience at the polls,—which will be of interest to prospective women voters of most eastern states.

Here in California we women have had the right to vote only since October, 1911. My first opportunity to take advantage of this right came when a special municipal election was held. Like many another "anti," I had become an "ex-anti," and was glad to have the privilege of expressing an opinion that would count. But there had been so many alarming tales circulated as to the unpleasant features connected with a trip to the polls, that my anticipation was tinged with concern.

Now this in a nutshell was the process. First, several weeks before, came registration. I sought out one of the women registration clerks, and gave her all the information necessary to convince her I was eligible to vote. The clerk's duty is to tabulate the aspirant's name, address, occupation—whether it be music, art, or "bridge,"—length of residence in county, and similar items. The exact age need not be stated now. The legislature decided that to be at least twenty-one, the legal age, was sufficient information on that score. What a blessed relief to those who have not yet reached the advanced age that makes them eager to claim each additional year!

Next on the program, in preparation for the fateful step, came a visit to the school for voting. Polling booths had been placed in a vacant store. There we were given all the instructions needed and each of us might cast a sample ballot. This rehearsal, with the explicit directions mailed to each prospective voter, made mistakes inexcusable.

On the day of voting, my mother and I sallied forth to our respective polling place, which happened to be only a five-minute walk from the house. One Pasadena hotel, a church, and numerous real estate offices were among the buildings used as polling places. Ours was a small unoccupied store, as neat and orderly as the most fastidious might desire. There we looked up the registration numbers opposite our names on an alphabetical list at the door; then in turn gave them to a man whose place it was to repeat each number to a clerk at the table so that it might be found on the records of registration. When we were found to be duly enrolled, we were allowed to enter our names and addresses in a big record book; received ballots and retired to separate voting booths to neatly affix, with the little rubber stamps provided for the purpose, a cross beside the measures we approved. After that was done, we handed our ballots, folded—that no one might see how we had marked them—to the man at the ballot box. To him, at the same time, we gave our names and registration numbers. He forthwith called them out, with the numbers stamped on the ballots themselves, to the clerk at the table. Thus they were assured that the persons so numbered had voted.

And then the dread deed was done. Truly an appalling, a terrific ordeal; an experience from which any "delicately nurtured woman would shrink with repugnance"!

The courtesy of the clerks and other officials was particularly notable. But the most astonishing thing about it all was the short space of time occupied. While it is long and rather complicated in the telling, the whole proceeding requires not more than five minutes. It is about as arduous as going to the corner mail box to post a letter. One need not be away from home more than fifteen minutes at the very longest, for the polls are always centrally located.

In one case, a polling booth was placed just beneath a woman voter's window, and she was able to cast her ballot without leaving her own living-room,—thus disproving the much used and abused argument that voting would take women from their homes! It is in the homes that all the serious study of questions to be put to the vote is done, by reading the newspapers and the printed matter distributed before an election.

BETA TAU BUYS HOUSE

Steps taken by Syracuse chapter in buying their fine new home:

1. Pledges to be paid in two years.
2. Committee appointed to plan method of procedure.
3. They decided to form stock company selling shares in the chapter house at \$10 each.
4. In September 1912 Beta Tau Association incorporated with a capital stock of \$15,000.
5. Chapter, alumnae association and over 100 individuals now own shares of stock.
6. Chapter pays monthly rent to Beta Tau Association.
7. Fund added to by an annual fair, food sales, alumnae bridge club, mite boxes.

At last we are installed in our new home and the question of where we shall live next year is not ever before us. The proposition of buying a house that should come within reach of our purse strings, and, at the same time, uphold the standard of Kappa Kappa Gamma, was no easy task.

At the June banquet in 1911, some of the alumnae, realizing that the time had come when we must own a chapter house, made an effort to start a fund, and quite a sum was raised in pledges to be paid in two years. The next year a special committee, appointed by the alumnae association, made a study of the best method of procedure in order to become a permanent corporation, and increase the fund in a systematic way. It was finally decided to form a stock corporation, selling shares of stock in the chapter house at \$10 each. Accordingly in September, 1912, the Beta Tau Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma was incorporated under the Laws of New York State with a capital stock of \$15,000. The chapter, the Syracuse Alumnae Association and over one hundred individual alumnae now own shares of stock, and our hopes were realized when last July, we came into possession of our house. The chapter pays a monthly rent to the Beta Tau Association, which covers interest, taxes, insurance and any necessary repairs, and all the money received from shares of stock is applied on the mortgage. This plan has put the ownership of the chapter house on a firm, businesslike basis, while the fact that the donors were actually receiving some return for their expenditure has been conducive to giving.



BETA TAU'S NEW HOME IN SYRACUSE

Rummage and food sales are small but practical sources of income. The alumnae bridge club, which meets every two weeks, with an admission fee of fifty cents, renewed its existence this winter, for the paying of taxes and interest, as well as removing a little of the mortgage each year. Although the resources of the active chapter have been small in comparison to those of the alumnae, they have made a Christmas fair—that is, a sale of gifts for the benefit of the alumnae—an annual custom, and have added to the pledges as much as possible. Kappa mite boxes, where ten cents was due every week, also proved an easy way to save.

The house itself is entirely satisfactory and much more complete than any we could have built at the same cost. With the present financial war difficulties, we think we were lucky not to have attempted building. On the first floor, we have a large living room, a hall, den and dining room, which open well for dancing. The piano stands on what we call our cabaret landing, which is halfway between the first and second floors, and the scene of much quiet-hour disturbance. The dining room adjoins the chaperon's room on one side, and on the other gives access to the pantry, kitchen, and maid's room. The distinctive feature of the second floor is the "dorm", where the seven windows are never shut,—though occasionally it does snow in—and where twelve girls sleep in peace and quiet. A watcher on the fire escape during the late hours would see mysterious, but always silent forms, stealing between the rows of cots. Third floors are always alike, and what trunk man would not find complaints about the stairs?

Mrs. Wallace in this, as in all other undertakings, was our guardian angel, making possible, through her generosity and foresight, many of the advantages we now enjoy.

As for the location of the house, 907 Walnut Avenue is in the most attractive college neighborhood, terraced and overlooking a well-kept city park. Like all other hill houses, we are a fair distance from the business section, but within a block of the campus.

Already we feel attached to our home by pleasurable associations. Each year we are sure the incoming Kappas will grow fonder and fonder of the house, so that when we are wealthy, we shall prefer to perfect and add to it, rather than to build the largest mansion in New York State.

MARIAN PYLE, *Beta Tau.*

ALLEGHENY'S CENTENNIEL

BY PRESIDENT WILLIAM H. CRAWFORD

Allegheny College is making elaborate plans for celebration, June 19-24, of the one hundredth anniversary of its foundation. The outstanding features of the anniversary will be the Sunday services, the home-coming and various gatherings of the alumni, a conference on the American college, an historical pageant and the formal anniversary exercises when delegates will be present and bring greetings from a large number of colleges and universities, educational foundations and learned societies.

The conference on the American college will extend through four sessions. The notable speakers will include President Faunce of Brown University, Professor Shorey of Chicago, Dean Haskins of Harvard, Professor Conklin of Princeton, President Thwing of Western Reserve, President Rhees of Rochester, President Finley of the University of the State of New York, President Few of Trinity, President Slocum of Colorado, President Meiklejohn of Amherst, and Commissioner Claxton of Washington.

In the presentation of an historical pageant Allegheny is planning to do what no other American college has attempted, namely, to tell in pageant form the story of all the important things which have happened since its foundation. Dr. George P. Baker, Professor of Dramatic Literature in Harvard University, has written the pageant book and will give personal direction to all rehearsals and presentations. The alumni have gone to large expense in preparation for this unique event. An auditorium seating three thousand people has been contracted for, and the committee has insured the production against rain. The pageant will be presented three days.

At the formal anniversary exercises, the colleges and universities, the educational foundations and learned societies, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the nation will bring greetings through their accredited delegates. Dean Haskins of Harvard will represent the American universities; M. Jusserand, the French Ambassador, will represent the universities of Europe, and it is hoped that President Wilson will speak for the nation.

PARTHENON

**House Parties
for Spirit**

Beta Rho chapter, in a municipal university, and all her members "home products" as it were, has had some difficulty in getting the real "Get Together Spirit".

Last summer we took a cottage at one of the small resorts not far from Cincinnati. Our idea was to have a good time, and for the two weeks, to imagine that we, too, were living in a chapter house, as many of our sisters do. We wanted to be a big family, and live and help one another as real sisters should, hoping to attain all this by doing all the work of the house.

We managed the work in this way. Two girls, roommates, did all the work for one day, marketing, cooking, washing dishes, then their work was finished, until we had "gone the rounds". Expenditures for each day were limited, so there was a good deal of rivalry among the cooks, as to who could have the best meals for the least money. This idea proved a success and all the girls did their work willingly—but were glad when their day was over.

During the day what different occupations you would have seen us engaged in, if you had looked in upon us! The two cooks, in the kitchen probably, for that was where most of their day was spent, so hot, but bravely doing their duty; others industrious over their sewing, or engaged in an exciting game of cards, and the absent ones, trying to keep cool at the river, swimming or rowing.

At night we had impromptu parties; and the nice part of it was that we all did things together. So when we left, we felt that we had really come to know the girls much better, for we had learned each other's likes, dislikes, characteristics and eccentricities.

We feel also, that even in our short stay we have acquired much of the spirit that comes only by close association in a fraternity house, and, for this reason, we are eagerly looking forward to our next house party this summer.

CAROLYN MCGOWAN, *Beta Rho.*

Friends With Other Badges

I do not know how it may be in other colleges, but in our home college, there is a feeling among nonfraternity girls that fraternities are more or less exclusive cliques, who are opposed to each other. In consequence, the college received something in the nature of a shock when we joined with another fraternity in having a supper-meeting. We did it chiefly because we are fond of the other girls, and knew that we would have a most pleasant evening together. But incidentally we gave the lie to the prevalent opinion, which was a very excellent thing to accomplish, however accidentally.

After our supper we sat upstairs in the cosy parlors and sang straight through from "Old Black Joe" and "Kentucky Babe" to "Carolina" and "There's a Little Spark of Love Still—". It was an evening second only to those times when the alumnae come back to us. We are going to repeat the idea some time soon.

Pan-Hellenic teas are all very well, but there is a certain formality about them, what with your new waist and your freshly-cleaned gloves, that produces a sense of your own exclusive dignity, a tiny superior inflection that always marks your society tone. But at this meeting we sat around, good fellows all, just as we came from last classes, and sang heartily whether in key or no. I know nothing that brings into play such warm, free camaraderie as a "sing". The glow that came, lasted over, so that the college itself was infected with it.

And the long moral of this short tale is that it seems not sufficient to cultivate your own fraternity, or even to include nonfraternity girls as your friends, unless you go a step further and contrive to know other fraternity "sisters", so that you may work with them, play with them,—yes, sing with them. Can there be hurtful criticism where there is open friendliness?

SUSAN M. DEPEYSTER, *Beta Sigma*.

Democracy

Democracy—it is an expression heard by us all more or less commonly, yet we hear sometimes that our colleges are not democratic. We try to prove that our college is a democratic institution, but some of those on the outside remain unconvinced.

The question arose among our university women, concerning a dance for the women only, "Are you going to act as a man or a woman"? Every fraternity girl, took the part of a man and invited a nonfraternity girl to the "Women's Mix" on the afternoon of March 26.

Just as the men do, each fraternity girl called and escorted her lady to the dance, relieved her of her umbrella and slipper bag, and saw to it that her program was filled. As the dance progressed, from all sides came the exclamation "What a good time we are having!"

The dance was under the auspices of the Women's League. Ice cream cones were sold for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. while the proceeds at the door went to the Women's League building fund.

We as Kappas are trying in every possible manner to show that we are democratic and desire our college to be the same. In the library our girls mix at the tables, not having one table which is exclusively Kappa, and so shunned by nonfraternity girls. We try to make all feel that the Kappa Kappa Gammas at the University of Oregon are girls with the true democratic spirit.

GLADYS CONKLIN, *Beta Omega*.

The Other Side

When, at the opening of a school year, I go to a "rush-party"—an entertainment, beautifully planned, and with crowds of prettily dressed girls, often my heart aches at the thought that these girls are being "selected", and that some must be left out. Perhaps you will say that this is sentimentality. But to those girls who after "rush" will have no blue-and-blue ribbons, it is a very real hurt.

Of course, we can not ask everyone, but we can be less thoughtless in making our selections. Do not make it seem that they are like a basket of apples, from which you are choosing the best, and discarding others. "Rush-parties", with all their evils, seem to be unavoidable, for the present, yet I believe there would be less near-tragedy in them, if we were more thoughtful in "making dates". "Well, we might as well make dates with her"—is often carelessly said, where it is doubtful if the girl in question will

be chosen by the fraternity. It will be harder, to be sure, but try to find out something about the girls *before* making "dates" with them.

Another fault which results from thoughtlessness is, at these same "rush-parties", "talking fraternity" before girls who may not be chosen. We are so engrossed with our favorites, that we treat them as if they already belonged to us, probably making others, whom we are "entertaining" feel uncomfortable.

So much for the effect on the girl, which, if we are not utterly heartless and selfish, must concern us. There is also an effect on the fraternity. A great many of the enemies of fraternities are these girls, who have been so summarily "weighed and found wanting". Be kind, girls. Do not make "dates" indiscriminately. Think of the other side, and avoid hurting girls as much as possible.

DORIS HOFFMAN, *Delta*.

Our Alumnae

How firmly welded are the links in the chain of friendship which bind Kappa hearts together! Kappa friendships are true and lasting; they aim to strengthen and ennoble. They combine love and service to form a friendship "by which the world is most blessed and receives most good."

When we see the girls of the chapter, a merry party starting out for a picnic, or, later, singing Kappa songs around the camp fire, we see merely a gay, happy group, light-hearted and care-free. Here are drawn together girls of different types, each having her own individuality more clearly brought out by contact with her associates. The little freshman looks to the junior and senior girls for sympathetic understanding and wise counsel. In return, the upperclassmen bring their experience and broader knowledge of affairs to aid in the solution of the problems which so puzzle the newer members of the chapter, and, in so doing, both are strengthened. It is this sympathy and service which gives to friendship its true worth. This is the unifying influence which binds the girls so closely together.

Can it be then, that the absence of these same elements in the friendship which we feel for our alumnae is responsible for the fact that we seem separated from them? Do we accept our

alumnae as real Kappa sisters, or do we treat them as guests when we are brought together? Very often the latter is true. The alumnae feel that times have changed, and that neither their presence nor their advice is needed by the active chapter. This is unfortunate, for the girls do need the advice which the alumnae are so well qualified to give. The fact that they have had their part in making the chapter what it now is gives them an understanding of fraternity aims and ideals which would be of great value to the girls who now have charge of the active life of the fraternity. Then too, their experience with the world has broadened and strengthened their lives so that a close association with the girls of the chapter, such as a real Kappa friendship should give, would make them stronger and nobler women. Then, alumnae, will you not come with us, share our interests, and we shall be no longer, "active" and "alumnae," but just—Kappas.

FLORENCE BUTLER, Xi.

Company Silver

Some households possess two sets of silver,—an inferior one of plate, to be used daily, the other one of sterling in choice design to be used only upon feast days, in compliment to guests. In the same manner it would seem that some of us have two sets of ideals, the fancy polished company ideals, and the easily kept plated ones for every day use. If our true ideals are sterling and will not rub off, why store them away, along with the rites of initiation, to be thought of only at appointed times, and argue ourselves into believing that inferior ones are more practical for constant use? My grandmother had but one set of silver, of heavy sterling which was used on all occasions and which has grown more valuable and desirable with age. If our higher ideals are too fragile to be durable, why have them at all?

We, in the bonds of Kappa Kappa Gamma, have an advantage over many, in that we have certain definite principles to live up to—we have before us a clear outline of a noble character and conduct. But do we wear these principles every day and make them practical in the daily business of our lives? Of course, one can not expect a girl in the ecstasy of youth, enjoying her college life, to be always thinking of serious things, and acting at all times unerringly. However, it seems sometimes as if we stored

away our ideas of perfect character, thinking them not durable in hard use, as we would company silver, to be laid out again only when they will not run the risk of receiving marks of service, and when they may bring benefit through the glitter of their unused splendor.

When a girl enters college, she thinks of her sorority as an important factor in college life. She realizes its social advantages and its high standards. She looks upon the rites of initiation with awe, and imagines that they will show her the opening of a higher, broader life. In the mystic circle she is surrounded by noble thoughts and words, and she wonders if she will ever be able to live up to them. Then when this is over and the excitement is past, with a jolt, she realizes that things are to go on just as before; that the mood of initiation is not lasting. She sees that her sisters soon grow forgetful of higher standards, and soon she, too, becomes thoughtless, and her ideals of Kappa become company silver.

Is there not some way in which we can remedy this? Is there nothing by which we can make ourselves ever conscious of our responsibilities and of the principles which are set before us?

HELEN E. CLARK, *Omega*.

*"If you have two loaves of bread,
Sell one, and buy daffodils to feed the soul."*

"Buying Daffodils" In College Life

Selection, sacrifice, saving and satisfaction are four significant phases of college life. Selection defines the ideal, sacrifice and saving point the way to its attainment, while satisfaction results therefrom. The influences of these factors may well be observed in their action upon four rather typical groups of college students—the scholar, the athlete, the social leader and the "all-round" college man.

The student, who would sit in the council of scholars, must sacrifice many of the social pleasures incident to college life, if he thoroughly prepares himself to exchange ideas with the leaders of thought. The athlete, who would enroll his name high among the exponents of physical superiority, must forego all forms of dissipation in order that he may conserve his strength for the great contests which are of most significance. The aspirant for

social leadership must sacrifice everything on the altar of popularity. His friendships can not be controlled by congeniality, nor the bonds of common interests; but he must continuously be guided by policy and tact. He who would develop the many-sidedness of his character, through all the various avenues which college life affords, must utilize each minute of his time in participation in many forms of college activities; in order that he may gain every possible viewpoint from which to consider college life, and in order that he may attain fuller self-expression through every possible channel.

Let us take an inventory of our present resources, and if we find but two loaves of bread, let us *sacrifice* one, *save* all that we obtain, *select* our daffodils with care,—all this, in order that we may obtain soul-satisfaction.

Is it worth while—this sacrifice and this saving, when one would enjoy to the fullest his college life? If in the *selection* of our daffodils, we have chosen those which are really soul-satisfying; then the *sacrifice* and the *saving*, for the purpose of attaining this *satisfaction*, are tremendously worth while.

KATHERINE MITCHELL, *Beta Chi*.

The Larger Interests

"Of what shall a man be proud if he is not proud of his friends?" queries Stevenson. And of what shall a chapter be proud if it is not proud of its members? Initiation is over, and Beta Alpha has eleven "maidens more" in her membership. With all this new life and vitality the chapter ought to be able to make itself a more potent force in the college life than it ever has before.

The situation at Pennsylvania is a peculiar one. Although the student roll numbers more than seven thousand, scarcely more than a hundred are girls. Only this year, as a result of the establishment of the new School of Education, have they received any kind of recognition from the University as a student body. But the girls are growing in number, and interest is being awakened.

Then too, among the girls themselves, there are many obstacles in the way of the development of real "college spirit." They are scattered among the various schools—several in the music course, some in botany, others in "teachers'," and the majority in

the School of Education. Some have normal morning hours for classes, others come at four-thirty p. m. and later. To get all the girls together at once for meetings or social affairs is well-nigh impossible. This year the girls are developing plenty of spirit, but as yet it is narrowed down to a clannish feeling among girls in the same classes or schools. But we are gradually turning it into another channel—into real appreciation of the larger interests of the college as a whole.

The Undergraduate Association is taking strides in this direction by giving one night each month over to the old-fashioned "stunts" and parties, in which all the girls can join.

And Beta Alpha is anxious to further the cause. We are privileged, unusually privileged, and we must give even as we have received. In our smaller circle we learn the joy of making real friendships, of feeling the larger sympathy that comes from understanding. Surely we can give of our surplus spirit of friendship and good-fellowship to the larger interests of college.

NELLIE A. SNYDER, *Beta Alpha*.

One Effect of Fraternity Membership

The other day a friend asked me, "What is the best influence that membership in a fraternity has over a college girl?" He was not trying to pry into the mysteries of the organization, but only wanted to make me think.

I shall not answer the question now, but shall tell of one feature of fraternity life that stood out very prominently as I pondered, with my thought centered on my own particular chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

We all hear so much about making the most of our opportunities, and the broadening effect of college life. We are told that, within certain limitations the girl who is put in touch with the most phases of life has secured the best education. Our girls are a varied collection. We have the scholarly, the esthetic, and a number of others that I might name, but these two are sufficient for my purpose. We meet in our regular fraternity meetings, or at our social gatherings, and the one notices the prominent trait of the other. The scholarly one observing the advantages gained by her sister, the social success, resolves to come oftener out of her seclusion, and take a little more active

part in the world of pleasure. In turn, the one especially socially inclined, hearing the praiseworthy remarks made about her more intellectual sister, resolves that she will apply herself more diligently to her studies, so that she will have even more for which to be admired than her beauty and charming manner.

So the lever works. Each member of the fraternity is influenced by every other. Alert in mind, as they are, each sifts out for herself the best she is capable of grasping. This goes steadily on, and yet not one loses her own individuality. This last she will not do, for, if I may dare say it, were she weak enough to do that she would not be a Kappa.

ETHEL T. HOULT, *Beta Upsilon*.

Fraternities Win in Texas

During the present session of the Texas Legislature the question concerning the abolition of fraternities at the State University was again brought forward and the bill, after many hot debates upon the floor of the House was defeated. This problem seems to gain in strength each year, and to meet the many accusations made, the fraternities have literally turned their eyes inward with the honest and resolute purpose of ruthlessly seeking out and correcting as many mistakes as possible.

Perhaps the most important conclusion reached is that the relationship between the girls of the various fraternities should be much closer, and founded upon real bonds of friendship. A girl should seek to know people, and to love people, not for the individual good that may accrue to her, but for mutual benefit. She should never allow a misconception of fraternity loyalty to prevent her from obeying an impulse to help another, but should rather seek to lay aside prejudices and look deeper than the surface. Our rivalry must be mixed with good nature, harmony and sincerity. Your fraternity, to a great extent, will be characterized by your own attitude toward these things so why not let it stand for fairness, coöperation, harmony and consistency in the eyes of the world as well as in your own eyes? Kappa undoubtedly helps you; shouldn't you, in turn, render her the fruits of her help?

One of the principal suggestions made is, that the girls of different fraternities entertain one another. Each of us knows

the charm of the atmosphere of her own home. Your fraternity home has just such a distinct charm and influence upon you. Why shouldn't we want others to enjoy and profit by this influence, and can we not be equally improved by the atmosphere of other fraternity homes?

This is the plan under consideration at present and Kappa is heartily in favor of it, for we realize that it will help us, not only as a fraternity but as individuals, to attain a perfection of womanhood in our relations to mankind, by constantly seeking good in everyone.

FRANCIS McQUEEN, *Beta Xi.*

A KAPPA TOURIST AGENT

I wonder if any other Kappas have found as interesting niches in the business world as I have. I imagine that I am the only girl in this country who is a Tourist Agent. There is no more delightful class of people than travelers. My work brings me most pleasantly into touch with charming people.

As District Representative of the Wylie Permanent Camping Company of Yellowstone Park, I handle all of the business interests in this section of the country for the "Wylie Way," a company of more than thirty years' standing, which annually carries more tourists through the Yellowstone than any other company operating there.

Because I am engaged in a western tourist business, I secured the position of Minnesota representative of the Travelers' Service Bureau of San Francisco. This bureau makes advance hotel reservations for tourists to the Exposition. Because of the enormous crowds arriving at the Exposition daily, it is impossible for tourists to find for themselves comfortable accommodations, whether in hotels, apartment houses, or private homes. The charge which the bureau makes is \$2 per person.

If any Kappas are considering a tour through the Yellowstone, or a visit to the Exposition, I should be delighted to hear from them. I can furnish all detailed information concerning either trip.

MARY KNIGHT, *Chi.*

KAPPAS KNOWN TO FAME

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, DEPARTMENT EDITOR

You will be interested in reading about these five Kappas of special prominence: Marion Craig-Wentworth (Marion J. Craig, Chi '94), author of that already famous one-act play *War Brides*; Mrs. Herbert C. Hoover (Lou Henry, Beta Eta '98), of the American Relief Committee, London, and winner, with her husband, of the 1914 gold medal, awarded by the Mining and Metallurgical Society of America; Mrs. William S. Johnson (Laura Rinkle, Beta Delta '00), poet, writer on household decoration and art, and author of the *Book of Teddy Bears*; Mrs. Samuel Gracie (Winifred Gray, Upsilon '96), actress, and pageant director; and Mrs. Elmer Ernest Southard (Mabel Fletcher Austin, Chi '93), noted pathologist and a successful wife and mother.

MRS. MARION CRAIG-WENTWORTH (MARION J. CRAIG, CHI '94)

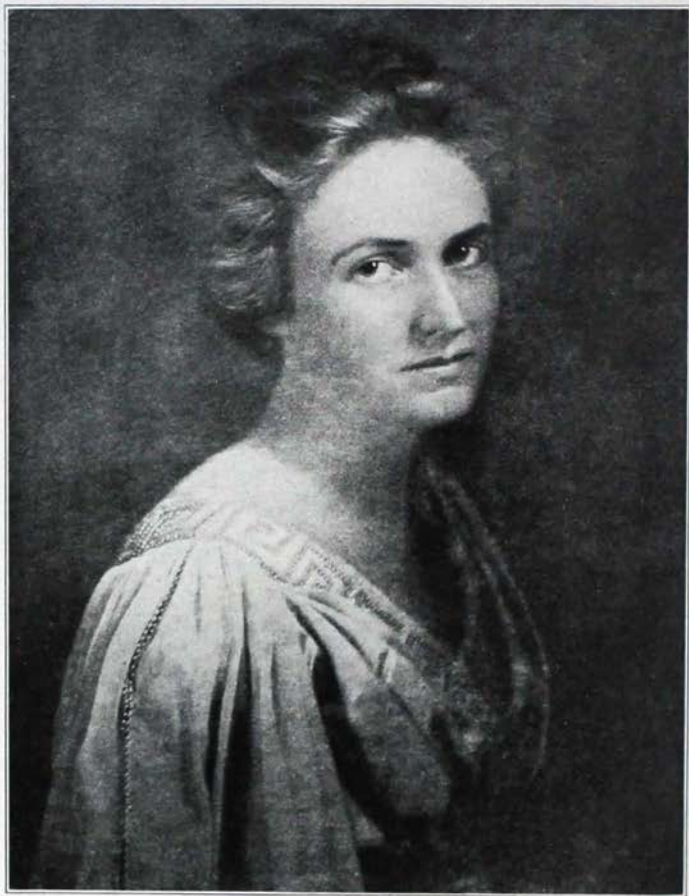
Marion Craig-Wentworth has come into international fame as the writer of a great peace play—*War Brides*. This voices the thoughts and feelings of men and women the world over concerning the preciousness of human life. The report comes from California that already, within a month, *War Brides* is being translated into every European tongue, and read by women in the war torn countries.

"We are all dreaming the same big dream," Mrs. Wentworth said recently, "and it is our dream that saves humanity. You see, we become in the end that which we dream. I dream today of a great world republic and international peace, and thousands of others are dreaming this with me. That means we shall achieve it after this war. After all, the brotherhood of man is not destroyed. In fact, it exists more strongly than ever before. That is why the war seems so terrible to us all; it is because we care so much about one another.

Mrs. Wentworth's own son will be taught a new definition of patriotism—that it is better to live and work for one's country than to die for it.

For ten years Mrs. Wentworth has given dramatic readings. She reads Hauptmann's *Sunken Bell*, one of her greatest interpretations, Browning, Ibsen, Björnson, Sudermann, Maeterlinck. To give the inner truths which a play contains and send her audiences away moved with a keen desire to live a fuller, more universal life has been her high service.

Marion Craig-Wentworth was born in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and graduated from the university of that state in 1894. She passed fruitful years in teaching, settlement work and public reading. She has been heard before the most critical audiences



MRS. MARION CRAIG-WENTWORTH

in Boston and San Francisco, and in many cities between. Her talents have been at the disposal of the humblest gatherings where men and women, out of pure love for their kind, sought better ways of living.

Above all, she has striven to free women; to free them morally, economically and politically. *The Flower Shop*, her own first play, deals with the economic independence of women. Concerning the political freedom of women in California, her present home, she says, "We don't *believe* in it, we just *live* it. It is coming inevitably to all."

HOPE McDONALD, *Chi '94*.

MRS. HERBERT C. HOOVER, (LOU HENRY, Beta Eta '98)

Lou Henry was born in Iowa, but received most of her education in California, entering Stanford University in 1894, from which institution she took her first degree in 1898. She became a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma toward the close of her second year.

After her marriage to Mr. Hoover, who was also a Stanford graduate, Mrs. Hoover had an interesting and sometimes exciting life in China, where Mr. Hoover held an important position under the Chinese Government, and where they were under siege for several weeks during the Boxer uprising. When the siege was raised they went to London, which has been their home ever since. Their two boys were born in Kensington, and it is there, near Kensington Gardens where their many American friends find such open-hearted hospitality. It was there also that Mr. and Mrs. Hoover completed the translation and annotation of Agricola's *De Re Metallica*, a scientific work written in mediæval Latin. This work of their leisure moments for several years was dedicated to their friend and teacher, Dr. Casper Branner, who is now the President of Stanford University.

Mrs. Hoover's work for the relief of the Belgians is simply an enlargement of a kind of activity that she carries on at all times wherever she happens to be. In a quiet way, and with a personal interest she makes life easier for many families and individuals who have met with misfortune. As President of the "Society of American Women in London" Mrs. Hoover is able to do much for American women abroad, and she represents us in a foreign country in a way that may well fill us with pride.

CAROLINE A. GOODHUE, *Beta Eta*.



MRS. HERBERT C. HOOVER AND HER SONS

MRS. WILLIAM S. JOHNSON, (LAURA RINKLE, Beta Delta '00)

My first visit in '96 to the old Dunster house in Ann Arbor, then the abode of Beta Delta chapter, is a never-to-be-forgotten incident. Then began my friendship with Laura Rinkle or "Rink," as she was known in the chapter, and by all her friends. She was then a freshman, and had come to Ann Arbor from her home in Boonville, New York, to study at the University of which her father, a prominent physician, was an alumnus.

For a year after leaving college she taught Latin in the Boonville High School. In 1901 she was married to William Schuyler Johnson, a prominent young banker of Boonville, and an ornithologist of more than local reputation. They have one son, Sedgewick, born in 1902.

After a few years spent in travel and on their ranch near Pasadena, California, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson settled in Lyons, New York, and now Mr. Johnson is president of the village. Their home on Cherry Heights was built by Mr. Johnson from his own plans, and has been described in an illustrated article in the *Craftsman* written by Mrs. Johnson. Other articles have been published in the *Craftsman*. In the days before automobiling was such a common pastime Mrs. Johnson published in a magazine article an account of a motor trip through Quebec and lower Canada. Theirs was the first automobile seen by many of the villagers.

Mrs. Johnson is a suffragist, and she is also known to her friends as a writer whose work shows taste and discrimination. Her poems are of a very high order, and it is to be hoped that a collection of them may sometime be given to the public. One of the charming things she has done is her *Book of Teddy Bears* written for the amusement of her little son and afterwards published. Beta Delta and the sorority as a whole may well be proud of this talented sister.

LUCILE MORRIS WHITE, *Beta Delta*.



MRS. WILLIAM S. JOHNSON

MRS. SAMUEL GRACIE, (WINIFRED GRAY, Upsilon '96)

Those who knew Winifred Gray in the college days will never forget the brilliant girl whose enthusiasm was felt in every line of college activity—in athletics, oratory, college annual, in fraternity and in society. She was the only student up to that time who had taken four years' college course and two years' oratory course in four years, and we were all proud of her achievement.

Her unusual memory stood her in good stead after leaving college, when, after a year of teaching in her home city, Rockford, Illinois, she entered upon a stage career, where she soon established a reputation for being what the actors call a remarkably "quick study," on several critical occasions learning whole rôles in a few hours.

For ten years she continued on the stage in support of well-known stars, winning special distinction in the creation of strong emotional rôles; then she gave up her stage career to marry Mr. Samuel Gracie of New York. Since then, whenever she could be pried out of her happy home, she has done important things in dramatic circles. Last year she was chosen by the New York City Grand Army of the Republic as the Reader at their Annual Meeting on Memorial Day in Carnegie Hall. Her glorious voice rang through that immense auditorium—the only one—except Mayor Mitchell's, that could really be heard.

Besides giving dramatic readings in New York, Mrs. Gracie has produced several Shakespearean plays, and last summer added largely to her reputation as producer of *The Bridge of the Gods*, a brilliant pageant-drama by Mabel Ferris, an outdoor performance given in Oklahoma City, on a stupendous scale. Mrs. Gracie later assisted in directing a big moving picture production of the pageant.

During the past winter she has been doing special press work for the distinguished English explorer, Sir Douglas Mawson, whose marvellous motion pictures of animals and birds in the Antarctic have been creating such a sensation at Weber's Theatre in New York.

From all of which it may be judged that Winifred Gray Gracie is a very versatile woman, of whom Kappa may justly be proud.

THEODORA URSULA IRVINE, *Upsilon*.



MRS. SAMUEL GRACIE

DR. MABEL AUSTIN SOUTHARD, (MABEL F. AUSTIN, Chi '93)

Dr. Mabel Austin Southard is the daughter of Horace Austin, former Governor of Minnesota, who was one of the state's pioneers. She was graduated from the St. Paul High School in 1888. Her essay was "The American Girl," later published in *THE KEY*. In 1883 she received her B.S. degree from the University of Minnesota, after which she taught the natural sciences for three years. From 1896 to 1900 she was studying medicine at Johns Hopkins. Then came a year as pathologist at the St. Paul City and County Hospital, acquitted so creditably that she was appointed interne at that institution, the first woman to have gained this privilege.

In 1903 she removed to Boston where for three years she was in general practice. During this time she was pathologist for the New England Hospital for women and children. In 1906 she was married to Dr. Elmer Ernest Southard of Boston, Professor of Neuropathology at Harvard Medical School, Director of the Psycopathic Hospital of Boston and Pathologist to the State Board of Insanity. In 1906 she was appointed Associate Professor of Hygiene at Wellesley and a year later became head of the department, and Medical Director for the College, resigning in 1908. Since then, Dr. Southard has been special lecturer at Wellesley, Mount Holyoke, Wheaton College and Lasell Seminary, on Sex Hygiene and Eugenics. In addition to her other activities, she finds time to be a director of the College Equal Suffrage League.

Kappas of the '90s will recall what a prominent part Mabel Austin played in Kappa life; the purposeful energy and undaunted enthusiasm which marked her college days were carried into the larger activities. To all women, her fine qualities, thorough training and broad experience must prove a splendid stimulus.

MABEL SIMIS ULRICH, *Psi* '97.



DR. MABEL AUSTIN SOUTHARD AND HER DAUGHTER, ANNE

EDITORIAL COMMENT

SIGNS OF SPRING

With the true feminine instinct of wanting to appear in pretty new clothes in the spring, *THE KEY* in this May number is resplendent in its new suit. It has put aside its old dark blue suit which, unlike most "perfect ladies," it has worn for twenty years, making a record like great-grandmother's and her black silk dress. But we have loved the old blue suit, and perhaps many of us will be sorry to see it go.

We are proud of our new cover. We think it is artistic in coloring and design, and enduring in attractiveness. Do you like it?

For it, Kappa Kappa Gamma is indebted to Ruth Anthony, Xi, '14, whose design was chosen at the last convention from those submitted to the committee. You will be interested in hearing something about Miss Anthony. She has studied art at Adrian, where her father is president of the college, since she was fifteen. She took the regular art course, studying Latin, French, History and English with it. She is fondest of work in oils or pastel. She hopes some time soon to teach art in the public schools. We wish her a great deal of success in her career; and we thank her gratefully for her service to the fraternity, in giving us this new *KEY* cover.

LIFE SUBSCRIPTIONS

We ask you earnestly to help your fraternity publish a worthwhile magazine. This can be done if we have more life subscriptions. We ask the alumnae to bring the matter before their clubs during the commencement reunions in June. Fifteen dollars will give you *THE KEY* for life. A great many alumnae who are fortunate possessors of a long and faithful love for Kappa Kappa Gamma have paid out far more than that sum since their graduation.

To those of you who are about to start upon your alumnaehood,—it is a good business proposition for you to subscribe for life. Staunch and true Kappas, Kappas who will always be interested, Kappas who are the sort who will have the spirit of youth

for fifty or more years,—it will save money for you, for you will subscribe each year, just because you believe “once a Kappa, always a Kappa”. Unfortunate Kappas, weak Kappas, Kappas who have a tendency to lose interest in whatever they undertake, whether it be fads, fraternity, a career, or friendships; Kappas who lose the spirit of youth before you are twenty,—it will pay you, too, to take advantage of this life subscription offer. Often the reason for alumnae lack of interest in Kappa is because of lack of opportunity to perform some service for Kappa. Paying for a subscription to *THE KEY* is helping Kappa, and *THE KEY* in its turn will keep up your interest in Kappa. The truest axiom among those who have opportunity and aptitude for studying human nature is: The more you do for anything, the more interested you are in it. And this applies to Everything; and Fraternity is included in it.

Write to Mrs. Parke R. Kolbe, business manager of *THE KEY* for details about life subscriptions. Her address is 250 East Buchtel Avenue, Akron, Ohio.

THE KEY PRESCRIBES

Here's the good old summer coming, and the writers for *THE KEY* wish all their friends a bang-up time wherever they may be. For those who simply want to rest, and grow rotund and sleek, and lose their “nerves”, and eat and doze, and gain six pounds a week,—we order comfy rocking-chairs beneath old spreading trees; a sleepy book; a restful friend; a drowsy summer breeze; two quarts of milk at every meal, a dozen eggs a day; and not a thought about your “work”;—and then see what you'll weigh!

And then for all the youngsters who would “rather die than rest,” for those who like excitement and a busy time the best,—we order dancing in the surf and on the ballroom floor, a dozen fox-trots every day, a race along the shore. Yes, the good old summer's coming, and no matter how you spend it, we hope you'll all be fine and fit and happy when you end it.

The Portland Pan-Hellenic Association will have headquarters in the Portland Hotel during the time of the San Francisco Fair, so that visitors will be able to locate their fraternity friends.

FOR LEISURE MOMENTS

In leisure moments, will the chapter correspondents, and any Kappa who are likely to be stung by the literary bee and send us a contribution, reread the rules for chapter correspondents which were in the February KEY, and which we paid the printer good money to "set up"? We asked you to use official paper. You didn't,—Iota, Pi, Delta, Psi, Beta Phi, Beta Chi.

We asked for typewritten letters. You didn't,—Iota, Beta Nu, Theta, Sigma, Eta.

We asked for *double-spaced* typewriting. You didn't,—Beta Sigma, Lambda, Beta Omicron.

We asked you to mail your letter a week before the first of April. You didn't,—Beta Upsilon, Beta Chi, Xi, Chi, Beta Zeta, Beta Omega, Beta Omicron, Beta, Phi, Beta Eta.

We asked you not to use special delivery stamps. You used them,—Beta Mu, Gamma Rho.

A great many of you used "very," a few of you used "quite," but for this we thank you,—nobody said "cats"!

NOTICES

CAMPAIGN IS ON

Subscriptions! Subscriptions! Subscriptions!

HONOR ROLL

in the October KEY for the chapters who secure
Life Subscriptions
or ten new alumnae subscriptions.

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EXPIRES MAY 30

PRIZES!

Best complete Kappa song, words and music.....	\$15
Best serious Kappa song, to familiar music.....	5
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ALUMNAE AND ACTIVES URGED TO COMPETE

Send to Jeannette Comstock, Norwalk, Conn., R. F. D. 42.
Prize winners announced in October KEY. All good songs to be
published in new Song Book.

KAPPA DAY

Kappa Day at the Panama-Pacific Exposition will be August 7.
On that day Pi Alumnae Association at Berkeley, Cal., will enter-
tain the Grand Council and visiting Kappas. All Kappas attend-
ing the Exposition will please register in the Kappa Register
found in the foyer of the California building, so that local Kappas
may get in touch with them.

STUDENTS AID FUND GROWS

The Undergraduates' Student Aid Fund acknowledges with
thanks the third annual contribution of fifty dollars from the
Kansas City Alumnae Association.

CHAPTER LETTERS

No chapter letters received from:

Chi

Beta Zeta

Beta Eta

ALPHA PROVINCE

PHI, BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Initiation was held on February 27 at Appleton Towers in Malden, Mass. It is a splendid big house with a great deal of room, and just suitable for a jolly time. Six freshmen were initiated, Majorie Colton, Corinne Côté, Anne Roberts, Mildred Freeman, Julia Holteen and Elsie Woodland. We had our banquet there at the Towers after initiation, with toasts from our alumnae and girls of the active chapter. Miss Fall spoke most interestingly for the alumnae, telling us something of the beginning of Phi chapter and its members. The rooms were prettily decorated in yellow and green.

On March 26, we had our annual college affair of Klatsch. The halls and corridors for two days gradually grew into bowers of flowers. This is our big event of the year, to which every college student is invited, together with friends and the alumni. Christine Ayers was junior hostess, and Ellen Coles '15 and Corinne Côté '18 took part in the entertainment.

Phi chapter was pleased with the arrival of a five pound box of candy announcing the engagement of Dorothy Rand '14 and Rev. Alwin E. Worman, curate of St. Mary's Episcopal Church of Dorchester. The Kappas gave her a linen shower at the home of Miriam Smith.

On March 13 we conducted a successful food sale at our rooms.

Grace Converse '15 is chairman of the senior reception committee and Ellen Coles '15 is a member of the senior class day committee and executive committee.

Christine Evarts '15 is in the German play, and Ellen Coles '15, Gladys Tibbetts '15, Marjorie Colton '18 and Elsie Woodland '18 were in the Latin play.

Frances Miller '16 is to be leading lady in the junior play, "The Rivals."

Doris Olds '17 has a part in the sophomore play.

Phi chapter had an interesting time this month, when Dr. Emerson from college gave us an informal and helpful little talk on college affairs.

One night after meeting we had the Gamma Phis, who have their rooms a short distance from us, to supper and then had an evening of stunts together.

GRACE LILLIAN CONVERSE.

BETA EPSILON, BARNARD COLLEGE

As it was the faculty who suspended fraternities at Barnard for a term of three years, and as the antis considered themselves vastly in the majority, we desired to put this question to the college:—"DO YOU WANT FRATERNITIES?"

With tact unparalleled in the history of the momentous struggle between the antis and us, we asked the ruling body of the student government organization to coöperate with us in this plan. The student council, incidentally, is packed with antis, Helen Jenkins being the only one on it who is pro-fraternity. We asked for two days to take the census; they granted us one. The result of the vote was: 159, Yes; 255, No; 17, indifferent.

The antis immediately pointed out that statistics such as these were worthless. On the contrary we feel they may be very valuable for reference at some other time. It is interesting to note that in the senior class—which is the one in which the movement against fraternities started and which is the only class in which there are fraternity members—the vote was: 47, Yes; 50, No; 2, indifferent.

At a supper and dance given to Kappa alumnae and Barnard undergraduates on March 12, Cornelia Geer, 1917, announced the engagement of her brother Francis Hunt Geer, Columbia 1912, to our hostess, Helen Hartley Jenkins.

Helen Jenkins was sophomore president, editor-in-chief of the 1915 *Mortarboard*, and is now vice-president of the undergraduate association. She was our delegate to the convention last summer; and we are sure this news will be of interest to many Kappas.

The alumnae and undergraduates meet at Kappa spreads every month. These are usually run by the "Grads" as there are only five of us youngsters.

LOUISE WALKER.

BETA SIGMA, ADELPHI COLLEGE

Dear Kappas: I have just come from supper meeting to write this letter to you. We had a jolly good time, but first I'm going to tell you about our repast. 'Twas grand! We had beautiful soup of the evening, chicken à la king, and wonderful gingerbread cakes bowed beneath a load of whipped cream. It was an interesting supper. Mildred Downey and I got it. I whipped the cream. And that's enough about that. Our alumnae came to visit us—illustrious alumnae; Juliette Hollenback and Jeanette Comstock and Bertha Chapman Catlin. There were a dozen or so more, but I think you will know these three best,—on account of convention—don't you? We sat around at five tables, and each table had a topic of conversation of its own. I know, for I traipsed from one to the other gathering news items for you.

One table was piled high with rough drafts of dance orders, and the words which I caught were

"Say, listen, you've the tenth with me."

"No, I gave the tenth to Hester."

"Hester isn't coming."

"Fifth—eighth—"

"I've reserved this—"

Well, then I progressed, and they were sedately discussing the Endowment Fund, and if we should have a dormitory or not. I did not linger. We have had a tea every blessed afternoon this year for the sake of the dormitory fund, and while I enjoy spending my money, and do want the dorm. however, I'm not English enough to be able to take tea and cake every time four o'clock comes around. At present the mere subject palls on me. So I fled on.

This was more exciting. Clara Mohrmann was leading lady in the college play *D'Arcy*, which was given on April 16 and 17, and she was reciting the rehearsals to an admiring table. She took off the cast and the coach extremely well, so I stayed there quite a while enjoying myself. I knew that over at the table I had left they were talking *Oracle*. That's our annual, you know, and Jean Lucas is editor-in-chief, Grace Corey is Assistant Business Manager, Gladys Grossman is art editor, and I'm lit. editor. The book came out May 1; hence, you see, they were under the tense strain of a crisis.

The candles flickered shadows and dancy lights on the animated faces, and it was all very comfortable and easeful, though noisy. What a lot of noise a blend of voices does make! The last table was empty. The freshmen had sat there, and now they were out in the kitchen holding jubilee cleaning up.—Ah, the days when I was a freshman! I always had the best time of all when we were washing the dishes.

And with us, Alice Pool, our new sister.

Then I said to Jean, "Stop poking Helen Brady, who though small is yet a grown-up alum.—and come on—Rosalie, the Prairie Flower, and I are going to stay over night with you."

And that's all for this time.

Cheerfully,

SUSAN DEPEYSTER.

BETA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Rushing is over for a season. From twelve bids we have eleven new girls whom we pledged on Washington's birthday. As always, we served dinner in the dormitories after the service.

Initiation was held at Haverford Court, Haverford, Pa., on March 13. At this most delightful place we had three rooms reserved for our use. At about 8:30 thirty-seven alumnae and actives made their way to the dining room where a banquet was served. The decorations were lovely,

spring flowers and pussy-willows, all in profusion. We old girls left feeling very rich with our "young ones".

Their names are—Lydia Adams, Thusnelda Bachman, Mary Boyd, Elizabeth Burns, Louise Butts, Mary Colley, Helen Denny, Katherine Dougherty, Clara Evans, Mary McCloskey, Pauline Sensenig. Some of these girls are upperclassmen.

The chapter has been particularly fortunate in receiving gifts this year from our generous alumnae. Kate Nowlin sent a five dollar bill to help along with our many expenses. Anna Ross brought us a much-needed bonbon spoon, prettily marked with K K T.

Cecile Hanna, our affiliate from Delta, soon after Christmas announced her engagement to Mr. R. Malcolm Keir, who is an instructor in the Wharton School of the University.

The best vacation ever to all hard-working, good-time-loving Kappas.

ESTHER G. MILLER.

BETA IOTA, SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

It had been long since there had been any rushing, but we had our first party last week for next year's freshmen. It was held over the week-end of the "Sophomore Show". Each year the sophomore class gives a play and all Swarthmoreans, past and present, come to it. This year it was *Pinafore* and proved a great success. Hester Levis did well in the part of Josephine, the heroine, and two of our other sophomores, Florence Kennedy and Elizabeth Sellers, tripped the "light fantastic toe" in the chorus. The stage was set in imitation of the deck of the ship with all details perfect, even to the life preservers, ship's bell, and sea gulls, floating over the back curtain. The men's chorus of sailor boys vied with the "sisters and the cousins and the aunts" to outdo itself and the leading characters were worthy of their difficult parts. So also thought our "sub-freshmen". Before the show we had a "stand-up," or in this case a "sit-down," supper in the chapter room. After the show a college dance kept us busy and happy until late. Sunday was spent in showing the girls the campus, and all left Sunday afternoon most enthusiastic about Swarthmore.

Several of our Kappas have lately distinguished themselves. In the student government elections for the second semester, Ruth Stephenson was chosen vice-president, and Margaret Milne was made a senior member of the executive board. Edith Satterthwaite who was a junior member of the board last semester has recently been elected to Pi Sigma Chi, the senior honorary society. She is also on the staff of the *Halcyon* the junior yearbook which will appear early in May. Reba Camp is one of the five senior girls who are eligible for the Lucretia Mott fellowship; Elizabeth Shoemaker won first place in the college gymnasium contest, while Elsie Sinzheimer came in third.

HELEN N. SPILLER.

BETA PROVINCE

PSI, CORNELL UNIVERSITY

During the past month we have pledged two new girls, Freda Shoeffler, 1918, and Majorie Sewell, 1916. We held initiation on March 26 at Julia Melotte's.

Mrs. Vladimir Simkhovitch, of Phi, was here to give a lecture in our Citizenship course. We were fortunate in having her as our guest at an At Home given to the history and economics faculty. Mrs. Simkhovitch is the wife of Professor Simkhovitch of New York University. She is connected with the School of Philanthropy in New York.

Professor William H. Taft, of Yale University, delivered a series of addresses relating to Anti-Trust legislation, and also an interesting talk on "Being President". He spoke before the greatest Cornell undergraduate audience ever assembled for anything except athletics. He received enthusiastic and prolonged applause, accorded him as a mark of appreciation for his administration while president of the United States.

Professor Charles E. Bennett of the Latin department, is chairman for this district of the Belgium Relief Committee. Last fall we had a Tag Day for the purpose of raising funds. We succeeded in realizing over \$3,000. Now people are purchasing boxes containing provisions sufficient to feed one or more families for a certain length of time. In addition to such efforts, the Women's Dramatic Club will produce an extra performance of Barrie's *Twelve Pound Look* for the purpose of swelling the fund.

We are about to start a periodical among the women of the University. It will not endeavor to compete with the Cornell *Sun*, but will at first be issued monthly. We are planning also, a social survey of the women of the University for the purpose of ascertaining the interest of the girls, in order to make our organizations adequate for the needs and opportunities of the community.

At the basket ball semi finals the class of 1918 defeated the class of 1917, and 1915 defeated 1916: and at the finals, the seniors were beaten by the freshmen.

The remaining activities of the spring consist in the annual University Spring Day and Navy Day, and the girls' Field Day and May Dance, and Josephine Preston Peabody's *Piper*.

WINIFRED KIRK.

BETA TAU, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

I thought of THE KEY letter as soon as I heard it. Girls, what do you think? Our poor defenceless house was robbed at 10:45 the other night by an unknown man. It was like this: We had a big dinner rushing party that evening, and after the underclassmen had started home with our guests, Evelyn Hart who was sitting in the den heard the front door open and gently close. But, supposing, of course, that it was one

of the girls, she paid no further attention to it until, a few minutes later, she happened to look through a little pane of glass in the pantry door just in time to see a man with a bundle under his arm, vanishing out of the street door. She was too startled to say anything, so the visitor disappeared into the night, and the next morning we missed our perfectly new French clock from the living room mantelpiece. Now, when we are late for class, have we not a legitimate excuse to offer the professor?

The mad rush of mid-years, Senior week, initiation, banquet, basket ball and college work has resulted in a regular epidemic of colds, sore-throats and toothaches.

Initiation followed the usual trend of darkened house, congratulations, toasts and songs. For sundry unavoidable reasons, four of our freshmen are still wearing pledge pins, but we shall remedy that just as soon as we can.

Ernestine Holyoke has just won a Phi Beta Kappa key.

Early this month we had the privilege of presenting Mrs. Mullin, editor of *THE KEY*, to other Syracuse chapters at an afternoon bridge party.

In June the Beta Tau's will recover from the burdens of the college year by means of not one, but two house parties. For the week before commencement Gladys Erskine Allis '07, has given over her two cottages at Skaneateles Lake, a few miles out of Syracuse, for the use of the active chapter. And Eloise Green '14 has repeated her invitation to Vine Valley on Canandaigua Lake, where we spent a hilarious ten days last year.

I've been sniffing beefsteak for ten minutes and now the dinner bell is ringing. I must go.

MARIAN PYLE

BETA PSI, TORONTO UNIVERSITY

The energies of Beta Psi are directed now mainly to studying. We have been precipitated into examination preparations a month earlier than usual to enable the men to go to military camp. Our University is being fast depleted of its best men. Many are volunteering now for the third contingent, while a great many volunteered earlier in the term to go with the second contingent. A special convocation was held to confer degrees on those of the fourth year who were leaving before the completion of the term. The soldier students wore the King's uniform in place of the usual academic costume.

On March 20 a huge parade of ten thousand soldiers marched through the city to the tune of "It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary". It was made up of the second and third contingents, together with every military unit in the city.

The social functions of the college have been limited this year but we had a few of the more important ones, although on a simple scale. The seniors were entertained by the juniors at a reception, where

promenading took place after a concert in which the chief interest was the foretelling of the future of each senior.

The faculty entertained the seniors at a dinner on March 5.

The Victoria girls were much rejoiced this year at winning both the hockey and the debate championships. We usually have been fortunate in winning the annual debate, but none of the present girls' memories go back to the time when we have won the hockey. Three Kappas played on the team, with a fourth for the spare men.

GERTRUDE MEREDITH.

GAMMA PROVINCE

GAMMA RHO, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

February 13, we initiated our seven pledges. Initiation was held as usual in our fraternity rooms in Hulings Hall and a large number of alumnae was present.

Our alumnae have been of unutterable value, I might say, and it is due largely to their efforts that we have succeeded in having our rooms repapered, and in getting new furniture, new lights, curtains, etc.

While our usual place of meeting has been in such a state of disorder, we have had two meetings at the homes of Mrs. Carpenter and Miss Fuller, two of our alumnae, and one at the home of Florence Downing, an active member. On one of these occasions it was decided that the luncheons for the active girls and the town alumnae should be held on the twenty-eighth day of each month at the Lafayette Hotel.

In the last few years one of our associate members, Helen Graham Heiner of Butler, Pennsylvania, has attained fame. She has a beautiful contralto voice, and in a contest with more than forty prominent soloists from all the leading cities participating in the recent Eisteddfod, she won the coveted prize. She is one of the soloists in the choir of the East Liberty Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, also a member of the Recital Quartet, Tuesday musical club, and is now studying under the best teachers in Pittsburgh.

We shall all be busy preparing for the centennial celebration in June, which will be the greatest event in the history of the college. Dr. Crawford has kindly consented to write a brief account of this celebration for this issue of *THE KEY*.

Best wishes to all Kappas.

ELEANORE GILL.

BETA UPSILON, UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA

The second semester opened with a tea given by the Women's Local Pan-Hellenic Association in honor of the nonfraternity girls of the University. The Pan-Hellenic Council, with Ethel Hoult as head, stood in the receiving line.

On February 19 the active Kappas received two hundred and fifty guests at their Washington dance. The Armory was attractively decorated with cherries, laurel, and evergreens. At one end of the hall was a Sigma in Delta, mounted and lighted, and at the other end the Key. At the center a large circle of colored lights, and over the balcony, Washington's picture bordered with lights and flags. The Washington Special dance was opened with a figure lead by Master Frank Corbin and Babbie Jackson, dressed as George and Martha Washington. The girls were favored with hatchet fans, and the men with little miniature satin hatchets. The Kappa Special was a firefly dance with each dancer carrying a lighted sparkler. All the lights except the Key and Sigma in Delta, were turned off during this dance. The two blues were used in the programs with a Sigma in Delta at the top. Small American flags were given on each place at supper.

Mrs. Parke R. Kolbe, President of Gamma Province, visited us from Monday, March 22, to Friday, March 26. We held initiation while she was here, and she assisted beautifully at the service. Our twelve pledges are now full-fledged Kappa sisters.

Mrs. Roy Lough gave a charming tea in honor of Mrs. Kolbe at which every Kappa in Morgantown was entertained. We all enjoyed knowing Mrs. Kolbe very much, and were sorry when she left us Friday. We all wished she could have stayed longer.

Mrs. Beulah Boyd Ritchie and Nelle Prichard of Fairmont, and Bertha Moore of Fairchance were here for initiation.

Mrs. Lucile Goucher McFall, Xi, entertained for Miss Bertha Moore, Xi, and the active chapter at a tea, March 26.

We have pledged a most attractive girl, Ruth Weidenhamer, this second semester. In the scholastic record of the twelve fraternities, Kappa stands second in average for the first semester.

ANNA MARY MARSHALL.

LAMBDA, MUNICIPAL UNIVERSITY OF AKRON

On the evening of February 6, we initiated four of our freshmen: Charlene Fiebeger, Dorothy Hunter, Ruth Theiss and Frances Whigam. Arminta Henne was ill then, and was initiated February 22.

The active chapter gave a show entitled *Sense and Nonsense* during the second week in March at the home of Ruth Theiss. We invited all of our alumnae and mothers, and charged for admission. The results were all that could be desired, financially and socially.

In February we gave a dance at the Marvin Parish House and Dr. and Mrs. Kolbe, Mr. and Mrs. Iredell and Mr. and Mrs. King chaperoned. Lillian Pence was in Akron for the dance and several more of our alumnae were there.

Again have the grades of the college been published in our newspaper, *The Buchtelite*, and again are the Kappas happy. Our average for the

fall term was above that of any other organization in the University. Do you wonder at our joyfulness?

Mrs. Iredell entertained us this winter at the home of her mother, Mrs. Knight, and Clementine Glock and Lois Hull both gave afternoon parties.

The Y. W. C. A. branch at the college gave a minstrel show March 20, and there were nine Kappas who took part. Louise Mignin was interlocutor, and sang a solo, and was in a quartette. Lucille Easton gave a piano solo while "Hec" Conger, Jo Joy and Rachael Fleming were "end men". Helen Farst sang in a quartette, and the others were in the chorus.

JULIA HARDIE.

BETA NU, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

At last Beta Nu can send glad tidings of new pledges to *THE KEY*. On February 28, pledging services were held for Martha Fieser and Marion Bright at the home of Hazel McKeen. Both girls are upper-classmen. Martha was a student in Wellesley College last year.

Our year of patient waiting for the arrival of freshman pledge day is rapidly drawing to a close, and even now we feel the tense excitement of final rushing. During the month of April, sorority girls are permitted to call upon rushees, and it is in the latter part of this month that the rushing parties are held. Each sorority gives one party, and Kappa has decided to entertain with a progressive dinner. A similar party was held last year in honor of the freshmen and it was a success. It was not, however, by our party, but through the personality of the girls in Beta Nu and the high standing of the fraternity that we hope to pledge our share of freshmen on May 15.

In January, the wedding of Marie Kouns and Myer K. Stanley took place. Both were graduated in the class of 1914. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley have made their home in Dayton, Ohio.

In February, Helen Taylor announced her engagement to Perl Miller, a Delta Tau Delta. Marie Fahl also announced her engagement to Jacob Shawn, also a member of Delta Tau.

EDNA ROGERS.

BETA RHO, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

So many interesting things have happened since our last letter to *THE KEY* in the December number, that it is hard to know where to begin.

Our holiday dance this year was preceded by a dinner at The Pirouette. Small tables for four, placed beneath the balcony, with their red flowers and candles, gave the ballroom a Christmasy appearance. The grand march was led by Dorothy Farrer and Clarence Barton and terminated by forming the three letters K K T.

On January 9, we had our second party at Lucille Morris's. It was a mock field meet, all the celebrities of old U. C. being present, impersonated by Beta Rho girls,—cheer leaders, starters, umpire and even the "peanuts, pop corn and chewing gum" man.

On January 15, we entertained the four other sororities with a Pan-Hellenic tea at the home of Flora Sabbert. The house was attractively decorated with the chapter flower, the red carnation.

By far the most important event of the New Year was pledge day which occurred on February 15, and which resulted in the pledging of seven girls. Beta Rho takes great pleasure in introducing her new members—Lucy Tranter, Esther Sauer, Genevieve Phillips, Eugenia Remelin, Minerva McGregor, Ione Diggs and Eleanor Haynes. On February 27, these seven were initiated into the "wonderful mysteries of Kappa". In the evening a banquet at the Hotel Sinton followed. Between courses our freshmen introduced one another in limericks, and afterwards there were toasts.

The local chapter of Chi Omega entertained with a Pan-Hellenic tea on February 26, at which Beta Rho was well represented.

The occasion of our first inspection will long be remembered. We anticipated with great pleasure the visit of Mrs. Kolbe for all of us wished to renew the friendship formed last May when she came here to install our chapter. She stayed four days with us. Mrs. Carrol L. Beck gave a luncheon Thursday, and we had a dance in the evening for our new members at the "Play House". On Saturday Mrs. Colter entertained with a luncheon at the Automobile Clubrooms, after which we had a chapter meeting, followed by a spread, at Helen Taylor's. We thoroughly enjoyed Mrs. Kolbe's visit and were sorry when she left us to visit other chapters.

Now, all the fraternity girls are looking forward to a Pan-Hellenic banquet, hoping thereby to strengthen the bonds of friendship. At this banquet, the chapter having the highest scholarship is to be presented with a silver loving cup.

IRENE M. TAYLOR.

DELTA PROVINCE

IOTA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

Iota has been unfortunate in not having had a letter in *THE KEY* this year.

On October 12 we initiated the following girls: Florence Storms, Ruth Fraley, Hazel Vermilion, Rose Singleton, Ethel Davis, and Mary Johnson.

On November 21, we initiated: Mary Statesman and Ruth Burton, Rosiland Gant, Ruth Irvin, Katherine Benedict, Grace Harcley, Es Summers, Glyde Brown, Jeannette Hallaway, Majorie Campbell and Mrs. Letta Trowbridge McGlothlin of South Bend who was in school some years ago.

One of our prettiest parties of the year was given for us by Mrs. Clara Summers. At this party we had our usual Christmas festivities.

De Pauw at last has a theatre of its own located in West college. Duzer Du the dramatic club presented Bernard Shaw's *Arms and the Man* in the new theater on January 22. Mona Summers and Rowena Cosuer, two Kappas, took the two leading rôles.

De Pauw has been having a system of second semester pledging this year. After a strenuous week ending February 5 we pledged Francis Neff, Ester Toole, Helen Martin, Virginia McNutt, Josephine Dages, and Katherine Allison.

Kappa has been given the biggest college honor of the year. Mona Summers, one of our seniors has been elected president of the student body.

De Pauw has had religious "stirring up". We have had lectures by Dr. White of Indiana U., Dr. J. Stanley Hall, Bishop McDowell and Bishop Henderson.

March 21, we had the honor and pleasure of entertaining Bishop Henderson at dinner.

On Founders' and Benefactors' Days, Kappa had an impromptu alumnae reunion,—Emily Charles of Marion, Helen Ruthenburg Horine of Louisville, Janette Grey of Harrison, Ohio, Maude Gwinn and Lillian Neale of Noblesville, Ester Cooms of Lebanon, Mrs. Morris of Terre Haute and Hazel Miller of Peru.

At last we are to realize the dream of our long-talked-of gymnasium. On March 19, we broke ground for our \$100,000 gymnasium which will be ready for use by the opening of the year 1915-16.

MABEL LOVE MILLER.

MU, BUTLER COLLEGE

The first important thing that has happened since my last letter, is the pledging of Florence Wilson which occurred on January 19.

On Matriculation Day, February 4, we had a "spread" at the room. That afternoon there was great rejoicing there for we pinned the colors on another girl, Lorine Pearson. Our other guests for the day were the alumnae: June Fry of Iota, Minnabel Morris Hunt, Mary James, and Mary McBride.

The next evening initiation was held at my house, and four more girls were admitted into the bonds of Kappa: Edith Hendrin, Dorothy Segur, and Florence Wilson, of Indianapolis, and Virginia McCune of Kokomo.

Founders' Day was ushered in with the usual festivity, the Pan-Hellenic reception on the afternoon of February 6, and the banquet at the Claypool in the evening.

Pi Beta Phi entertained us with a lovely "500" party at Mildred Hill's on February 11. The tally cards were in Valentine designs, and the

decorations were in keeping with the occasion. The only regret I have about the party is that I was not as lucky as Fern Wright who "carried off" the prize.

I suppose that by this time everyone knows what a success the State Dance was, which was given on February 13 in the Henry IV Room of the Claypool Hotel. This is the first time the Kappas of Indiana have ever undertaken such an elaborate affair, but we feel now that we want a State Dance every year. We girls tinted the programs which were appropriate for St. Valentine's Day.

The next event of importance was the Junior Prom at which Kappa was well represented. Charity and Edith Hendrin entertained us at their home during the latter part of February. On March 6 the Mu Club entertained us with a St. Patrick's party.

Then on March 15 our thoughtful and considerate "pledges" gave a delightful informal dance at the Maennerchor for us. They wore wristbands of dark and light blue tulle, and were dressed in frocks of the same color. There were "circles," "baskets," "Grand right and left," etc., and we had a mighty good time.

The Tri-Delts invited us to an Old English Tea on March 25 but it had to be postponed on account of the death of Florence Moffett's father.

We now have a "spread" every other Tuesday at the room to which we invite guests from the other sororities.

Ruth Brayton and Mary Merker are not in school this term, the latter is devoting all her time to music. Only a few more weeks of school—then vacation, but, we're ready for it again!

LOUISE HUGHEL.

DELTA, INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Winter term has just closed, after a busy three months. We were fortunate in having some excellent entertainments. John Drew was here in *Rosemary*, and Maude Adams in *The Legend of Leonora*.

The Y. W. C. A. gave its annual "County Fair," and the "Kappagraph Moving Picture Show" was one of the chief attractions.

Katherine Fee and Maude Vos, Bloomington, Ind., and Ruth Alexander, Boswell, Ind., are winter term pledges.

We were proud to have Alieda Van Vessem make Phi Beta Kappa before she had finished her senior work.

Mildred Kuhn, from Fortville, has reentered school.

On February 9, Delta gave her annual dance and house party, entertaining more than thirty guests. Mrs. Beryl Showers Holland, assisted by a few alumnae and active members, gave a tea for the visitors.

Elizabeth Deming, a Delta Kappa, from St. Paul, Minnesota, was recently married to Joel Williamson, Beta Theta Pi, of Indianapolis.

Delta has been fortunate in having several girls back as visitors recently, among them Mrs. Genevieve Chapman Lucas, Mrs. Kathleen

Stilwell Edwards, Kate Depew, Lorena Moore, Mable Irwin, Ruth McCracken, and Ruth Reeves.

Doris Hoffman, president of the Student Volunteers, attended the Indiana Student Volunteer Conference at Franklin, Ind.

Delta girls were greatly interested in both the Kappa state dance and luncheon held in Indianapolis, and many attended.

Our latest news is to tell you of our two spring term pledges, Charlotte Wagner, Chicago, and George Anne Moore, Frankfort, Indiana.

EDITH FITZPATRICK.

BETA CHI, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

The first event of importance to Beta Chi during the last three months was the initiation, which took place February 6, one week after examinations. It was held at the home of Mamie and Mildred Taylor and we had with us, besides the active members and two alumnae, Jane Shannon and Martha Weakley of Shelbyville, Ky., and Mrs. Dwight Green and Mrs. Wood of Chicago. The initiates were Alice Gregory, Elizabeth Booker, Anita Crabb, and Catherine Snyder of Louisville, Etta Potter and Mildred Taylor of Lexington and Lavinia McDannall of Warsaw, Ky.

The following Friday we had our annual banquet at the Phoenix Hotel. A number of girls came back for it, and for the freshmen it was the first real Kappa function; so, with this mixture of the loyalty and love of the old girls, and the enthusiasm of the new ones it was the jolliest, most satisfactory banquet in our history.

The Strollers, the dramatic club of the university presented its annual college play not long ago. Alice Gregory and Katherine Mitchell took important parts.

Beth Bogert, our own province president visited us. We hope there will be many pleasures in store for our Kappa sisters as well as for ourselves during the spring and summer.

MARTHA WILLIS.

EPSILON PROVINCE

BETA DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

April 1 was the night the seniors went to see the junior girls' play. Then for the first time we wore our caps and gowns, which heralds the beginning of the end. Many of us will go to the Opera *All That Glitters* too, an annual play given by the Mimes of the University. Helen Humphreys is assistant chairman of the junior girls' play and Nena MacIntyre, Jessie Spence and Honor Gaines have parts in the cast.

Margaret Bassett and Elizabeth McRae were initiated into Deutscher Verein on March 26.

A few weeks ago one of the houses where three of our freshmen were living was burned, and they came to live with us. With them came Grace Hagen, who is now pledged. We are glad to have these girls with us for the rest of this year. Besides Grace, there are two other new pledges, Berneda Pierson and Aure Hyatt, sophomores.

February 20, we had an informal dance. February 27, we initiated Rita Lee, Harriet Glass, Louise Williamson and Margaret Birdsell. Then came spring examinations and a great deal of studying and a little space of rest. Mrs. Bonner has had the seniors and juniors at her home for luncheon. Mrs. Crane had tea one afternoon for us to meet her sister, who was visiting here. All of these things, you see, help to make us enjoy college, and occasionally to take our minds from studying.

Beginning with next Sunday, we are planning to have a series of teas, and an informal reception for Michigan men. This is a custom which is followed by some of the sororities here.

Our Detroit alumnae are coming out to spend some Saturday with us. We want to get better acquainted with them and to have them feel that they know some one here, so that they may feel freer about coming out when they want to.

ELIZABETH PLATT.

XI, ADRIAN COLLEGE

We send greetings at this happy springtime to our sister chapters.

Our initiation service this year was especially beautiful, and impressive, and a number of our alumnae were with us.

A day that we shall not soon forget was St. Patrick's day, when all the Kappas, active and alumnae were entertained at six o'clock dinner at the home of Mrs. Seger. As Marion, who became a Kappa last year, came home from the South just a short time before wearing a beautiful diamond ring, we made a guess as to the occasion of this banquet. It was the announcement of the engagement of Marion Seger to Mr. Joseph Judd of Tallahoussa, Tennessee.

Another good time was a maple sugar party given by one of our most loyal alumnae, Mrs. Hood.

It has been very good to keep in touch with Mrs. Helen Baker Lake of Detroit through her occasional visits in Adrian.

I wonder what we would do without Ruth Anthony to run in every once in a while with a big whipped cream cake, or something else equally fine.

We were enjoying a visit from Elma Ellis, '12, when the office of librarian of the College was made vacant, and she was secured for that position.

MARGARET ENID ALDRICH.

KAPPA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE

The week after college opened in January the seniors presented the clever musical comedy, *The Pennant*, in which Doris Mauck took the leading part.

The pledges entertained the active chapter and friends at a delightful dinner at the home of Helen Crum. We were proud indeed to pledge Edna Seger on February 19.

Kappa chapter takes an active part both in Student Council and Y. W. C. A., two of its members holding offices in these organizations.

Saturday, March 27, was one of our "red-letter" days as that was the date of the initiation banquet. Never were the tables more attractive than with their rose-laden baskets and narcissus plants, and smilax everywhere in profusion. Although all the toasts were enjoyable, the chapter toast was especially clever and original. It was in rhyme and was illustrated by pictures of the different girls.

At a recent meeting of the Girls' Glee Club, three Kappas were elected to office, Gladys Hayes, Ruth Harnden and Helen Crum.

Of all the various organizations (literary societies, fraternities, etc.) in college, Kappa stands highest in scholarship for last semester. It is not to be wondered at then, that the names of Doris Mauck, Edna Seger, Helen Crum and Frances Mauck appeared on the honor roll.

We are pleased that Doris Mauck is valedictorian of the class of 1915.

Saturday night we entertained in the "Frat Rooms" at a potluck supper, our guests being Mrs. F. R. Smith, Mrs. Cleve Wescott, Marion Wilder and Florence Elliott.

Kappa Alumnae! we are hoping to see you in June at the Quinquennial Reunion, for we anticipate that at that time we may join in greatly enlarging "our circle of the golden key."

HELEN GOODRICH.

ZETA PROVINCE

ETA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

On March 2 we initiated Dorothy Loomis and Helen Porter, two pledges from last fall who had full sophomore credits this semester.

The fourth vocational conference on "opportunities open to women" was held in February. The conference laid special emphasis on the occupations other than teaching. Among those who spoke was Miss Helen Bennett, manager of the Chicago Collegiate Bureau of Occupations. The occupations or vocations discussed were the various phases of home economics, social service, Dr. Graham Taylor, president of the Chicago School of Civics and Philanthropy, addressing us on the opportunities for women trained in chemistry, journalism, and library work. The lectures gave us an idea of the problems we would meet, as well as the satisfaction and success we would derive in the professions discussed.

Last week-end the University exposition was held. The various schools or colleges of the university had displays illustrating the work pursued in each.

Helen Peterson, '13, and Blenda Kjellgern, '12, spent the week-end with us.

We have received the news of the engagement of Margaret Eberle, '13, to Mr. Rosencrans of Evansville, Indiana, a former graduate of Corneli, and a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon. The engagement of Katharine Meyer to Mr. Edward Nathan, '14, is announced. The marriage of Ruth Peckinpaugh to Mr. Robert Curd, Sigma Nu, took place on February 11. A daughter, Mary, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gelatt, February 15.

Eta sends best wishes for a successful finish of the school year.

IRENE JENNINGS.

UPSILON, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Thirteen new pledges on March 13! Who says thirteen is unlucky? Upsilon is a veritable old woman in the shoe with all her new children—from Hester, who has blue eyes and the pinkest of cheeks, clear down to Minerva, whose hair is as dark as Hester's is fair.

But they can't all be described, so I suppose the proud chapter will have to content herself with standing them in a corner and naming them down the list.

Kathryn Goss, Miriam Wagner, Hester Walrath, Clara Vernay and Adele Hall come from Evanston; Lillian Stephenson, Margaret Frankhauser, Vera Lutz, Marion Davies and Helen Gale from Chicago; two live in Wilmette, Margaret Sample and Minerva Fouts; and Elsa Farnham is from Calumet, Michigan.

On Pledge Day Evelyn and "Sis" Guthrie served the best possible luncheon at their home. In the afternoon we went to Wilmette to take dinner with Minnie Anderson, and in the evening, tired but happy, we watched the University of Illinois-Northwestern track meet.

An exhibition of paintings done by Mr. Roy Brown, the noted artist, was held in the University that week, and we were happy to have Mrs. Brown, a Kappa from Psi chapter, with us for luncheon.

Initiation will take place on May 1, followed by a banquet and dance.

The Campus Players have been busy this winter. Evelyn Guthrie appeared in Arnold Bennett's *What the Public Wants*, and Helen Seegar will take part in the Junior Play, *The County Chairman*.

Both Gertrude McKown and Pauline Bundy have had to return home for the remainder of the year because of illness.

Margaret Raymond's marriage to Mr. DuBois Marquis of Bloomington, Illinois, took place early in March, and on April 14, the marriage of Lois Williams to Mr. George Nelson, Sigma Chi will occur.

At the invitation of the women's organizations on the campus, and the University itself, Dr. Mabel Ulrich of Minneapolis delivered a series of lectures on *Social Morality* to all University women during the week of

March 8-14. Dr. Ulrich is a Kappa from Psi chapter at Cornell University. We have all seen her picture in *Kappas Known to Fame*, but to come in touch with her inspiring personality is better.

Caroline Guthrie led Senior Prom with Wilbur Hightower, followed by Hazel Robbins and Maurice James president of the senior class.

Before closing this long and rambling letter, I must tell you of Northwestern's latest campus craze—roller skating. Everybody roller skates—freshmen, sophomores, juniors and even the most dignified seniors. They look like water bugs skating madly to classes from all directions. Not only do they skate during the day, but there are moonlight skating parties. Even our most serious appearing psychology Professor said he would buy a pair of rollers if he did not have so far to fall. Try this over on your campus!

Upsilon sends her very best wishes to all her Kappa sisters.

IRENE JENNINGS.

EPSILON, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN

The State basket ball tournament was held in Peoria this year, and the Kappas went over in a body to support the team.

The seniors are busy thinking of commencement, and according to the established custom the senior class gives a play. It is to be *The First Lady of the Land* and Margaret Merwin takes the leading part, so the Kappas will be well represented.

The Student Council system has been established here, and so far has proved a success.

The dramatic club is producing *Elevating a Husband* and Ortha Scriven, one of our freshmen, takes the leading part. We are very fortunate in having two girls who are talented in this line.

The Kappa Club entertained us with a party at Mrs. Hart's and everyone had an enjoyable time, as we always do when we are entertained by our alumnae.

Constance Ferguson who has been in Switzerland for the last year and a half is expected home soon. She was delayed, being unable to get passage through, and we expect many exciting tales.

Eleanor Sawyer, one of our freshmen, has been elected to the Y. W. C. A. cabinet.

On April 1 we entertained the men with an April Fool Party at the home of Lucia Neiberger.

We are planning several parties to take place before commencement. As soon as the weather permits we shall have our annual breakfast and near commencement we shall have a boat trip. We are not allowed to give dances, and so we have decided on this as a substitute. Our last year's boat trip proved to be a success.

Irene Seibel Green, '05, died February 5, two weeks after the birth of a son.

HELEN STAUTZ.

BETA LAMBDA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Spring has come to Champaign; the troops are drilling on the campus to the agony of all in the library; and the Bird Class says that robins are an old story. Instead of having the customary crêpe paper streamers and flowers at our formal party, March 19, we attempted a springlike touch with cherry tree decorations. At odd hours the sisters came to the hall, and twisted or pasted all over some medium sized apple trees resurrected from the Horticulture Department, various shades of pink tissue paper flowers. These trees, standing alone to artfully hide a radiator, or grouped together, and hung with Japanese lanterns, gave the effect of a Japanese orchard.

On March 6, we held in the Women's Building the most successful Pan-Hellenic party ever given at Illinois. Each sorority girl was responsible for three nonsorority girls, whom she called for and "played with" all the afternoon. We found that by not wearing our pins the restraint of such a party vanished, and a friendly feeling was marked throughout.

Yo Ma, the sophomore intersorority society, has tried a new scheme this year for dinner exchanges. Whereas formerly two girls from each sorority went to another house for dinner every other Wednesday, now six girls of one class move. Thus, six of our freshmen may go to the Delta Gamma house, and six of the Pi Phi juniors may come to our house. The plan has proved such a great success that we always look forward to the girls' coming.

Irene Liggett was elected president of Women's League by a large majority. Beginning with her administration a new clearing house for school activities has started. The presidents of Women's League, Young Women's Christian Association, Athletic Association and a representative from the literary societies form a clearing house, through which all school activities have to go. School activities here overlap one another, so that much unnecessary work is done. By means of this clearing house, the Y. W. C. A. will adhere only to those things pertaining to religion; the Athletic Association, to athletics, et cetera.

We entertained our friends at a tea for Mrs. Burleson, our chaperon, on March 13.

Laura Alband has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Laura Hirth and Harriet Barto have been elected to Omicron Nu, the honorary household science sorority. Dorothy Hormel is the new secretary of Y. W. C. A. Mildred Drew was initiated into Kappa Delta Pi, the honorary education fraternity. Eleanor Jewett has become a member of Alethenai.

Dorothy Chew, Laura Albend, Harriet Barto and Laura Bardwell have been taken into the Household Science Club. Olive Hormel has been elected to the *Illinois Magazine* Staff. Eleanor Jewett and Mildred Drew joined the Scribblers' Club. Marvin Campbell made the freshman basket ball team. Helen Gable has been initiated into the Athenian Literary Society. Dorothy Hormel is pledged to Alethenai Literary Society. Georgia Castleberry is a member of Illiola Literary Society and Masque and Bauble. Laura Hirth was on the junior prom committee, Laura Bardwell led the prom with Dudley Crane, Ψ T.

MILDRED DREW.

ETA PROVINCE

THETA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Greetings from Theta. We started the second semester by pledging Geneva Drinkwater, who entered with junior standing, and Jessie Hill, the President's daughter. On February 25, we initiated Helen Clark, Jessie Hill, Mary Louise Brown and Grace Reeves; and we hope to initiate Sue Williams, Sallie Halliburton, Geneva Drinkwater and Marie Smith soon. Our new house is now filled to overflowing with twenty-five girls.

We have enjoyed the visits of some of our alumnae—Marion Sanders, Catharine Wells, Berenice Sturges, and Margaret Corbin. Also we enjoyed the visits of Esther Boley, Iota, and Katharine Nelson, Beta Mu. The latter is at the head of the Camp Fire movement in Kansas City, and came here to organize Camp Fire clubs among town school girls and university girls. Several of our girls are actively interested in this movement.

Since our plans for paying for our new chapter house are developing satisfactorily, we have started a fund for interior decoration, and hope to be able to have the walls of the first floor and of the upstairs halls decorated before next September. All our odd funds from the candy store and rebate checks will go into this fund. We shall accept contributions, but do not expect to solicit from our alumnae.

In athletics, Gladys Udell is captain of the junior hockey team and has made the 'varsity squad. Three of our freshmen, Norah Jamieson, Mary Louise Brown and Florence Smith play on the freshman hockey team. Norah Jamieson has also made the freshman basket ball team and Geneva Drinkwater the junior basket ball team.

Katharine Barnes, '13, was married on January 1 to Mr. S. Miller Williams, Jr.

Miss Clara Hickman, one of our town alumnae, was married on January 18 to Mr. William Jesse Booth.

Gertrude McLain, '14, will be married in June to Mr. J. Edgar Stewart, Φ K Ψ.

Mrs. L. G. Courts (Elizabeth Robinson), '07, died at her home in Columbia on November 16, 1914.

Mrs. Logan H. Zintgraff (Mary Isbell), '11, died at her home in Washington, Mo., on February 24, 1915.

GERALDINE THOMPSON.

OMEGA, KANSAS UNIVERSITY

I believe some one suggested in the last KEY that we tell more about our pledges than just names. Well, how shall I describe them? Agnes Smith came from Springfield, Ill., and Edith Musson from Norborne, Mo. Both of these are freshmen in school. Helen Hurst is from Kansas City, Mo., and is a junior, and Lydia Ainsworth is a sophomore. Lydia has a Phi Psi brother in school, and a sister who is a Kappa.

Phyllis Burrough, '13, was married to Alonson Buzick, Kappa Sigma, and the Kappas and Kappa Sigs went in a body to the train to see them off. The next week the Kappa Sigs entertained the Kappa chapter with a dinner party in honor of the bride and groom. Crete Stewart was married December 31 to Bliss Darnell, who is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Kansas won the Missouri Valley championship in basket ball, beating both Nebraska and Missouri who are our ancient enemies. For the first time in the history of the school the girls gave a Prom at which men were strictly forbidden. Everyone went, and the girls came home convinced that men are not at all a necessity at parties. Pan-Hellenic gives a party of the same kind every year. In February the students gave an all-University dance to entertain the faculty. The gym was decorated like an old-fashioned garden, and about twenty couples danced the minuett in colonial costume. Madeline Nachtmann has been chosen to take the leading part in the dramatic club play *The Man from Home*, and Beulah Davis has the lead in the junior farce.

The first week in March, the University had a series of religious meetings lead by John R. Mott and Raymond Robbins. During this time we were fortunate to have Miss Halsey of Beta Lambda, and Kate Nelson of Beta Mu with us. I wish that every Kappa in the country could have heard the helpful talks which Miss Halsey gave about Kappa ideals and Kappa standards. This is the best wish that Omega could extend to the other chapters.

VIRGINIA WILES LUCAS.

SIGMA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Sigma's activity is confined to dramatics, just now. Phoebe Folsom had the leading rôle in the junior play, *The Road to Yesterday*, and Lucille Leyda played the second part. For the past three years a Kappa has been chosen for the lead. Ella Williams, who won this distinction last year, will be the leading lady of the senior play. During spring

vacation, which is university extension week, three of our girls went on the road, and played at various small towns throughout the state. The Leyda twins are in *Galatea*, a musical comedy, and Ella Williams is playing with *The Man from Home*.

About ninety couples attended our formal dance at Lincoln Hotel, on March 20.

Mrs. Miller, who has chaperoned us for six years, submitted to an operation, a month ago, and will not be able to be with us for several weeks. During her absence, Ruth MacDonald of Omaha has been staying at the house to keep a watchful eye upon us.

When the Phi Beta Kappas were announced for this year, we were proud to discover that Bertha Rathke had won the coveted honor. She is our only senior who has attended this university long enough to be eligible.

Our eight freshmen were initiated at the beginning of the new semester, and another, Lillian Thinn of Lincoln, was pledged.

DOROTHY STEPHENS.

BETA MU, COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

On February 20, we held initiation in the chapter house for Josephine Zeliff, Alice Martin, June Magnan, Katherine Knisell, Orien Henry, Helen Sowter, Jane Waters, Constance Libby, Winifred White, Marian Van Zant, and Ruth Edwards. It was an inspiring initiation, and seemed to bring us all a little nearer the ideals of Kappa sisterhood. It was followed by a banquet down at the Boulderado. The next week we had a dance in the chapter house.

One of the most interesting "stunts" of the university year is the annual Woman's League Masquerade Ball at which only women are allowed. Prizes are awarded, and the one for the most original costume was given to one of our freshman, Orien Henry, who was dressed as a skeleton.

Even though the faculty are raising the academic standard of the university, we can boast of three Phi Beta Kappas this year, Mabel Parish, Louise Ennis, and Katharine Morley. We are so proud of them. Then two of our sophomores, Gladys Low and Virginia Van Meter have been asked to join "Hesperia," the honorary junior society.

Though we cannot look forward to seeing you all at a convention this summer, we do hope that we can see many as you pass through Colorado on the way to the Fair. With all best wishes from Beta Mu for a wonderful summer and success in the fall.

ELFRIDA V. VAN METER.

THETA PROVINCE

BETA THETA, UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma University is to have a new Science Hall, \$100,000 having been granted for this purpose by the Legislature.

Monday night, March 6, all the women of the university joined in a general mass meeting at the gymnasium. Among the representative girls who spoke on problems of student life, were two of our seniors, Nellie Jane McFerron and Annie Laurie Robey.

With February came the first semester finals, but the gloom of the week was broken by a surprise spread, given by two Kappa sisters "in urbe," Mrs. Helen Orton Monnet, Beta Zeta, and Mrs. Ivy Campbell Dwight, Beta Mu.

"Exams" passed and we were glad to find that all our pledges reached the required standard for initiation. February 11, we initiated Clover Gorton, Dorothy Snedaker, Elaine Boylan, Nannie Ellen Taggart, Ruth Lowe, Clara Swatek, and Maude Walker. After initiation we held our first annual banquet. Mrs. Maud Spinning Smith, Iota, came from Oklahoma City to attend our initiation service. Other Kappa alumnae here were Mrs. Ivy Campbell Dwight, Beta Mu; Mrs. Mary Burwell Alley, Omega; Mrs. Helen Orton Monnet, Beta Zeta; Mrs. Elva McFerron Gittinger, Beta Theta; and Miss Addie Maloy, Beta Theta.

Since our last letter, Beta Theta has pledged three girls, Lottie Conlan, Iris Baughman and Beuna King. All four are from Oklahoma City high school, where they took a prominent part in class and literary activities.

We are counting ourselves fortunate to have affiliated with us, Mary Reid from Omega chapter.

Our alumnae sent us a cedar chest for our archives. We are proud of it, especially as it fills a long-felt need.

On March 5, we entertained with a *matinée* dance.

We are eagerly looking forward to a visit with our province president, Helen Devine, and are also hoping for the half-promised visit of Cleora Wheeler.

Our time of meeting has been changed to eight-thirty every Monday night at our chapter house. We would be glad to welcome any visiting Kappas.

ALINE PELPHREY.

BETA XI, TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Beta Xi is recovering from the agonies of winter term examinations. The winter is always the hardest term of the year in Texas because most of the formal dances, the class affairs and Junior week are crowded in eleven short weeks.

After we returned from the Christmas holidays, and before serious studying had begun, we had a short rushing season. When it was ended,

we found we had won a most attractive little freshman, Agnes Doran of Dallas.

In spite of the press of studies we managed to win four of the fourteen T's awarded in basket ball. The winners were Flavia Wignall, Gladys Scaling, Eugenia Welborn, and Della Lawrence. Gladys Scaling was captain of both the sophomore class team and the university team.

Kappas have led two of the dances. Agnes Doran led the freshman reception and Carrie Hopkins the junior prom.

We are so delighted that Helen Devine, one of our charter members, is now president of Theta Province.

Margaret Batts, the little Beta Xi sister who was at the convention last summer, has had to withdraw from school before she could be initiated. Her family has gone to New York for a year. We hope some of the Kappas up there will look after her.

MAY FENET.

BETA OMICRON, TULANE UNIVERSITY

Spring is here to stay down here in New Orleans; and with it has come the inevitable loafing fever, the uncontrollable desire to lounge around on the campus with a guitar, the latest magazine, or a plate of fudge.

Beta Omicron boasts five seniors this year. And for them at least, there is no time for lounging, with the class play, the senior house-party, and all of commencement to plan for.

Our basket ball season is over, after a most thrilling series of games. Charlotte Frere, a Kappa senior, played on the Varsity team for the second year since she has been in college.

Eleanor Luzenberg also found time to squeeze in a basket ball game, on the alumnae team, in the midst of a mad whirl of débutante happenings. It seemed so strange this year to have Eleanor a real débutante, smiling graciously at us from her exalted position of maid or queen of one of the Carnival Balls.

Eleanor and July Breazeale distinguished themselves by going all the way to Kentucky during the Christmas holidays to be in the wedding of our Grand Secretary. From their accounts it was the most wonderful event in the history of Kappa, and Beta Chi is unfortunate to lose Mrs. William Leapari to the Missoula girls.

A most exciting event occurred at college this week. A senior honorary society was established and twelve members of the class were elected by a committee of alumnae, for membership. Two little Beta Omicrons are just bursting with pride at being made members.

Some of Beta Omicron's most delightful times this year have been at the informal gatherings at the homes of our three town girls, Earll Richmond, Flora Arden Stubbs, and Odelle Milling.

Marion Monroe has come back to school after an illness, but is not strong enough yet to carry all of her art work. We are glad to have her back.

Helena Karr of Epsilon and her mother were in New Orleans for a short visit, and we were delighted that they found time to come up to Newcomb and let the girls of Beta Omicron meet them.

We are looking forward to the first visit of our Province President, Helen Devine.

JULY BREAZEAL.

IOTA PROVINCE

BETA PHI, UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA

February 1, pledge day, Beta Phi, as usual was successful, bidding and pledging eight girls: Alice Jordan, Mary Brown, Myrtle Wanderer, Dorothy Donohue, Eileen Donohue, Ruth Barnett, Doris Prescott, and Lewina Ainsworth. A formal dinner in their honor was given at the Palace Hotel.

Initiation took place on Beta Phi's birthday, March 20. Mrs. Roy Jeffrey (Caroline White), Beta Lambda, and Farrar Kennett, Mildred Ingalls, and Lillian Scrogin, Beta Phi, came from different parts of the state to be present and to attend the annual birthday banquet which followed. It occurred at the Palace Hotel and covers were laid for forty. The table was artistically decorated with baskets of spring flowers and yellow shaded candles, and the menu cards were little booklets with mother of pearl covers in Kappa blue, on which were tiny owls done in gold. Ona Sloan made a charming toastmistress, and the following is the program of toasts and speakers: The Owl, Grace Leary; The Cross on the Key, Mary Rodes Leaphart; The Grip, Abbey Lucy Swift; Sigma in Delta, Alice Jordan; The Fleur de lis, Gertrude Skinner; The Rap, Virginia Dixon; The Key, Ruth Cronk.

The beginning of the new semester was a happy time for more than one reason. At this time the list of honor students for the preceding semester is published, and the Kappas ranked first among all the fraternities. Since we had just passed through a long and unusually gay rushing season, the record of our eleven honor students makes us especially proud. They are Ruth Cronk, Grace Mathewson, Beth Hershey, Evelyn Thomas, Alberta Stone, Virginia Dixon, Carol O'Donnell, Edith Featherman, Alice Jordan, Mary Brown and Ruth Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. George Weisel (Thula Toole), announce the birth of a son, George Ferdinand.

Gertrude Skinner spent two weeks in February in Great Falls.

March 27, the active girls of Beta Phi chapter entertained at tea at the chapter house. The guests were the Kappa mothers who reside in Missoula.

Jessie Railsback spent Easter and the following week with her parents in Billings, attending a house party at a typical western stock ranch near Ballantine.

Miss Ellen Howe of the University of Washington, made her official visit of inspection during the first week in April. An informal tea was given in her honor at the chapter house.

Irene Murray, '16, has been initiated into the honorary society, *Pentralia*.

We consider ourselves fortunate in having our grand secretary living in Missoula. At the home of Prof. and Mrs. F. C. Scheuch, we gave a reception for Mr. and Mrs. Leaphart. During the afternoon hours several hundred students of the University called, and from six to eight o'clock a buffet supper was served to those who assisted us in receiving. Afterwards we danced until our guests for the evening arrived. From eight to eleven, Mr. and Mrs. Leaphart met the members of the University faculty and a large number of people in the city. The Missoula Club orchestra played during the afternoon and evening.

Ruth Cronk, Irene Murray, and Grace Leary expect to make a trip to the western part of the state during interscholastic week. They will stop at Plains, Sand Point and Libby, and from the latter place will make the trip overland to Glacier Park in Mr. Leary's touring car. On their return they will visit Josephine Hunt and Alvina Hodgson, Beta Phi, in Kalispell.

JESSIE RAILSBACK.

BETA PI, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Semester pledging at the University of Washington closed on the afternoon of January 30, and from four until six o'clock, we girls of Beta Pi held our breath with excitement waiting for the freshmen to arrive. And now we can proudly introduce to the Kappa world: Hazel Benjamin, Marguerite Grant, Beatrice Lee, Dorothy Church, Rosamond Parsons, Louise Gates and Anne Holmes of Seattle; Doris Smith of Portland, Norma Holman of Eugene, Oregon; Marguerite Carlberg of Wenatchee; Eleanor Smith of Mt. Vernon; Zella Thompson of Pendleton, Oregon, and Catherine Burnside of Raymond, together with our two sisters, Margaret Crahan and Mildred Walsh, making fifteen in all. We held our initiation and banquet at the Rainier Club, Thursday evening, April 1. One hundred of the actives and alumnae, more than have ever been present at a Beta Pi banquet before, sat around the great U-shaped table and sang the songs we love so well.

Pan-Hellenic gave a "See America" trip Saturday afternoon, February 13, to raise money for the new Home Economics building. It was a progressive stunt from sorority house to sorority house, each one representing a different part of the United States. Kappa had the station, and I don't believe there was any part of the modern station that we left out. We scoured the Avenue for suitable signs and placards, we had a penny weighing machine that spoke your weight, we had a boot-blackening parlor, with the toughest little bootblack and newsboy running it that you ever saw, we had an information bureau, magazine counter,

mechanical piano, lunch counter, ticket agent, ladies' waiting room, with a neat little maid to take care of the visitors, baggage room policeman, station matron and two colored porters that kept the guests in a state of merriment from the time they were within a block of the house. Blanche Troutman, '17, was on the committee that made the trip a success.

The County Fair, the annual stunt given by the Women's League was held in the gymnasium March 27. Roszelle Milburn, '15, and Beatrice Lee, '18, were members of the committee.

Jessie Lee Poole, '15, was chairman of the Senior Kirmess, given March 11. The evolution of the dance was depicted by a cleverly arranged playlet, and over one hundred students were in the cast. More than two hundred dollars was raised to help the Home Economics fund.

Anne Holmes, '18, is president of the freshman girls' club, and Margaret Crahan, '18, is secretary. Doris Smith, '18, is a member of the point honor committee; Blanche Troutman, '17, is chairman of the Pan-Hellenic rushing committee for next year; Catherine Burnside, '18, is chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Y. W. C. A. and is a member of the cabinet; Margaret Breck is a member of the junior prom committee and Genevieve Thompson, '16, took the leading part in the English club play, *The Knight of the Burning Pestle*.

Margaret Griffen, ex-'16, of Portland, and Rita Stiener, ex-'17, of Salem, Oregon, spent over two months at the Kappa house. It seemed like old times to have them back with us.

RUTH THOMPSON.

BETA OMEGA, UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

We are glad to announce that we have pledged six girls this semester, making twelve we have taken in this year. We wish you could meet them, and see that we have quality as well as quantity. Our newest girls are: Hertha Hanssen, Lillian Littler, Helen Purington, Gladys Conklin, Cora Hosford and Hazel Wymore.

The first three have had a semester's work at other colleges, so we initiated them with our last fall freshmen on February 15. Several alumnae from Portland, Corvallis, and Lebanon, came down. We held initiation at the chapter house and then had a banquet, which we hope will become an annual affair.

Pan-Hellenic gave a big college fête in Portland to raise money for a scholarship fund, and of course we all wanted to have a part. Kappa had a Japanese booth, and sold ices during the dance.

Alva Wilson and Grace Reed have been elected members of "Kwoma," the sophomore honorary society.

We received with great pleasure a visit from our province president, Miss Ellen Howe, Beta Pi, on April 5 and 6.

Elizabeth Fox, Beta Epsilon, the traveling secretary for the Northwest field of the Y. W. C. A., visited us in March.

Beta Omega hopes to meet a great many of her sisters at the Fair this summer.

MARIAN REED.

KAPPA PROVINCE

PI, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

We on the Pacific Coast can think of only one thing these days and that is the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Pi chapter spends every minute that is not otherwise accounted for "At the Fair," and we have made several pleasant excursions across the bay with girls who are coming to the University next August.

The freshman show, a production of five acts, was staged at the Kappa house on the evening of March 6. In the audience were many alumnae who make it a point to be present at this annual event, as it is considered one of the best times of the year. It holds a humorously perverted mirror up to all our foibles, and we experience the somewhat doubtful pleasure of seeing ourselves as others see us. The sophomores, no less dramatically ambitious than the freshmen, also put on a highly successful comedy the proceeds of which were used for the replenishment of the flower garden.

On February 16 we held a reception for the faculty, and on March 12 our seniors entertained with a formal dance, the guests being representatives from each of the sororities.

Among university affairs the Prytanecan Fête was the most recent. Its general character was Hawaiian, but the variety of the costumes worn is beyond description. We had an informal rushing dinner before the Fête at which our guests appeared in the most original of festive garbs. The Partheneia, a pageant in which women alone participate, demands much energy in preparation. Many of our girls are attending rehearsals, and entering into the dancing with enthusiasm.

Among our guests this semester we have been proud to welcome Miss Katharine Jewell Everts of Chi, who is at present holding the interest of the University public with her interpretations of literature.

We hope that all our sisters in Kappa may come out to the coast and see our two wonderful Expositions this summer.

SARAH E. GATCH.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

CHAPTERS

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

PHI

meets every Thursday afternoon at five o'clock at the chapter rooms, 236 Newberry Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

BETA ALPHA

meets Wednesday evenings at half-past seven at the Kappa room, 306 Women's Dormitory, University of Pennsylvania, 122 S. 24th Street, Philadelphia.

BETA IOTA

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

PSI

meets in room 330 of Prudence Risley Hall, Ithaca, New York, every Saturday evening at eight o'clock.

BETA TAU

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

BETA PSI

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

GAMMA RHO

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

BETA UPSILON

meets each Tuesday evening at 6:45 at Peabody Hotel, Morgantown, West Virginia.

LAMBDA

meets every Thursday afternoon at three o'clock on the third floor of Curtice Cottage, girls' dormitory, on the campus of Akron University, Akron, Ohio.

BETA NU

meets at the homes of the different members in Columbus, Ohio, every other Saturday night.

BETA RHO

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

LOTA

meets every Saturday night at seven o'clock at the chapter house on the corner of Bloomington and Anderson Streets, Greencastle, Indiana.

MU

meets every Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 at the homes of the Irvington girls. By calling Elsie Fult, Irvington 906, the place may be learned.

DELTA

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

BETA CHI

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

BETA DELTA

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

XI

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

KAPPA

meets every Saturday night at seven-thirty in the chapter rooms at the college, Hillsdale, Michigan. Communicate through Marion Willoughby, 225 West Street. Telephone 171R.

CHI

meets every Monday at 5 p. m., at the chapter house, 1728 4th Street, S. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota. It may be reached from downtown district in about twenty minutes by the Oak and Harriet street car. Supper is served after meeting.

ETA

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

UPSILON

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

EPSILON

meets on Monday afternoons at four-thirty in the Kappa Hall in the main building of the university. The last Saturday evening in each month Epsilon has a dinner at the Woman's Exchange at five-thirty for all Kappas.

BETA LAMBDA

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

BETA ZETA

holds fraternity meetings at seven o'clock every Monday evening in the chapter house, 431 East Jefferson Street, Iowa City.

THETA

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

OMEGA

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

SIGMA

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

BETA MU

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

BETA THETA

meets Monday evenings, 8:30, chapter house, Norman, Oklahoma.

BETA XI

meets on Saturday at two o'clock in the chapter house at 2308 Rio Grande Street, Austin, Texas.

BETA OMICRON

meets every Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

BETA PHI

meets every Monday at four-thirty o'clock at the chapter house, 418 Daly Avenue, Missoula, Montana.

BETA PI

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

BETA OMEGA

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

MU

meets every Tuesday afternoon at 2:15, at 5432 University Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

PI

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

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

BOSTON ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month during the college year. For places of meeting address Miss Florence McArdle, 284 Park Street, Dorchester Center, Massachusetts.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday in October, November, January, February, March and April. For places of meeting address Mrs. G. M. Walker, 924 West End Ave., New York City.

PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION

meets once a month except in July and August, alternating Saturday afternoons and Tuesday evenings. For exact dates and places of meeting address Miss Sophia E. Foell, 5711 Kingsessing Avenue, West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Phone, Woodland 4074L.

BETA IOTA ASSOCIATION

meets in January, March, May and October, on the second Saturday in the month. For dates and places of meeting address Miss Susanne Willets, 219 Greenwood Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For dates and places of meeting address Miss Georgia A. Wells, 10 The Cronin, Syracuse, New York.

WESTERN NEW YORK CLUB

meets in January, March, May, June, September and November. For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. Byron A. Johnson, 511 Woodbine Avenue, Rochester, New York.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

meets monthly at "The Sign of the Samovar." For further particulars address Miss Josephine Neff, 162 W. 8th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

PITTSBURGH CLUB

meets the second Saturday of October, December, February and April at 2:30 at McCreery's in the Tea Room.

LAMBDA CLUB

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

FRANKLIN NU ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Jessie Grubb Coons, 404 E. Pearl Street, Lebanon, Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday of each month. For places of meeting address Mrs. L. H. Millikan, 414 E. 17th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday of each month at the homes of the members. For places, address Miss Leafy Davis, 513 E. 8th Street, Bloomington, Indiana.

FALLS CITIES CLUB

meets the second Saturday in January, March, May, September and November. For places of meeting address Miss Alice Cary Williams, 1387 South Second Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

ADRIAN CLUB

meets once a month at the homes of the members. For places and dates address Miss Florence Louise Reynolds, 7 Broad Street, Adrian, Michigan.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

meets the last Wednesday of each month from November to March, in Room A, at the Chicago College Club, Stevens Building, 16 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago. The room will be open from 3 until 6 to all Kappas.

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month from September to June at the home of the members. For places of meeting address Mrs. Nathan Wilkinson, 301 37th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

meets twice a month from September to June. For places and dates address Mrs. Frank W. Phillips, 408 E. Monroe Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

MINNESOTA CLUB

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

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

meets for luncheon at one o'clock on the third Saturday of each month from October through June at the homes of the members. For places of meeting address Mrs. Robert G. Miller, 6041 Waterman Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month. For places of meeting address Miss Mira Luce, 327 N. Indiana Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

DENVER ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday of each month from September to June. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Kate Moore, 741 Elizabeth Street, Denver, Colorado.

IOWA CITY CLUB

meets the second Friday of each month at the homes of the members. Address Mrs. Willis Mercer, Iowa City, Iowa, for particulars.

IOTA

meets every Monday evening at 6:45 at the chapter house on the corner of Bloomington and Anderson Streets, Greencastle, Indiana.

BETA ETA

meets in the chapter house at Stanford University every Monday evening at seven-thirty.

LINCOLN CLUB

meets for luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel at 12:30 the second Saturday of each month.

OMAHA CLUB

meets the first Saturday of every month at the different homes. Call Miss Mary Alice Duval, 4902 Underwood Avenue, Dundee, Omaha, Nebraska, for definite place.

SEATTLE CLUB

meets the first Saturday of each month at the homes of the members. For places, address Miss Lois Bronson, 239 29th Avenue, N., Seattle, Washington.

PI ASSOCIATION

meets the first week of every second month beginning with January at a place and time varying according to the convenience of the members; also on the third Monday of each month from four to six, when tea is served, in the alumnae room of the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way. For further particulars address Miss Helen Powell, 2703 Dwight Way, Berkeley, California.

LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION

meets October 16, November 21, December 12, January 23, February 22, March 24, April 18, May 24, closing with a moonlight picnic some time in June. These meetings will be held at the homes of the members. For places address Mrs. Arthur M. Hadley, 325 South Westlake Avenue, Los Angeles, California. Telephone 51186.

SOUTH BEND ASSOCIATION

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

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION

meets the first Wednesday of every month at the homes of the members. For places, address Mrs. C. E. Cromer, 1219 Oak Avenue, Evanston, Illinois.

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at the homes of the members. For places, address Mrs. John R. Leach, Portland, Ore.

THE ALUMNAE

SARAH B. HARRIS, ALUMNAE EDITOR

WHAT KAPPA CAN MEAN TO THE ALUMNAE

MINNIE ROYSE-WALKER, *Iota**President New York Alumnae Association*

If all the fraternity critics would listen I would divulge a fraternity secret. Kappa Kappa Gamma's chief purpose of organization is for service; first, as active college women, a group of congenial girls striving to help in their own development so that they may be better women in the college world; second as alumnae, to help the active girls in attaining high ideals, and to help one another so that by strengthening ourselves, we may the more ably fill the various relationships of life.

So those alumnae who have continued in the active work of the fraternity have found that it means opportunity for the expenditure of time and energy in helping the active girls to solve their various problems.

To many alumnae Kappa has opened a door to a very special form of social service, that is in helping our scholarship fund.

To the alumna who travels, and there are many, the little key has opened doors of friendship with congenial spirits, both Kappas and members of other fraternities. What an inspiration in many ways Mrs. Tade Hartsuff-Kuhns, our first Grand President, was at the 1906 convention! I shall always remember how she said "I had been out of touch with the fraternity for a long time when an invitation to attend a convention came. I was not enthusiastic but my husband said, 'Why don't you go? Your fraternity may mean a great deal to you some day,' and I often hope that he can know how good the dear girls have been to me the world around." Her husband left her alone soon after this episode, and she has traveled continually since, always wearing her badge, and through it making friends wherever she has gone. Kappas forced to England last summer by the war know what Kappa meant when they found Mrs. Hoover and Mrs. Palmer at the head of the American relief work.

But it is in the city that Kappa can mean the most to alumnae. A Kappa coming to any of our large cities either temporarily as a student, or permanently as a worker, or young married woman, can find at once in our alumnae associations friends of congeniality such as she might never meet otherwise. She will meet people who are interested in her, for there is a bond which we cannot describe to others, a bond different from all others, which binds us even if under other circumstances we might not give each other a second thought. To a stranger in a strange city this opportunity can mean much.

One living in a small place where she has always been known cannot realize the difficulty of a young girl moving to a city with her family, to make congenial friends.

Last fall a western girl who no Kappa knew was in New York, lost her badge. After six months her little plain gold key came back to her and she writes that she is so glad that it was lost because so many pleasant things have come to her in its finding. Kappas working for suffrage or any other cause ask assistance more confidently of another worker who is a Kappa though she be a stranger to her.

A book might be written on "What Kappa Has Meant to Alumnae"; but Kappa will mean nothing to an alumna if she does not wear her key, or make herself known to Kappas wherever she may be. Our Kappa Alumnae Associations all over the country not only stand ready to welcome this class graduating into alumnae, and all other alumnae, but we beg you to make yourselves known to us. We need you and you need us. Take the Key, join an Alumnae Association, and you will receive inspiration, you will make lasting friendships, your life will be broader, and Kappa will mean more to you than you ever dreamed it would as an active member. If you do nothing yourself, Kappa will mean nothing to you.

NEW YORK ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Because the luncheon of the Pan-Hellenic Congress came on the date of our regular meeting, the first meeting of the New York Alumnae Association was an afternoon meeting held at the home of Mrs. Minnie Royse-Walker, October 13. The hostess gave an interesting report of the convention at Estes Park.

The regular November luncheon and meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Mary Morgan-Brewer, Delta, in Staten Island. Although Mrs. Brewer is chairman of the Woman's Suffrage Party for Staten Island, and is giving all her time to "the cause", she never fails Kappa.

The January meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Walker. Mrs. A. B. Hepburn, Beta Beta, led a discussion on "Suffrage and the Home".

Mrs. Virginia Viskniskki, Beta Iota, was hostess for the February meeting at her home in Montclair, N. J.

The annual luncheon was held at the Hotel McAlpin, March 20. Miss Julia Shubrich, Iota, Miss Florence Armstrong, Beta Lambda, and Mrs. Walker were the committee in charge. Miss Martha Willetts, Beta Iota, our Grand Treasurer, and Miss Theodora Irvine, Upsilon, were the guests of honor. In the absence of Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Minnie Mahr-Wolf, Omega, our secretary, presided. Miss Willetta gave a short talk, urging all to subscribe for THE KEY. Following this Miss Irvine entertained most delightfully by reading Bernard Shaw's *Pygmalion*.

The last meeting for the current year will be held the third Saturday in April when an auction sale will be held for the benefit of the scholarship fund.

Meetings of the New York Alumnae Association are held the third Saturday in October, November, January, February, March and April. These meetings are preceded by a luncheon which is given by a committee of ten. All Kappas whether members or not, are welcome, and all Kappas coming to New York are urged to communicate with the secretary so that they may receive the notices of the meetings.

MINNIE ROYSE-WALKER.

SYRACUSE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

On March 5 the monthly meeting of the Beta Tau Alumnae Association was held at the home of Mrs. Burns, at which the active chapter was present.

The Stuntfest, held in the John Archbold Gymnasium under the auspices of the Syracuse Alumnae Association early in March, proved a success in every way. There were about fifteen hundred women present, alumnae and undergraduates. Each of the four classes presented a stunt. The object was to increase the fund for the Woman's Building.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Searl have been in California attending the Exposition.

On March 18, at the home of the bride, occurred the marriage of Harriett Curtis, '00, to Charles William Gaylord. Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord will live at Sodus, N. Y. In the March number of the *Pictorial Review*, Mabel Potter Daggett had an article on "Mothercraft in Germany".

GEORGIA WELLS.

BETA GAMMA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Clara Louise Barrett, the only member of Beta Gamma now left in college at Wooster, and who graduates in June, is arranging for a re-

union to be held during the spring. With the present condition of affairs at Wooster, it is likely that this reunion will be the last one held under old conditions.

Clementine Taggart after spending a year at Simmons in Boston, returned to college. She is now at Champaign, Illinois, where she hopes to take her degree next year.

Margaret Moore is more interested than ever in Y. W. C. A. She went east in its interests during the winter.

Carman Boyce has announced her engagement to Marshall Caldwell of Pittsburgh.

Jeanette Jones is attending the University of Wisconsin.

Agnes Forman is improving after the operation which was performed in September but will be at the Sanitarium at Clifton Springs, New York, until May.

Harriet Bretz and Lenore Hattery are teaching in the high school at Celina, Ohio.

Ella Murphy will be graduated from Smith College this year.

Anne Ewing's engagement to Robert Smith, Sigma Phi Upsilon, Wooster—came as a climax to a college romance. At present Anne is Y. W. C. A. Secretary at Elkart, Indiana.

The marriage of Edith Jones to Robert Caldwell, Alpha Tau Omega, will take place in June. Mr. Caldwell holds the chair of political science at Rice Institute, Houston, Texas.

Mildred Harrold is at National Park Seminary. She was maid of honor at the christening of the new dreadnought *Philadelphia* at New Port News in March.

Florence Revennaugh is teaching in Shelby, Ohio.

During the Christmas holidays, Alice Showalter and Karl E. Barton, Δ T Δ, Wooster, were married at the home of the bride in Van Wert, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Barton are now living at 156 Huron St., Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Helen Ewing has brought honor not only to herself but also to B T. She has been giving concerts under the auspices of the Redpath Chautauqua platform, and is the youngest pianist on their circuit.

Florence Forman is teaching in a school for missionaries' children, 1,885 miles from her home in Maiupurie, U. P., India. She writes that she sees very few of the golden keys, but when she and Mary Compton Rice visit one another they always sing, "In the hush of the quiet evening", and give the call before parting. She says the work is wonderful and she does enjoy it but often thinks of B T and its sweet companionship of the old days.

ANNA A. DURHAM.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Kansas City Alumnae Association was entertained in January by Mrs. L. E. Moses and Miss Amy Merstetter.

In February, the association gave a card party for the growth of its scholarship fund, at the St. Regis, one of Kansas City's best hotels. The hostesses, Mrs. Harry H. Cupit, Mrs. L. O. McIntire, Mrs. T. S. Ridge and Mrs. Raymond De Lano supplied not only a splendid place of entertainment, but also the prizes. The association may now pay its scholarship fund with promptness.

A luncheon was given to the members of the association in March, by Mrs. John C. Grover, Mrs. O. N. Green, Miss Helen Ross, and Miss May Kelly.

This season, three members of the association have become brides: Mrs. Alonson Bugick (Miss Phyllis Burrough), and Mrs. Bliss Darnell (Miss Crete Stewart), and Miss Mira Luce was married to Mr. Edgar Goodspeed Hill, April 3.

HAZEL B. CLARK.

TRI CITY CLUB

On February 27, a Tri City Kappa Club was organized, composed of Kappas living in Davenport, Iowa, and Rock Island and Moline Ill., the latter two cities being just across the Mississippi River. We met at the home of Ethel McKown, Chi, and the following were present: Mrs. L. R. Blackman (Julia Sohrbeck, Upsilon), Mrs. C. R. Rosborough (Nellie Ball, Upsilon), Harriet Cooper, Beta Xi, Henrietta Sohrbeck, Upsilon, Eluvia Wright, Beta Zeta, Mrs. G. W. Banning (Mary Caldwell, Beta Tau), Mrs. George Feiner (Verna Jouvenat, Sigma) and Grace Seaman, Helen Copeland, Mrs. Martin Smith, Mrs. John Tanner, Mrs. O. T. Nelson and Florence von Ach, all of Beta Zeta. The following will be with us during the summer months: Dorothy Zench, Chi, Mary and Florence Beatty, Eta, Alice Mueller, Pearl Bennett, Ella Searle and Katherine Hayes of Beta Zeta. We have been unable to locate Mrs. J. H. McCullough (Harriet Osgood, Upsilon) and Mrs. R. I. Peck (Maud Richey, Omicron) in Davenport, perhaps some of their chapter may be able to help us. We shall meet for luncheon the third Saturday of every month, the place to be named at the preceding meeting. Any Kappa in our vicinity is most welcome to meet with us. Please telephone Ethel McKown for place of meeting.

ETHEL MCKOWN.

PORTLAND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Portland Alumnae Chapter has in reality existed for some time as a club, but it has only recently been dignified by national affiliation. We have about twenty-five members at present, with a possibility of fifteen more. Our meetings are held once a month at the homes of the girls, with occasional luncheons at the University Club.

Our main activities are in connection with the Pan-Hellenic Association, which is large and flourishing. Pan-Hellenic is planning a College Fête to be given in April for the benefit of the University of Oregon

scholarship fund, and the Kappas are to sell ices under a Japanese cherry tree, and show they have not forgotten the stunts of college days by a suitable number on the program. Pan-Hellenic, at the last meeting, was entertained at the home of Mrs. Frederick Kiehle, Chi chapter. Not only Professor A. F. Reddie's reading of Shaw's *Caesar and Cleopatra*, but the dainty Japanese furnishings, and the correspondingly appropriate decorations added interesting features to the afternoon.

We hope to see a great many Kappas in Portland this summer, and in order to facilitate the meeting of friends, Pan-Hellenic will maintain headquarters in the Turkish room at the Portland Hotel.

MRS. JOHN R. LEACH.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Our February meeting was a Washington party given at the charming colonial home of Miss Julia B. Tubbs, (Beta Eta). The powdered hair and patches were pleasantly reminiscent of convention banquets. Mrs. Buckley and Mrs. Blake received prizes for modeling the best likeness of the father of his country. Several visiting Kappas were present.

A Pan-Hellenic Association is being formed in Los Angeles. Mrs. Hadley and Miss Lindsley are our delegates.

Mrs. Morris Tusk (Olive Hays, Iota), gave an interesting talk March 4, before the Travel Section of the College Club on "A Journey in Alabama".

Mrs. Marion Craig Wentworth, Chi, recently left for New York to see the initial presentation of her drama, *The War Brides*.

Mrs. Belle Brown Walker, Kappa, of Pullman, Washington is expected soon on a visit to her sister, Mrs. C. P. Railsback.

Mrs. George E. Simms of Canton, N. Y., is spending the winter in Los Angeles.

We hope, owing to the Exposition, to have the pleasure of welcoming many visiting Kappas during the next few months. Notices of meetings will be found in THE KEY and also in the Kappa *Directory* in the rooms of the College Woman's Club.

JESSIE I. ROBERTSON.

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In Memoriam

ALICE HURD WILCOX, *Grand Secretary 1884-1886*

Alice Hurd was born in one of the beautiful towns of Central New York, but came to live in Minneapolis when about thirteen years old. A few years later she entered the University of Minnesota, was initiated shortly after by Kappa Kappa Gamma and became one of the staunchest of Chi's daughters.

In 1887 she married Asa Stearns Wilcox, who, with one son survives her.

At the Kappa convention of 1884 held in Canton, N. Y., she was elected Grand Secretary, with Charlotte Barrell as Grand President. This was the Grand Council that started the "Greater Kappa" movement.

Mrs. Wilcox's fraternity interest was one of the strong passions of her life. It never failed her, and the undergraduates in Chi chapter had always her tenderest consideration. One of her many sorrows was the death of her only daughter just before she was ready for college, and all young girls were in some measure dear to her for the sake of the one she had lost.

Her illness of more than two years was a valiant struggle to live for those who were left to her. She was only conquered by a heart, never strong, at last worn out.

KATE CROSS SHENEHON.

EXCHANGES

ROSE AFFOLTER

Kindly send exchange magazines to Miss Eva Powell, 2703 Dwight Way, Berkeley, Cal.; Mrs. Howard B. Mullin, 62 Van Buren Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Rose Affolter, Riverside, California.

We wish to express our appreciation of the following exchanges received since our last issue:

December: *Sigma Kappa Triangle*, *Argaliad* of Phi Mu Gamma; *Alpha Xi Delta*, *Banta's Greek Exchange*, *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi.

January: *Mask* of Kappa Psi, *Sigma Pi Emerald*, *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta, *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta, *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, *Kappa Alpha Theta*, *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega, *Delta Zeta Lamp*, *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho, *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta.

February: *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi, *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha, *To Dagma* of Alpha Omicron Pi, *Delta Chi Quarterly*, *Eleusis* of Chi Omega, *Angelos* of Kappa Delta, *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta, *Phi Gamma Delta*.

March: *Aglaiia* of Phi Mu, *Alpha Xi Delta*, *Kappa Alpha Theta*, *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi.

April: *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega.

The interests which are finding the most space in the various fraternity magazines at present come under three or four general heads, about as follows:

"What to do with the Alumni (or ae)—and the best way 'to do' them."

"Convention"—Tantalizing forecasts to coax the nickels out of any little iron savings bank.

"Efficiency"—all styles.

"Social Service"—Reports of really amazing work being done in every quarter.

We present a few of the ideas of the various fraternities on each of these topics. The first extract, taken from a chapter letter in the *Argaliad* of Phi Mu Gamma, contains a little honest confession which we have been told is good for the soul.

At last we think we have hit upon a scheme for arousing interest among our alumnae. We are going to send three typewritten letters a year to all alumnae of three years' standing, and to those of longer standing, a yearly letter, telling them of what the chapter is doing. Heretofore it has been a one-sided affair. We have expected the alumnae to be faithful to us by writing letters about their work, and by sending in their alumnae dues; but we have sat back most complacently with folded hands giving them only spasmodic reports about the chapter, all the while expecting letters and money to pour into our hands.

Pi chapter has started a new venture this year. She is going to publish for the first time, a chapter paper, which will be somewhat in the form of a newspaper. The object of the paper, which will be published twice a year, is to keep the alumnae in touch with the active chapter by a relation of the events in which Pi is especially interested and matters of personal interest to the girls. The paper will be known as *The Pi*.

Rho is adopting a new plan through which she thinks it possible to keep in touch with all the alumnae members. Each girl chooses one or more alumnae as the case may be and promises to write to her, to tell her all the doings of the active chapter, college happenings and any other points of interest. The secretary keeps the list. The girls are reminded of their duty at fraternity meeting. A penalty is imposed upon the active girl if she neglects her duty. If for any reason the alumna does not receive her letter she must notify the secretary. Rho is adopting this plan and is hoping it will be a successful method.—Chapter Letters of *Alpha Xi Delta*.

B. EHLERS, *Rho*.

GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH OUR ALUMNAE

This idea, which we hope to make a custom, is that all alumnae of Omicron shall be in regular correspondence with some active girl of the chapter, and shall, if possible, be heard from three or four times a year. To be able to reach each alumna, all are appointed among the active girls, who see that their alumnae have all fraternity or school news. The answers are either read or reported on in fraternity meeting. We are realizing more each day how this practice will help us in many a puzzling situation.

To those of us who have just had the thrills of what seemed a perfect convention, there comes just a bit of yearning as we read the tempting plans of the many sororities who are to hold their conventions this summer all along the Pacific.

Did ever a year offer more alluring inducements to fraternities for holding conventions? A year when all America will perhaps for the first time be playing on its own playground, when railroad

rates are at their minimum, and when the best art of our country has added to natural beauty the wonderful Exposition. Only dire poverty or more dire circumstances could keep one away from convention especially if everyone knew how delightful those conventions themselves are.

Kappa Alpha Theta has planned a most attractive excursion by special train via Glacier National Park and Seattle to Gearhart-by-the-Sea near Portland, concluding with a house party at San Francisco the week after convention.

Gamma Phi Beta is anticipating an equally glorious time at Asilomar, the national summer camp of Y. W. C. A. at Pacific Grove, a spot on the map of California which is one of the most entrancing to be found anywhere and *such* a place for a convention! From here a charming ride of four hours lands you in San Francisco where the biggest and nicest party in the world is being held. Just across the bay at Berkeley will be the unique gathering of six sororities in convention during the month of July. These are Delta Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Delta Pi, Sigma Kappa, and Alpha Omicron Pi. On a truly mutual-interest plan they are to coöperate in solving the "food, housing and entertainment" problem by turning all six houses over to each successively.

Alpha Chi Omega has chosen Long Beach in sunny Southern California for convention. With miles of beach and surf, Los Angeles close by and San Diego with its Exposition not far away, the place promises a happy time to visitors.

Beside these, a goodly number of fraternities are to convene in San Francisco during the months of the Exposition.

Kappa Alpha Theta is running a series of articles on "Efficiency." To promote this, the writer says, it is necessary to do away with the "rushed-to-death" feeling so prevalent among college girls. This may be done by having proper provision for studying under good physical conditions in the chapter houses. These conditions should be investigated by the national officers of a fraternity, and by the college authorities.

Chi Omega at its 1912 convention ruled that every member of the fraternity be identified with at least two college activities and

to the end of choosing these activities wisely, each chapter has an advisory committee on which one faculty member serves.

There is scarcely a sorority that is not in some way contributing something to the active interest in Social Service, which has taken such a hold on all thinking people. No better or more final argument in favor of sororities could be found than this one between the covers of most of the sorority magazines, telling of the organized as well as individual efforts in the cause of unfortunate mankind.

We already know what Pi Phi has accomplished and the interest Chi Omega takes in public service. We append some extracts from the *Alpha Phi Quarterly* showing the interest and attitude of that sorority:

There are about forty-five Alpha Phis engaged in welfare work among city girls and three interested in the country girls of the mountain districts of the south. Six are concerned in the feminist movement in its narrower sense and five in child labor reforms and factory inspection. Vocational guidance—surely it is social service, too—claims the interest of half a dozen or so, and many are interested in charity organizations and baby welfare work.

Funds for the Chicago performance of the Princeton Triangle Club's production will be turned over to the Chicago Red Cross for use in Europe. The books, lyrics, music, costumes, scenery, posters, effects and orchestra are the work of students.—*Greek Exchange*.

The March number of the *Arrow* has this which it happily calls a "collect" on the front page. Wouldn't it be rather a good thing to have on your desk or up near your mirror—whichever claims most of your time, so your eyes would rest upon it often?

Keep us, O God, from pettiness; let us be large in thought, in word, in deed. Let us be done with faultfinding and leave off self-seeking. May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face—without self-pity and without prejudice. May we be never hasty in judgment and always generous. Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene, gentle. Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straightforward and unafraid. Grant that we may realize it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are as one. And may we strive to touch and to know the great, common woman's heart of us all, and O Lord God, let us forget not to be kind!—Mary Stuart.

(Reprinted from *The Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi.)

In lighter vein, this from *Alpha Xi Delta* also contains good sentiment:

THE BEATITUDES OF A FRATERNITY MEMBER

- I. Blessed is the fraternity member who thinketh all good of his own brethern and some good of his neighbors.
- II. Blessed is the man who looketh not to the letter of the pin, but to the spirit of the fraternity.
- III. Blessed is he who in his rushing forgetteth not the rules of the game, for he shall be in good repute among his fellow Greeks, and among them who are called Barbarians.
- IV. Blessed are the meek and lowly, for they shall not be disappointed but shall gather into themselves many pledges.
- V. Blessed are they who admonish their pledges in due season, for by so doing they save themselves much future trouble.

Chi Omega begins the February *Eleusis* thus:

Rushing is an incident, not the main business, of all organized social life. A fraternity is one form of organized social life.

Two of the rarest gifts of the gods are a capacity for friendship and a sense of humor. The possession of these gifts is essential to the attainment of Chi Omega's standards of selecting new members.

These standards are:

1. Choice, not competition.
2. Good manners.
3. Sportsmanlike conduct.

We venture to predict *Kappa Alpha Theta* gets results with this:

Chapter Editors: Please remember that the chapter letters in the March issue will be printed just as received from you. Neither editor nor printer will correct misspellings, punctuation marks, decipher scrawls, or do any of the other countless things you are in the habit of leaving undone. When you know that just nine chapter letters, one-fourth of them, in this issue were in form for printing when received, you will realize how much it is up to you, if your chapter isn't to be ashamed of your March contribution.

Alpha Xi Delta liked our stickers that we put on our trunks when we went to Estes Park last August. They may use the idea. Help yourself, *Alpha Xi Delta*.

Alpha Gamma Delta announces the establishment of Omicron chapter at the University of California, Berkeley, Cal.

Of general interest:

A Pan-Hellenic Restroom has been established in Medford, Oregon, by the Pan-Hellenic Association there. The Merchants' Association has given aid to the enterprise. The two rooms which the association has furnished as tea room and reading room respectively, are kept open from eleven to five and each member of the Pan-Hellenic has her day to preside.

A Φ has seventeen Φ B K's this year. Having fewer chapters than many of the sororities, this gives them an enviable ratio.—*Greek Exchange*.

Merrill Martindale of Spokane, Wash., has started a movement to have a "Fraternity Sunday." His plan is to have every church in the country have special sermons on fraternalism preached on the selected day, with all of the fraternities present en masse.—*Reference Bureau Bulletin*.

The editor of the *Sigma Nu Delta* announces the following innovation:

"Following the suggestion offered by Past Regent Bennett in a recent number of *The Delta* an effort has been made in this issue to rename the active Chapters. The Greek nomenclature has been discarded and the Chapters are named either after the name of the University or College or of the city in which they are situated. There were some difficulties, but we believe the experiment is not wholly unsatisfactory. The difficulties which we encountered do not strike us as serious as the difficulties of the average brother to remember the Greek names."

Here is a sample of how the scheme works out in the heading of a chapter letter: EMORY CHAPTER, *Emory College*, Oxford, Ga. For the life of us we can see no advantage in this over giving the chapter's Greek letter with college—as we have done in *The Rainbow* for a good many years. It is true that the older alumnus forgets the Greek letter of all but a few chapters. But is not this all the more reason why he should be kept reminded, but not confused, by the method that we have followed?—*The Rainbow*.

We like *Banta's Greek Exchange*. It is a clearing house of all that is good in broad usefulness to fraternities in general—a melting pot in which the nuggets from the various mines of fraternity wisdom and advice are run together into coin of common usefulness and availability. And, in addition, it is interesting.

We believe the *Exchange* worth more than its subscription price, and we have an idea also that it can be made to pay if enough subscribers are found for it. In our small way, therefore, we should like to say that every man who is interested in fraternity affairs from other than the most narrow point of view, ought to send for a copy of the *Exchange*; and having once had it, he will find it difficult to be without it.—*Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

The problem of house chaperonage is being solved in a most satisfactory way by Chi Omega. At present, in five of our chapter houses we have a Chi Omega, who is taking graduate work or work in a professional department of the university.

We believe that this plan of chaperonage will tend to make our chapter home no longer a private residence, but a dormitory with academic atmosphere prevailing. Moreover, the fellowship plan will reinforce wholesome standards of undergraduate living, and aid the universities in their administrative problems.—*Eluesis* of Chi Omega.

TEXAS SAVED

A special message to the College Fraternity Reference Bureau from our representative at Austin says, "Anti-fraternity bill was today postponed indefinitely in the House. This kills the bill."—*Reference Bureau*.

Alpha Tau Omega has selected Claude T. Reno, editor of *The Palm*, to write its history.—*Reference Bureau Bulletin*.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon held its annual convention in Chicago, Dec. 21, 22, 23. It granted charters to Washington State College, Oregon State College, Beloit College and the University of Florida. It elected Don Almy of New York City its chief executive and reelected its other national officers. Its banquet was attended by 435. The next convention will be held in Pittsburgh in 1916.—*Reference Bureau Bulletin*.

President Hadley of Yale has uttered recently some pregnant words on college men and college ways. He says: "A boy goes to college not wholly for the sake of pursuing certain studies but for the sake of breathing a certain atmosphere, of competing for certain traditional rewards of undergraduate life, of entering societies that his father has known and meeting certain men, or the successors of certain men, whom his father has met. Such an atmosphere, and such intangible opportunities cannot be created in a day."—*Reference Bureau Bulletin*.

We wish to express grateful thanks to the *Adelphian*, *Alpha Xi Delta*, and *Banta's Greek Exchange* for kindly mention of our KEY and its editor.

PAN-HELLENIC SURVEY

By their chapter letters you shall know them.

After taking a personally conducted tour (conducted it ourselves) through miles of chapter letters in order to make up the *Survey*, and meeting on all sides expressions such as "examinations are casting a heavy cloud over us", "consternation reigns", "fatal exams", "tortures of finals", "horrors of examinations", we are left with the impression that a veritable reign of terror grips the college world for a period following the holidays and we are constrained to wonder what it is all about. Is the fault with those who draw their salaries for thinking up questions none can answer, or with you yourselves and that little devil—Procrastination?

SIGMA KAPPA

Hazing at Boston University, among the "coeds," is confined to the Gamma Delta, a society comprised of the women students. This year the stunts took a practical turn. Placards, appropriately decked with green ribbons, announced that each freshman must report for duty every morning of Gamma Delta week armed with soap, broom and apron. The innocent freshies were then marshalled into squads and proceeded to polish door knobs and hunt down any dust overlooked by janitor Jack and his staff. Friday, October 9, the freshies were taken into Gamma Delta via Gamma Delta goat.—*Boston.*

On the last of this month our chapter will conduct a booth at the Fair for the establishment of a Baby Hospital. It will take place for three days and the house will respond by relays.

At the first of the semester the Alpha Omicron Pi girls, who are our nearest neighbors, entertained us at a tea. It was splendid and most highly appreciated. We will respond with a jinks in their honor.—*California.*

ALPHA PHI

The mother's tea that we have once a year was given in our chapter room a few weeks ago. With a cheerful grate fire which supplied all the light except that which came from under pretty red candle shades, and with flowers profusely decorating the table and other pieces of furniture to add to the cozy appearance of the place, this year's tea turned out to be better than ever. The next week we entertained the Pi Beta Phis, and Kappa Alpha Theta chapter has also given a tea for us this winter so we have become much better acquainted with other fraternity people in this way.—*Toronto.*

The beginning of the new term marks the approach of a turning point in our college life not only because of the passing of the class of 1915 but because of the passing of Barnard fraternities as well. Mu chapter, we fear, is enjoying its last "active" semester, for by now we are pretty certain that fraternities cannot be readmitted to the college.—*Barnard*.

Our annual Christmas party this year was just a dinner for all of the girls. Instead of giving each other ten cent presents with verses attached, as we have always done, we wrote the same sort of verses and fastened them to pictures cut from magazines. This was just as much fun for us, and with the money we saved we dressed two little girls for the Associated Charities.—*Michigan*.

The association has also taken a commendable step toward the raising of scholarship standard among the fraternities. At the beginning of last year, it was announced that a "scholarship cup" would be awarded to the fraternity having the highest average during the year. The trophy is a beautiful silver cup upon which is to be engraved each year the name of the fraternity with the highest average for that year. When all available space has been engraved, the fraternity whose name appears thereon the greatest number of times will receive it as a permanent trophy. For this year, Chi Omega is the proud possessor of the cup, which occupies a merited place in the chapter house. The association may well feel proud of the results of this plan, for the improvement in scholarship has been marked since its establishment.—*Syracuse*.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA

This fall we began a custom which we have kept and intend to keep for all the year. On the third Friday of each month we are "at home" from 4:30 to 6:00 to any of our sorority or non-sorority friends. We serve tea or coffee, sandwiches, little cakes and candies. These teas have been a source of great pleasure to us, and have evidently met with favor with others, for they are always well attended.—*Wisconsin*.

We are wondering what steps are being taken in other universities in regard to the peace movement begun by Jane Addams in Washington, D. C., and how rapidly spreading throughout the eastern states. A Peace League has been formed here at Ithaca. A week ago a meeting was held at the University Club during which Dr. Andrew D. White, Prof. Burr, Dr. Needham, and many others spoke. It is hoped that through constant discussion some solution of the problem may arise. It has been suggested in this connection that the fraternity girls give expression of their approval or disapproval of the formation of a Girls' Cosmopolitan Club, the chief purpose of which would be the advancement of peace.—*Cornell*.

The suffragettes of our Eastern chapters will be glad to know that we have been through an active political campaign and emerged none the less womanly. The university applied to the state for the issue of \$1,800,000

building bonds and the whole student body entered into the campaign. We are sure that part of the glorious victory was due to our work, sending out printed matter and even canvassing among women on the great day. Soon we hope construction will be started on a new agricultural hall, on finishing our library building and replacing one of the old halls.—*California*.

At a Pan-Hellenic banquet in October Delta Delta Delta received the silver coffee-urn given each year to the sorority having the highest scholarship. Kappa Alpha Theta stood second. Year before last we stood first.—*Ohio*.

ALPHA CHI OMEGA

On December 17, we entertained forty-five little newsboys with a Christmas party at the "house". Some of our brothers and friends brought them out in automobiles. They all registered in the guest book and then played games till supper was served.—*James Millikin University, Decatur, Ill.*

Yo Ma, the girls' sophomore intersorority society, has innovated a new idea. It is this: Take for instance two sororities, Kappa Alpha Theta and Delta Gamma. The freshmen and sophomores from the Kappa Alpha Theta house will go to the Delta Gamma house for dinner while the Delta Gamma, juniors and seniors will go to the Theta house. This will leave all freshmen and sophomores at one house, and juniors and seniors at the other. These dinners will occur once a month, and the girls are hoping that it will create a more friendly spirit among the different sororities.—*University of Illinois*.

In order that our fraternity meetings shall be made more broadening, interesting and instructive, a committee was appointed to plan a definite program for each Tuesday evening. The committee decided to alternate Current Events, Prominent Modern Composers and Musicians, Modern Novels and Novelists, and The Drama and Great Dramatists. Each girl in the Chapter will have charge of a program for one evening. Thus far Anna Eliza Whitten has given us a very comprehensive talk on current events, and Vernice Gay told us many interesting things concerning the life and work of Kreisler. Josephine Durrell then played to us a number of Kreisler's compositions in her own intimitable style. Our next program will be devoted to Alfred Noyes.—*Boston*.

GAMMA PHI BETA

As Gamma Phis nationally are talking a great deal about Social Service work, I must tell you what our chapter is doing in this line, even though it is not a great deal. In the first place, we have for several years supported a scholarship and are, I believe, the only sorority at Wisconsin which does so.—*Wisconsin*.

The Dean of Women, Miss French, has advised that each sorority have a few girls, nonsorority as well as sorority, to the chapter each week to dinner. We have tried it and we find it one of the best ways to really learn something about each other, thus helping to develop a more democratic spirit among all the students.—*Idaho*.

There is a great field for Social Service work at this time and Beta is trying hard to do her share. I spoke a short while ago of the fun we had in Social hour. During that time we have also done some real earnest work such as sewing on flannel "nighties" for the children in the hospital. Then the members of a very progressive little church are making clothes for the Belgians.—*Michigan*.

The sororities of Nebraska University are to be commended for the active part they are taking in charitable work here in Lincoln. The Delta Gammas are active in the Russian settlement in the western part of the city; the Kappa Alpha Thetas in the poorer classes of north Lincoln. Many of the sororities spend an afternoon a week in the Orthopedic Hospital reading, telling stories or in some other way making brighter the lives of the little children there. We Gamma Phis are making arrangements to provide a Christmas tree for the children in the Detention Home and so bring some of the Christmas spirit to them.—*Nebraska*.

In addition to work in the league, which supports a settlement in one of the poorer sections of the city, and which offers exceptional opportunities to hear good speakers on social subjects, the Zeta Gamma Phis are quite notorious for the enthusiasm and generosity with which they work for the Isabelle Thoburn Fund. This fund is made up of private subscriptions from the students and goes for the support of a professor in the Isabella Thoburn College, in India.—*Goucher*.

ALPHA DELTA PI

So far Pan-Hellenic work has consisted largely of enforcing rushing rules and in forming a new Court of Appeals. This Court is composed of five sorority alumnae elected by the votes of the chapters here represented, and having as a purpose the formation of a council capable of settling fairly and impartially the differences arising between sororities which seem beyond the jurisdiction of the local Pan-Hellenic.—*Illinois*.

ALPHA OMICRON PI

The Tennessee students this year are supporting a Red Cross nurse in Belgium. The movement originated among the "coeds" but the boys were allowed to help. Besides this we contributed to the "Christmas Ship", which carried relief to so many destitute women and children in the war district.—*Tennessee*.

Our bungalow fund is not increasing amazingly, yet it steadily grows. Our latest idea is to build a mile of pennies. I suppose a mathematics major could figure just how many pennies that would need.—*De Pauw*.

KAPPA DELTA

For some time local Pan-Hellenic has been interested in attempting, in various ways, to raise enough money to be of some real assistance to the poor people who have been almost pauperized by the cotton condition in this part of the South.—*Judson College*.

CAMPAIGN IS ON

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HOOTS



OUR CHAPTERS

Psi chapter you'll find at Cornell,
Of famous alumnae they're—well—
Three dozen or more;
One is off to the war,—
"Doc Molly,"—of her you've "heard tell."

Beta Tau has a chapter house nifty,—
They're businesslike, clever and thrifty;
If you ask Beta Tau,
She will gladly tell how
To raise forty thousand or fifty.

Beta Psi girls knit mufflers, and sing
At their meetings their "God Save the King."
They're brave and they're plucky,
And Kappa is lucky
To have such fine girls in her ring.

Coy Kappa: "I've promised to go to the prom with someone else, Mr. Beta, but I'll introduce you to one of the girls at our house who is very handsome and clever."

Mr. Beta: "But I don't want a handsome and clever girl; I want you."

VOTES FOR WOMEN!

A chapter of one of the men's fraternities collecting data for a catalogue, sent lists of questions to its alumni. One of the questions was: "WHOM of your relatives are members of——?"

SOME HOOTER

An owl once sat in a tree,
And hooted long and lustilee
One hoot for the owl,
One hoot for the tree,
And three long hoots for K K I.
KAPPA KONTRIBUTOR,
Decatur, Ill.

THE OWL IN A MOMENT OF GAY ABANDON

Oh, the Owl sat swinging on a Fleur-de-lis,
 And his twinkly eyes were blue.
 And he winked with glee, and he laughed he-he.
 Oh, the Owl sat swinging on the Fleur-de-lis,—
 He was certainly as happy as an owl can be,
 And he whistled to-whit, to-whoo.
 Oh, the Owl sat swinging on the Fleur-de-lis,
 And his twinkly eyes were blue.

—S. M. DP., *Beta Sigma*.

Alumna of 1878: "How useless the girls are today. I don't believe they know what needles are for."

Freshman: "How absurd! Of course we know what needles are for—they are to make the Victrola play."

Chapter Treasurer: "This Chapter is recklessly extravagant."

Secretary: "When have we made a useless purchase?"

C. T.: "Why, there's that fire extinguisher we bought a year ago; we've never used it once."

ON CHOOSING A CAREER

My patience! (The doctor)
 Law me! (The attorney)
 Oh fudge! (The school girl)
 I vow! (The bride)
 Darn it! (The housewife)
 Good land! (The farmer)
 Search me! (Robber)
 Oh sugar! (The confectioner)

M. E. W., *Kappa*.

A young woman, who came to Columbia to take her degree of doctor of philosophy, married her professor in the middle of her second year. When she announced her engagement one of her friends said:

"But, Edith, I thought you came up here to get your Ph.D."

"So I did," replied Edith, "but I had no idea I would get him so soon."

—New York Evening Post. *Banta's Greek Exchange*.