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## *THE EDUCATION OF A HIGH CLASS TURKISH GIRL.*

With regard to the kind of education which they receive, Turkish girls divide naturally into three classes. First, there are the girls who from force of circumstances, will have to take care of themselves, and are being trained as teachers. Next, there are those who receive an education, the avowed purpose of which is to fit them for domestic life. To the third division belong the women who have been destined in childhood to marry officers and the class of men who read and speak European languages. This classification is not scientific, but it will answer the purpose for a subject which is far removed from scientific treatment.

The girls who belong to the first class, are usually the daughters of the poor, or the unfortunate. Their education is provided for by the State, and if they prove themselves worthy and capable, they are given good positions with generous salaries; and are highly respected by everyone, on account of their superior learning. Some of these women marry; some do not. This aspect of feminine education was discussed in the *Forum* for June, 1896, by Dr. Mary Mills Patrick, in an article entitled, "Education of Women in Turkey."

The girls who are designated as class two, are either sent to school or instructed at home by a governess. Through the courtesy of the Directress, Fitnat Hanum, I have had the pleasure of visiting the school for girls at Emirghian, one of the Bosphorus villages. This is one of the oldest and best girls' schools, and the fact that the ladies in the neighboring villages are noted for their culture and refinement, is said to be due to the influence of this institution. Fitnat Hanum speaks, reads, and writes her

native language exquisitely, is acquainted with its literature, knows Arabic, of course, is devoted to Persian poetry, and is fond of mathematics up to a certain point. Geometry was formerly taught in the school, but the Government decided that a knowledge of Euclid was superfluous in the management of household affairs, so the subject was dropped from the programme. At the same time, word came that the instruction in Arabic grammar should be stopped. But Fitnat Hanum stood firm on this point. She sent back word to the Minister of Education that he would better do away with the study of the Turkish language altogether, and give the schools over entirely to the reciting of prayers. Nothing more was said about the matter, and the small Ottoman maidens still have to learn a lesson in Arabic grammar every day in the week.

The course of study as laid down by the Department of Instruction, includes first of all, Turkish,—how to speak, read and write it correctly. This is no small task either, as the literary language is made up of native Turkish, Persian, and Arabic,—a mixture of a Turanian, an Aryan, and a Semitic language. It is written in Arabic characters, and a knowledge of Arabic is absolutely essential to an understanding of high Turkish.

Next they are taught the Koran, and are instructed in the doctrines of the Mohammedan religion. Persian is included in the curriculum, and the "Gulistan" of Saadi is carefully studied for the sake of its moral teachings. The girls like this very much, and will voluntarily commit to memory whole pages of the poetical parts. Geography and History are the strong points of the Turkish girl student, even the little girls answered questions very promptly and intelligently all the way from the founding of Rome to the environs of San Francisco. Arithmetic is difficult for them. The instructress herself being fond of the subject, tries to encourage its study, but the girls prefer something that they can learn by heart.

Four of the subjects, as laid down by the government, are "Useful Knowledge," "Embroidery," "Hygiene," and "The Care of the House." The first one of these might easily include the other three, and I am not yet quite sure what comes under each. At any rate the group as a whole takes in instruction in the furnishing, and management of a house, the care of children



and of the sick, cooking and plain sewing as well as embroidery. Their needle-work is beautifully done, always in bright colors, with now and then a combination of shades which is a trifle inharmonious to the foreign eye.

Their instruction in music is very elementary, but most interesting in its results. When I asked about this, the Principal said she would let me judge for myself. In response to her message, ten girls, fourteen or fifteen years of age, filed into the room with arms folded. They grouped themselves about a very "twangy" grand piano, while one of their number played a hymn to the Sultan. The music was composed by their music "Hodja," and the words written by the Lady Principal. Like all Turkish melodies, the tune was monotonous, consisting mostly of ascending and descending scales with occasional minor passages. The only word I understood was "Hamid." At the end of every few lines came "Long live Sultan Hamid!" in very loud rasping tones. After this they sang their "Alma Mater," whose words and music were also composed by the instructors. Here, too, I recognized "Hamid" many times repeated.

The object of all the instruction in this school, it seemed to me, is to impart information of a practical nature, rather than to train the mind. And, with this end in view, as far as I could judge, the work was well done. What struck me most was the air of perfect frankness with which the Directress displayed her school and her pupils. She said very plainly, "Our school is not what I want it to be, there are many things which I should like to change, but it is the best we can do under existing conditions." There was no attempt to "put the best foot foremost," or impress us with the fact that things are as they are not. She is strongly in favor of a higher education for women, though there was nothing about her the least suggestive of "the emancipator of her sex." In fact, when I asked, "What is the purpose of this school?" she replied very promptly—"To make good mothers." "Do most of your girls marry?" I inquired. "Yes, and some of them before they are graduated." One girl came back and took her diploma after she had been married six months. A few of the graduates of this school afterward study in the Normal School in Stamboul and become teachers.

Aside from the girls who attend schools like the one at Emir-

ghian, there are many in high life who are educated entirely by governesses in their own homes. And of course the breadth of their education depends largely upon the character and acquirements of the governess whom they happen to employ. She is usually selected for her ability to speak European languages fluently, and this may or may not include what one calls a good education. A Turkish girl who receives this sort of instruction is not likely to have as good a knowledge of her mother-tongue as if she had gone through one of the schools. But she will speak French fluently, and read it readily and appreciatively. She will know one other language, either German or English. If she attempts to speak English, it will be a pleasure to listen to her, for she will do it very well.

The triple division made at the beginning of this article does not mean that every Turkish woman has received her education in exactly one of the ways mentioned. There are exceptions to all these ; for instance, there is nothing to hinder a girl's attending one of the schools, and having a private tutor at the same time, thus combining a thorough knowledge of her own language, with an acquaintance with French and English. Also, a few continue their study away beyond the point required by common consent for a well-informed woman. Many an ambitious girl makes herself really proficient in one of the modern European languages, although I have not yet heard of any one's specializing in Latin or in ancient Greek. If she is the daughter of unusually progressive parents, she may be sent to the American College for Girls. There are perhaps ten or a dozen young women who have partly completed the course of study there. Thus far only one Mohammedan girl has been graduated. She is now married, and has the care of a house, but keeps up her English by making translations for publication, from English to Turkish. At present one of the best members of the Sophomore class is a Turkish girl. Her English is excellent, and her work in chemistry and mathematics compares most favorably with that of the girls of other nations. Still others who do not go to school at all, may become interested in a subject like pedagogy, or one of the Natural Sciences, through the work of their fathers or brothers. Now and then a very good article on pedagogy, or a bit of popularized biology appears in a Turkish periodical from the pen



of a woman. So far as I know, nothing of this sort is the result of original investigation. It indicates, nevertheless, that Turkish women are coming to think the same thoughts, and do the same things that other women do. To be sure, they do them in their own way, just as they cling to their own traditions and their own dress. The better class of serious-minded women, while eager to get all they can from western civilization, have no desire to be western themselves. They are Turkish through and through, and no amount of Europeanizing will make them European. The case of Esmé, which was dwelt upon in *Harpers' Magazine*, is unique in Turkey, not typical. The circumstances of her life—not mentioned in Mr. Roberts' story—are exceptional. The condition of Turkish girls is not as deplorable as the sad fate of Esmé might lead one to believe.

GRACE FLEMING SWEARINGEN, *Psi*, '93.

### THE CHAPTER HOUSE LIBRARY.

If each girl in the active chapters would pledge herself every year while she is in college, to give a book for the chapter library, a valuable collection of books might be obtained at no great expense or trouble to anyone.

How these books are to be selected, is a question for each chapter to decide for itself. Perhaps the most practical way is for each girl to donate any book she wishes to, only being careful that no duplicates are given. Yet in this way the class of books obtained is more likely to be newly published ones—those which are popular now, but which will not be of great value in a few years. To avoid this, it might be well for the girls to join and for one year's books to get the works of a noted author, together with a reliable biography of that author. By this method a more classic and, therefore, more valuable set of books would be obtained.

One year's gift to the library might suitably be volumes of the poets. This would certainly be desirable if it would make us all better acquainted with the beautiful thoughts and ideals of such men as Tennyson, Whittier, and Lowell.

Another way to obtain a collection of books of real value, would be to appoint a committee who should make a list of desirable

books, including historical, biographical and scientific works, together with the standard novels, and should request the girls to make their selections from this list.

Of course, the value of a library in a chapter house depends upon what it is and how much it is used. While we are in college we are apt to think that we are too busy for reading and that we shall have more time for it in after life. Yet the experience of most women is that they are far busier after college days are over. So if we would make it a part of our college work to read for a few minutes each day, from some instructive and interesting book, we would be forming a good habit and one which would be quite as hard to break as a bad one. Perhaps then we would never be satisfied, as many people are, to confine our reading to papers and magazines.

RUTH C. VOORHEES, *Beta Tau.*

### THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHAPTER.

Last April there appeared in *THE KEY* an able and earnest article on "The President and the Chapter." It made a deep impression on many girls who were presidents of their chapters at the time of its appearance, and I have no doubt it has borne fruit in better organization of the chapters this year.

Possibly there are girls who are mentally and physically capable of fulfilling all the duties therein laid down, even if they are at the same time mainly occupied with their college work. If a chapter is fortunate enough to have such a president, without doubt she would be so loved and respected that her slightest suggestion would be carried out immediately. But as we generally fall short of our ideals, we have to consider the imperfect president, and as a result of her defectiveness, the imperfect chapter; and granting that both are at fault, the chapter is usually the more blameworthy of the two. At least the president feels her responsibility and is soon made to realize her faults. If she has not consummate tact, she has to suffer for it; if her memory is not reliable, her sins of omission are visited upon herself. She is responsible for *THE KEY* manuscript, and very often she writes it herself; not that she is best qualified for doing so—for the ability to write well is one thing that does not have to be con-



sidered when a chapter president is to be elected. She does it because someone has to do it and the girl she wished to write it really can't, or she has too much work, or is not well, or forgot it entirely. And how much of the other necessary and disagreeable work the president takes upon herself because she hesitates to appoint girls to committees against their wish! She would rather do things herself than hear that tiresome chorus again: "I really can't; my work is too heavy." "I did it last time." "You know I have no ability in that direction," etc.

The president, to be sure, should take pains to carry out the wishes of her chapter, and for that reason every matter of fraternity interest should be fully discussed in the meetings, but when the president has considered all sides of the question, and has made her decisions and appointments, then her will should have the force of law and should be obeyed unquestioningly.

ISABEL BALLOU, *Beta Delta*.

### THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

On April 28, 1899, the chapters of the fraternity participated in a measure in the installation of Beta Lambda chapter at the University of Illinois, although only Epsilon, Iota, Kappa, and Upsilon were personally represented in the eighteen members of the fraternity who were in attendance upon the ceremonies. The Grand President was represented in the rites by the Grand Secretary.

The campus was arrayed in the splendor of the delicate greens of early spring, when the visitors reached Champaign; beauty greeted one at every turn, from among the trees. Particularly noticeable was the fine new library building, the most ornamental structure on the campus, which is said to be the only example of pure Byzantine decoration in the United States, a building which would adorn any campus.

An interest even beyond the college home of Beta Lambda, however, was the personnel of the chapter, and the occasions when Kappa Gammas old and new gave the hours to the spirit and ideals of the fraternity—hours so sweetly valued in the life of every chapter, but beautifully ideal upon the occasion of committing the interests and aspirations of Kappa Kappa Gamma to the keeping of a new chapter.

On Saturday, April 29, Beta Lambda was appropriately introduced to the college in charming receptions given by Mrs. Fay (Iota), at which the chapter met their student friends in the afternoon and their friends of the faculty in the evening.

How delightful the surroundings of Beta Lambda are can be appreciated only with the seeing. The outsider is impressed that this university, which until within a few years was principally a school of technology, has the nucleus of student life of the best type, while its standard of scholarship is excellent. The universities of the middle west are not without many a regretful memory of the athletic skill usually resident in the University of Illinois. If it is true that the life of no university can be complete without a man who can stand for what the father represents in the home, then the University of Illinois is particularly fortunate; for among faculty and students there is present to a marked degree, a deeply respectful enthusiasm for President Draper, who has so successfully promoted the interests of the university. Kappa Kappa Gamma has now a personal concern in the oft-repeated prophecy that the University of Illinois is to render increasingly efficient service to education and culture.

### **THE FOUNDING OF BETA LAMBDA.**

The founding of a new chapter in a fraternity is an event of importance, and having been present at the installation of Beta Lambda, at the University of Illinois, Epsilon wishes to say something concerning it.

Of course, when a new chapter is established, the chapters geographically near it have a more vital interest, an interest of possession one might say. But it is not only the duty of those to use every means at their command to aid and strengthen the new comers in Kappadom, but it is the duty of the whole fraternity. Every chapter must make it evident to the new members that distance has no influence on feelings. Beta Lambda is more than fortunate in having such a councillor with her as our former Grand President, but that in no way relieves the rest of us of responsibility.

May something be said of the inspiration that came to Epsilon through her sister chapter? Every Kappa knows that an initia-



tion makes even the oldest in Kappa's bonds feel that she is retaking old vows, and adds an impetus and help to her fraternity life. She goes from it strengthened in every way, and watching the fraternity qualities develop in the initiates, like the unfolding of the petals of a flower, only adds gain to gain. But if the welcoming of a few souls into our chapter roll is such an inspiration, how much more is the receiving of a new chapter into our fraternity ranks. We can only admire the heroism of the members of a little band, starting out to travel unknown paths, with unseen pitfalls before them. Chapter initiates have the way made smooth for them by loving hands, but not so with these, they must level their own hills and build their own bridges.

Long live Beta Lambda! May she prosper as we know she will, and may we be able to point to her as one of the most loyal upholders of Kappa's banner.

EPSILON.

### *Alumnae Department.*

What becomes of college women after graduation? A few years ago THE KEY published a helpful series of articles on the question, "After College—What?" In this series various possible fields of activity were discussed by some of our alumnae who had won success in one direction or another.

The new Catalogue of Kappa Kappa Gamma affords a basis for a study of the answers which college women have made to this question in the past few decades; a study which interested one alumna to the extent of gathering a few statistics on the subject. Unfortunately time did not permit an analysis of the entire chapter roll, so a chapter in the middle west with a history covering two decades was selected as an average of the whole.

The chapter chosen has seventy-six alumnae. Of these thirty-seven or over 48 per cent. are married, while thirty-nine or 52 per cent. are still bachelor maids. Teaching has attracted twenty-one, 53 per cent. of those who remain unmarried; four have business positions, one is a librarian, two are pursuing post-graduate studies, one is fitting herself for Y. W. C. A. work, nine are at home, and one only has left this world for a higher life.

Among the interesting facts developed by this slight investigation is that, in spite of the many lines of work now open to women, college graduates still prefer teaching. After all this seems to be the profession for which the average college graduate is best fitted; moreover it is that most accessible to her and pays her best in many ways.

But our study reveals the astonishing fact that college women do marry. The percentage is really very high—48 per cent. as opposed to 36 per cent.—the proportion of married women in the United States to the sum total, as shown by the census returns of 1890.

Surprise of surprises! We had supposed that by educating our intellects we were lessening our chances for fulfilling the natural end of womankind. But it seems that the much agitated



question "Why do not college women marry?" has little ground for its query.

The college woman, wherever her lot in life may lead her, must always feel that her college life has fitted her better to cope with the difficulties in her path. Especially is this true of the fraternity woman and every other college woman who has tried to educate all sides of her being.

BETA ZETA ALUMNA.

### THE ANDERSON CLUB.

Anderson, Ind., Kappa Club, age three, sends her greeting and wishes to indulge in a little personal chit-chat.

Our meetings this year have been full of interest and we feel that we are more loyal Kappas than ever before. We have read with interest every bit of fraternity news. In our club we have represented, Xi, 1; Iota, 4; Delta, 7. We are interested in the rushing and are glad as we ever were when we hear that Kappa is successful.

Mrs. Gussie Buskirk Van Atta, of Marion, entertained us at her home April 29. The ride to Marion on the car, the visit to the soldiers' home, the cordial greeting from the Marion Kappa Club, the excellent supper, combined to make one of the pleasantest affairs in the history of our club.

Frequently during the year the Kappa and Theta clubs have entertained each other. The last of such entertainments was at one of our Kappa homes, that of Miss May Metcalf. The visiting Kappa Kappa Gammas were Cora Bennett Stephenson, Gussie Buskirk Van Atta, Flora Jones, of Marion, and Charlie Moore Jenkins, of Richmond. Poems, readings, music, and anecdotes were greatly enjoyed, and afterward refreshments were served.

We have enjoyed visits from Miss Bartlett, of Delta; Miss Florence Hawkins, of Remington; Miss Grace Smith, of Iota; Miss Mary Bain, of Martinsville, and Mrs. Mary Morgan-Brewer, of New York City.

A happy vacation to every Kappa.

**THE KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA LITERARY CLUB OF  
INDIANAPOLIS.**

Although the work of the Indianapolis Club is over for the year, the programme, which has not before been printed in *THE KEY*, may be of interest to those who are seeking suggestions for alumnae work. The officers of the Indianapolis Association were: President, Edna Wallace, Mu; Secretary, Monta Kelso, Delta; Treasurer, Mrs. Thomas M. Bosson, Iota. The meetings were as follows:

**OCTOBER EIGHTH.**

Hostess—Miss Retta Barnhill, Mu.  
Paper—Mrs. Alice Moore French, Nu.  
Conversation—Miss Mary Thorpe Brouse, Mu.  
Piano Solo—Miss Bessie Campbell, Mu.

**DECEMBER TENTH.**

Hostess—Miss Hendrix, Delta, 2409 North Pennsylvania Street.  
Paper—Miss Ida M. Andrus, first pledge of Iota, "The Dawn of the System of Learning."  
Conversation—Miss Mary Langsdale, Iota.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Dora Gavin.

**JANUARY SEVENTH.**

Hostess—Mrs. P. M. Dill, 2116 Park Avenue.  
Recitation—Miss Edith Keay, Mu, "King Robert of Sicily."  
Paper—Mrs. Benjamin Carver Kelsey, "The Court Fool."  
Conversation—Mrs. Benedict, Upsilon.

**JANUARY TWENTIETH.**

Hostess—Mrs. St. Clair Perry, 965 North Meridian Street. Reception to visiting Kappas attending Oratorical Contest.

**MARCH ELEVENTH.**

Hostess—Mrs. Albert J. Beveridge, Iota, 903 North Delaware Street.  
Paper—Mrs. Peter M. Dill, "Two Queens."  
Conversation—Miss Flora Love, Delta and Psi.  
Piano Solo—Miss Lena Byrd, Iota.

**MAY THIRTEENTH.**

Hostess—Mrs. Benjamin Carver Kelsey, 2718 Ash Street.  
Paper—Mrs. Thomas M. Bosson, Iota, "Life in the Mountains of East Tennessee."  
Conversation—Miss Dora Green.



## PERSONAL NOTES.

## BETA ALPHA.

Harriet Betts Henderson was married Monday, June 5, to Mr. Henry Rogers Seager, at St. Paul's chapel, New York City. Dr. and Mrs. Seager will be at home after October 15 at 3701 Locust street, Philadelphia. Dr. Seager is professor of economics in the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.

## BETA EPSILON.

The Fiske graduate scholarship in history and political science, which was founded by Mrs. Josiah M. Fiske, and carries an income of \$250, has been awarded next year to Miss Virginia C. Gildersleeve, who takes her A.B. degree from Columbia this June. One of the four Curtis graduate scholarships, which were established by the trustees of Columbia in recognition of the gift to Columbia University by President Low of a memorial building for the university library, has been awarded to Miss Alice Duer, A.B., Columbia. Two other university scholarships have been won by Miss Edith P. Striker and Miss Ella Roselle Lathrop, both of whom will continue their work in Greek.

The Hartley House fellowship for 1899-1900 has been awarded to Miss Elsie W. Clews, who will receive her Ph.D. degree this June at Columbia. Miss Clews will give personal direction to students who wish to undertake observational work, and the entire instruction will be under the general charge of the professor of sociology of Columbia University. Miss Clews has also been appointed by the board of education as school inspector for the fourteenth district of the city of New York. Hers is the only woman's name appearing on the list of appointees.

## BETA GAMMA.

Isabel Ihrig was married March 8 to Mr. Robert Childs. Her home for the future is Syracuse, N. Y.

Louise Griesemer was married January 3 to Mr. Lewis H. Destler, of the 12th U. S. Infantry, now at Manilla. Mrs. Destler will shortly join her husband.

## BETA NU.

Georgietta Fisher, '95, is now teaching in Ottumwa, Iowa.

## BETA DELTA.

Mildred Louise Weed, '99, was married May 18, 1899, to Ernest P. Goodrich, engineer in the United States Navy. Mr. Goodrich is at present assigned to the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

## ETA.

It is rather odd that the next geological survey of Chester county is to be made by a woman—Florence Bascom, now a professor at Bryn Mawr College. She has been employed by the national government to supervise this work, and it is said no complete survey of this county has been made since 1840. Dr. Hartman of West Chester, however, made a good map of localities in 1857, showing where minerals are to be found and the kind of rock underlying.—*Philadelphia Press*.

## DELTA.

Frances Jones, '96, will teach in Evanston, Illinois, during the coming year.



## *The Parthenon.*

Almost every one of us, probably, has known the pleasure of having a sister from another chapter come to spend a year or more of her college days at our college. Perhaps she comes immediately to our fraternity home certain of her welcome; perhaps she introduces herself on the campus to the first wearer of the key that she meets; perhaps someone spies her key, and she is carried off to be welcomed by the other girls; or perhaps a letter from her chapter comes before her, and the girls are able to meet her and make her coming almost a home-coming.

Members of Other  
Chapters.

Some of these things have come into every chapter's history. But I wonder if any of you have ever found out about the middle of the year that a Kappa from another college has been among you since the opening of the college year. Perhaps it comes to your knowledge through an outside girl who "wonders why the Kappas have not affiliated Miss Blank." She may be a girl who has sat two seats from you in Latin for two months. But how could you know? She wore no key; she made no sign.

Or, another instance. Two or three months of college have passed, and there comes a letter from a distant chapter saying that one of their girls is with you, but has written that she has met no Kappas.

Whose is the fault?

What are the duties of the sister girls, coming into a strange college just in the busiest rushing season, toward the local chapter? What are the duties of the chapter which she leaves?

It may be that some time has elapsed since she left her chapter and the present girls there are strangers to her. This might in part excuse the carelessness from that side. But is there excuse for the girl herself? On the other hand, may not the girls of the chapter to which she comes regard themselves as the aggrieved ones?

GERTRUDE KENNEDY, *Beta Delta.*

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As rushing seems always one of the most fruitful topics discussed by THE KEY, perhaps a few more words on the subject

may prove not uninteresting. There seems something yet to be said about the light in which the girl being rushed is to be regarded by the chapter. It would appear that sometimes we are apt to treat her as a piece of merchandise,—to be examined and criticized,—whose worth may be estimated in set terms,—rather than as a human being.

We make the mistake of considering too highly the advantages her social position and standing may bring the fraternity, and weigh too lightly the benefits to be gained from her personality,—her own particular characteristics.

*The Selection of Members.*

We do not mean by this to give the impression that social position is not of great importance, but is it the only thing? Every girl who becomes a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma must receive inestimably more benefits than she can by any means give. And it is certainly the charming personality of the girls themselves that make the different chapters of the fraternity the ideal of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

If social position is the principal thing that recommends a girl to a chapter, will not society take up all her time and attention, to the exclusion of the interests of the fraternity? Since it is agreed that we need in each chapter all sorts of girls to make the well-rounded whole, we must have the girl of social position, as well as the girl with literary ability, and the one whose scholarship takes a first rank; but we would have none of these girls recommended to us solely for this one characteristic. Let us by all means place worth of character and congeniality of disposition first in every case;—let the other things come after. Let us learn to love the girl for herself, and not for what the world regards her.

As we come to grow older in the fraternity life we learn that we must look underneath the exterior, and search for the germs of character which the years of college life will develop. Often girls come to our universities from homes in the country, and appear crude because they have not had the advantages of the training of city life. But conditions of life in the country,—especially social life,—are so different from those in the city that it is unfair to these girls that they be weighed according to the standards of girls of wider social experience. It is hard for any girl to meet in a natural manner fifteen or twenty strangers, but



it is especially trying for one who has been accustomed to only familiar faces. Hence she is necessarily embarrassed and apt to appear at a disadvantage. But cannot we all recall from our own experience how greatly we have seen a girl improve after a year or so of college life, especially if she be aided by the training of a fraternity?

So, in selecting a girl for Kappa Kappa Gamma, let us be sure first of the sterling merits of character, for after all it is on this that the hopes of the fraternity are builded.

ELIZABETH F. GRAY, *Pi*.

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When we who are freshmen first entered the fraternity, we looked upon the seniors with awe. How much they knew of fraternity matters, and how they could talk of convention! But

soon they became our friends, and more, our teachers; they revealed to us the beauty of fraternity life, made us feel what it is to be a Greek.

*The Seniors.* And now they are going to graduate! As I say that to myself, a feeling of blankness settles over me. These girls, whom we have grown to love in a year, are going out of our lives! What will we do without them? Can we who are left become the teachers of next year's freshmen? Can we make the chapter a success, or will we make mistakes without our wiser seniors to advise us? Let us determine to keep their example before us and next year try to be the happy, helpful Kappas that this year's graduates are and always will be.

Among the various things our seniors have done, is one which is suggestive of what might be done by many chapters. Besides having a good time all year, the chapter does something earnest. That "something" is the setting aside of a certain portion of the money in the treasury not for our own pleasure. That sum sends a student every summer to Wood's Holl, to continue biological work for two months at that ideal place for a worker. Isn't this a nice idea? I am nearly sure that we enjoy our fun the more for doing this, and of all the customs the seniors are handing down to us, this one will receive most careful attention. Now we say "Farewell, seniors!" not forever, but until that day in the future when we shall again see your dear faces and little golden keys.

*Beta Alpha.*

Among the many minor duties which fall to the share of the head of the chapter, few, I think, are more important than that of extending the welcome of the chapter to unknown sisters—those from other chapters, or alumnae, who for **Welcoming Sisters.** one reason or another have not kept up with the times. Of course this is a duty in which the other members will of necessity join, yet there are certain things that should always be said and done, and in order to run no risk lest everyone should assume that someone else had said and done them, it would be well for the president to take them upon herself.

One of the greatest charms of chapter life, it seems to me, lies in the things it is not necessary to say. One does not expect expressions of pleasure when one enters the room, or of regret when one leaves it. The thing is a matter of course. One is trained to know, past question, that one's coming is a gain, and one's departure a loss. But with a member of another chapter, the case is a little different. The more definitely her welcome is expressed, the better. It can do no harm for the president to consider this her special responsibility. It can do no harm for the chapter to bear in mind when selecting their head, the desirability of her having, among many other qualities, the rare power of being an adequate hostess.

A. D., *Beta Epsilon.*

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Eta's suggestion in the last KEY in regard to making a sophomore fraternity of Kappa Kappa Gamma is one of vital interest to all the chapters. The evils of violent rushing have been very plain here for the last year or two, but even to do away with that, Pi feels that she would not be willing to give up the benefits derived from the training of the girls in their freshman year. The older girls in the chapter can do so much for the younger ones—restrain the impetuous girl, draw out a shy one, encourage another to study harder, or develop the social side of still another. If the girls come into the chapter early in their freshman year, their minds are, so to speak, in a plastic condition, and they take kindly to the suggestions and training of the older girls. But if they were not initiated until the end of the freshman year, would not

**Sophomore Fraternities.**



their habits of thought and action have become somewhat fixed so that it would be harder for them to submit gracefully to such training? It seems to me that there is nothing that has a better effect on a girl entering a fraternity than to look up to certain girls as far ahead of her in practical college wisdom, as well as fraternity experience, and would she feel so at the end of her freshman year? For instance, especially at a co-educational institution, a girl entering college with little experience of people is liable to make friends that may be distasteful or annoying to the chapter, and could she not be weaned from them much more easily in her first term than a year later? A chapter shows its wisdom not so much by picking out strikingly attractive girls, but by choosing those that have such material in them that they will through training develop into first class fraternity girls. In her short experience Pi has obtained some most gratifying results in the development of her freshmen, and feels that such training is one of the most important factors in a girl's fraternity life.

*Pi.*

The question of Sophomore fraternities is a very interesting one and like all questions has two sides. With us we can hardly see how we could hold our own unless there be a contract between the fraternities. In Eta's letter in the last number of *THE*

*KEY*, the suggestion is made that asking day  
*Dignity in Rushing.* and initiation be held just before commencement week and the fraternity banquet. To us this plan is not at all pleasing. Our fraternity banquet is the most sacred gathering of the year, the dearest and saddest, and we do not want it invaded by one who has not felt and worn the Kappa bonds long enough to truly feel the love we have for each other and our sorrow at parting.

As our rushing, if it may be called that, was carried on this year, there were no objectionable features. Our attentions to the favored ones were quiet and at times when they did not interfere with college work. In fact we felt that Kappa dignity was truly maintained, nor have we any losses to record due to our new plan, but on the contrary we have received many congratulations from faculty and friends for the common sense shown in our rushing season.

Again, we feel that there must be many advantages offered by the Sophomore fraternity to balance what the fraternity now is to the freshman. It seems to us that the help given the first year in college is invaluable. In the cases where we think that a year's experience outside of fraternity is best for the student, we often delay our initiation, or in many cases the girl herself feels the need of learning the ways of the barbarian first, and tells us that she cannot accept during that term, but in no way refuses our bid.

It seems to us that the evils of rushing and taking a girl too soon are faults of our own which must be corrected by thoughtfulness and the use of common sense on our part and are not to be remedied by any change of policy in the general fraternity.

M. B. B., *Gamma Rho*.



**Public Annual Reports.****ALPHA PROVINCE.****PHI—BOSTON UNIVERSITY.***Active Members.*

Blanche Anita Bagley, '99,	Alice Estelle Burrill, '99,
Julia Knowlton Ordway, '99,	Frances Warren Jones, '00,
Frances Estelle Hall, '00,	Demetria Simmons, '00,
Elizabeth Pauline Palmer, '00,	Elizabeth Wellington Hunter, '01,
Pearl Elizabeth Timberlake, '01,	Elizabeth Copeland Stetson, Sp.,
Edith Richmond Blanchard, '01,	Robenia Florence Anthony, '01,
Ethel Foster Bourne, Sp.,	Jessie Florence Grieves, Sp.,
Alice May Quirin, Sp.,	Grace Binney Crane, '02,
Helen Maria Twombly, '02.	

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 17; total membership from chapter establishment, 150; number of initiates, 6. Honors: Alice Estelle Burrill, Julia K. Ordway, Phi Beta Kappa; Frances Hall, Associate Editor of the *Hub*.

*College*:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 16; number of students in collegiate department, 491; number of women, 299. Men's fraternities: Beta Theta Pi, 25; Theta Delta Chi, 35. Women's fraternities: Alpha Phi, 25; Gamma Phi Beta, 23; Delta Delta Delta, 21; Pi Beta Phi, 22; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 17.

Phi once more greets her sister chapters. Since last you heard from us we have had our annual banquet and the glow of the occasion has not yet subsided. This glorious event took place Saturday, May 20, at the new Somerset Hotel. The suite was delightful and augured delightfully for the anticipated menu. The managers gave us the ball-room, too, and you may imagine whether we availed ourselves of it!

The tables, decorated by the father of one of our new Kappas, were charming in their array of pinks and roses. Their appearance alone was a feast, but the menu would have wooed the most aesthetic Kappa to thoughts of more substantial feasting.

The toasts were more than usually rich in thought and apt in expression. Mrs. Rutan's talk on "After College—What?" was particularly helpful. And there were others beside Phi Kappas who responded to the word of the admirable toast-

mistress, Bertha Hirshberg, '98. Miss Howe of Mu and Mrs. Coons of Beta Tau toasted, and Miss Hale of Chi sang, to our great enjoyment.

So you see that Phi had one jovial revel before she bowed before the omnipotent final examinations. Everything now is over except the picnic, which we shall tell about in our next letter, and so, with congratulations to ex-seniors, we wish the brightest and happiest of summers to all Kappas.

#### BETA EPSILON—BARNARD COLLEGE.

##### *Active Members.*

Louise Brisbin Dunn, P. G.,	Florence Leslie Kyte, '00,
Maude Wilcox, P. G.,	Evelyn Osborne, '00,
Alice Duer, '99,	†Olouise Morrison, Sp.,
Virginia Crocheron Gildersleeve, '99,	Lisa Delavan Bloodgood, '01,
Marjorie Jacobi, '99,	Mary Lavinia Eaton, '01,
†Cerise Emily Agnes Carmen, '99,	Jeannette Bliss Gillespy, '01,
†Agnes Crawford Leaycraft, '99,	Madaline Heroy, '01,
Alté Stilwell, '99,	Jannetta Gordon Studdiford, '01,
Edith Parker Striker, '99,	Mary Hunt Budd, '02,
Helen Cole, '00,	May Merrill, '02,
Mary Loockerman Goldsborough, '00,	*Elizabeth Allen, '02,
	*Eleanor Phelps, '02.

*Chapter:*—Number of active members, 23 ; total membership from chapter establishment, 58 ; number of year's initiates, 8. Honors conferred by college : Alice Duer, '99, Curtis Scholarship in Mathematics for graduates ; Virginia Crocheron Gildersleeve, '99, Josiah M. Fiske Scholarship in Political Science for graduates ; Edith Parker Striker, '99, University Scholarship in Greek for graduates ; Florence Leslie Kyte, 1900, Lavinia Dempsey Scholarship for undergraduates. Honors conferred by students : Virginia Crocheron Gildersleeve, '99, Senior President of Class of '99 ; Alice Duer, '99, Vice-President of the Undergraduate Association, and Chairman of the Class Day Committee ; Marjorie Jacobi, '99, Class Prophet ; Alté Stilwell, '99, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Undergraduate Association ; Mary Loockerman Goldsborough, 1900, Chairman of the Junior Ball Committee, President of the Barnard Chorus, President-elect of the Senior Class of 1900 ; Florence Leslie Kyte, 1900, Secretary of the Undergraduate Association, President of the Junior Class, member of the 1900 *Mortarboard* Committee ; Helen Cole, 1900, member of the Junior Ball Committee ; Evelyn Osborne, 1900, member of the Junior Ball Committee ; Jeannette

† Left college before end of year.

\* Initiated after college closed.



Bliss Gillespy, Editor-in-Chief of the 1901 *Mortarboard*; Madalene Heroy, 1901, Sophomore President of 1901, Business Manager of the 1901 *Mortarboard*; Elizabeth Allen, 1902, Vice-President of the Freshman Class of 1902; Edith Parker Striker, '99, Vice-President of the Senior Class; Lisa Delavan Bloodgood, 1901, Vice-President of the Sophomore Class.

*College*:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 43; besides these there are 44 others whose courses are open to Barnard Seniors. Number of members in collegiate department: Regular undergraduates, 129; special students, 32; music students, 33; graduates, 83. Number of women in collegiate department, 129. Men's fraternities: None. Women's fraternities: Alpha Omicron Pi, 6; Kappa Alpha Theta, 15; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 23.

To all college girls there is, I suppose, a delightful feeling of relaxation and satisfaction with the advent of the summer vacation. In spite of this fact, however, its coming has long been looked forward to by the members of Beta Epsilon with a feeling of dread, for it means to us so wide a separation, that time and distance can only be bridged over by a Round Robin which the chapter is planning to send. But this regret is not the greatest. With every year's graduating class we must lose from our chapter fireside some of our members who have worked for us, and with us, and this year the regret seems particularly keen. We really feel, though, that we should not complain of this sorrow which must needs come to all our sister chapters, for we have just learned that of the five who graduate, three have received scholarships for post-graduate work and will return to us in the fall. The arrival of this news has helped us to look upon the coming separation with a greater degree of resignation.

Since our last letter to THE KEY we have added to our chapter both in numbers and strength, by the initiation of four members of the freshman class. We ask our sisters in the bonds for their welcome to May Merrill, Mary Hunt Budd, Elizabeth Allen, and Eleanor Phelps. As for May Merrill, we are sure of a particularly hearty one from Chi, for she was pledged to its members before entering Barnard. Eleanor Phelps and Elizabeth Allen were just initiated a week ago, after the college year was really over. The chapter had a most delightful time on that occasion, for aside from the great enjoyment which always comes to us, and the inspiration for loyal Kappahood which we receive with each repetition of our beautiful ceremony, we had the additional treat of being entertained by Miss Gildersleeve, at whose home

the initiation took place, at luncheon. Twenty of us partook of her hospitality, and immediately afterward we assembled for our final chapter meeting.

Speaking of meetings reminds the secretary of an innovation that Beta Epsilon has made in hers. Beside the regular bi-weekly business meetings, we have recently adopted a plan for social meetings in the weeks between the regular ones. At least one of these social meetings a month is devoted to fraternity study, and we have already found it most enjoyable and very beneficial. We feel that there is nothing which furthers us in the real fraternity spirit so much as to know thoroughly the workings and history of our organization.

Beta Epsilon sends a most cordial invitation to all the members of Kappa Kappa Gamma who shall visit New York in the fall, to look us up and come to see us. We have had much pleasure in the little visits paid us by Miss Rood, '82, of Eta, who ferreted us out when she came to the city this spring to do some work in music.

We wish you all a most happy summer.

#### PSI CHAPTER—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Grace Neal Dolson, P. G.,	Allegra Eggleston Seelye, '00,
Evelyn Eglinton Andrews, '99,	Helen Winifred Whipple, '00,
Alice Gertrude Brickelmaier, '99,	Edness Chester Lauren, '01,
Frances Helen Hunt, '99,	Josephine Simis, '01,
Ethel Montgomery Andrews, '00,	Bessie Grafton Austin, '02,
Annette Bertrand Harlan Austin, '00,	Caroline Edith Boone, '02,
Julia Andrew Cochran, '00,	Gordon Fernow, '02,
Hester Jenks, '00,	Eliza Dorrance Huestis, '02,
Beulah Genevieve Morgan, '00,	Louise Powelson, '02,
Florence Winger, Sigma.	

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 19; total membership from chapter establishment, 111; number of initiates, 7 Honor: Florence Winger, Scholarship.

*College*:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 119; number of students in collegiate department, 2,034. Men's fraternities: Psi Upsilon, 27; Zeta Psi, 22; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 24; Delta Upsilon, 24; Kappa Alpha, 21; Sigma Phi, 21; Sigma Chi, 15; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 23; Kappa Sigma, 25; Theta Delta Chi, 23; Chi Psi, 25; Chi Phi, 15; Phi Delta Theta, 26; Delta Tau Delta, 24; Phi Kappa Psi, 24; Alpha Delta Phi, 26;



Alpha Tau Omega, 21; Beta Theta Pi, 26; Delta Chi, 17; Phi Gamma Delta, 26; Phi Delta Phi, 11; Phi Sigma Kappa, 21; Delta Phi, 11. Women's fraternities: Kappa Alpha Theta, 16; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 23; Alpha Phi, 22; Delta Gamma, 18.

I hate boasting! I am in fact a very Munchausen on that point. This statement is made so that I may be believed in saying that Psi's home is a most ideal place, at least during the spring. To be sure, we strive to excel in all seasons. Where will you find such gorgeously colored autumn landscapes? Where such icy winter winds and thorough going blizzards? Other places may advertise "just as good," but nothing can approach a genuine Cornell blizzard.

For the last couple of months, however, Psi's lot has certainly been a happy one. Everything must be done out of doors, or not at all. Tennis, walking, wheeling, basket ball, rowing, driving and dancing are the serious business of the hour. Books? Well, everyone knows how quickly dust will gather on them; so, of course, that is no sign that they are not in constant use. Not the least of our pleasures have been visits from Mrs. Kuhns, our first Grand President, who was at dinner and chapter meeting with us, and from some of our Beta Tau sisters, who came over for the Syracuse-Cornell basket ball game.

One of our alumnae, Mabel Stebbins, is visiting in town at present and we hope to see more of our alumnae at the alumnae luncheon which will be held the day before Commencement.

Before taking the plunge into examination week, we turn to look back upon the pleasant vale we have been traversing. We would like to live over again some of those happy moments, but there is no stopping. Father Time, holding the hour glass before our eyes, sternly bids us move on. We turn and face the future with a sort of regretful anticipation. A pleasant vacation to us all.

## BETA BETA—ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY.

*Active Members.*

Harriet Elinor Shaw, '99,	Alice Cary Atwood, '99,
Amy Lulu Lyon, '99,	Catherine Swan Stallman, '99,
Jessie Thatcher Robertson, '99,	Margaret Rebecca Austin, '00,
Mary Blanche Barlow, '01,	Mabel Harlan Benner, '01,
Mary Vilura Conkey, '01,	Mina Louise Freeman, '01,
Harriett De Lance Jackson, '01,	Helen Mavarette Probst, '01,
Minnie Rowland Root, '02,	Chloë Emma Stearns, '02,
Eleanor Courtney Mulry, '02,	Lena Alga Idler, '02,
Eva Elizabeth Conant, '02,	Mabel Carrie Fields, '02,
Ione Alena Jillson Sp..	

*Chapter*.:—Number of active members, 19; total membership since chapter establishment, 137; number of year's initiates, 6. Honors conferred by faculty: Amy Lulu Lyon chosen commencement speaker. Honors conferred by students: Amy L. Lyon editor-in-chief of the *Laurentian*.

*University*.:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 10; number of students in collegiate department, 127; number of women in collegiate department, 30. Men's fraternities; Beta Theta Pi, 24; Alpha Tau Omega, 29. Women's fraternities: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 19; Delta Delta Delta, 10.

Commencement week is nearing, and although with it comes the long looked for vacation, Beta Beta nevertheless views the approach with sadness, as it takes from the chapter five girls who have been true and loyal members, with only the interests of the college and chapter at heart. Beta Beta is justly proud of her seniors; one of whom, Miss Lyon, carries off the highest honors above both the men and the women in her class. She has been chosen first commencement speaker on the merits of highest scholarship and thesis.

Even so early many of our alumnae are here to be present during commencement week, as we were planning to have a reunion. Commencement will be more enjoyable than usual this year, as we expect to have a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa established at that time, and many of the alumni will be present to take part in the ceremony.

Since our last letter to THE KEY we have had the pleasure of a very enjoyable visit from Mrs. Tade Hartsuff-Kuhns, who spent about a week in Canton, the guest of Dr. Heaton. During her stay among other things, the chapter gave a reception for her at



the home of Miss Atwood, '99, and our seniors entertained her at dinner at the Hotel Haven.

A pleasant vacation to all.

#### BETA TAU—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Carrie Allen, '99,  
Mamie A. Bates, '00,  
Edith L. Osborne, '00,  
Grace F. Wight, '00,  
Mabel Youmans, '00,  
Bessie H. Goodale, '01,  
Edna E. Miller, '01,  
Eleanor W. Thayer, '01,  
Elizabeth P. Brown, '02,  
Jennie G. Panken, '02,  
Ella M. Rich, '02,  
Florence Terry, '02,

Eva Bryan, '99,  
Harriett C. Curtiss, '00,  
Frances A. Sager, '00,  
Marion E. Wright, '00,  
Grace M. Church, '01,  
Adelaide E. Jeffers, '01,  
Carrie A. Riker, '01,  
Elizabeth W. Alexander, '02,  
M. Gertrude Gardner, '02,  
Mary Peaslee, '02,  
H. Elizabeth Tanner, '02,  
Ruth C. Vorhees, '02.

*Chapter:*—Number of active members, 24; total membership since chapter establishment, 151; number of year's initiates, 9. Honors: Marie S. Cary, Phi Beta Kappa. During the year Beta Tau has been represented among the officers of the Y. W. C. A. and among several of its committees, has had an officer of the College Settlement and member of its advisory board, also an officer of the Woman's League and member of its advisory board, also a representative on the *Onondagan*, the *Junior Annual* and officers of several of the classes and a member of the woman's basket ball team.

*University:*—Number of faculty, 121; number of students in the university, 1152; number of women in Liberal Arts College, 256. Men's fraternities: Delta Kappa Epsilon, 21; Delta Upsilon, 30; Psi Upsilon, 34; Phi Kappa Psi, 39; Phi Delta Theta, 29; Beta Theta Pi, 26. Women's fraternities: Alpha Phi, 28; Gamma Phi Beta, 36; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 24; Kappa Alpha Theta, 28; Pi Beta Phi, 24; Delta Delta Delta, 25.

Greetings to all of the blue and blue.

Beta Tau is deep in preparation for the yearly examinations that overtake us the last week in May. However, the hope of our annual alumnae banquet, which is to be held May 31, the night examinations are through, helps us on. We are to banquet at our house this year, and have already heard of several out-of-town girls who are to return, so the prospect for our first banquet in our new home seems encouraging.

Carrie Allen and Eva Bryan graduate this year, and also

Eugenia Baker Berwald, Reba Willard and Mary Connell. It is with unusual regret that we see this class go. Three of them have been with us five years and none of the active girls know how it will be without them.

Mabel and Bessie Willard, who have been abroad since '97, have returned and expect to attend the banquet.

It is with unusual pride that we announce to you a new pledging, Annetta Williams of Syracuse. She is just such a girl as you would all be pleased to see wearing our ribbons. "May she live long and prosper!"

Mrs. Hartsuff-Kuhns has just made us a fleeting but very pleasant visit. It delighted us to make the acquaintance of one whose name is so familiar and so dear.

#### BETA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

##### *Active Members.*

Sarah Pleis Miller, '99,  
Anna Bell Sargent, '99,  
Eleanor Ethel Hayes, '01,  
Mary Harrison Howell, '00,

Mary Hibbs Geisler, '02,  
Mary R. Scattergood, '02,  
Adeline H. Jacobs, '02,  
Florence D. Sargent, Sp.

*Chapter:*—Total number of members, 8; total membership from chapter establishment, 46; number of year's initiates, 5.

*University:*—Professors and Instructors, 106 college, 152 other departments. Students, college, 926; total, 2790. Men's fraternities: Phi Kappa Sigma, 42; Delta Phi, 21; Zeta Psi, 30; Delta Psi, 40; Phi Kappa Psi, 27; Phi Delta Theta, 29; Alpha Tau Omega, 14; Phi Gamma Delta, 25; Sigma Chi, 25; Delta Upsilon, 33; Psi Upsilon, 25; Kappa Sigma, 25; Beta Theta Pi, 33; Alpha Chi Rho, 23; Delta Tau Delta, 17; Phi Delta Phi, —; Nu Sigma Nu, 18; Phi Alpha Sigma, 47; Alpha Mu Pi Omega, 46; Delta Sigma Delta, —; Mu Phi Alpha, 24. Women's fraternities: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 8.

To our sisters, greetings.

Again has come the time to write a chapter letter and the last letter for this year. Beta Alpha is not alone in the rush of examinations and the usual flurry of the last few weeks of college.

Since our last letter we have done little that would be of interest to our Kappa sisters. We have renewed the prize of a table at Wood's Holl for the summer. This prize has been offered annually by Beta Alpha for six or seven years and is given to undergraduate students in the courses in Biology.



As the year comes to a close we think of the parting that must come, in spite of our joy at having successfully completed what four years ago we set out to do. The seniors of Beta Alpha have been so busy with final examinations, etc., that they paid little heed to what the other members were doing at the time. On Saturday, May 27, they were invited out for the evening and were delightfully entertained by a series of pleasant surprises and a sumptuous repast at the home of one of the initiates. They brought home many pretty souvenirs and wished more than ever that it could be their fortune to live another year together.

To you all we wish a happy, restful summer and a joyful reunion in the fall.

#### BETA IOTA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

##### *Active Members.*

Mabel Clare Gillespie, '99,	Fanny Bennet Cheyney, '01,
Mary Gertrude Ball, '99,	Elizabeth Dinsmore, '01,
Katharine Pfeiffer, '00,	Grace Blakelee, '01,
Anna Katharine Hines, '00,	J. Ethel Thompson, '01,
Helen Duer Walker, '01.	

*Chapter*.—Number of active members, 9; total membership from chapter establishment, 38; number of year's initiates, 2.

*College*.—Number of faculty, 15; instructors, 25; number of students, 188. Men's fraternities: Kappa Sigma, 9; Delta Upsilon, 15; Phi Kappa Psi, 13. Women's fraternities: Kappa Alpha Theta, 16; Pi Beta Phi, 13; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 9.

"I slept and dreamed that life was beauty, I woke and found that life was duty." As June has again rolled around and we again dolefully say good bye to our seniors, this thought must come to all of us, as well as those who have dreamed through the beauty of college life and now pass on to the serious struggle with the world.

The spring term has been very uneventful and we have been left free to revel in the blossoming trees and flowers. Many happy days have been spent out of doors and many afternoons have been given to golf and tennis. Our complete happiness was marred last week by the departure for Europe of one of our year's initiates, Grace Blakelee. Her journey abroad will occupy about fifteen months.

In April a few of us attended the reception which followed the marriage of Mary A. Hayes, '94, to Fred H. Ganthorp also of '94, and a member of Delta Upsilon.

Now we are looking forward to the excitements of Commencement week and our joy will be at its height when we once more assemble at our dear cottage at Brown's Mills, In the Pines, New Jersey, where we have spent so many jolly days. Beta Iota wishes all Kappas a very happy summer—a forerunner of a successful college year to follow.

#### GAMMA RHO—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

##### *Active Members.*

Gertrude Hastings '01,  
Georgiana Crane, '01,  
Sara Crawford, '02,  
Blanche Beecher, '01,  
Emma Montgomery, Sp.,  
Mary Heydrick, '02,  
Rita McClintock, '02,  
Gertrude Reed, Sp.,

Frances Colter, '01,  
Bertha Miller, '01,  
Ruth Hay, '00,  
Charlotte Heiner, Sp.,  
Margaret Bachelder, '00,  
Anna Corbett, '02,  
Rebecca Frey, '02,  
Iva McCray, '00.

*Chapter*.—Number of active members, 16; total membership from chapter establishment, 64; number of year's initiates, 11. Honors; Ruth Hay, President of the Sophomore Class; Margaret Batchelder, chosen by Junior Class to respond to the Sadler Presentation at Commencement; Georgie Crane, member of the Kaldron board, also Historian for the Sophomore Class.

*College*.—Number of faculty, 14; number of students in the collegiate department, 160; number of women in the collegiate department, 52. Men's fraternities: Phi Kappa Psi, 13; Phi Gamma Delta, 15; Phi Delta Theta, 15; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 14. Women's fraternities: Kappa Alpha Theta, 17; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 16; Alpha Chi Omega, 16.

This term has certainly been a very pleasant one for Gamma Rho. We have no new initiates to report, but we have some very delightful social times to tell you about. Among these, perhaps the most enjoyable have been several Saturday evenings spent at the homes of our town girls, for each girl has devised something in the way of special entertainment for us, and the result has been some very informal, pleasant evenings.

Anna Corbett, who is interested in art, gave us little palettes decorated with our colors, on which were written the names of



popular or college songs. Each girl was then supplied with pencil and paper and instructed to draw an illustration of the song on her card. This was all very well for those who understood drawing, but for those who didn't—well, the result proved that a paper with pencil is not all that is necessary for such an undertaking. One girl was to illustrate the song, "My Gal's a High Born Lady." As it happened, this particular sister does not pretend to be an artist, and her attempts to draw a genuine "High Born Gal" were not successful until a happy thought struck her. Why not change the meaning of the title to make it suit a picture that she *could* draw? No sooner thought than done, and the result was a drawing consisting primarily of a tenement house, labelled, that we might have no difficulty in recognizing it, while at one side was a sketch of the top room. The furniture in it was meagre, consisting in fact of a lonely looking cradle in which was a small child, whose right to the title "gal" was indicated by long curling locks hanging over the sides. When duly explained by the artist afterward we saw the point.

Another evening, Finetta Porter took us on a flying trip through Europe by means of some beautiful illuminated pictures.

Louise Boland entertained us with a progressive peanut party in honor of her friend, Miss Cottrell, one of her classmates at Wellesley.

Not long ago our girls and their men friends spent a most delightful evening with Rita McClintock and Mary Heydrick. Of course, even if we are Kappas, we cannot all expect to be great, so imagine our joy when we found that for one evening we were to represent some of the most famous women of ancient and modern days, while among our friends were to be found celebrated men, such as Henry VIII, Napoleon, McKinley and Dewey. Light and dark fleur-de-lis made beautiful and appropriate decorations.

Now we are beginning to talk about our fraternity banquet, which reminds us that this term, which has been such a happy one for us all, will soon be at an end.

In closing, Gamma Rho sends best wishes for a pleasant vacation to all her sister chapters.

## BETA PROVINCE.

## LAMBDA—BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

*Active Members.*

Celia Rosalind Mallison, '99,	Mary Lincoln Foote, '99,
Bertha Margaret Huston, '99,	Sophia Elvira Sawyer, '99,
Clementina Janes Barber, '00,	Leona Susan Reed, '00,
Anna Lydia Durling, '01,	Maude Herndon, '01,
Ada Vivian Starkweather, '02,	Inez Parshall, '02,
Bessie Rebecca Trowbridge, '02,	Bess McFarlin, Associate.

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 11; total membership from chapter establishment, 133; number of year's initiates, 4.

*College*:—Number of members in faculty, 12; number of students, 92; number of women, 50. Men's fraternities: Lone Star, (local), 11; Zeta Alpha Epsilon, (local), 17. Women's fraternities: Delta Gamma, 12; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 11.

Again Lambda sends greetings to all her sisters in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

As the pleasant days of the spring term swiftly pass, we realize that vacation is almost here. We look forward to it with much pleasure, still we dislike to think of parting even for the summer. At the close of this term Lambda loses four of her senior girls, who will be greatly missed.

Lambda girls have been unusually busy this term and the social part of their life has been as gay as ever. There have been two informal dances given by the students, and the formal is to be Friday evening, June 2. During the spring vacation the Delta Gammas and Kappa Kappa Gammas entertained the two men's fraternities in the gymnasium. Dancing was the feature of amusement. The woman's gymnasium classes gave an entertainment consisting of physical culture, dumb bell and Indian club drills, and Gibson pictures. The women have organized an athletic association and tennis is the game for their spare moments.

Last Saturday was the day for the A. F. G. picnic given by Dr. Kolbe's language classes, but as it rained almost all day our trip to Long Lake was given up and supper was served in the college dining hall, and afterward we danced in the gymnasium.



Our commencement exercises will begin Friday evening, June 17, and close the following Wednesday. The Kappa girls expect to go to Silver Lake for a picnic during commencement week and hope to be accompanied by all the old Kappas who are here attending commencement.

On the morning of April 28 all the Kappas wore the fraternity colors to chapel in honor of our new chapter at the Illinois State University.

Lambda sends best wishes to all Kappas.

#### BETA GAMMA—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Gertrude Vollrath, '00,	Genevieve Billman, '02,
Myrtle Fraser, '00,	Clementine Axtell, '02,
Winifred Axtell, '00,	Laverne Bishop, '02,
Effie Pomeroy, '01,	Edith Maxwell, '02,
Anna Ewing, '01,	Jane Glenn, '02,
Laura Arbaugh, '01,	Bess Johnson, '02,
Frances Langfelt, '01,	Gertrude Morrison, '03,
Bertha Clark, '01,	Ada Dalzell, Sp.,
Mary Moore, '02,	Bess Dalzell, Sp.,
Ada Pennell, '02,	Eleanore Ewing, Sp.,

Edith Johnson, '02.

*Chapter* :—Number of active members, 21 ; total membership since chapter establishment, 161 ; number of year's initiates, 9.

*University* :—Number of faculty, 19 ; number of students, 393 ; number of women, 90. Men's fraternities : Beta Theta Pi, 9 ; Phi Gamma Delta, 11 ; Alpha Tau Omega, 15. Women's fraternities ; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 21 ; Kappa Alpha Theta, 17.

The time for parting again draws near and brings with it the usual feelings of pleasure and regret.

Beta Gamma has had an unusually pleasant spring term full of good times along with the hard work. We were sorry to lose Mary Moore from our number on account of her illness, but we hope to have her with us again next year.

One day this spring our active members and our alumnae, who were especially invited, had a delightful picnic at a park not far from Wooster. It proved to us decidedly what enjoyable times Kappas can have together, and we hope for many more such days.

It is a source of great regret to us that some of our girls will not return to us next year and our happy times are tinged with sadness.

To all her sisters Beta Gamma send wishes for an enjoyable summer, and the hope that this vacation may bring strength and enthusiasm for the work of another year.

#### BETA NU—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Mabel E. Rice, P. G.,	Margaret G. Kauffman, '01,
Lillian S. Huffman, '99,	Henrietta C. Kauffman, '01,
Maud Raymond, '99,	Maybelle Raymond, '01,
Dorothea F. Canfield, '99,	Faith C. Welling, '01,
Elizabeth G. Baldwin, '99,	Mary F. Hunt, '01,
Anna F. Howard, '00,	Helen P. Jones, '02,
Talmadge Rickey, '00,	Caroline C. Hardy, '02,
Eliza D. Barcus, '00.	

*Chapter* :—Number of active members, 15 ; total membership from chapter establishment, — ; number of year's initiates, 2. Honor : Maud Raymond elected historian of the class of '99.

*University* :—Number of faculty in collegiate department, — ; number of students in collegiate department, 1124 ; number of women in collegiate department, 189. Men's fraternities : Phi Gamma Delta, 17 ; Phi Kappa Psi, 15 ; Sigma Chi, 10 ; Chi Phi, 18 ; Phi Delta Theta 14 ; Beta Theta Pi, 17 ; Sigma Nu, 12 ; Alpha Tau Omega, 16 ; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 14 ; Phi Delta Phi, 19 ; Delta Tau Delta, 10 ; Kappa Sigma, 20 ; Theta Nu Epsilon, 21 ; Mu Alpha Phi, 3. Women's fraternities : Kappa Kappa Gamma, 15 ; Kappa Alpha Theta, 18 ; Pi Beta Phi, 18 ; Delta Delta Delta, 11.

Our college year is so near its close and besides the horrible anticipation of final examinations our minds are so filled with the desire of seeing as much as possible of each other before we scatter for the summer, that it is rather a discouraging task to gather up the threads of the last few months for Beta Nu's letter.

On April 28, Beta Nu entertained with a formal dance at The Normandie. The knots of dark and light blue in honor of Beta Lambda shining out with each Kappa key made it seem even more a typical Kappa affair.

May 19 excursions from all over Ohio brought scores of High School students to visit the University, a plan introduced some years ago by President Canfield. This day is always a gala day



in our calendar, and this year we celebrated with a spread on the campus at noon. In the evening Talmadge Rickey entertained at her home with a charming dinner party. At each plate were artistic dinner cards with fitting sentiments which were much appreciated as they were the handiwork of the hostess herself. We had with us on this occasion, two charming girls from Chillicothe, Miss Davenport and Miss Hurst, who were guests of the Kauffman girls.

In the midst of our pleasant college life we are filled with regret at the thought of losing the four dear Kappas who graduate this year. Their vacation as seniors has begun and already we miss them sadly. One of them, Dorothy Canfield, sails in July for a year's study and travel on the continent, and we are selfish enough to feel broken-hearted.

After commencement all the Kappas, old and young will be together for one week at our house party at Faith Welling's country home in Worthington.

Beta Nu extends hearty greetings to all her sister chapters, especially to the new sisters of Beta Lambda.

#### BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

##### *Active Members.*

Nellie McKay, '99,	Helen Dunham, '00,
Isabel Adelaide Ballou, '99,	Margaret Rachel Layton, '00,
Bertha Wright, '99,	Olive Josephine Rouech, '01,
Alice Margaret Thorne, '00,	Anna Merriman Rogers, '01,
Laura Minnie Rinkle, '00,	Katherine Avery, '02,
Lucille Crane Morris, '00,	Estella Elizabeth McKay, '02,
Gertrude Blanche Kennedy, '00,	Mynnie Broad, '02,
Florence Walker, '00,	Edith White Campbell, Sp..

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 16; total membership from chapter establishment, 62; number of year's initiates, 4.

*College*:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 108; number of students, 1,285. Men's fraternities: Chi Psi, 19; Alpha Delta Phi, 28; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 19; Sigma Phi, 20; Zeta Psi, 21; Psi Upsilon, 35; Beta Theta Pi, 21; Phi Kappa Psi, 22; Delta Upsilon, 20; Delta Tau Delta, 10; Phi Delta Theta, 21; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 22; Theta Delta Chi, 16; Sigma Chi, 23; Kappa Sigma, 19; Chi Delta Phi (law), 27; Delta Chi (law), 29; Nu Sigma Nu (medical), 22; Phi Rho Sigma (medical), 22; Pi Beta Phi (medical); Mu Sigma Alpha (medical), 15; Phi Chi (pharmic), 20; Delta Sigma Delta (dental), 30; Xi Psi Phi (dental), 28. Women's

fraternities : Gamma Phi Beta, 22 ; Delta Gamma, 22 ; Sorosis, 23 ; Pi Beta Phi, 19 ; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 16 ; Alpha Phi, 20 ; Kappa Alpha Theta, 15 ; Delta Delta Delta, 16 ; Alpha Epsilon Iota (medical), 13.

May we introduce to you our new Kappa babies ; they are Edith Campbell, of Hanover, New Hampshire, Mynnie Broad, of Ishpeming, Michigan. The initiation and banquet were held in the chapter house, April 12, and we all declared that never had we seen a prettier one.

We have been very fortunate this year in meeting girls from other chapters. Not long ago Miss Ward, of Kappa, who was visiting friends in town, took dinner with us, and later, during May Festival, Miss De Motte, of Epsilon, was a guest at the house.

Of course the May Festival was the chief event after spring vacation. The Boston Festival Orchestra, Brema, Campanari, and Evan Williams were among the attractions.

A new feature, called the inter-sorority race, was introduced into the 'Varsity Field Day recently held at Athletic Field. As the object was to increase the interest of the college girls in athletics, each sorority was represented in the relay race by a contestant who wore a bow of the colors of the sorority assigned to him. The experiment proved a success, for the girls attended in great numbers, and I am sure the failure of our contestant to win could not be attributed to lack of encouragement by our girls.

Florence Walker, '00, has been awarded a prize offered by the Daughters of the American Revolution for an essay on the Revolution. The subject was, "Detroit in the Revolution."

During the Inter-scholastic Meet, held here under the auspices of the University Athletic Association, May 27, we entertained a number of high school girls, and are proud to announce two pledged girls. This will end our rushing for the present year, for the rush of examinations is now upon us.



## XI—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

*Active Members.*

Jennie Gorsuch Gilkey, '99,	Marguerite Knapp, Sp.,
Addie Wellsley Chase, '99,	Emma Harcock, '00,
Florence Mae Wilcox, '00,	Jessie Marie Byers, '02,
Helen Elizabeth Fickes, '00,	Christa Y. Yungling, '02,
Mary Frances Fickes, '00,	Ethel Moorhead, '02,
Harriet Ursula Taylor, '00,	Maude M. Conley, '01.

*Chapter* :—Number of active members, 12; total membership from chapter establishment, 108; number of year's initiates, 4.

*College* :—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 13; number of students in collegiate department, 178. Men's fraternities: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 14; Alpha Tau Omega, 11. Women's fraternities: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 12; Delta Delta Delta, 10.

Xi at the close of another happy and prosperous year sends greeting to all sister chapters. It is with feelings of sorrow that we see the close of the college year approach, for some of our members go from us not to return again next year. Jennie Gilkey and Addie Chase are among the seniors of '99 and their places will be hard to fill. They have both been in our chapter four years and have been faithful members. Helen and Frances Fickes leave us to attend Stanford University, thus making four members who will not be with us next year. But the rest of us will be back with renewed zeal and energy, determined, as much as lieth in us, to win a spotless name for Kappa.

On the evening of April 22, we initiated Maude Conley. The hall was very prettily decorated and the occasion was one to be remembered by us all, for we feel that she will prove a true and loyal sister.

Emma Harcock, who was compelled to leave us in the winter term to travel in the south for her health, has returned much improved and expects to be in school again next year.

Maude Conley has been elected recitationist for the Lambda Phi anniversary, which will take place next December, and Jessie Byers is elected reader for the Star anniversary, which is celebrated in February.

A great many of our alumnae expect to be with us commencement week and we are anticipating a jolly Kappa reunion.

## KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

*Active Members.*

Zoe N. Smith, '99,  
 Emily Sage, '99,  
 Rosa McDougal, '99,  
 Cora Bailey, '99,  
 Rose Langworthy, '99,  
 Julia Turner, '00,  
 Sarah Putnam, '00,

May Gurney, '00,  
 Willa Wood, '00,  
 Myra Walworth, '02,  
 Bertha Wilder, '02,  
 Frances Woodward, '02,  
 Libbie Cilley, '02,  
 Mary Ward, Sp..

*Chapter* :—Number of active members, 14 ; total membership from chapter establishment, 121 ; number of year's initiates, 5. Honors : Cora Bailey, Fellows Prize in American Literature, President of Senior Class.

*College* :—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 21 ; number of students in collegiate department, 200. Men's fraternities : Delta Tau Delta, 12 ; Alpha Tau Omega, 12. Women's fraternities : Pi Beta Phi, 13 ; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 14.

Kappa has been very gay this spring, but as commencement time comes nearer we begin to think of the separation and how very hard it will be to leave all the girls. We have seven seniors this year and several of the other girls will not be back next year, but no matter how widely separated we can always think of our dear Kappa sisters and know they are thinking of us, too.

We have spent some very pleasant evenings with Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. McDonald, besides quiet evenings in each other's rooms.

The first week of senior vacation our girls camped at the lake and we were allowed to spend an afternoon and evening with them, and that was a time long to be remembered.

Just now we are planning a "surprise", a five o'clock tea, for our seven seniors to be given at Mary Ward's the week before commencement.

Zoe Smith will play tennis on Intercollegiate Field Day, to be held at Lansing, June 2 and 3, and of course we are all hoping that she will be victorious.

Very best wishes for a pleasant vacation to all Kappa sisters.



## GAMMA PROVINCE.

## DELTA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

*Active Members.*

Edna Bartlett, '02,	Mary Lyne, '00,
Effie Blount, '00,	Mary Meek, '00,
Harriet Branham, '02,	Gertrude Munhall, '00,
Nancy Cox, '01,	Cora Menaugh, '00,
Eva Dawalt, '01,	Sara Rettger, '99,
Nora Dawalt, '01,	Mabel Ryan, '99,
Antoinette Duncan, '99,	Beryl Showers, '02,
Olive Dailey, '01,	Frances Stevens, '01,
Lillian Gillette, '02,	Grace Triplett, '00,
Mary Kelley, '00,	Vesta Triplett, '02,
Louise Loughry, '00,	Stella Vaughn, '00,
Mattie Lacy, '00,	Ora Wickler, '00,
	Ida Allfree, '03.

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 25; total membership from chapter establishment, 122; number of year's initiates, 7.

*University*:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 56; number of students in collegiate department, 1,049. Men's fraternities: Beta Theta Pi, 11; Phi Delta Theta, 22; Sigma Chi, 13; Phi Kappa Psi, 18; Delta Tau Delta, 17; Phi Gamma Delta, 15; Sigma Nu, 13. Women's fraternities: Kappa Alpha Theta, 25; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 25; Pi Beta Phi, 22; Delta Gamma, 13.

The most delightful term of college is rapidly drawing to a close, and although there is a feeling of satisfaction at the thought of vacation, it cannot be without reluctance that we Kappas say goodbye.

We have three seniors this year, and though we regret parting we congratulate ourselves that we shall have three loyal alumnae members.

It is with sorrow that we speak of the death of our sister, Louise Keefer, who was with us but one year. She was initiated in the autumn of 1897, and in the short time she wore the key she won the love of all her sisters and proved herself worthy of Kappa's honor.

As commencement approaches some of our old girls come back and how glad we are to see them.

On May 19 we had our annual Panthygatric party. Pi Beta Phi entertained us royally. We were a jolly, though a motley crowd, all nations and all tribes being represented.

We are glad to tell you of our new pledge, Ida Allfree, who put on our colors April 20.

We send greeting to all chapters and hope for them all success and happiness.

#### IOTA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Stella W. Hawkins, '99,  
Mary L. Deputy, '99,  
Margaret Guthrie, '99,  
Marion Wood, '00,  
Nellie Landes, '00,  
Lucie Poucher, '00,  
Marie Van Riper, '01,  
Ethel Chaffee, '01,  
Ethel E. Cress, '02,

Lena M. Byrd, '99,  
Ethel P. Campbell, '99,  
Mabel Pavey, '00,  
Gertrude Larimore, '00,  
Matilda Bowman, '00,  
Blanche E. Woody, '01,  
Ione Haworth, '01,  
Lillian Hart, '02,  
Mary Edythe Gipe, '02,

Lottie L. Stoner, '02.

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 19; total membership from chapter establishment, 236; number of year's initiates, 8. Honors: Stella W. Hawkins received Phi Beta Kappa.

*University*:—Number of faculty, 27; number of students in collegiate department, 579. Men's fraternities: Beta Theta Pi, 15; Phi Gamma Delta, 10; Sigma Chi, 13; Phi Kappa Psi, 20; Phi Delta Theta, 20; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 20; Delta Tau Delta, 7; Delta Upsilon, 16; Sigma Nu, 15. Women's fraternities: Kappa Alpha Theta, 29; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 19; Alpha Phi, 12.

The past year has been an enjoyable as well as a prosperous one for Iota. One of our seniors, Stella Hawkins, has ended the year with a Phi Beta Kappa key.

We shall lose five reverend seniors with the coming commencement, but our prospects for a successful spike next fall are better than they have ever been. We are expecting all of the old girls back next year, and hope to make it our banner year in every respect, as it is the twenty-fifth anniversary of our chapter.

We are going to have our reunion June 3, and are expecting a number of our alumnae back.

Not long ago we received a visit from some of our Delta sisters, who came up to attend a baseball game.



In less than a week we shall have departed from our chapter halls, and as we part for the summer one word comes to our thoughts, "Auf wiedersehen."

May the coming vacation bring sweet rest to us all.

#### MU—BUTLER COLLEGE.

##### *Active Members.*

Bess Campbell, '99,	Ethel Cleland, '99,
Edith Keay, '99,	Mary Marsee, '99,
Bertha Mason, '99,	Anne Butler, '00,
Grace Gookin, '00,	Blanche Noel, '00,
Mary Hawkins, '01,	Mabel Craycraft, '01,
Hannah Rodney, '02,	Verna Richie, '02,
	Juliet Brown, Sp.

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 13; total membership from chapter establishment, 106; number of year's initiates, 3. Honors: Bess Campbell, Ethel Cleland, Edith Keay, *Collegian* editors; Mary Marsee, Secretary of Senior class; Bertha Mason, Ethel Cleland, Edith Keay, Mary Marsee, Bess Campbell, *Annual* editors; Edith Keay, Prize Sophomore Essay Contest; Mary Hawkins, Verna Richie, Bess Campbell, Ethel Cleland, Bertha Mason, Founder's Day Play.

*University*:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 22; number of students in collegiate department, 216. Men's fraternities: Phi Delta Theta, 10; Sigma Chi, 4; Delta Tau Delta, 11. Women's fraternities, Kappa Kappa Gamma, 13; Pi Beta Phi, 7.

Mu is very happy to once more send greetings to all her Kappa sisters and it is with added pleasure that these greetings are sped on their way when we think of our new sister group, Beta Lambda, whom we are so glad to welcome into our province of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The dark days, the cold weather, and the grind of the winter term have faded into the past and the spring with its out-door life, its tennis tournaments and field-day sports, has come. Plans are already unfolding for the festivities of commencement week. With commencement comes the separation from friends and the loss to Mu of five strong, active Kappas. The departure of the seniors from the chapter life is always a matter of regret but it should be still more a matter of hope and pride. The influence of five strong members of Kappa Kappa Gamma is not transitory. We hope to feel their sympathy and interest for many months to come, and it is with high hopes and

proud hearts that we shall watch their progress when beyond the walls of their Alma Mater.

A short time ago we entertained our friends informally at a marsh-mallow bake out in the woods not far from the college. On the nineteenth of May, Bona Thompson, '97, entertained the Kappas at her home in Irvington. The house was artistically decorated with fleur-de-lis and light and dark blue ribbons. We spent a most delightful evening.

We feel that the fraternity is coming to mean more and more to each member of the chapter and we hate to be obliged to say farewell to each other and to all of you. Hoping to extend the grip to many of you during the vacation months we send our very best wishes for a happy summer.

#### ETA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

##### *Active Members.*

Ferne Ryan, '99,	Therese Waters, '00,
Myrtle Adams '00,	Winifred Titus, '00,
Jenny Ogilvie, '00,	Marion Fuller, '01,
Mabel Fletcher, '00,	Mary Peckham, '02,
Helen Warriner, '00,	Helen Thompson, '02,
Grace Challoner, '00,	Olive Runner, '02,
Eliza Bartlett, '01,	Carrie Holah, '02.

*Chapter*.—Number of active members, 14; total membership from chapter establishment, 140; number of year's initiates, 6. Honors: Helen Warriner, member of *Badger* board; Ferne Ryan, in class play.

*University*.—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 83; number of students in collegiate department, 887. Men's fraternities: Phi Delta Theta, 29; Beta Theta Pi, 31; Phi Kappa Psi, 22; Chi Psi, 22; Sigma Chi, 18; Delta Upsilon, 22; Delta Tau Delta, 24; Phi Gamma Delta, 26; Theta Delta Chi, 26; Psi Upsilon, 29; Kappa Sigma, 15; Phi Delta Phi, 30; Theta Nu Epsilon, 5. Women's fraternities: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 14; Delta Gamma, 24; Gamma Phi Beta, 18; Kappa Alpha Theta, 20; Pi Beta Phi, 19; Alpha Phi, 20; Delta Delta Delta, 15.

At the close of a very successful college year Eta sends greetings to all in the bonds of Kappa Kappa Gamma! We have been exceedingly busy this semester. For several weeks we have been planning about our chapter house for next year and we have now taken a beautiful house on the lake shore. The coming year, therefore, promises to be unusually happy and successful.



Our alumnae have been so much to us during the year that we are constantly reminded of the interest and love which is sure to live with us and influence us, as it does them, in the years to come.

We have been trying to do something about rushing this semester. Some time ago a meeting of all the fraternity girls in the university was called and the rushing question was thoroughly discussed. All agreed that it was a decided evil and that something ought to be done; so, later, at their own meetings, each fraternity chose its own representatives from the active chapter and also one alumna representative, altogether composing a committee who were to bring some definite plan of action before the fraternities. As yet, no agreement has been made, but we sincerely hope that in some way rushing may be made more dignified and more in accordance with the ideals of Kappa.

Since our last letter Eta has initiated two of her pledged girls, Carrie Holah and Olive Runner. We had a beautiful and impressive initiation and now feel that we "are one in the bonds of Kappa".

May 26 we gave our annual party. Besides several guests from out of town, we had with us two of our old girls, Flora Mansfield and Fay Parkinson, and it was so delightful to have them back.

We are planning for our banquet June 19. The freshmen, especially, are looking forward to this, as it will be an entirely new experience and will mean a great deal to them.

Eta wishes for all her sisters the very happiest summer possible and for herself, as well as her sister chapters, renewed efforts to live up to the ideals of Kappa.

#### BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Kappa's infant, Beta Lambda, sends her first greetings to her sisters, and at least one wishes that a more efficient member might send the initial communication to THE KEY.

On April 29 Beta Lambda was introduced to the public by two receptions given by Mrs. Fay, at which time we, as members of Kappa Kappa Gamma, met members of the other fraternities and the university faculty. We had with us at the time Miss Sargent,

Grand Secretary; Mrs. A. F. Fay and Mrs. Frank Smith, resident Kappas; and thirteen sisters from Epsilon chapter. Fortune favored us in gaining the consent of Mesdames S. W. Shattuck, B. F. Harris, Jr., A. H. Daniels, Fred Rugg and Miss Shattuck to act as our patronesses.

Our charter members were five, Adele C. Reed, Georgetta Haven, Cecilia McConnell, Lucy B. Ely Willcox and Florence M. Beck.

Though our existence has been short it has been an active one, and a month after the date of our debut we had our third initiation, so that in addition to the charter members we claim Elizabeth Montross, Florence M. Smith, Emma M. Rhoads, Maude W. Straight and Delia C. Sanford. With Miss Sharp and Miss Frances Simpson, alumnae of Upsilon, we are closing the year with twelve earnest workers. We very much regret the prospective loss of three seniors and one junior the coming year.

Among the pleasant thoughts of the first month of our life will be that of our reception by other fraternities who showed us a cordial welcome by notes and gifts of flowers.

We are looking forward with expectancy to next Monday night when we are to be entertained by Miss Sharp, former Grand President of Kappa Kappa Gamma, who will talk to us upon the obligations and pleasures of Kappadom.

#### UPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Upsilon sends hearty greetings to all in the bonds of Kappa and proudly introduces to you two new sisters, Dorothy Cushman and Vinnie Northey, of Waterloo, Iowa. Although as yet new to fraternity life they have entered into it with true Kappa spirit.

Our annual party was especially enjoyable this year, being in a measure a reunion. Besides many of our town alumnae, Lorena Sheppard of Oskaloosa and Louise Taylor of Geneseo were with us. Eleanor Mitchell of Chi and Helen Palmer of Eta, both of whom are studying in Chicago, were here also. It was such a pleasure to have them with us and to feel how closely Kappa ties bind us one to the other.

The college year has been one of pleasure and profit to us all, but we regret that we shall lose one of our number. Theodora



Irvine, who has been teaching in the Cumnock School of Oratory, will not return in the autumn. All who know her can appreciate how we shall miss her.

Upsilon sends to you all best wishes for a happy summer.

#### EPSILON—ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Nellie Parritt, '97,  
Clara De Motte, '97,  
Leona Miller, '98,  
Florence Parritt, '99,  
Margaret Cole, '00,  
Virginia Sinclair, '00,  
Alma Hamilton, '00,

Letta Brock, '00,  
Mary Tullis, '01,  
Flora Jones, '01,  
Bessye Welty, '01,  
Lillian Arnold, '02,  
Anita Lundy, '02,  
Mary Probasco, '02.

*Chapter*.—Number of active members, 14; total membership from chapter establishment, 162; number of year's initiates, 3. Honors: Florence Parritt, *Argus* staff, and class president.

*University*.—Number of faculty, 14; number of students in College of Letters and Arts, 300; number of women, 65. Men's fraternities: Phi Gamma Delta, 12; Sigma Chi, 13. Women's fraternity: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 14.

In the chorus of greetings may Epsilon add her voice? Her pleasures since the departure of her last news letter have been many; could we but send you a composite photograph of the chapter you would see a face wreathed in smiles; and could we lend it a voice, it would doubtless say with Browning, "O, the wild joys of living!"—in the bonds of Kappa.

When we sent our last letter we were looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to the debate between the Iowa Wesleyan and our University, and we still think of it with joy, both because our boys were victorious, and on account of the reception given by Bessye Welty to the debaters and to her Kappa sisters.

But the chief pleasure of the entire year came on April 28, when thirteen Kappas left Bloomington for Urbana, the home of the University of Illinois. There we welcomed Beta Lambda chapter into our ranks, and with joy saw the blue and blue carried into a university so near us. We were more than charmed with our new sisters, and feel that under their leadership Beta Lambda will become one of our strongest chapters. The social

affairs given to introduce the new chapter were delightful, and on the whole our little visit was one long to be remembered. The informal spread which was given by us at the home of Mary Tuthill in Normal, was a great success.

Clara DeMotte entertained the Kappas and their friends recently at her home. It was one of the largest gatherings of the year. We were also entertained by Letta Brock at a thimble party. And now every girl is consulting the weather, and wondering what kind of a shower the coming clouds predict, for one of our active girls, Louella Van Leer, leaves us the first of June. We are all trying to drown our sorrow and loss in the pleasures of "bridal showers," and in the thought that she is to marry in the family, as her husband, Mr. Jones, is a brother of one of our active members.

We are thinking of commencement and vacation, and hoping that 1900 will be as happy and prosperous a year for Epsilon, as 1899 has been. We will lose only one girl in this year's class, and as she lives in Bloomington, we hope to have her with us still.

The time passes swiftly, and soon we will be starting a new year of work, and until then the best wishes of Epsilon are extended to all the sisterhood.

### DELTA PROVINCE.

#### CHI—MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Chi sends her heartiest greetings to her sister chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Since the last issue of *THE KEY*, this chapter has seen some few changes, but there have been the usual lines of work and pleasure.

Our seniors have been the busiest of all of us and we have not seen half that we wanted to of Alice Craig, Georgena Kennedy and Bessie Williams. But they will soon receive their skeepskins and leave the active chapter and we hope to see them often.

Examinations and the class play are over and after the promenade and commencement are past we shall begin to realize that another college year has gone.

As vacation draws nigh our Kappas who have been away come



home again. We shall be glad to have May Merrill back, as she was pledged to Chi, but was not here to be initiated. She has told us much about Beta Epsilon, with whom she passed a happy year, learning to know how much Kappa means.

We are anxious to have the next college year come so that we may introduce to you the ten lovely girls whom we have pledged.

We are planning to have monthly meetings during the summer and we know that after the long vacation we shall be ready to take up our work again with enthusiasm.

#### BETA ZETA—IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Milfred Myers, '99,	Maud Kingsbury, '01,
Winnifred MacFarland, '99,	Anna Barrett, '01,
Helen Clapp, '99,	Helen Morton, '02,
Edith Macumber, '00,	Jean Macbride, '02,
Kathryn Way, '00,	Sadie Hess, '02,
Edna Sprague, '00,	Anna Close, '02,
Kate Close, '01,	Alice McGee, Sp.,
Carrie Tulloss, '01,	Ethel Chesterman, Sp.,

Bertha Prescott, Sp.

*Chapter*.:—Number of active members, 15; total membership from chapter establishment, 102; number of year's initiates, 7. Honors: Bertha Blum, Phi Beta Kappa.

*University*.:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 48; number of students in collegiate department, 698; number of women in collegiate department, 197. Men's fraternities: Beta Theta Pi, 17; Phi Kappa Psi, 17; Delta Tau Delta, 14; Phi Delta Theta, 22; Sigma Nu, 19. Women's fraternities: Pi Beta Phi, 13; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 17; Delta Gamma, 13.

Greeting from Beta Zeta to all the chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Beta Zeta was saddened at the beginning of the term by the deaths of relatives of several of the girls; most of all by the death, in Iowa City, of Helen Carder's mother. We gave Helen our deepest measure of love and sympathy, and admire her in her new task of home-making.

We cannot but be sad now at the close of our school year, when we remember how many girls are not coming back. We have four seniors who will be missed more than we can realize now: Milfred Myers, Helen Clapp, Bertha Blum and Winnifred

MacFarland. Two of our new girls, too, Ethel Chesterman and Bertha Prescott, will probably not return next year, so that we try to be together in these last days as much as possible.

We had a spread for the senior girls on the twenty-sixth, a sort of farewell on the eve of commencement week. Our pleasant rooms in the fraternity house were hung with the colors, the long table was prettily decorated with roses and carnations and the place cards were blue fleur-de-lis tied with ribbon. Several of our alumni were present. After the spread we had toasts and a short response from each of the seniors; then, when tears were near the surface, for fear we should be too serious, we adjourned to the fraternity room and sang Kappa songs until we were happy again.

Examinations are almost over and there is but one week, filled with commencement gaiety, left. Part of us have planned to meet during the summer, and we are already thinking of next year's work. We have decided not to have a fraternity house next year, but hope our new plan will work quite as well,

We send best wishes to all our Kappa sisters for a happy vacation time.

#### THETA—MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY.

##### *Active Members.*

Ida Elizabeth Howard, '99,  
Emily Guitar, '00,  
Mabel Phelps, '00,  
Vassie Ballard, '01,  
Irene Elise Blair, '01,

Laura Dashiell, '02,  
Ethel Ardella Dockery, '02,  
Grace McCarthy, '02,  
Stransie McCoslin, '02,  
Edith May Vaughn, '02.

*Chapter*.:—Number of active members, 10; total membership since chapter establishment, 45; number of year's initiates, 7.

*University*.:—Number of faculty in collegiate department, 60; number of students in collegiate department, 815; number of women, 164. Men's fraternities: Phi Delta Theta, 23; Beta Theta Pi, 17; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 19; Sigma Nu, 17; Kappa Alpha, 13; Phi Delta Phi, 18; Theta Nu Epsilon, 17; Sigma Chi, 18; Kappa Sigma, 14. Women's fraternities: Pi Beta Phi, 7.

Theta is looking forward with a great deal of happy anticipation to the joys of commencement time. Two of her old girls, Mary Bassett Potter and Ida Dobyns, are expected daily and numerous festivities have been planned for their entertainment.



Nor has she been idle in the past three months. Two events of momentous importance have disturbed the even tenor of her way. One, the placing of the golden key on another loyal sister, Ellen Ardella Dockery, the other the marriage of Gertrude Broadhead to Mr. T. F. Conley, a member of Phi Delta Theta. Theta, feeling the deepest responsibility in the matter, attended in a body.

One can scarcely realize that the events of the year are now things of the past; that the gates of time are fast closing upon this period with its experiences, both sweet and bitter. After all commencement is a rather sorrowful time, for soon the little band that has so earnestly labored together for weal or woe will disperse, but though the bonds that bind them must expand, they will not on that account lose any of their former strength. Then, too, this is particularly a time for serious contemplation on Theta's part, for one chapter of her history has been closed forever. The word *finis* has been written beneath her undisputed reign over the entire field of Missouri's eligible girls. On the twenty-eighth of May a new force armed with seven Pi Beta Phi arrows appeared upon the scene, and henceforth Theta's conquests will not be so easy, while duties and obligations will be multiplied. The key must guard more carefully than ever the trust reposed in her against the sharp points of the tiny arrow. That we wish the new fraternity all success it is needless to say, and, despite the pleasant rivalry established between us, we feel sure that she will prosper.

## SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

*Active Members.*

Mrs. Emma P. Wilson, P. G.,	Margaret Winger, '01,
Grace Broady, '99,	Nellie La Selle, '01,
Ellen Gere, '99,	Edna Wetzell, '01,
Dora Harley, '99,	Mabel Richards, '01,
Clara Hammond, '00,	Mabel Hayes, '02,
Addie Whiting, '00,	Blanche Hargreaves, '02,
Nelle Holdbrook, '01,	Margaret Whedon, sp.,
Emma Outcalt, '01,	Laura Houtz,

Ella Raymond.

*Chapter*:—Number of active members, 17; total membership since chapter establishment, 80; number of year's initiates, 1. Honors: Clara Hammond, assistant editor *Junior Annual* Board; Adelloy Whiting, member of Junior Promenade Committee, associate editor of *Nebraskan*; Clara

Hammond, chosen to represent Kappa Kappa Gamma in the awarding of medals at the competitive drill.

*University*.:—Number in faculty in collegiate department, 175; number of students in collegiate department, 1400; number of women in collegiate department, 500 Men's fraternities: Phi Delta Theta, 16; Sigma Chi, 16; Beta Theta Pi, 18; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 17; Delta Tau Delta, 19; Phi Kappa Psi, 24; Alpha Theta Chi, 18; Kappa Sigma, 16; Alpha Omega Omicron, 18; Phi Gamma Delta, 12; Delta Upsilon, 18. Women's fraternities: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 16; Delta Gamma, 17; Delta Delta Delta, 12; Pi Beta Phi, 16; Kappa Alpha Theta, 17.

It is May 25—the last day of work for the college year. A week of examinations, then commencement, and all is over. Those weeks will go so swiftly and yet how much will be crowded into them. To think that it will be mid-summer before this word of greeting reaches our sister chapters!

Sigma was made to rejoice this morning in a new joy when the announcements of elections to the honor societies were made. We are proud of our chapter record in Phi Beta Kappa, but who had dreamed of Sigma Xi? "Members shall be chosen from those who by actual work have exhibited an aptitude for scientific investigation." What an array of *men* that represents, to be sure! There have been just two women in the Nebraska chapter, so you may imagine our delight when we heard the announcement of the election of Mariel C. Gere, '95, at present Fellow in Chemistry. The only girl on the list, too.

This year we lose three girls by graduation—Grace Broady, Ellen Gere and Dora Harley. As they are all Lincoln girls, however, we shall still have them in the ranks of the resident alumnae. Margaret I. Winger, '01, has left Lincoln permanently, but we anticipate that at the opening of the next college year the rest of the active girls of this year will be together.

On May 19 we celebrated the chapter's fifteenth birthday at the home of the Misses Whedon. With the anniversary came the annual storm which we have come to regard as Nature's attempt to assist at the celebration. In spite of thunder, lightning and rain we assembled—a jolly crowd. Many of the older girls were with us, several came from out of town, and numerous letters from those unable to be present made us feel that Sigma's girls, from the charter members to the newest initiate, are loyal to the fraternity.

In these last days a delightful gathering of fraternity women



was made possible by Mrs. E. H. Barbour, wife of our geology professor, who entertained the active members of the five women's fraternities at an afternoon musicale. The numbers were furnished by representatives from each fraternity, May Colson and Eleanor Raymond being chosen from Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Lincoln has long been popular for political conventions, and fraternities seem, also, to be discovering its possibilities. Kappa's convention last summer was followed by the province meeting of Delta Delta Delta. During April Phi Kappa Psi held a district convention here, and the latest news is that the 1901 national convention of Delta Gamma is to be held in Lincoln. May it bring to Kappa of Delta Gamma as much true enjoyment and fraternity inspiration as ours of 1898 brought to Sigma of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Since the letter to *THE KEY* was sent from Sigma so many pleasant things have happened that a postscript seems necessary. At the Commencement Concert of the School of Music, Eleanor Amelia Raymond was awarded the gold medal for the greatest improvement in vocal music during the past year. At commencement Mariel Gere received the Master's degree. The chapter has been happy on seeing once more Naamah E. Lowe of Monroe, Michigan, who was in the university two years ago. A picnic in her honor during commencement week brought Kappas old and new together once more. But the best is the last. News has just been received from Barbara Bush of Superior, whom we asked to join us more than a year ago, that she can now wear our pledge pin. We can hardly wait to welcome her among us in the fall.

#### PI—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

##### *Active Members.*

Eleanor Vanderbilt Bennet, '96,	Georgiana Caroline Carden, '01,
Mary Elizabeth Bell, '98,	Ethel Beaver Catton, '01,
Grace Esther Dibble, '98,	Annie Marie Jennings, '01,
Edith Valerie Henrici, '98,	Ella Viola Pattiani, '01,
Florence May Jones, '98,	Eva Powell, '01,
Cornelia McKinne, '98,	Mary Isabel Stockton, '01,
Alice Stuart Rising, '99,	Emma Elizabeth Moffat, '02,
Ethelynd Harriett McClymonds, '99,	Helen Powell, '02,
Alice Humphreys, '00,	Annabel Elise Wenzelburger, '02,
Mabel Frances Ruch, '00,	Marion Ramon Wilson, '02.

*Chapter* :—Number of active members, 20 ; total membership from chapter establishment, 32 ; number of year's initiates, 4, Honors : Mary Bell, editor University of California *Magazine* and president of Art Association ; Alice Humphrey, editorial staff of '00 *Annual* ; Cornelia McKinne, president of Senior Class.

*University* :—Number of faculty, 178 ; number of students, 2,255 ; number of women students, 825. Men's fraternities : Zeta Psi, 8 ; Chi Phi, 8 ; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 21 ; Beta Theta Pi, 19 ; Phi Delta Theta, 19 ; Sigma Chi, 4 ; Phi Gamma Delta, 14 ; Sigma Nu, 14 ; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 18 ; Chi Psi, 8 ; Kappa Alpha, 14 ; Delta Upsilon, 25 ; Delta Tau Delta, 16 ; Phi Kappa Psi, 15. Women's fraternities : Kappa Alpha Theta, 21 ; Gamma Phi Beta, 22 ; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 20.

Pi's life has been so busy for the last few months that her representative scarcely knows where to begin to tell you about it.

A dramatic wave seems to have swept over Berkeley this spring. It has become quite a custom of the University for some of the students to present each year one of the classic English comedies. This year the "Good-Natured Man" was performed in a most creditable manner, with suitable scenery and costumes. Then the "Mask and Gown", a new dramatic club for men and women, gave three short farces in one evening, in which one of Pi's girls, Alice Humphreys, took part. In April the men's interfraternity dramatic club, the "Skull and Keys", gave their annual farce, written this year by one of their own members, and a clever presentation of college life, and one evening a farce, which we thought the best of all, was given by Pi's freshmen before the rest of the chapter.

Berkeley has been very successful this spring in her contests with Stanford, winning the baseball, field day, and intercollegiate debate, to say nothing of the Stanford "axe."

President Harper, of Chicago, visited Berkeley in March, and gave two addresses at the time of our Charter Day celebration, both of which were crowded although they took place during the severest rain storm of the winter.

We have entertained this term with our usual days-at-home, a most successful afternoon card party, and several informal evening affairs. We subsided for the first two weeks of May to struggle with "exes", papers, and theses, but emerged in time to enjoy commencement week, with its ball, class day, alumni banquet, and President's reception. On commencement day two



of Pi's girls took the Bachelor's degree, Ethel McClymonds and Alice Rising, and Honor Burnet took her Master's degree in English Philology.

Our alumnae have organized and entertained the active chapter most delightfully in commencement week.

Blanche Terrill has returned after spending a winter in Boston, and has announced her engagement to William Durbrow, '99, of Phi Gamma Delta. She tells us many interesting things about our eastern sisters, to all of whom, especially our new sisters of Beta Lambda, Pi sends most cordial greetings.

BETA ETA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

College has closed and all of Beta Eta's girls, excepting three or four, have left for home. Next week we close "The Owl" for the long summer vacation. Commencement week, with its round of gayety, passed all too quickly, and now we can look back upon a week of receptions, parties, promenade concerts, senior farces, and everything else connected with the last week of the year. One of the pleasantest features of the week was our annual banquet. This has always been a custom of Beta Eta's, but for the past two years the undergraduates have made it more of a feature in one way by giving it in honor of the seniors. Sarah Cory and Louise Dyer were both graduated,—the latter, however, will take her A.M. here next year in Physiology. Next semester, when we return, the new Library and Assembly Hall will be completed, and the new chapel and memorial arch will be well started.

And now comes the grandest climax! Beta Eta is to have a house of her own next year. It will be built this summer and will be ready for us next fall, so we who are here now are busier than we have been all during the year.

We send best wishes for a happy summer vacation to all.

### *College and Fraternity Notes.*

Dr. Isabel Maddison, of Bryn Mawr College, has published through the Macmillan Company "A Handbook of British, Continental and Canadian Universities, with Special Mention of the Courses Open to Women." This little book has been compiled for the Graduate Club of Bryn Mawr College and will be useful not only to women students who expect to study abroad, for whom it was especially intended, but also to men who expect to take their degrees at foreign institutions. The information given has been obtained from the authorities of the different institutions or from the calendars and other official publications. The arrangement of the work is alphabetical by countries and then by universities within the countries. Under each such heading is given a condensed statement of the government and support of the universities; requirements for admission and degrees; the extent to which women are admitted on equal footing with men; the number of women in attendance at each university in 1898-99; term calendars and fees, together with lists of the principal professors and lecturers in the various departments of study.

The compiler states that in preparing this new edition "it was found that practically all European universities and colleges were open to women." The history of the entry of women into the universities is especially interesting in some of the countries. In Austria since 1878 by the express sanction of the Minister of Education in each case women have been admitted as hearers. Since 1897 any native Austrian woman over eighteen years of age is admitted as a regular hearer to the philosophical faculty of an Austrian university. Belgium has admitted women to the universities of Brussels, Ghent and Liege since 1883, but the Catholic University at Louvain does not admit women. In Canada most of the colleges are affiliated under central universities, and the courses and degrees are in general open to women. Over two hundred women are now studying in Finland's one university, Helsingfors, but it is feared that Russia will take away that privilege in conformity with her practice at home. Denmark has admitted women on the same conditions as men since 1875.



Nearly all the courses in all the faculties and schools under the University of France have since 1896 been open, free of charge, to persons of either sex as hearers. To matriculate and become candidates for degrees a French secondary school diploma or its equivalent from a foreign college must be presented.

Women are, as a rule, admitted only as hearers to courses in the philosophical faculties of the German universities. The degree of Doctor of Philosophy has been granted to women by the universities of Berlin, Freiburg, Göttingen, Heidelberg and Tübingen, and at these universities they have a certain recognized position as hearers, although they are not allowed to matriculate. At most of the Prussian universities properly qualified women are permitted to attend courses in the philosophical faculty if they obtain permission of the rector of the university and of the individual professors whose courses they desire to hear. They have, however, no rights, and are not counted as students.

In Great Britain women students who reside in Girton and Newnham colleges, at Cambridge, are admitted to nearly all the university lectures, to most of the laboratories and museums, and by special permission to the university library. In May, 1897, the Senate of Cambridge rejected by a vote of 1,707, to 661 the proposition to admit women to the B.A. and M.A. degrees. The University of London—an examining body—opened all degrees, honors and prizes to students of both sexes on equal terms in 1878. The degrees of Victoria University, at Manchester (also an examining body), are likewise open to women. Oxford University does not admit women to matriculation or graduation, but allows them to enter the examinations for the degrees in arts and music, and issues certificates to successful candidates. The status of women in the University of Wales differs in no respect from that of men. The same is true of the Royal University of Ireland, but Trinity College, Dublin, grants no degrees to women. Women are in every case admitted to the degrees in arts, science and medicine in the four Scottish universities, and at Aberdeen to degrees in law.

The University of Athens was opened to women in 1895. The courses, degrees, laboratories and libraries at the Italian universities and scientific schools are all open to women on the same conditions as to men. In the Netherlands no distinction is made

between women and men, women being allowed to matriculate and to take degrees on exactly the same conditions as men. Norway opened the doors of her university at Christiania in 1884, while in Sweden a royal decree was issued in 1870 giving to women the right to become regular students and take degrees in the medical faculties of her two State universities, and in 1873 this right was extended to the faculties of philosophy and law. In Switzerland the University of Zurich was opened to women in 1872, Berne in 1874, and Basle and Lausanne in 1890. Geneva and Neuchatel are also open to women equally with men.—*New York Tribune*.

Delta Upsilon has a generous member who has offered \$1,000 toward a general fraternity fund on condition that \$3,000 additional be raised among the fraternity members. This money is to be invested, and its income used toward the support of the fraternity.

A book entitled *The Encyclopedia of Fraternities*, has been recently issued by the Hamilton Printing Co. of Paterson, N. J., and is compiled by Albert C. Stevens, an alumnus of the University of Michigan. Nearly six hundred societies are considered, and thirty-six pages are given over to college fraternities, which "antedate all other existing secret societies in America, except the fraternity of Freemasons."

The fraternity world at the University of Arkansas has been shaken up recently by a petition to the State legislature asking the abolishment and prohibition of fraternities there. The junketing committee sent regularly by the legislature to inquire into the condition and needs of the university, was assigned the special duty of investigating the fraternity question. The report of this committee was to the effect that "Besides the five fraternities in the university of an aggregate membership of 75 men, there was a counter organization comprising between 80 and 100 students formed to oppose the fraternities, and that a generous rivalry exists between these factions, but no such condition as is not within control of the faculty and board of trustees."—*Western College Magazine*.

Delta Tau Delta will convene at Chicago, August 23 to 25; Phi Gamma Delta at Dayton, Ohio, October 19-21; Kappa Alpha Theta at Indianapolis the first week in September; Beta Theta Pi at Niagara Falls, July 28-August 1, 1899.



### *Editorial.*

The summer is necessarily a season of inactivity in college affairs. But that is no reason why fraternity members should not give a little thought to the work of the fall and make a serious effort to obtain some information about the women who are to enter college in the autumn. It is wise to know something beforehand about the scholarship, antecedents, and characteristics of those who will be available for the fraternities next year. Scholarship is the least important of these qualities, for a chapter is able to demand creditable scholarship from its members. Yet this item ought always to enter into the general consideration of a candidate.

Plans for rushing may also be matured in the summer. Plenty of ideas will suggest themselves upon reflection, and will do better service than the hastily constructed schemes of the busy fall term. A well planned campaign is a long step toward victory.

In most cases it will happen that chapters will have freshmen recommended to them by alumnae from their own and other chapters. Much inquiry has brought out the fact that several cases of alumnae disaffection have sprung from the neglect of chapters to pay the slightest attention to their recommendations. In a couple of cases not one member of the chapter called upon a girl who had been warmly advocated by a loyal alumna. The result was that the alumna felt that the chapter had lost its interest in her, and she reacted by at once losing her interest in the fraternity. This year we hope will see a better order of things.

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With each July KEY the question of honors comes up anew. The lists of honors sent in by the different chapters are always so varied as to become bewildering. One chapter, perhaps, announces that a member has "been placed upon the committee for a freshman spread", while another declares that "Kappa Kappa Gamma has the presidency of an organization which is to discuss the formation of a literary society."

Such honors, as the small girl said, "are no biterion to crow by"—they may mean much or they may mean little. It is impossible to determine how much value they have in the develop-

ment of a chapter. While not exactly a test of virtue, in one college they may at least confer the distinction of some popularity, while in another they may be only the result of ingenuity in the rolling of logs, the laying of pipes and the pulling of wires.

The customs of different colleges in regard to giving women office in their class organizations also plays a part in determining the number of such honors that may be conferred upon any one chapter.

In respect to the other honors which are usually mentioned—commencement appointments and election to Sigma Xi or Phi Beta Kappa—these, too, although in a lesser degree, are influenced by the conditions of the institution. In a small college it may be an unwritten law that one or two women whose theses show unusual merit shall be appointed to the commencement stage; in a university, commencement speaking by graduates may have been abolished and theses of equal merit will pass without public recognition.

The number of students in the literary courses in some cases conditions the election to Phi Beta Kappa. In the chapter constitution published by the Secretary of its United Chapters one finds that "the selection from each graduate class shall not exceed one-fourth of the number graduated. But the chapters may make further limitations." Some chapters have done so and have definitely limited the number to be elected. In such cases the numbers of the small graduating class from a smaller institution have a much better chance of election than those from the large senior class of one of the great universities.

This review of conditions is given to explain in a measure why some of the chapters who are known to stand well in their respective colleges apparently have won no honors, while other chapters have sent in long lists of distinctions conferred. These facts should be kept in mind in trying to form a just idea of the different chapters.

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It is always a pleasure to welcome new members to the fraternity, and to share with others the joy of companionship in Kappa Kappa Gamma. This is especially true when a new chapter is added to our roll and a new interest, as well as new members, comes into our fraternity life.



We have every reason to be happy when we can add to our number, under the auspices of some of our most honored alumnae, a thoroughly organized band of young women, at an institution of high standing, offering every opportunity for growth and having women students enough to support a chapter of which we may all be proud. These are the conditions which exist at the University of Illinois, and these are the blessings which have fallen to us with Beta Lambda. May she enjoy them for many years, and find every year in the fraternity happier than the one before it.

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Some additions to the catalogue will be found at the back of this number of the magazine. Will the Corresponding Secretaries please see that the leaves are given to every alumna who has purchased a catalogue, but is not on THE KEY's subscription list?

### *Exchanges.*

The fraternity magazines are much more under the sway of the seasons than the ordinary periodical appears to be. Through the autumn and winter they fairly bristle with ideas and plans for study and amusement, but the late spring numbers fall prey to the warm weather, the lassitude of summer is in their pages, and one feels the thermometer rise and hears the droning of the bees.

In such a state of affairs it is refreshing to see the energy which has been put forth in the admirable number of the *Kappa Alpha Theta* for May, which has just been issued. This is a special number, given up to a general history of the fraternity and its chapters. The magazine is much larger than usual; it has again changed its cover, this time with decided gain from an aesthetic point of view, and it adds to its other virtues the grace of being interesting reading to those outside of Theta.

Although the number is supposed to be sent to every chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, some of the members may have failed to see it, and for them the most interesting bit of Theta's history is quoted:—

"In June of 1867 the trustees of Asbury College, now De Pauw University, decided to admit in the following September, for the regular course of instruction and on equal terms with the young men, such young ladies as should present themselves at that time. Accordingly, four young ladies ventured to do this heretofore unheard of thing, presented themselves to the entrance committee, and were enrolled as regular students in the college. To be sure, there was much talk and adverse criticism at the time, both among the students and outside people, and the young gentlemen might have made it a hard road to learning for these girls had their admiration and support not been won by such evident perseverance, earnestness and independence, together with mental ability, as made the young men look to their laurels in all their college work.

Fraternities were a prominent feature of the college life at this time, there being some six or seven among the young men. For a new cause, however, rivalry now sprang up among these Greeks, each fraternity wishing these four young girls to be identified as its supporters by openly wearing its pin. One of the girls, Bettie Locke, being of a very independent nature, refused



various requests of this nature, saying that she preferred not to wear a pin, unless she could also be regularly initiated into the fraternity. One of them even went so far as to bring this matter up for consideration, but deciding that they could not constitutionally initiate her, they offered instead to present her with a handsome pin, if she would consent to wear it. Miss Locke refused, however, and in talking it over with her father, Dr. J. W. Locke, he jokingly asked her why she did not organize a fraternity of her own. This suggestion was the seed which, planted in Miss Locke's fertile and energetic brain, germinated and grew into Kappa Alpha Theta."

Delta Gamma held its eleventh biennial convention at the Delta Gamma Lodge, College Grove, Albion, Mich., May 9, 10 and 11. The official report of *The Anchora* shows that since September, 1897, when the magazine passed into the hands of the Baltimore chapter, it has paid its expenses and up to date has added \$338.11 to the \$58.61 which came from Minneapolis with it. In connection with this, one notes in *The Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta the following editorial statement :

"Under management that can give time to the work, this journal can be made not merely to pay for itself, but even to become a source of considerable revenue to the fraternity. Three of the four years we have made money for the fraternity. It now looks as if the present year would surpass all others in this regard."

THE KEY, as all readers know, has been adding to its bank account every year ; doubtless all of the fraternity journals do the same in a more or less degree. The question now is how should this money be regarded : should it be treated as the "earnings" of a publication and go to the editors in return for the time and energy expended ; should it be set aside as a special fund and help to pay for other fraternity publications ; or should it be turned over to the general treasury and so lost sight of in the payment of running expenses ? Each fraternity solves this problem for itself, but it is one which deserves consideration in Kappa Kappa Gamma, as it must be decided at the next Convention.

It is with pleasure that one turns to the Kappa Alpha *Journal*, sure that there will be something of interest. Nor is one mistaken. In a sensible article entitled "Some More Convention Questions," "Repha" argues that conventions should be less extravagant, adding :

"When we receive a gift from a friend—if we are really his or her friend—we do not look at the cost, but at the *motive*. And so, it seems to me, it should be in an even greater degree among men of the same fraternity. And so I come to urge entertainment for Kappa Alpha conventions which will not swamp the entertaining chapters in expense. College boys are not usually plutocrats of a very high order, though some of them may be accused of being "dead game." College men are usually on an allowance and towards the end of the year many have to practice economy. They have their college periodicals, athletics and various organizations to support. Most of the fraternity men now have chapter houses and everybody knows that chapter houses don't declare very large dividends (except of expenses). Now, in addition, give a chapter a convention to entertain under the past system of entertainment. Result: Bankruptcy, voluntary or involuntary."

The *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* announces a new Song Book and three prizes are offered for songs written under the following conditions, viz.:

1. The songs may be set to original music, or to tunes already in use.

2. Four copies of the words and music shall be furnished to the editor, on or before October 1, 1899, accompanied by the name of the author, with his chapter and class, upon a separate paper.

3. The songs received will be submitted to a competent committee, who will mark the productions with reference to (1) the quality of the music selected or composed, (2) the musical form of the arrangement, (3) its practical adaptability for use by an ordinary fraternity gathering, and (4) the literary merit of the words.

4. All songs submitted shall be the property of the Council, and they shall have the right to publish in the song book any which are submitted, in addition to the songs for which prizes may be awarded.

5. The three songs selected shall be published in the song book and designated as first, second and third prize songs respectively, and the awards shall be announced in the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*.

6. The prizes shall be as follows: First prize, \$25; second prize, \$15; third prize, \$10.

It is suggested that songs submitted in the prize competition should be suited for general fraternity use, and be as free as possible from local names or allusions.

From the *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi comes an article on "Shield Correspondence." A couple of paragraphs as to the requisites for



Corresponding Secretary may be of use to the correspondents of other magazines:

"In discussing this subject, we shall look first at the requisites that the correspondent should possess.

He should be an upper classman. The reason for this is so obvious that it needs no further argument. He should above all things be a ready writer; not one, however, given to superfluity, but one who can 'boil down' into a few terse sentences what many would produce in a paragraph or page. If in the construction of a Chapter letter the Chapter scribe would study the value of skeletonizing rather than elaborating, the editor would be spared much useless labor.

A man of sound judgment should be chosen to represent the chapter in this capacity, one who is able to discriminate good fraternity news from gossip. It is bragadocial gossip to say, that we have the best fraternity in the school, or that we have the most men on the baseball team, or the football team is composed of more men of our fraternity than of any other. It is all very well to mention the fact that Phi Kappa Psi men are represented in these different organizations, or hold offices in the school, but not in the manner described. The letters should be legible; if the handwriting is hard to read, let the typewriter be brought into use. Proper names especially should be as plain as possible. Along this line we might mention also orthography; it is astonishing how often college students neglect this important factor in the preparation of their chapter letters. Many writers would blush for shame to see some of their mistakes in print. True, you may say it is the duty of the editor to correct all letters, but be assured he finds it a very weary task when he comes to look over a score or more that come into his hands. It is necessary for him to use the blue pencil quite profusely, much to the chagrin of the author. 'Build up your thoughts in pure English; big words are said to be the tombs of our little ideas.' "

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