THE KEY

Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity



REMINDER CALENDAR

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January 1 (on or before)—Alumnæ Association Secretary sends association news letter for February Key to National Vice-President.

January 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.

January 7—Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance Chairman.

January 7—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President. January 15-Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director of Provinces.

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February 7—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.

February 10 (or last meeting preceding first semester examinations)—Installation of Treasurer, February 15—Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director of Provinces.

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Chairman.

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of Provinces.

March—Registrar supervises annual chapter examination.

April 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.

April 7—Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance Chair-

April 7-Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President. April 7 (on or before)-Registrar sends papers from annual chapter examination to National

Registrar.

April 15—Unhoused Chapter Treasurer places budget for 1929-30 in mail for National Ac-

April 15-Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director of Provinces.

Provinces.

April 15 (on or before)—Alumnæ Association Secretary sends an annual association report as directed by the National Vice-President or Executive Secretary.

April 25—Housed Chapter Treasurer places budget for 1929-30 in mail for National Accountant. April 30 (on or before)—Treasurer sends to Executive Secretary per capita tax report and per capita tax for each member active at any time during the second semester.

April 30 (on or before)—Alumnæ Association Treasurer sends to Executive Secretary the annual per capita tax for her association.

April 30 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends annual chapter report, typewritten, to the Executive Secretary.

May 1 (or fourth meeting preceding Commencement)—Election of officers except treasurer and

the Executive Secretary.

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May 7—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.

May 7—Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance Chairman. May 8 (or third meeting preceding Commencement)—Installation of officers.

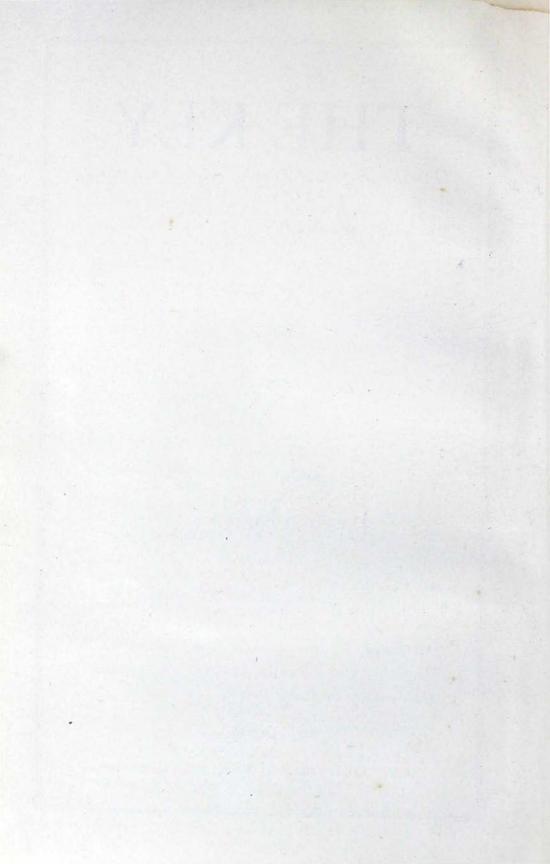
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Introduction to the New Central Office

THE December Key told about the removal of our Central Office from St. Louis, Missouri to Columbus, Ohio. According to schedule all the equipment was loaded on December 29 even though "oah Burt" (only a husband) stayed up all night to do it. Arrangements had been made with the Red Ball Transit Company to unload in Columbus on Monday, December 31. The vacation week was particularly chosen in order that the work of the office would not be interrupted when the active girls returned to school. However, the truck bearing the Kappa valuables broke down eighty miles out of St. Louis and did not arrive at its destination until the morning of January 7.

A suite of three rooms had been rented on the fourth floor of the Ohio State Savings Building, 85 East Gay Street, but due to redecorating, the desks, files, etc., were placed temporarily on the sixth. Not until the fourteenth did we actually move into our permanent quarters where we have a small reception room with an office opening off each side. This was indeed a gala day when roses arrived from Della and Howard Burt.

What we would do in Columbus without the Burt chairs, tables, etc., presented a grave problem. After much juggling of figures it was decided that it would be legitimate to use for furniture the money saved by having the office in the Burts' apartment since July I at which time Convention voted an allowance for space in the business district. Through the kindness of a Kappa father we have ordered very reasonably the much needed chairs so that you will have a place to sit when you call.

As we are not yet entirely straightened, pictures of the interior will not be shown until the next issue so watch for the April number.

However, I will tell you that the reception room is furnished in early American antique maple, the office to the right of the reception room contains: the green steel desks of the assistant to the Executive Secre-



Ohio State Savings Bank Building

tary (also the National Registrar) and the Cataloguer, the roll top desk given by Mae Potter (Beta Mu) of the Denver Association, which is used by the Chairman of the Endowment Fund, THE KEY mailing list and catalogue files, membership-at-large stencils, and last but not least, the multigraph which has turned out many a letter to each one of you. The office to the left is used by the Executive Secretary. Here reposes the first desk which the fraternity purchased—a large green steel one, which has grown dear to us because Della L. Burt used it. The new endowment chairman, Mrs. Gale Mc-Killip, has generously offered to let us use a very attractive mahogany table and mirror for this room. One wall space we are saving for the Kappa book shelves which we hope in time will contain in addition to all the old interesting fraternity publications, autographed books by Kappa

authors. A few record files complete this room. The chairs for these two end rooms will be Windsor style in walnut. The reception room is the only one to boast of a rug, which is rose taupe chenile. We have been promised by the Gamma Province Vice-President a very attractive wall hanging. A friend of the Executive Secretary donated a desk lamp to the office, which is causing much discussion. Who is to be the lucky possessor is the question before the house.

These rooms face the west and are most pleasant. We have a great deal of sunlight which is slightly dimmed by striped gauze curtains. There are many things which we hope to have for the office but at present we have spent our budget, though our motto in buying is "Do not purchase without a discount." The Executive Secretary's deputy, Della L. Burt, is making an interesting collection of old badges and photographs of former presidents taken at the time they were in office. Florence S. Tomlinson has charge of the Kappa library. When you are called on by either of them please co-operate in making these collections as complete as possible.

This is your office and we want you to feel a part of it. You are most

welcome to come at all times and do not hesitate to call upon us for any information or assistance that we may be able to render. We feel that you are rejoicing with us that Kappa has at last attained its desired office in the business section of the city, where it is accessible to everyone passing through this locality.

Write in your address book *now*—"Kappa Kappa Gamma Central Office, 409-11 Ohio State Savings Building, (corner of Third and Gay Streets), Columbus, Ohio,—Phone Adams 4567."

Loyally,
CLARA O. PIERCE, Executive Secretary

P. S. Just as this letter was ready for mailing, a check for \$25.00 came from Mrs. J. Merrick Smith, Beta Province President, with the following letter:—

Here is hoping that the Red Ball Transit Company of which Mrs. Burt writes me has by now been able to land your outfit safely in Columbus.

I enclose a small check toward chairs or even a start on an adding machine!

This gift from Mrs. Smith is certainly appreciated and even more so because she is in ill health and has been forced to give up her province work. We hope for her speedy recovery so that she may be able to visit the office in the near future to see her contribution in use.

Maybe you do not believe there is a Santa Claus, but the members of the Central Office force certainly do! In the midst of our daily grind we were interrupted by the express man, and were sure that he had made a mistake in the number. Upon careful investigation, however, there was nothing wrong with the address, so we proceeded to open the interesting package. The contents revealed a lovely pewter floor lamp to match our small pewter lamp which we have on the table in the reception room! We were simply delighted, and just the night before had remarked how much we would love to have just this kind of a lamp to complete the room.

The lamp was the gift of Dorothy Westby Moore (Mrs. John Crary), Beta Mu, 1923, who was the first out-of-town Kappa to visit the office. She saw us in our temporary quarters and must have a wonderful imagination to be able to picture our needs from our feeble description of the permanent offices. Thank you so much, Dorothy!

Carolyn McGowan Norton,

Beta Rho, Cataloguer

THE fact that I have undertaken the arduous task of cataloguer in the Central Office of Kappa is not a thing of news longer, but it seems that with the acquisition of a new "alias," it becomes my duty to acquaint the fraternity with all my past, present, and future, and when this is asked of most of us, we immediately become very bashful and self-conscious.

My past is of long duration, longer than the average girl is usually willing to admit. However, suffice it to say that I have been since graduation, a questionable number of years ago, busily active in Kappa work. My first task with the fraternity at large was to keep the alumnæ of Gamma Province rounded up and behaving themselves in becoming fashion—this in the capacity of province vice-president.

At the time Kappa celebrated her golden jubilee at Mackinac there was felt a need for a new songbook, and upon leaving Convention that year, I found that I had acquired an additional title, for Lydia Kolbe had named none other but myself custodian of the songbook. Up to the present time, I am still serving in that capacity, although this crown rested very precariously on my head at the California convention, for the jury there on stunt night found me guilty of "caroling on the wrong key." At the present time, the songbooks are quite a part of the Central Office, and from here I shall take care of that work also, but more promptly and conveniently than it has been possible to do heretofore.

When the opportunity of being a part of the Central Office was presented to me, I left the balmy breezes of Florida, and made straight for the north for I could think of nothing more delightful than to be associated in the work with Clara Pierce and Florence Tomlinson, and I feel it a decided privilege.

As to the work of cataloguer—this is something very important from the standpoint of the records of the fraternity, I am able to see in my short time in the work. To complete an accurate and up-to-date mailing list, and an accurate grand roll for the fraternity sounds an easy thing to accomplish, but the great amount of detail work required and the mass of material from which to work is another thing to be considered. I am therefore soliciting the assistance of all who may read the Central Office page, and impressing upon you the responsibility each of us should feel to assist in completing this branch of the fraternity work. If you are called upon at any time to supply information required for the records.

you will be doing the fraternity a valued service if you will only respond with your ablest assistance.

Lastly, we may say to you whose greatest "sin" is not keeping the Central Office informed of your change of name or address. If your sins don't find you out, the cataloguer surely will. Greetings to you all!

HOUSE MADE MUSEUM

Men raised these walls for their stern privacy.
They who made reticence their constant cloak
Hewed these dark beams, drew that long roof-line down
To shut the prying world out—and the rain.
Life, restless as the tide whose petulant voice
Threaded on its reiterance the days,
Filled these low rooms, hollowed the narrow stair,
Waited impatient for reluctant Springs
To light the lilac's torches by the door
Yet still upon the threshold mute reserves
Stood warder to prevent intrusion there.

And now each day unnumbered alien feet Go up and down across the sagging floors. In these pale chambers, hallowed by the rites Of birth and death, those mystic hierophants, Strangers may peer from windows dedicate To eyes grown dim with watching for slow ships Only at night, when all this host has gone, Wrapped in the shadows of its guardian elm, Like an old woman huddled in her shawl, The old house dreams of vanished faces sealed Inviolate in the amber of the years, And summons from the silence voices lost, As a worn shell recalls the singing sea.

EDITH RICHMOND BLANCHARD, Phi chapter
Librarian at Brown University.
New York Times, Sunday, October 28, 1928

Della Lawrence Burt—An Appreciation

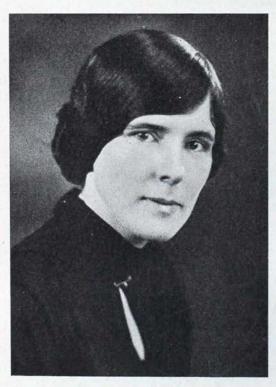
Grand Secretary, Mackinac Island to Glacier Park, 1920-1922 Executive Secretary, Glacier Park to Bigwin Inn to Mills College to Breezy Point, 1922-1928

Six months to January 1, 1929, for good measure

BY MAY C. W. WESTERMANN

YOU ask me to put into words Della Lawrence Burt's contribution to the fraternity? For eight years and a half she has given herself. What more could she do—except to give part of Howard, too—and what more can I say?

Della had been a Kappa only four years and a half when she was elected grand secretary. Probably nobody realized how young she was,



DELLA LAWRENCE BURT

only how tall and how attractive. She was happy in the honor, and so was every other member of loyal Beta Xi, seeing an opportunity to repay Kappa for benefits not forgot, in the giving of Della to the service of the national fraternity.

When, two years later, the time-honored office of grand secretary was changed to that of executive secretary, a salaried position enlarged to include work formerly done by the custodian of the badge, the director of catalogue, the business manager of The Key and various others, there was no thought of anyone except Della for the office. How the office has grown in six years—and how Della has grown with it!

One thing which Della has done must not be forgotten. She has remained in the office of secretary long enough to make use of her ex-

perience and to build upon it. At the end of two years in any Council office one has just begun to know enough to be valuable. At the end of four years the wail, "So much to do, so little done" is on one's lips. Della has followed through until she has laid a broad foundation for conducting the increasingly large and important business of the fraternity, How much of the success of four administrations has been due to her work I, who served with her through two of them, know perhaps better than anybody else. I pay my tribute as former national president to Della Lawrence Burt, my secretary.

I would not like to see an untrained person take the office of executive secretary now, but I question whether any technically trained secretary could have developed the office as Della has developed it through sheer devotion and hard work during these years. When the work of the chairman of the Students' Aid Fund was added to her duties, Della's character was revealed to those of us who worked with her as through no other phase of her work. "I just love Della when I read the letters which she writes to those girls who need to borrow money," said one officer. It is the human side of Della, rather than the technical which we shall remember. Though hours with the typewriter and the multigraph and the addressograph need not be discounted, it is the personal contacts and wide acquaintance through which her influence will continue to be felt. Her name is on the charters of eleven chapters and on the membership certificates of thousands and thousands of Kappas. She cannot live long enough to be forgotten by these girls whose lives she has touched in this very precious way.

There is an element of tragedy in the fact that Della will not be the one to build upon the foundation which she has laid. For eight years and a half the privacy of her home has been invaded by the fraternity, while she has dreamed of an adequate central office. She will not work in that adequate central office, now a reality, but she will be the last one to draw comparisons. She will rejoice, rather, in every smallest thing which makes it possible for her successor to carry on the work more easily and more efficiently. And she will continue to use her expanded powers and her enlarged sympathies for Kappa, and she will continue to dream, dreaming of the time when Kappas learn to give and will make possible a building where the fraternity can have more than a few office rooms. Enshrined in such a building would inevitably be the name of Della Lawrence Burt—but Della would never dream of that.

Della L. Burt

PON hearing of the resignation of Della L. Burt as executive secretary, many chapters, associations and individuals felt that they wished to express their appreciation for her fine work in some way, and appointed the following committee to select a gift as a lasting remembrance of their association with her: Mrs. Edward B. Orr, Theta, chairman; Mrs. Elwyn L. Simmons, Eta; Mary Hatfield, Gamma Theta; Elizabeth Lane, Beta Xi. This committee selected a diamond platinum wrist watch which was presented to Mrs. Burt just before Christmas.

A few contributions were received after the watch was purchased. Mrs. Burt's wishes were consulted and it was decided that the money be used for the binding of Keys published during her eight-year administration.

The Appreciation printed below was presented with the gift in the form of a scroll of parchment in Old English. The hand illumining and lettering was done by Dorothy Britton, Gamma Iota.

AN APPRECIATION

We wish to express our sincere love and high esteem for

DELLA LAWRENCE BURT

of Beta Xi Chapter, who for over eight years as Grand Secretary and as first Executive Secretary of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity, has given freely of her time, inspiration, ability and self to promote the combined and individual interests of its members.

Beta Alpha
Gamma Alpha
Gamma Beta
Gamma Gamma
Delta
Beta Delta
Epsilon
Gamma Epsilon
Beta Zeta
Eta
Beta Eta
Gamma Eta
Theta
Beta Theta
Gamma Theta

Adrian Albuquerque

Ames

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Beta Kappa
Gamma Kappa
Lambda
Beta Lambda
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Beta Xi
Gamma Omicron
Beta Pi
Baltimore
Beta Iofa

Bloomington, Ill.

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ON PASSING ON

Why should Death be a sullen thing, and cold? After the first shock is o'er, and Reason has returned in place of pain, There comes a quietness, a resignation, A release; Death is a reward; death is full of love—And peace.

VIRGINIA HOWELLS BAITINGER

The First Lady of the Land

EDITOR'S NOTE. This delightful letter about our Mrs. Hoover appeared in *The Anchora* of Delta Gamma, written by one who has known Mrs. Hoover in these later years.

I USED to write you letters years ago—more-years-ago-than-I-care-to-remember, of course—but not so many that writing you a letter isn't much more natural than contemplating writing you an article. Anyway, no one asked me to write an article. Mrs. Hawley writes a letter to Wolly-Anne Stark, saying something about being interested "Anchorally" in the new tenants of the White House, and would she, Wolly-Anne Stark, write a little sketch of it all for Anchora? It happens that Miss



MRS. HOOVER VISITS WITH MRS. COOLIDGE AND JOHN

Stark's forte would be to draw a little sketch of it all—a picture, I suppose, of the blessed Hoovers trailing up the world wide trail to the White House—Himself, Herself (just for the silhouette, of course; in life, when Herself does not precede, they go side by side) Allan, Herbert, Peggy, Peggy, Jr., and Very Young Herbert, and the current dog in line—with all the rest of us that have ever known them on the sidelines shrieking, our hats off, or saying tensely "I told you so," according to our temperaments. I gather that Miss Stark feels that such a sketch would hardly fill the bill, since I get the original letter with a green-inked plea "Any ideas? I'm turning this over to you." I suppose I should letter it along to Donna, who has an archivial mind as the Food Administration can

testify, to "sketch it all." But I cannot resist taking a little bite out of the idea en wing (now what a bird-minded metaphor!) I would love to do a little sketch of Herself, the First Lady. And that I suppose is what interests us women most personally. We are run by the President, of course, and we feel, or should, an acute responsibility in picking him out. But we are represented by his wife—and we never had a word to say in picking her out! It interests us keenly to know if the right man picked the right woman. And not idly, I think. The most inarticulate of us hopes to be desperately proud of our country, and that hope is very much at the mercy of our leaders. This time, for eight years, deo volente, we are safe, and should know it.

Somebody asked me once to describe what Mrs. Hoover looked like, and I was simply stuck. Was she tall? I didn't know. I know she seems to be the height of the person she's talking to, because her blue eyes look at you so directly. Was she graceful? Well, whenever you see her seated in a room, you would like to paint her, and the background and the lighting would be inevitably just right. And when she comes swinging quickly along the passage, one shoulder faintly forward and a step light enough not to crack a twig in the woods, you find yourself out of doors, somehow, and want to get up and walk, too. If you are walking beside her, it seems to be your pace, whether you are a tall son or a girl secretary from Stanford, or a confident knee-high object in a print frock. Has she regular features? Oh, heavens, what do you care! Go and look out of the window and describe that blue mountain across the bay. I know that her humorous and generous mouth turns up at the corners, and that her nose reminds you of the profile of a Pallas Athene on an old Greek coin. And that her hair is softly done and makes you glad to remember your mother's hair was that way and reminds you of a firelit drawingroom and not of a beauty shop. Does she dress well? I would say she dressed right, but I would defy the most hardened little society reporter. meeting her for the first time, to describe what she had on. Her clothes are in fashion and in season, but they look as though she chose them because she liked them, and wore each one because it was appropriate to her mood and to the mood of the occasion. I know she likes blues and greys and greens-the outdoor and sea-colors-and subtle blends of those colors, and cuts and styles that express the action of their occasions. A traveler all the years of her married life, the practicality of a garment appeals to her as well as its romance. But she spends exactly as much time and interest on a wardrobe as will choose it and keep it exquisitely personal. Beyond that—for clothes as an interest of themselves, none. Now, does that do you any good as a portrait? I can't help it. A camera does no better. One out of twelve of her pictures is not good. Probably, like Himself, because she only has the twelve taken because she has to. And why some enterprising artist hasn't painted her on the sly—probably on the run, though—I don't know. He would undoubtedly have to get in on false pretenses! But he might come away with something more pictorial than the rest of us.

The rest of us, I think, come away not caring what she looked like. Most people's first comment is, "Isn't she lovely!" One boy amplified it "Isn't she lovely in her own home?" I should say, "Isn't she lovely in her own life and her husband's and sons' lives, and her friends' lives and, happily, in America's life?" That is just the effect she has on you—at first, and it deepens as you know her better. You are not dazzled, nor hypnotized, nor charmed, even. She has on you the effect the mountains have. You may gasp a little till you get used to the high air, but with every breath you draw you feel freer and stronger, and can see farther and more happily, and be more yourself. Isn't that—shouldn't that be—America's effect on you?

DARE STARK McMullin

BLACK BUTTERFLIES

Black butterflies—
They haunt my rest,
And make my dreams of happiness
Seem far away.

The Irish people
Long have known
Where the black butterflies have flown
There is no peace.

I'll need a talisman
Wise and bold,
So that my future will not hold
Black Butterflies.

VIRGINIA HOWELLS BAITINGER

What if Nobody Clapped?

By LEON F. WHITNEY

Executive Secretary of the American Eugenics Society, Author of "The Basis of Breeding" and Co-Author with Ellsworth Huntington of "The Builders of America."

WHAT is the biggest problem in the world today? Is it education, national defense, the morals question, prohibition, cancer, finance? Some shallow thinkers may be found who believe that one of these is the big question. But what do our great thinkers believe to be the most vital problem in the world today? I wrote to five hundred of

them just to ascertain, and over two hundred replied, "Eugenics." Most important of all, and yet one of the least discussed! Why? Because people have not yet taken sufficient interest in it; they have not become awake to the possibilities of the making of a better world by actually improving the people in a fundamental way, rather than by piling on more and more veneer to cover the rotten spots beneath.

Public sentiment has a habit of running in ruts. It is hard to move it over into another rut, but it is getting there. Have you ever considered what running in a



LEON F. WHITNEY

rut means? If you have driven along a country road which has been muddy and then frozen you will realize that it is difficult to escape running in a rut, and that the only way to get out is to wait for a switch in the ruts and then you can move over to the next. If you are especially intelligent you know enough to avoid the deep ones, and you may drive over at the side to avoid them. The stupid people are quite likely to get in the rut and stay there, which on the whole is a good thing, because that very habit may be used some day to make a better world.

It is hard to get out of a rut and sometimes the switches are a long way off, but sooner or later we all come to them and then by looking ahead we can see where the switch leads and take the better and the shallower rut.

Public sentiment has been running in many ruts since civilization's dawn. And during all of that long time the leaders have been wondering how they could cure some of the ills which have resulted from civilization. The proposed remedies have been many indeed. They have ranged from burning people as witches (because of a belief that this also destroyed the devils that caused these ills) down, or up, to some of

the theories held by certain lopsided persons who believed that heredity was absolutely everything, and that by bettering heredity alone, could the world's ills be cured. Probably most of us would be willing to subscribe to the latter rather than the former if forced to choose between these two extremes, but most of us are sufficiently well balanced to realize, as the farmer does, that first he must have good seed and then good soil in which to sow it. Good environment with poor seed is undesirable; poor environment with good seed is somewhat better; but the ideal is good seed and good environment. That is what we should all like to see. But we are in a rut. We have thought about the question of the ills of society, of course, but what are we doing about it?

These words are written to prepare for that switch ahead, so that when you come to it you will know which way to take. Really it is a great privilege to write for a group of women, and especially young women, because on them more than on the young men devolves the future of civilization. When the women take hold of the matter of race betterment, we shall see the race begin to improve in a big way; the men cannot do it alone. Already there are evidences that the women are taking a great interest. The hand that rocks the cradle still rules the world, and when women decide that they want only high grade children in the cradle, humanity will witness the start toward civilization's greatest epoch.

We have not yet begun to get out of the rut of thinking in terms of alibis. We have been told for so long that what we are comes from without that it is hard to get it out of our minds. We have believed it so long that we feel it. We search for things that will verify it, leaving unthought the real truths. We have sought rationalizations. When I was in college, the psychologists were preaching that the great formative and determining stage in a person's life was during the college years; a few years later they were saying that high school days were the real great influence; then they jumped back to the public school days; then the kindergarten. Now we find them in the pre-kindergarten days. Each stage of the jumps backward was forced by this process of a desire to rationalize. Each step was forced because the evidence proved the previous contention wrong. In getting back to the pre-kindergarten days, it is much harder to prove one wrong, and the psychologist knows it. But wrong he is, as most of the greater thinkers are coming to realize. There is only one jump left, and that is back to the germ plasm, the real seat of our essential differences; that is, where one is looking for fundamentals. The early influences are of tremendous importance but they do not determine the natural aptitudes. Even the behaviorists, if they want to go bird hunting, will take a pointer or setter rather than a foxhound or poodle, but they do not think when they consider the breeds of dogs and

their natural aptitudes, which are too easily proved. They stick to homo sapiens. Now the gospel of behaviorism is simply a fatalistic doctrine which is a logical outgrowth of our desire to believe in fatalism. It is very nice to be able to make a mistake and then blame it on the fact that once when we were visiting uncle at his farm, the old red cow kicked over the milk pail and frightened us, but it isn't very courageous. It is dying out as a theory because it is not the truth, and in the end the truth will prevail.

Behaviorism is only another alibi which shows us that we are in the wrong rut, still trying to rationalize that what we are comes from without. Always are we putting the blame on somebody and something else. But as I have said, the real thinkers of the world see the truth, and the rest of the population soon comes to think as the leaders direct them. So we may take hope.

The progress in eugenics has no doubt been more rapid than that of almost any other movement in the world. Beginning about 1900 with the rediscovery of Mendel's law, progress has been so steady and rapid that today we find over three quarters of all of our 500 colleges and universities teaching eugenics, and the rest rapidly falling in line. We find state laws being enacted on the basis of their ultimate racial consequences. We find the national immigration law enacted as the result of considering immigration as a long time investment in family stocks rather than a short time investment in productive labor. We even hear about young people sometimes falling in love with their heads as well as their hearts, and then we all say, "Three cheers!"

The real patriot is not interested in veneering, but rather in seeing that there are no rotten spots in the structure in need of coating. We have all seen what happens to nations which have fooled themselves by putting on the veneer and disregarding the essential strength of the foundation, and none of us want that to happen to our own nation. Most of us would be glad indeed if we could do our part in building a better place in which our children and children's children may live. Without going into reasons and rewards, let us see what is one very great way in which the women of today who are of the worth while sort can help in bringing such a condition to pass. For those who are not yet married, but who will be, and those married ones who are not over forty, what is the best way in which they can aid in making the world better?

Have you ever thought of Mexico? What is the reason that it is so backward as a nation? Is it because there is a dearth of capital, of resources, of climate? Not at all. Mexico is what it is today because of the Mexicans. On the whole, the great proportion of the population is of low grade. That is why Mexico is Mexico as we think

of it. Have you ever thought of Iceland? There is one of the greatest little countries in the world because of the kind of population, and yet a terribly inhospitable environment. The United States is what it is largely because of the kind of people who live here. In Colonial days the little communities of Virginia or New England would not have been interested in tabloid newspapers such as we have today, and I doubt if jazz bands and Charleston dances would have flourished had they been introduced, even if there had been no religious restrictions; the population was too high grade. Tabloid newspapers, jazz bands and Charleston dances flourish today because they are built down to fit the intellectual level of the mind that can appreciate such things. They are straws which show which way the wind is blowing. They indicate unmistakably that the quality of the population is dwindling all too rapidly, because we have been fostering a dysgenic differential birth rate. We have been breeding from the bottom. We have been cutting down on the sizes of our families near the top, and we have been putting veneer over the rotten wood, wearing smoked glasses when we have paused to look at the problem at all.

We would have no trouble in sitting back and calmly stating the problem for Mexico. We can see at once that if Mexico had a high grade population she would be a world power. We can easily see that if the powers-that-be could in some way remove superstition there and then show every Mexican woman how she might not have children, there would straightway be a biological revolution. From studies made already we know that the most successful and highly endowed would have four or five children per family; that the poorer elements would have two or less children, which in a few generations would lead to the extinction of their families and their kind. Since researches also show (despite behaviorism) that in general like breeds like, mentally as well as physically, then we would expect to see Mexico eventually become a great power. Nature would be on the throne again and the devices of civilization for defeating her purposes would be on the scrapheap. Mankind there would begin to grow better and better; the less valuable elements would eliminate themselves. Oh yes, this is easy to see when we are diagnosing our sister republic!

But now let us get back home. We know that considering a certain amount of sterility, celibacy, infant and adult mortality, it is necessary for a family which would survive to produce four live children at least. We know that the very best of our kind, the most successful in any branch of activity, are doing just that and more. We know that a great group just below this most successful class is falling far below the necessary number of children per family, so much so that the class is almost cutting a fourth off its numbers each generation. And yet it is the very backbone

of America. Most of you readers of The Key belong to this group, and a few of you to the highest group. (The writer being a mere man of course belongs to a lower group. At least he honestly does feel a sense of real reverence for women because of their exalted part in eugenics, and that alone ranks him somewhat below his audience.)

What is the answer? To say that women of the better class should have four children is stating something that is well known. I want to leave a new thought instead. I believe that the reason that appeals to women is not the race preservation idea at all. We went to the theater a while ago and I sat without clapping. I felt, "That was pretty good, but there are so many people around, all clapping, what's the difference whether I clap or not?" That is the attitude that most women take about the race. A careful study has shown this to be true. "Here are all these people around us having children, what is the difference whether I do or not? Let Helen do it." But suppose everybody felt this way? Suppose nobody clapped?

Yesterday the woman who had only two children was considered pretty smart by her neighbors. They almost envied her. She knew something that they didn't. But times have changed. All intelligent people have come to understand the processes of reproduction and are able to have children or not just as they desire, with the result that I have indicated. But what about tomorrow? If we can answer the question, we can fore-tell who shall inherit the earth. If we can answer it, we know what to do when we come to that switch in the ruts.

You may rest assured that the day is coming when everybody, black and white, rich and poor, imbecile and genius, is going to know how not to have children. Depend upon it. It is certain to come. And when it does come, what then? Who shall inherit the earth? Will your descendants be among them? There will be a day not so very far in the future when a race of such superior people will be living in the world that comparison to any who have lived before would not be just. You know enough about human nature to realize that a moron would rather have one or two babies and plenty of moving pictures, automobiles, vacations and temporary pleasures, than to be tied down to raising a family of four or five children. Of course she would. It takes idealism to raise a medium size family when you know how to have a small one. It takes wisdom and foresight to realize that a big family will increase one's pleasure in later life enormously. These things the moron does not see, and if she did she would not have the faith to carry it out. She would prefer the immediate pleasures, and would eliminate herself and her kind. More than that, she is going to do so.

These few words of prophesy are worth considering. Some of us

have felt pessimistic about the future, but we need not. The future is rosy indeed, and we can help to make it more so by raising adequate sized families. Perhaps it is a selfish thought, namely, that we want our children to share in the fruits of a new and more wonderful civilization, but it is natural. It is the personal element in the last analysis that appeals to women. A normal woman wants a baby in her arms, and there are women today who are foregoing the privilege and joy of a growing family because they are afraid of the kind of environment in which their children may have to live. But they need not fear. They have simply not thought deeply enough.

I said that eugenics is the biggest question in the world today, and I have touched upon only one phase of it, that of adequate families. But before I close, I should like to say something to the undergraduates especially, for if you have not yet fallen in love, I would advise you to study eugenics and genetics as much as possible. You will some day be marrying, you will some day be having families. And when you do, you will want these families to live far into the future, and go on for generations to come, high type eugenic families. It therefore behooves you to remember that in selecting your life partner you are selecting one-half of the ancestors of those children. Eugenics will or should help you to choose wisely. But it will do something else. It will knit together for you and make clear all of the other things which you are at present studying, which in themselves may at present seem rather pointless. "Eugenics is the study of all the agencies under social control which may improve the inborn qualities of man either physically or mentally." You study zoology, history, geology, economics, sociology and a host of other subjects. Each seems all right but somehow it does not tie up with the other things which you study. What you are really studying are the agencies which affect the future generations of man either physically or mentally. Climate, economics, entomology, psychology, medicine and all the rest affect the inborn qualities of future generations very directly. And thus as one understands more and more about the scheme of things, one comes closer and closer to realizing that if all of us, first of all, studied eugenics, we would be able to fit each of our studies into the great scheme. We would be constantly looking at the agencies which we study in the light of their ultimate racial consequences, and thus have a unified focussed viewpoint. To me this viewpoint has given the greatest satisfaction and enjoyment. Try it and you will see that it makes the ruts smooth and greatly broadens your horizon.

More than that, when your time comes, as it has come to your older sisters, to enter the best part of life, you will have a more substantial viewpoint. You will not be looking for alibis, you will realize that children need a good heredity, and that training is not all. You will not need to have somebody tell you that your family is in danger of extinction, for you know in advance how large it needs to be. You will tend to fall in love with your head and will find that your love is deeper and stronger. You will feel that you are not a slacker but a patriot, that your ancestors have not lived and given you a goodly heritage in vain, that the greatest joys are the homely joys, and best of all, that you have a reason for living. You will not be a parasite but a builder. You will be among those in the arena of life who do the clapping.

WE TWO

I have builded you a house of glass, And set it beside the sea, Where myriad ships sail out at night Fanned by the breeze, gently.

I have put you down in a populous town Where life was full and free, With never an idle moment To spend in fantasy.

Then out on a desert wide, you lived, In a tent with a camel—and me, And sang as we marched the long, cool night And slept through the torrid day.

In other places, too, you have been, In climates strange and new, But always and always wherever you've been There was only just we two.

VIRGINIA HOWELLS BAITINGER, Upsilon Bookfellow Anthology, 1928 , A-Oct 12, 1872

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What's in a Name— A Chapter Name?

By MAY C. WESTERMANN, Historian

THIS is not an important subject upon which I am writing, but this may interest you if you have ever wondered about the names of the chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Two delegates at convention last summer asked me these questions:

"Why is our charter made out as Tau when we are Beta Tau?"

"Why is Gamma Rho such an old chapter? The last chapter established was Gamma Pi and the one to be established at this convention ought to be Gamma Rho."

No very early records of Kappa Kappa Gamma exist. Not a scrap of writing tells of the organization of the fraternity, probably in the spring of 1870, but the *Monmouth College Courier* of October, 1870, tells of the appearance of the new fraternity. Letters from Alpha to Delta tell of the increasing difficulties of fraternities at Monmouth and Delta's "Red Book" gives valuable information. Mystery surrounds the first conventions and it is not until the one held in Bloomington, Illinois, in 1878, that we have minutes. These quaintly record, "Moved and seconded that minutes of previous meeting be read. Motion lost, as minutes of previous meeting could not be produced."

Early history written by the founders and others, many years later, indicate that the designation of chapters by the letters of the Greek alphabet was the practice from the beginning. The Monmouth chapter having "come out" on October 13, 1870, the girls made haste to get other chapters started, too great haste, indeed, for the chapter founded at St. Mary's School, Knoxville, Illinois, lived practically not at all as it never had more than the two original members, and the one founded at Smithson College, Logansport, Indiana, had only three members. Apparently these chapters were from the first designated as Beta and Gamma, while the mother chapter appropriately called itself Alpha. Certainly the fourth chapter, Indiana State University, was called Delta, for the minutes dated January 2, 1873 begin, "The first regular meeting of the Delta Chapter of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity met."

We are inclined to think of the early college women as Greek scholars, but looking at the list of chapters one wonders whether those who guided the destiny of Kappa during the first two decades really knew the Greek alphabet. Let us look at the list. All goes smoothly for seven chapters,

then Theta and Iota are in reverse order. Alpha was still Grand Chapter in 1875 and it seems reasonable to conclude that the assigning of names to new chapters was one of her prerogatives. According to Kappa's Record, the brief history of the fraternity published by Minnie Royse Walker, Iota, in 1903, Delta was active in the early extension of the fraternity and among the chapters credited to her are Theta and Iota. The names were probably assigned to the two institutions and it happened that the initiation requirements were completed for the girls of Greencastle, Indiana, before those for the girls at Columbia, Missouri. The candidates for the Iota charter went to Bloomington, Indiana, and were initiated at a special meeting of Delta on March 13, 1873. In the case of Theta it is quite possible that the initiation was no more than the signing of an oath and the receipt of certain secret matter in cipher, to be puzzled over until the key to the cipher arrived. There was none of the present day pomp and ceremony of installation in 1875.

By the time the tenth chapter was established, Wooster University, Beta and Gamma were regarded as dead, and a thing was done which you will sometimes see in a family history, the name of a dead child is given to one born later. Do not ask me why the Wooster chapter was named Gamma instead of Beta. I do not know. Nor do I know where the Kappa chapter was that should have come before Lambda. And you may well ask about a Xi which should have come before Omicron and not after Phi, and why the fifteenth chapter was given the twenty-second letter of the Greek alphabet, Chi.

Not long ago I saw the charter originally granted to the chapter at St. Lawrence University and I was surprised to find the name of the chapter filled in as Upsilon, both the symbol and the word being used. These were crossed out and the single word Beta written-in pencil, I think. I could not understand at the time but there was a very definite reason. This charter had been granted just in time for the new chapter to send a delegate to the convention which met in Bloomington, Indiana, September 29, 30, and October 1, 1881, that important convention which changed the fraternity government from Grand Chapter to Grand Council, divided the fraternity into provinces established the colors beyond question as the two blues, provided for the revision of the constitution and authorized the publication of the first women's fraternity magazine. This convention voted "that chapter located at Canton, New York, be designated by Beta, the chapter formerly known by that name being deceased." A second motion provided "that letters of chapters now dead be given to two last chapters chartered, viz: Hillsdale, Michigan, and St. Lawrence." The Hillsdale chapter had been in existence since June. Had it had some other name than Kappa? And where was the original

Kappa charter? It is interesting to note that to the next chapter established was assigned the name originally given to the St. Lawrence chapter, Upsilon. Having started the custom of giving again the names of dead chapters, it is easy to understand why Zeta was given to the University of Iowa chapter. Tau's charter was not recalled until September I, 1882, and a year later that name was given to the Syracuse chapter. Finally Omega had been reached and some careful officer must have checked the alphabet and found Sigma missing. There had almost been a Sigma chapter at the proper time for the minutes of the 1882 convention record a vote "that [Secretary] be instructed to recall Sigma charter. granted to the Michigan State University, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and now in the hands of Miss Belle Miner of Nebraska City, Nebraska." Belle Miner was from the Wooster chapter and it is a strange coincidence that when, two years later, the name Sigma was again assigned to a chapter it should have been given to the one in the state where Belle Miner had lived with the unused Sigma charter in her possession. The motion regarding this Sigma charter recalled the charter from Lasell Seminary, Auburndale, Massachusetts, refused a charter to young ladies at Mt. Union College, Mt. Union, Ohio, and recalled the charter from Des Moines, Iowa. No trace of this Des Moines chapter has ever been found. Was it perhaps the Xi which does not appear in its proper place alphabetically or the possible first Kappa?

Having rounded out the alphabetical list it now appears that Rho chapter at Ohio Wesleyan has ceased to exist, so the chapter at the University of Cincinnati was given that name. This charter was surrendered almost immediately being "not exactly what we needed" and Rho was used a third time when the chapter was established, at Allegheny. One more letter remained to be used a second time. After a brave struggle the chapter at Franklin College was forced to acknowledge itself defeated and its name, Nu, was given to the new chapter at Ohio State University in 1888. Thus, in eighteen years of existence, Kappa Kappa Gamma had gone the length of the Greek alphabet for her chapter names, had used five letters a second time and one three times. Thirty-one chapters had been established but the mortality had been heavy, for nine of them had died.

There had apparently been reluctance to use the name of the mother chapter a second time but six years after the official death of Alpha the Grand Council, in voting the establishment of a chapter at the University of Pennsylvania, voted to name it Beta Alpha, and at the convention held that summer, 1890, it was voted, "that all active chapters, designated by the same Greek letters formerly borne by suspended chapters, be further distinguished by prefixing Beta, signifying the second

of that name: that present Beta, Gamma, Zeta, Nu, and Tau prefix Beta to their names; that present Rho prefix Gamma to her name." And so they are even unto this day. The rule then passed is still in force though later wording makes its application general rather than specific. In the list of chapters in the convention minutes of 1892 and 1894, the Betas and the Gammas extend beyond the single letter chapter names, to the left, making an odd looking, irregular list.

After 1890 the naming of chapters became merely a matter of routine, one Greek letter after another with Beta prefixed, remembering to omit those which already had the Beta prefix. But even here there are two points to question. After the naming of Beta Omega somebody again checked the list with the Greek alphabet. Two omissions were found, so the next two chapters established were named Beta Theta and Beta Kappa. There was a very real reason why Beta Theta was missing from the list. It had not been forgotten, but that name had been given to the Chicago Associate Chapter, the one Alumnæ Chapter which Kappa Kappa Gamma has had. Upon petition of fifteen Kappas composing the Chicago Alumnæ Association, a charter was granted in December, 1892, constituting them Beta Theta chapter. The group assumed all the obligations of a college chapter but had, of course, no power to initiate members. For four years the group struggled to meet its obligations, then at the 1896 convention surrendered its charter, the rules concerning alumnæ organization were changed and the development of our modern alumnæ associations began. It was the name Beta Theta which was given to the Oklahoma chapter in 1914. I can only guess why Beta Kappa was omitted from its proper place. You will remember that it was in 1881 that convention voted to give to the Hillsdale chapter the name of a dead chapter and that no earlier Kappa chapter has been found. It is possible that the Grand Council deliberately refrained from using this letter in the Beta list thinking that the existing Kappa chapter might prove to be Beta Kappa. There is the possibility that the letter was simply overlooked.

There is an unusually long time between the establishment of Beta Iota in June 1893 and of Beta Lambda in March 1899 with only the reestablishment of Pi in August, 1897, to relieve the conservatism. Two whole administrations and half of one before and half of one after make up that period of no expansion. It is not the province of this paper to discuss the reasons but it is interesting to note that twenty-six petitions were presented during those years, many of them twice and one four times. Of those institutions, seven eventually received charters.

From the establishment of Gamma Alpha in 1916 there has been no interruption in the third march through the Greek alphabet until we come

to the Manitoba chapter established last summer at convention. This should have been Gamma Rho. But we have had a third Rho for forty years, hence the name Gamma Sigma.

The 1928 Convention Letter recommended that chapters re-established shall have the Deuteron added to their names. We would thus have Pi Deuteron, Beta Rho Deuteron. Not one of the chapters involved favored the change and the matter was dropped. Should Alpha chapter be re-established the question would undoubtedly be raised again and some modification of the name be used to show that the chapter had not had a continuous existence.

Almost every Convention Letter contains the suggestion that the chapters of the fraternity be named according to geographical position instead of according to our present method. Even my sympathy for freshmen who have to struggle with the chapter roll does not make me favor the change. I would be sorry to read California Alpha, California Beta, and California Gamma instead of Pi, Beta Eta and Gamma Xi. If you have the key, the Greek letter names tell a story. Of course you must remember the exceptions, for they prove the rule. All of the chapters designated by a single letter were established during the first fifteen years of the fraternity's existence. The use of the Beta prefix did not begin until 1890 and chapters established between that date and 1916 have it, as do also the ones founded during the earlier period which bear the names of dead chapters. Beta Gamma, Beta Beta, Beta Zeta Beta Tau, Beta Rho and Beta Nu. With the exception of Gamma Rho, the first Gamma prefix dates from 1916.

The Historian will feel flattered if this article arouses sufficient interest to cause questions. She will appreciate information regarding chapter traditions concerning names, also the manner in which the first thirty-one chapters were established.

Miss Cleora Wheeler suggests that the name Xi was assigned to the Minnesota chapter, but that the secretary of the Grand Chapter, Epsilon, in sending material wrote the initial letter of the Greek spelling, X, instead of the full name Xi. This X would naturally be read as Chi. The probability of this explanation is increased by the fact that the error being recognized, the name Xi was not assigned to a chapter until two years later when Chi was reached in the alphabetical list. Chi's original charter was burned. It is possible that Epsilon's minutes may furnish a clue. Notice that charters must have been granted to Simpson College and to the University Minnesota at almost, if not quite, the same time, but as in the case of Theta and Iota, Omicron was established first, though that letter follows Xi.

Extension

The great impetus given to interest in extension at the last convention by the fine work of Marie Mount, chairman of the extension survey committee, prompts the printing of these selections from her report and the map which she prepared to illustrate her findings. Eleanor Bennet, national director of provinces, has written the introduction to the complete report which was sent out to chapters and associations. Her work the last two years has been conducted with energy, and fair-mindedness. Without her conscientious efforts beforehand, the extension committee at convention would have found themselves in a much more difficult situation, and all who were present know that their work was far from easy. Helen Snyder, Beta Pi, was the able chairman and conducted the meetings with marked ability. No time was lost, but all who were entitled to speak were given ample time to express themselves. You may have heard this report read in meeting. Never mind, read it again and consider the problems which Kappa is now facing.

Introduction

By ELEANOR BENNET

E ACH National Convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma has some special message for the fraternity, and certainly the challenge of the convention of 1928 was that of extension. It was in the air. It appeared in the stunts. Delegates and visitors talked about it, inspected the exhibits and charts on extension in the billiard room, and many of them listened in to the information presented to the Extension Committee in a way that has never been done before. This committee itself was a large one—nearly twenty—about evenly divided between active delegates and officers. The members came from all sections of the country and each important group which wished to petition, had some one on the committee to speak for it.

As Chairman of Extension, the National Director of Provinces, during the last two years, has corresponded with over forty groups that wished to become Kappas and has discouraged just as many as possible (not that they always stay discouraged). At convention time, however, she found that she still had on her list some ten or twelve groups that offered favorable opportunities for expansion, groups of fine girls in commendable institutions, many of them in extremely important locations and all recommended by neighboring active chapters or alumnæ. Here was an extraordinary situation. Never before had so many valuable groups presented themselves at once. To meet this emergency the committee worked hard and long, educating itself in regard to these different groups so that it might be able to educate the convention and the fraternity. For three full afternoons it listened to the information presented by those who

knew most about these groups, allowing any delegate or visitor not on the committee to listen too, and then as conscientiously as possible decided upon its recommendations to the convention. All of these recom-

mendations were accepted by the convention, after as much discussion as was desired. It now becomes the duty of each active and alumnæ delegate and of visitors as well, to present her recommendations to her home group so that they can consider and vote on the matters presented in an intelligent and unprejudiced manner. To help in this consideration, the committee is sending out the information in this pamphlet. Each active and alumnæ group is expected as early in the year as possible to devote a meeting to matters of extension-a matter that is as vital as any to the future being of the fraternity. Do not consider expansion in the spirit of presumptuous ignorance, spoken of in our Sunday



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sermon at convention, nor in the state so aptly called "national unconsciousness" by one of the active delegates. Lay aside your preconceived ideas and your local prejudices. Remember the added power, zest, and enthusiasm for Kappa that wisely-chosen new chapters bring to us. Look at the map, and note the wide stretches of country where we have no Kappa chapters. Those of you in closely populated districts, try to realize what it would mean almost never to see a Kappa key except on a member of your own chapter, and be ready to help such chapters by granting a charter in some worth while near-by institution. Remember, too, that the information presented to you is the result of careful and thorough investigation, and do not cast it lightly aside, content with your preconceived ideas. Study it, and when the time comes to vote, vote with an intelligent knowledge of Kappa's present position, and of her needs for the future.

It is sometimes said that instead of taking in new chapters, we should

strengthen our newer or weaker ones. There is no reason why the two things may not be done. With our fast growing endowment fund and our increased annual tax, more visiting can be done, more definite help can be given to chapters, but we can also increase our strength and prestige by adding new groups. Extension means that we give our opportunities to others. Let us share our ideals and standards, not keep them selfishly to ourselves.

REPORT OF EXTENSION SURVEY COMMITTEE FOR 1926-1928 Given at Convention at Breezy Point, June 28, 1928

Many times have we had the pleasure of hearing at this convention the various ways that Kappa has been a leader among the other women's fra-



HELEN SNYDER

ternities. Kappa was the first to publish a women's fraternity magazine—the first to have a council form of government—and the first to call a Panhellenic conference.

Further we find in looking over our earlier years that Kappa was the first to enter in about two-thirds of the colleges where there are chapters. Then something seems to happen and Kappa lags, for after 1902, only twice has she been first.

About this time the smaller fraternities became aggressive and expanded rather quickly. Our national officers saw the necessity for it and began to talk expansion for Kappa.

It was at Bigwin that Mrs. Westermann presented to the fraternity Mrs. Lloyd Jones with her progres-

sive ideas on expansion. The office of Director of Provinces was created with Mrs. Lloyd Jones as director. It was her idea that an extension survey with exhibits be made. At California in 1926 a chairman of extension survey was appointed. It is with the work of this office that I am concerned.

The purposes of this study were:

First: to show what Kappa has done in expansion in relation to the other women's fraternities.

Second: to show the need for a definite and aggressive policy of extension.

The Extension Survey Committee will gladly attempt to answer any questions concerning these studies from any active or alumnæ group.

MARIE MOUNT

Chairman of Extension Survey University of Maryland College Park, Maryland

TABLE I

The following table shows the women's fraternities with number of chapters, years since founding, and average installations per year including 1927-28 ranged in order of their conservatism

Sorority	Number of Chapters	Years Since Founding	Average Chapter Per Year
Alpha Phi	28	56	-5
Gamma Phi Beta		54	.61
Sigma Kappa	39	54	.72
Delta Gamma	. 42	54	-77
Kappa Alpha Theta	56	58	.96
Kappa Kappa Gamma	56	57	.97
Beta Phi Alpha		17	1.0
Alpha Omicron Pi		30	1.1
Alpha Chi Omega		44	I.I
Pi Beta Phi		61	1.2
Alpha Xi Delta	. 45	35	1.3
Alpha Delta Theta		9	1.5
Delta Delta Delta	71	40	1.7
Zeta Tau Alpha	54	30	1.8
Delta Zeta		26	1.8
Kappa Delta	61	31	1.9
Alpha Delta Pi	48	24	2.0
Phi Mu		24	2.2
Chi Omega	78	33	2.3

(Taken from Baird's Manual through 1926 and supplemented by a report made by Olga Achtenhagen, Editor of *The Angelos* of Kappa Delta.)

SUMMARIZING TABLE I

Six sororities have averaged less than one chapter each year since founding: Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Sigma Kappa, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Eleven sororities have averaged between one and two chapters: Beta Phi Alpha, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Chi Omega, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Delta Theta, Delta Delta Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha, Delta Zeta, Alpha Gamma Delta, Kappa Delta. Three sororities have averaged two or more: Alpha Delta Pi, Phi Mu, Chi Omega.

In expansion, Alpha Phi has been the most conservative, averaging one chapter for every two years since date of founding. Chi Omega has been the most aggressive in expansion with an average of two and three-tenths chapters per year, or more than twice as many as Alpha Phi.

Kappa and Theta have about the same rate of expansion with slightly

less than one chapter a year.

There are four women's fraternities, with more chapters than Kappa, namely: Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Delta, and Chi Omega, three of these being younger than Kappa.

It is obvious that the Younger women's fraternities are expanding much faster than any of the older ones. Perhaps this seems a disadvantage at times, but surely a distinct advantage when considered over a period of years.

College

Monmouth College* Knox College* Smithson College* Indiana University Illinois Wesleyan Univ. Rockford College* University of Wisconsin University of Missouri DePauw University Wooster University* Municipal Univ. of Akron Butler College Franklin College* St. Lawrence Univ. Ohio Wesleyan Univ. University of California University of Minnesota Hillsdale College Lasell Seminary* Simpson College* Boston University University of Iowa Northwestern University Adrian College Syracuse University Cornell University University of Kansas University of Nebraska University of Cincinnati Allegheny College

Chapters of Kappa Showing Order of Installation Pi Beta, (2) Kappa (1870), Zeta Epsilon Chi

(1) Kappa (1871), Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta

(1) Kappa (1872)

Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1873), Pi Beta Phi (1) Kappa, (1873), Kappa Alpha Theta, Sigma Kappa

(1) Kappa (1874)

(1) Kappa (1875), Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta (1) Kappa (1875), Beta Sigma Omicron, Pi Beta Phi Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, (3) Kappa 1875 Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1876) Pi Beta Phi

(1) Kappa (1877), Delta Gamma, Phi Mu Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1878), Pi Beta Phi

Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1878), Pi Beta Phi Delta Gamma, (2) Kappa (1879), Pi Beta Phi

(1) Kappa, (1879), Delta Gamma, Delta Delta Delta (1) Kappa (1879), Kappa Alpha Theta, Gamma Phi Beta

(1) Kappa (1880), Kappa Alpha Theta, Gamma Phi Beta

(1) Kappa (1880), Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta

(1) Kappa (1880), Pi Beta Phi

(1) Kappa (1880)

Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1881), Pi Beta Phi (1) Kappa (1882), Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta

(1) Kappa (1882), Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma Alpha Phi, Delta Gamma, (3) Kappa (1882)

(1) Kappa (1882), Delta Delta Delta

Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, (3) Kappa (1883) Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1883), Delta Gamma Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta, (3) Kappa (1883)

(1) Kappa (1884), Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma

(1) Kappa (1885), Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Delta Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1888), Alpha Chi Omega Ohio State University University of Pennsylvania University of Michigan

Barnard College*

Swarthmore College University of Illinois University of Colorado University of Texas Tulan University

Adelphi College University of Washington University of West Va. University of Montana University of Kentucky

University of Toronto

University of Oregon

University of Oklahoma

University of Idaho Kansas State College

Whitman College Purdue University

University of Pittsburgh

University of Arizona Washington State College

Drake University

Washington University

William and Mary Middlebury College

Oregon State

(1) Kappa (1888), Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi

(1) Kappa (1890), Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi Kappa Alpha Theta, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Gamma, Sorosis, Pi Beta Phi, (6) Kappa (1890)

(1) Kappa (1891), Alpha Omicron Pi, Kappa Alpha

Theta

Leland-Stanford University Kappa Alpha Theta, (2) Kappa (1892), Pi Beta Phi Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, (3) Kappa (1893) Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, (3) Kappa (1899) Delta Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, (3) Kappa (1901) Pi Beta Phi, (2) Kappa (1902), Kappa Alpha Theta Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, (4) Kappa (1904)

> (1) Kappa (1905), Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, (3) Kappa (1905) Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, (3) Kappa (1906)

(1) Kappa (1909), Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Xi Delta, Kappa Delta (4)

Kappa (1910)

Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi, Pi Beta Phi, (4) Kappa (1911)

Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Mu Phi Epsilon, (6) Kappa (1913)

Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Delta Delta, Pi Beta Phi, (4) Kappa (1914)

Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Gamma, (3) Kappa (1915)

Delta Zeta, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Delta Delta, Chi Omega, (6) Kappa (1917)

University of New Mexico Phi Mu, (2) Kappa (1918), Alpha Chi Omega Phi Mu Delta Gamma, (3) Kappa (1918)

> Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Chi Omega, Chi Omega (4) Карра (1919)

> Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Zeta, Zeta Tau Alpha, Alpha Xi Delta, Pi Beta Phi (7) Kappa (1919)

> Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, (3) Kappa (1920) Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Delta Pi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Xi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Zeta (7) Kappa (1920)

> Alpha Xi Omega, Alpha Xi Delta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Chi Omega, (6) Kappa (1921)

> Kappa Alpha Theta Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Pi Mu Alpha, Alpha Chi Omega, (7) Kappa (1921)

> Chi Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta, (3) Kappa (1923) Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Chi, Sigma Kappa, Delta Delta

Delta (5) Kappa (1924)

Alpha Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Sigma Kappa, Delta Zeta, Alpha Xi Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Gamma Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha, Alpha Rho, Gamma, (15) Kappa (1924)

University of Arkansas Chi Omega, Zeta Tau Alpha, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Phi Mu, (6) Kappa (1925)

University of California
(at Los Angeles)

Phi Sigma Epsilon, Chi Omega, Delta Zeta, Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, (11) Kappa (1925)

University of Alabama

Kappa Delta, Alpha Delta Pi, Zeta Tau Alpha, Delta
Delta Delta, Alpha Gamma Delta, Delta Zeta, Chi
Omega, Sigma Upsilon, Phi Delta Phi, Phi Alpha
Delta, Theta Tau, Alpha Chi Omega, (13) Kappa
(1927)

University of Wyoming Sigma Rho, (5) Kappa (1927)

*Indicating the dead chapters.

In installing chapters Kappa has been:

First in twenty-three colleges
Second in eleven colleges
Third in thirteen colleges
Fourth in five colleges
Fifth in two colleges
Sixth in five colleges
Seventh in three colleges
Eleventh in one college
Thirteenth in one college
Fifteenth in one college

In these sixty-five institutions Theta was first seventeen times, and Pi Phi seven times.

Note that since 1902 Kappa has been the first to enter an institution only twice. Prior to 1902 Kappa was never later than third with the exception of once when it was sixth.

Kappa has lagged during the past twenty years!!!

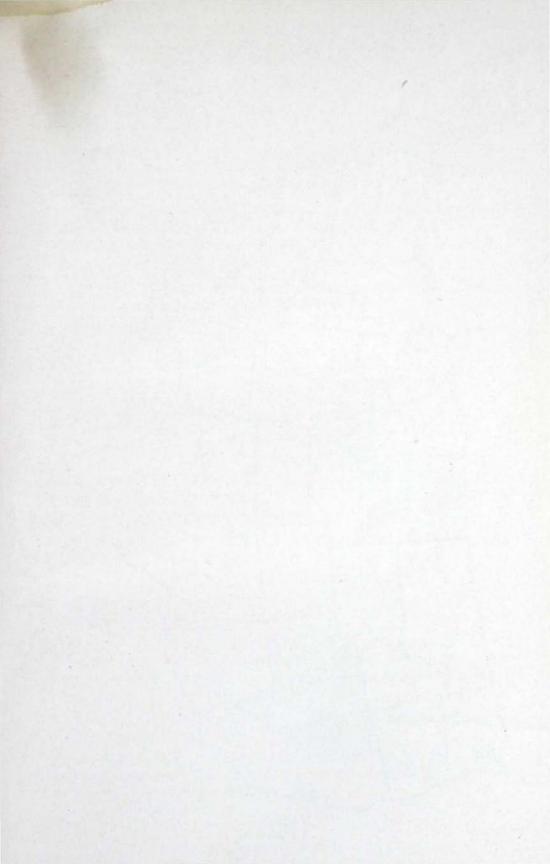
Notice that until about 1903 or 1904 one of the following five was first to enter these colleges, namely: Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma, or Alpha Phi. Also that since that time many of the younger sororities have been the first. This is significant that they are leading the way with extension programs.

THE MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF CHAPTERS OF KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

The Kappa's active chapters are designated by Greek letters.

The solid color represents states where Kappa has no chapters at present.

By studying this map the following facts may be concluded:





- I. The District of Columbia and the following states have no chapters: Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Nevada. Seventeen states and the nation's capital with no chapters—more than one-third of the forty-eight states!
- 2. The following nineteen states have one chapter: Vermont, Massachusetts, West Virginia, Virginia, Kentucky, Alabama, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Minnesota, Nebraska, Wisconsin.
- 3. The following four states have two chapters: Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Oregon.
- 4. The following four states have three chapters: Michigan, Illinois, Washington and California.
- 5. The following four states have four chapters: New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana.
- 6. In Canada there are two chapters, namely at the University of Toronto, and at the University of Manitoba at Winnipeg. (Installed at Convention.)

The map shows that Kappa has more charters in the middle western states than elsewhere.

Four sections of the country have no chapters, namely:

- Northeast, Vancouver, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware.
- 2. Maryland and District of Columbia: Maryland and District of Columbia which link the southern and northern states and are probably more southern than northern.
- 3. Extreme southern states: North Carolina, Mississippi, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee. Kappa has made a beginning in the southeast by establishing a chapter at the university of Alabama within the past two years.
- 4. West of the Mississippi there are four states with no chapters: North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Nevada.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A charter has just been granted to a group at Fargo, North Dakota, which alters this. Also a petition from a local sorority at the University of Vancouver has been voted on favorably.

TABLE III

Undergraduate Enrollment for Men and Women in Colleges and Universities in the United States from Biennial Survey of Education 1922-1924

1890	1900	1910	1920	1922	1924
Men		113,074 61,139	212,405 128,677	254,514 160,292	289,817 196,482
Total 64,914	104,098	174,213	341,082	414,806	486,299

Increased Enrollment in Collegiate Departments

1890-1910 20 Years	Per Cent	1919-1924 14 Years	Per Cent
Men 68,424	153	176,743	156
Women 40,515	196	135,343	221
Women in colleges increased in 34 years		175,	858 or 853%
Men in colleges increased in 34 years		245,	167 or 649%
Increased enrollment of all students in co	ollege	421,0	025 or 645%

According to the World's Almanac for 1928 the increase in population for the years 1890 to 1924, or the thirty-four years under discussion, is approximately 78 per cent. The enrollment of women in colleges and universities in the United States from 1890 to 1924 increased 853 per cent as compared to a 649 per cent increase for men. The percentage increase in enrollment for both men and women in colleges and universities from 1890 to 1924 was 845 per cent or about eight times as much as the general percentage increase in the total population of the United States. The percentage increase for women enrolled in colleges and universities for these years is eleven times as great as the percentage increase in general population. Therefore, this would seem to justify a general expansion program for both men and women's fraternities.

INANIMATE

The garden chairs
Stand primly in a row,
Waiting for the rains to pass.

No gay parties, No loaded tea-tables, To keep them company.

Only the swishing rain
Sliding from the leaves above.
Dumb thing to be—a garden chair.
VIRGINIA HOWELLS BAITINGER

S. M. U. Chapter Has First Rush

By GERTRUDE SIMS

(From Theta Key Ring)

S ATURDAY, September 22, dawned upon the fifty-six Kappa alumnæ of Dallas with doubtful forebodings. Rush for the Gamma Kappa group was on. Knowing the strong competition of the many well-established groups already in S.M.U., the outcome was none too certain. But the Dallas Kappas, inspired by the excellent work of Mrs. R. S. Shapard in securing permission from National to start a petitioning group for a second Kappa chapter in Texas, were undaunted by this competition.

Everything was in readiness. Mrs. Harvard Dunham, president of the Dallas Alumnæ Association, had been working in the background for months, writing hundreds of letters, arousing the interest of other Kappas, and helping to plan the lovely parties for the week of rush. Mrs. B. T. Erwin, the appointed rush captain, had also been busy writing, planning and forming committees to do specialty jobs. Mrs. Shapard, having secured the right of petition, went on enthusiastically with her wonderful work; in fact, she rushed all the time she was in Colorado, thereby securing for us two of our loveliest pledges. Parties were given in Dallas throughout the summer as preparatory work, so that by the time rush began, everyone knew that the Kappas were on the job, and in dead earnest!

The only thing that actually bothered the alumnæ was the fact that there were so few initiated Kappas to start the new group, and that so few that they actually knew of were coming to help rush. They had secured as the nucleus of the group Wilton Wade of Wichita Falls, and Gertrude Sims of Buzon, both from Beta Xi. A third member, though not actually initiated, was Jane Prather of Dallas. Jane had been a pledge of Beta Xi the year before and had had to leave on account of illness before she could be initiated. However, she did as much work as the other two members, and to her goes much credit for our success.

To the joy of the Dallas Kappas, help was sent from Beta Xi and Beta Theta in the way of prize rushers, who arrived at different times during the week. For the first party came Virginia McDannel, of Electra and Lucile Cragin of Ponca City, both from Beta Theta. As they were the first to arrive they were joyfully received, and were a big help for the short time they stayed. The next day, Louise Rousseau drove over from Austin with Josephine Holden and a brand new Beta Xi pledge, Felicia Halloway. Hardy Adams was here too for several of the parties, but we don't exactly call her a visitor because she is so closely connected with us.

For the Tuesday parties, Oklahoma sent us some excellent help in Mary Van Horn and Elise Wilbor. They completely charmed the rushees with their songs and recitations. We tried our best to keep them here, even though we knew the loss it would be to Beta Theta. Jerry Curreathers, a fifth Beta Theta, came on Wednesday and we tried to lure her into enrolling in S.M.U., but to no avail. Texas responded again on Thursday with Margaret Duncan, Frances Boyd, Anabel Couper, and Mrs. Raymond Meyers. They added much to the exquisite dinner at Mrs. Penn's home that evening. For the last party on Friday we had Alice Allen of Beta Xi.

Silence started Friday night and continued until Saturday afternoon at two-thirty. Our bids were in; we could but wait. But with what results! At two-thirty we opened the doors to twenty-four of the finest pledges in the whole of S.M.U.

Gamma Kappa of S.M.U. pledged:

Nancy Baker, Virginia Haynie, Jean Etheridge, Jane Blakly, Natalie Faulkner, Barbara Maxon. Arlane Parker, Mildred Eiford, Alice Angel. Mary Louise Oliveo and Alice Wrather, all of Dallas; Lila McGinby, Terrel; Nan Beavers and Janet Andrews, Ft. Worth; Dean Whatley and Happy Whatley, Wichita Falls; Julia Presnall, Alice, Texas; Audrey Brownrizz, New Roads, Louisiana; Lorene Talliaferro, Sherman; Harriet Allison, Corpus Christi; Joel Estes Licke, Claburn; Lydia London, San Angelo; Martha Harrel, Greenville; Louise Williams, Oklahoma.

HOW ABOUT YOUR PROVINCE CONVENTION???

If you were not able to attend National Convention last summer, then by all means, plan right now to go to the nearest province convention this spring! If you did go to Breezy Point—you'll have an opportunity to renew many acquaintances, and gain more of the wonderful inspiration that is permeated in any such Kappa gathering. Write your province president now and find out the place and the dates!

A Milestone

ATIONAL Panhellenic Congress is an adventure in friendliness. It was a definite contribution made by college women to the college world, and through it to the great world outside. It antedated the League of Nations and foretold the coming of the Peace pacts, Kellogg or otherwise, which shall repudiate all "war."

Such an adventure should show us, now and then, a milestone along the road. There should be something to cheer us on if we do not see the fulfillment of all our hopes within the few years since the founding of the movement. I found such a milestone the other evening.

I was walking up First Avenue in New York City and I came to the Panhellenic Clubhouse at Forty-ninth Street, a beautiful building, towering for nearly thirty stories up to the sky with the East River and Long Island as a background. A milestone indeed, I thought. I wish I could give you something of the feeling of encouragement that I got from looking at that towering mass. So I argued, why not go in and see if it is as interesting as it looks.

The spacious entrance hall was gay with members and guests who had just finished dinner in the adjoining room. I followed them upstairs to the lovely lounge floor with its reception and card rooms; its library and great assembly hall where a concert was to be given at eighty-thirty. Up and still up I went; through floor after floor of attractive bedrooms until the elevator boy announced "Twenty-six." Here I found the "Solarium" and then I walked out on to the broad promenade which extends around the four sides of the building.

The city lay far below us, its millions of lights twinkling up at us in orderly rows from city streets and in clusters and masses from Long Island and the far off Jersey shore. Over all swung the great air beacons like friends keeping guard over the "lesser lights." I heard someone out there in the darkness saying: "Oh! It's fairyland—on toast!"

A good many years it has taken us to climb to nearly thirty stories of such achievement but our constant progress, "line upon line and precept upon precept," is sure and epitomizes the progress of the college woman Like the Panhellenic itself, the National Panhellenic Clubhouse is an adventure in friendliness.

THE N.P.C. COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

The Panhellenic House

THE Board of Directors of the Panhellenic House Association is happy to announce to the readers of The Key that the house was formally opened on October 1. In the spring of 1928, when that day was appointed, proclaimed and set apart for the opening (a sort of advanced Thanksgiving festival) probably most felt a degree of doubt as to whether the celebration would actually come to pass then; for the building contract did not require possession to be given until September 25. Owing however, to exceptionally good weather conditions during the construction period, it was possible to advance the date two weeks; and so the house really came into the eager hands of the Association on September 13; at which time representatives of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, which had written the first mortgage and given the building expert supervision from start to finish, pronounced the workmanship and materials good, the best possible; and further stated, that it was most unusual for delivery to be made ahead of time (if then).

Perhaps many fraternity women are not aware what historic interest is attached to the site and locality of The Panhellenic. From Colonial times up to the latter half of the last century, the eastern littoral, along the arm of the sea, later called the East River was the place where the families, who contributed most to the social and commercial life of the young city of New York, chose to create their country estates. Every one has heard of the Gracies, Astors, Beekmans, Schermerhorns, Rhinelanders, and Lawrences. This section, too, was an important military area from the days of the first settlement in early 1600.

Gradually the home trend moved westward and the midtown East Side fell into a state of social "innocuous desuetude" and seemed permanently given up to the useful ugliness. The decline and fall of the district was finally stopped by a sudden and dramatic revival of interest; in the rapid development of which the building of the Panhellenic has been an important factor. Even though the house was handed over early it was a stupendous task to get a skyscraper dressed for a party in seventeen days. Miss Margaret Chatfield, the manager and her staff, who all gave their best and Miss Marguerite Winant, chairman of the furnishings committee, although almost submerged in an avalanche of furniture, succeeded in accomplishing the miracle.

Many girls actually slept in the house on Saturday night, September 29 but the tables were not spread for the first dinner until Monday, October I, the scheduled day and hour.

The Reception in the evening was delightfully arranged by Mrs. Louis

Wilputte of Kappa Alpha Theta and Mrs. Richard Holton of Phi Mu fraternity. Nearly all of the members of the board were in the receiving line and more than eight hundred friends came in to wish the house success. They danced, enjoyed the refreshments and looked and looked. First they saw the ballroom itself, where the reception was held. Quoting from the New Yorker—"It is such a symphony in grayish wood, silver, deep peachy red, and dark pink marble! Nothing can ever spoil its serene, aloof yet irresistibly appealing dignity." It was brilliantly illuminated that night but usually one sees it softly lighted by lovely lamps.

Then on the same second floor are the four other social rooms, named from the Rodier tapestries, used as panels and draperies. First comes the "Tree of Life." This is a large square room done in brownish, grayish tones, but warm and cheerful; here many walnut inlaid tables are always just inviting the bridge players to stay awhile. Another room is christened the "Blade" from the sword motif of the green and gray mural textiles. Next is the library or reading room. There hasn't been time yet to acquire the books, which is sad for

Who hath a book, hath but to read, And he may be a king indeed. His kingdom is his ingle nook All this is his, who hath a book.

So let us hope that the shelves will soon be filled! The last room of the series is called the "Oasis." But one gets bankrupt on adjectives!

The climax of the whole is the Solarium on the twenty-sixth floor; it is perhaps the most modernistic bit of the house. The great windows of vita glass, just flood the room with the invisible violet rays, so beneficial to the human body; outside runs a wide promenade, edged by a parapet, high enough to protect but not so high as to obstruct the view. The outlook from the skyline, as it were, is a story in itself.

Descending from this high spot, past the 392 bed rooms, with their simple early American furnishings, everyone should pause on the third floor and look at a room which flaunts no color effects: but the six white tubs and the six white ironing boards and the drier have an appeal all their own. Here it is quietly possible to launder a complete modern wardrobe in the hour before dinner. The present prospects of the house are good: it had a larger proportion of rooms rented at the start than is considered usual for hotels. The benefits and advantages to be derived from residence in the Panhellenic are many.

First: There is the situation of the building itself; a glorious house on a glorious site; its lightness and brightness, its harmony and beauty bring forth in the girls a very real feeling of buoyancy and satisfaction.

Second: There is a homelike happy atmosphere within, which helps to

soften the first loneliness of the big city. The "City Panhellenic," a club to which all fraternity girls are eligible, with attractive rooms on the fourth floor, is pledged to make the Panhellenic just what it was planned, a home. The house staff also is doing much in the way of Sunday evening concerts and entertainments.

Third: The house offers full hotel service: telephones in every room: private baths with many rooms and never more than two rooms for one

bath.

Fourth: The prices are made as reasonable as possible, allowing for the necessary interest, dividend and carrying charges.

Fifth: the location is central: it is possible to get to work or school in midtown or downtown in half an hour which is quick for New York.

Sixth: There are possibilities for recreation, a roof garden that will bloom in the spring, a gymnasium (under way), dances, and concerts. The theater district is accessible, too.

Seventh: There is every chance for intercourse and friendship with those of like interests, professional or fraternal.

Eighth: There is plenty of room, (the entire second floor) for entertaining guests. The board desires here to express for its various fraternities its deep appreciation and thankfulness for the unmeasureable help and inspiration which Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn has given so generously.

The following is a list of the Kappas living in the Panhellenic House: Miss Margaret Austin, Beta Beta; Miss Gertrude Cosgrove, Theta; Miss Harriott Stanton deForest, Eta; Miss Janet Frasier, Beta Omega; Miss Catherine M. Garritson, Beta Rho; Dr. Elizabeth K. Gilfillan, Psi; Mrs. Bartow Griffiss (Corinne Weber), Beta Zeta; Miss Helen Knox, Beta Xi; Miss Helena Mitchell, Iota; Miss Mary Patchin, Beta Lambda; Miss Mary Josephine Shelly, Beta Omega; Miss Eleanor Norcross Shenehon, Chi; Miss Grace D. Winans, Beta Delta.

Miss Elizabeth Baker, Beta Xi, has just returned home after spending two months in New York and living in the Panhellenic House which is also called the Panhellenic Hotel and the Panhellenic Tower.

Description of the Panhellenic

(Written by a resident to a friend)

Panhellenic in one year. The architect, John Mead Howells, has stated that three years were spent in selecting material and every bit was secured before a stone was laid. Perhaps this careful method was inherited from his father William Dean Howells, who doubtless made a perfect skeleton before he wrote a novel. The entrance is on Mitchell Place, with gilded floral reliefs on bright blue above the door, and the vestibule is of pale blue marble-like material with dashes of gold. It is a truly colorful house all the way through. Except in the ballroom, the floors are everywhere of magnesite, generally of creamy golden color, laid in large squares, most restful to the eye. The main hall with its three elevators, post office boxes, and lights, like great inverted cones, leads into the dining room with Pompeian decoration. Here the walls are decorated with large panels of deep rose outlined with lines of black. The panels are interrupted by black columns surmounted with Greek vases, with tripods in the corners, all a departure from actual colors but resembling them.

The lights are like great vases, white with vivid green trimmings. The tables have black onyx tops. The chairs are painted gray with nice little leather covered seats and even the sugar bowls are of rose glass. The western side of the house on the street floor leads to the four shops. A fine drug store, valet service, gowns and a book shop called the "Alpha and Omega." On the second floor is the ballroom. It is hard to describe accurately its qualities. Royal seems to be the word—at any rate something transcending daily use. Its proportions are exactly right and at night, when lighted, the effect is truly beautiful; whether one looks from the gallery above or the lounge beneath. The combination of cream, gold, silver, rose, vivid blue, and green cannot be conveyed in black and white. It is most strongly accented by the furniture. Upholstered divans, one rose and one green, stand back to back all the way down from the center of the long hall and between each pair is a little table, silver topped with black legs lined with blue and green. The great decorative lights at the cornice are like half bowls of silver, wreathed and picked out with green, as are the reliefs of which they form the center. At intervals are floor lamps on standads, with square frosted shades. Then you add the deep pink (or red) marble mantel and the half dozen mirrors, which are shaped like windows and draped with curtains of silver velvet bound with black,

you may see a little of what it is all like. A raised stage at one end for musicians or public speakers.

On the same floor are the reception rooms, first the "Tree of Life." This is in gray: the tree introduced in textile panels mounted on the wall and above the doors are broad gray and white stripes arranged vertically. The divans here are tawny with several of flame colored leather. Next comes the "Blade"; this takes its name from the panels of silver and dull greenthe design being like rows and rows of vertical blades packed close together. Here are divans of silver and chairs of moss green; charming pale green transparent window draperies and lights that remind one of a square blouse and square narrower skirt, of variegated yellow.

The reading room is next, in tones of golden shaded brown: the textile

on the wall reminding one of hour glasses.

Last of the social rooms and perhaps the most attractive, is the "Oasis." Here the panels have green backgrounds, against which larger, graceful gray plants stand out. The long draperies at the windows are the same.

All the bedroom walls are finished in rough plaster and painted according to the exposure. The doors are of pale birch, and the dresser, day bed, table and two windsor chairs are of maple. The mattress is hair, very comfortable; attractive blankets with broad pink and white stripes and a suitable couch cover make up room furnishings. The windows have chintz draperies: the floor is of magnesite.

The halls on the bedroom floors are particularly pleasant in not resembling the hotel corridor. They are short and broken up by corner suites. Some, especially the main hall are stippled cream and gold, and on every floor there is a small fountain of chilled water.

On the third floor is the laundry with tubs, ironing boards, each with an electric outlet. Now to go back to the roof: would that it were possible to describe what is before one there! Most of New York it seems. On the river side north, Hellsgate and the Queensboro Bridge with Welfare Island dividing the river below them. The hills of Long Island are hazy but Manhattan Bridge stands out at the south; and little rock like seals break the surface of the river between.

On the west is a wonderful view of skyscrapers, and their lights, especially when there is a full moon, are quite beyond description. The walk which surrounds the building on the roof is about five feet wide, with little recesses near the windows where one can be sheltered from the wind. The parapet is excellent—at the sides well above one's head; lower at the corners. A tall thin giant might fall over but not the average adult. Inside is the Solarium. The decorations are most modern, shaded rose escalloped and waved, with little unexpected dashes like silver wings in the curves.

The New York City Panhellenic Club

By Edith Day Robinson, Resident Director

THE thrust and drive that go with momentum, the electric element intangible in vitality, are very definitely apparent in the atmosphere of the New York City Panhellenic Club, which has its headquarters on the fourth floor of the new Panhellenic House at Forty-ninth Street and First Avenue, New York City.

To begin with, the very building, slender, graceful and tallest of all of those thrown against the sky-line at that point along the East River, is a fixed symbol of the vision, energy and persistence of women. Having seen the vision, it was not easy to sustain the effort necessary to concrete it. The vision having been transferred from dreams, to blue prints, to an inhabitable structure, it was altogether fitting and proper that the New York City Panhellenic Club—which has in its membership representatives from eighteen different fraternities throughout the country—should find a home in the building for which it has so vigorously worked to help finance.

Its start here, in the new environment, has been made with a dash and eagerness that indicate great vitality with which to sustain hopes that are unquestionably both ambitious and practical.

In the short period it has been my pleasant experience to act as resident director of the Club, I have gathered the impression of an organization animated by clear purpose and vision, and making good headway. These post-collegians want to make their headquarters a social nucleus for the entire building. While they have no slightest desire to dominate its social program, they do want to be a means of contributing to it. This is possible through entertainments obtained by the Club and diverted to the ballroom, with invitations issued to the house residents through the regular monthly Sunday afternoon tea, in the clubroom, to which everyone is cordially invited; and by other means already apparent and which will develop as time goes on.

In brief, there is every evidence that a united fraternity club in the new house is going to have a great future of pleasure and service to many women and the New York City Panhellenic has shouldered the task and is prepared to develop the interests of college fraternity women on as broad a program as the members desire. Their social program which has been launched, offers something of interest to nearly every one. This includes monthly exhibits of batiks, water colors, etc., weekly dinner bridges, club

meetings, weekly teas, special events such as bridge tournaments, balls, etc.

Primarily the clubrooms are for club members and any fraternity woman is eligible for this privilege.

There are writing-desks, a table well stacked with current magazines, another table supplied with such information as appeals to travelers, strangers in the town, vicarious wanderers or just print-absorbents—people who read avidly for the love of type—this particular table offers time-tables, guides, and all sorts of miscellaneous matter intended to be helpful in some way or another.

Also, there is a piano, welcoming divans, bridge tables, and chairs, writing desks, a fireplace! It's a long, spacious, many-windowed room, capable of containing all these conveniences and luxuries without cramming the individual's sense of freedom.

The combined offices of the Panhellenic House Association and the New York City Panhellenic, divides the large clubroom from a short hall off which is the resident director's room, and an ample serving pantry. Here, stored compactly in a glass-protected china closet, are the dishes for the teas. Here, a girl can come on a rainy afternoon—any kind of a day can be a sunny one with the right company—and prepare her own tea, with her own supplies, as she would do in her own apartment. Or she may join others in the clubrooms who have had their tea sent from the dining room, and who are busily chatting before the fireplace. Mrs. Ranger, a most charming hostess, is on duty to receive guests.

And this, as Galsworthy says, gives you "the lay."

But even more than furnishing the social warmth for a club and a building occupied, for the most part, by women working for their respective incomes, the leaders of the New York City Panhellenic see opportunities opening up for their organization which they most intensely hope to realize. Just as the English Speaking Union started with the motive of disseminating good-will among all English-speaking peoples and has become a far-reaching organization which is of use to its members in multiple ways, so the leaders of the New York City Panhellenic see the chance that exists for it to work out its own motive as a friendly influence wherever it radiates, and to become also a big, strong, working instrument operating for the benefit of its members as well as for their pleasure.

Plans for the Panhellenic scholarship are under way. A clearing-house for information, with exchange data relating to conditions in business, in the professions, has been suggested. Ways in which the work of women may be furthered is an obvious feature. These fragmentary thoughts, at the present time, represent merely rough-sketch dreaming. They are by no means official. But they illustrate the point that the club means to be

useful to its members, as well as to furnish a place for them in which to relax and be merry.

And, after all, it was out of dreams that the new Panhellenic House emerged!

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Who's Who in Kappa

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GRACE OLCOTT DIVINE

RACE OLCOTT DIVINE, who made her début at the Metropolitan Opera this season, is almost a daughter of DePauw, and she is a daughter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. For Grace Divine's mother was Mary Olcott, DePauw '89, a wearer of the key. The only reason that Mary Olcott's daughter did not attend DePauw, as did nine other



GRACE DIVINE
Mezzo-Soprano

Olcotts, was the lovely voice that has finally brought her to the stage of the world's finest opera house.

When Grace was but a tiny girl, about five, she loved to tread that old fashioned instrument, the family pianola. She astonished her mother by learning the melodies of favorite symphonies that Mrs. Divine frequently used to play, and seemed to enjoy them.

Mrs. Divine was so impressed that as soon as the child was a little older, she was given piano lessons, and these continued through her entire school life. In the meantime the voice developed and the beautiful quality of her large, full mezzo voice convinced all who knew Grace Divine that the future held great things for her as a singer.

When Miss Divine was fifteen her mother took her to Miss Bertha

Bauer, director of the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music, who immediately recognized her talent and predicted the brilliant career upon which Miss Divine is just now entering.

At the conservatory Miss Divine studied voice with John Hoffman. When her voice began to mature, the young singer came to New York, and upon securing an audition before Maestro A. Buzzi-Peccia, instructor

of Alma Gluck, Sophie Braslau, and other famous singers, was promptly accepted by this eminent voice teacher and composer, under whose guidance, both in this country and in Europe, she has been ever since. During these years she has acquired an extensive repertoire of operatic rôles. One year she spent in Italy, studying at Stresa, on Lake Maggiore.

On returning to America Miss Divine was engaged by the San Carlo Opera Company, with which she sang the rôles of Azucena in *Trovatore* and Lola in *Cavalleria Rusticana* at the Century Theater in New York. The young singer's appearance with the San Carlo organization and her numerous concert engagements in New York and elsewhere were immediately greeted with great praise from the critics.

For the past three years Grace Divine was a student of Madame Marcella Sembrich at the Juilliard Foundation. Her New York concert début was made in Aeolian Hall, and again the critics were warm in their praise. Then followed her choice for a Dresden Opera scholarship award and upon the heels of this great honor, her selection by Mr. Gatti-Casazza as one of the singers for the Metropolitan.

The story of her choice for the "Met" reads almost like a fairy tale. Always, dimly, in the mind and heart of every singer who has done opera work is the teasing thought of the Mecca of all artists. Miss Divine admits, now that her choice with that company is conclusive, that she had vaguely dreamed of the Metropolitan stage, but it was a dream of a far-distant future. Several years of hard, hard work and study still lay before her, she thought, before she could dare appear at a Metropolitan audition.

Then one night in mid-winter Miss Divine sang at an operatic performance in Philadelphia. Unknown to the singer, one of the pleased members of the audience who left the opera house that night was a representative of the Metropolitan Opera.

Spring came, and with it the award of a Juilliard Foundation scholarship for Miss Divine. While she was still weighing the question of going abroad or remaining in America for her concert work and grand opera appearances, an unexpected summons came. It was from the Metropolitan representative, and he asked that she appear at the famous Broadway home of opera for an audition.

Fairly stunned at the suggestion, the young singer went to the audition, and, as one in a dream, sang the aria "Gerechter Gott" from Rienzi. She was rewarded with the customary "Thank you." Then came a call for a second audition, at which she was requested to sing an Italian aria. Again she won a "Thank you," and took her leave, unaware of the impression she had made upon her critical auditors.

A short time later, as she was about to book her passage to Germany,

came another call from the Metropolitan representative. When she reported at the opera house, to her amazement she was handed a contract to sign.

That the Dresden opera scholarship was relinquished and the opera contract signed is now a matter of history. Aspiring singers are not

given to refusing their signatures to such documents.

Concert, opera and oratorio—it matters not which—claim the interest of Grace Divine. In her struggle upward from the ranks of the unknown to her present glorious future as one of the singers of the Metropolitan Opera, Grace Divine has never refused any singing engagement no matter how seemingly unimportant. Church choirs, radio concerts, benefits for small organizations, and concerts, either alone or with a group of similarly unknown young artists—they have all been steps in the progress of this ambitious girl. Even musical comedy and vaudeville engagements have not been scorned. And each gave experience to the young singer, with poise and ease and greater sureness of self to approach the harder task ahead.

Miss Divine's opera repertoire is very large. Even before her selection for the Metropolitan, she had sung many opera rôles, and after her memorable talk with Director Gatti-Casazza of the Metropolitan, following her engagement there, she set herself the huge task of learning fifty-seven new rôles. The singer's repertoire also includes a wide selection of songs in German, French, Spanish, Italian, Yiddish, and English. Italian she speaks flawlessly, while her French, Spanish and German are almost as fluent. And during the coming season Miss Divine will attempt new linguistic fields when she adds to her concert repertoire songs in Swedish, Finnish, and Norwegian.

Miss Divine has been showered with many honors. Recently Sigma Alpha Iota, international musical fraternity, claimed her as an honorary member at a ceremony attended by many famous singers who are fellow members of this honor society.

Her initiation into Sigma Alpha Iota came concurrently with her appearances in Cincinnati as soloist on tour with Walter Damrosch's New York Symphony Orchestra. At that time Iota chapter in Cincinnati bespoke her for the initiation ceremony, which made her one of its sisterhood, to which Madame Sembrich, Miss Divine's beloved teacher, also belonged as a national honorary member.

The engagement of the young singer with the New York Symphony Orchestra, on its farewell tour, was one of the most important and memorable of her recent activities. For Walter Damrosch has long been looked upon as the "Dean of America's Conductors" and those young artists upon whom he puts his stamp of approval invariably attain the heights. Now with Miss Devine chosen as one of the new stars of the

Metropolitan Opera, Mr. Damrosch's faith in the golden throat of the young singer has been justified.

Among her outstanding engagements for this season is an appearance as one of the soloists with the Reading Choral Club and the Philadelphia Symphony in Bach's Christmas Oratorio.

Together with a lovely voice, Grace Divine has other qualities of person and mind that make for success. As a recent music reviewer wrote, telling the story in a few words: "The necessary qualities for a popular diva are all hers: youth, beauty, enthusiasm, a superb voice and genuine artistic feeling for interpretation." Still another critical admirer wrote: "In addition to a voice of much beauty, Miss Divine has charm of person and the necessary magnetism to keep her audience with her."

The newest Metropolitan Opera singer has a gracious ease, both in her approach to song interpretation and in her manner of meeting her many admirers. She is simple, sweet and charming, totally unspoiled and unaffected by the glowing encomiums that greet her every appearance. She is, above all, her mother's daughter, and grateful for the understanding and sympathy that has helped to carry her through years of hard study to her present success.

DEAN KATHERINE S. ALVORD

DEAN KATHERINE SPRAGUE ALVORD came to DePauw as dean of women and associate professor of history in 1915. As dean, teacher, and as hostess at Rector Hall, her influence has been a most worthy contribution to the life of DePauw.

Miss Alvord received her A.B. degree in 1883 from the University of Michigan, where she was also made a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, social fraternity. In 1908 she received her A.M. from Columbia and later she studied in Cornell and the University of Wisconsin.

She has taught in State Normal School and at Miami College. For ten years Dean Alvord was vocational adviser and head of the Chadbourne Hall at Wisconsin University. In addition to her campus duties, Dean Alvord served as secretary of the National Association of Deans of Women in 1920. She is also a member of the American History Association, Mississippi Valley History Association, and Association of Collegiate Alumnæ.

When she came to DePauw, Dean Alvord found no organization of the dean's work and no record of any girl on the campus. In place of that chaos, she has substituted system and order, and brought progress and efficiency into the office. In a capable and experienced manner she has taken charge of the women's activities on the campus. She is also

responsible for many of the valuable things in the present sorority life of the campus.

Two important movements are being favored and advanced by Dean Alvord. First, the erection of a women's building, which can be the center of their activities and interests—including their own gymnasium. Second, an increased number of scholarships for women students of ability as a recognition of their work.

Dean Alvord's influence and devotion have greatly benefited DePauw University, and she, in turn, has won our respect and admiration.

-From a Purdue Paper.

MARIE MOUNT; NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF EXTENSION SURVEY

WNING a stable business is an enviable position in these days of working women. Marie Mount, Delta, known to Kappas for her scientific investigation of extension has literally stable interests. Her two tea rooms are housed in stables that are known even in



Marie Mount National Chairman, Extension Survey

Washington for their historic associations. The Iron Gate Inn and the Tally Ho Tavern are examples of unusual environment that lend charm and color as the background for tempting food.

General Nelson Miles' aristocratic horses once occupied the stalls that bear their names, Golden Pebbles. Old Ebb, and Denver, at the Iron Gate Inn. Additional stalls and the smaller pony quarters are just right for small parties at cozy tables. Golden candles, vivid flowers, petite pots of ivy, and an open fire provide a setting which attracts many important Washingtonians. Many Kappa dinners have been held in the hay loft which is arranged to accommodate private parties. In the tiny court yard a few guests may drink their iced tea and eat salads in summer.

A mammoth gracious locust, amidst the shops on Seventeenth Street, suggests the unusual. The fact that it came to this country only a seedling from the River Jordan testifies to its age. Its encircling brick

walk leads to a garden where tables with umbrellas and a gay canopy announce the Tally Ho Tavern.

There are styles in stables, even as in houses and this one is divided into two rooms by a brick wall with arching windows whose sills bear the season's flowers. Candle light, green glass service, and demure maids costumed as Puritans set this stage for many smart guests.

It has been suspected by students that if professors really knew all that they taught, they would not be in the teaching business. Here's a dean of home economics who practices what she teaches!

SCHOLARSHIP AGAIN

Scholarship will again be brought to the attention of fraternities when the Scholarship Cup is awarded at the Commerce Auditorium Monday evening.

Fraternities are apt to forget about the importance of grades in the mad scurry to fill their house with "good" boys. But when the announcement is made and each fraternity is told its point average for the year and compared to other groups, the truth is out.

As a rule fraternities attempt to do their part in raising the scholastic standing of their members. However there are always a few of the members who do not make the grade, and then blame the fraternity for their standing.

Many students have flunked out of school because they had outside interests which monopolized their time, keeping them from studying. But, invariably, these students will blame their failures on the fraternity, saying there was too much disturbance and they could never study. Investigation usually shows that those students never tried to study.

This attitude gives the outsider the wrong impression of the fraternity. They are regarded as places to have a good time, where no one ever studies, etc.

In reality a fraternity or sorority does feel self-conscious about its scholastic standing, especially if it should be exceptionally low. They attempt to raise it from year to year. Those who drag the standing down are encouraged to work for better grades.

After Monday night campus organizations will know their rating and can begin the long tedious task of improving grades while there is still time this quarter.

-Ohio State Lantern

Endowment

The New Chairman of Endowment— Mrs. Gale McKillip, Beta Nu

WHEN Clara O. and Florence T. insisted emphatically that I should write my own introduction to Kappadom, I felt as if I had graduated from the proverbial under-dog class to the ranks of the celebrities; but seriously, more like a poor little freshman about to take his first intelligence test. Imagine my consternation!

Now that the innermost secrets of my dark and grizzly past are about to be unfolded before searching Kappa eyes, I should like to defend my-



MRS. GALE McKILLIP
National Chairman, Endowment

self by putting the greater share of the blame on Clara O., since it was she who started me on my Kappa career. I once suspected her of sitting up nights to think up work for me to do and now I believe it, for when she took over Endowment work several years ago, she inveigled me into tagging along and now that she has become the new Executive Secretary, I am still tagging by trying to fill her shoes as Endowment Chairman.

It is almost unnecessary to remind Kappas of the splendid work Clara has done in raising our Endowment Fund from babyhood to maturity, because you already know what has been accomplished. I feel certain that each of you will be just as loyal now that there is another chairman to

carry along what has already been so splendidly started.

The very nicest part of my new work is my association in the Central Office with the Executive Secretary, Clara Pierce; the National Registrar, Florence Tomlinson; and the Cataloguer, Carolyn Norton. But for the generosity of Mae Potter of Beta Mu and the Denver Association, who so kindly donated a roll-top desk, I should not be in the office at all, but searching the unused corners of my home for space large enough to store the endless Endowment equipment. (Think of poor Della all these years stumbling over Kappa files and Mr. Burt finding multigraph type in his

soup and still being able to smile! They both will wear Kappa stars in their crowns on Judgment Day!)

The Columbus Alumnæ Association accused me of always having my hand stretched out for money, in fact, one member once remarked that when she saw me coming she ran for her pocket book, so I want all of you, dear Kappas, near and far to start loosening your purse strings, because I'll soon be begging for Endowment.

MARGUERITE HEINER MCKILLIP

BIRTHDAY COINS

From the north, east, south, and west birthday coins continue to swell the coffers of Endowment, proving, therefore what a mighty source of income can be created by each Kappa doing her share. The newly elected chairman is well pleased.

Contributions received between November 20, 1928 and January 12, 1929.

Beta Omicron Beta Sigma Beta Tau	1.16 16.24	
Gamma Eta	15.00	
Gamma Iota	21.11	
Gamma Rho	11.88	
Total, Active Chapters		\$ 72.80
Cincinnati	\$18.84	
Columbus	5.41	
Kansas City	7.08	
Lexington	10.50	
Longview-Kelso	1.25	
Philadelphia	26.00	
Phoenix	2.44	
Sacramento	7.00	
San Diego	7.58	
San Francisco Bay	1.00	
St. Lawrence	7.02	
Washington, D.C.	14.42	
Total, Alumnæ		\$ 108.54
Previously Reported		\$1,097.78
Grand Total		\$1,279.12

FINAL REPORT ON FAB

January, 1926-January, 1929

This report is given in provinces and totals so that the net results may be seen quickly.

Alpha Province	ZETA PROVINCE
Active Chapters-6 266	Active Chapters-7 342
Alumnæ Associations—8 274	Alumnæ Associations—12 656
Total 540	Total 998
BETA PROVINCE	ETA PROVINCE
Active Chapters—7 888	Active Chapters—4 601
Alumnæ Associations—7 802	Alumnæ Associations—3 638
Total 1690	Total
GAMMA PROVINCE	THETA PROVINCE
Active Chapters—5 452	Active Chapters—5 208
Alumnæ Associations—71,418	Alumnæ Associations—11 564
Total	Total 772
Delta Province	IOTA PROVINCE
Active Chapters—7	Active Chapters-7 207
Alumnæ Associations—12 438	Alumnæ Associations—9 337
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Total2,853	Total 544
Epsilon Province	KAPPA PROVINCE
Active Chapters—5 858	Active Chapters—3 91
Alumnæ Associations—9 204	Alumnæ Associations—3 237
Total	Total 328

A total of 6,328 orders from active chapters and 5,568 from alumnæ associations, a grand total of 11,896 boxes of FAB sold by Kappa Kappa Gamma, netting the fraternity \$5,948—more than \$3,000 of which went to Endowment. All chapters active in 1925 have co-operated to some extent.

At least six alumnæ associations listed in the directory in 1925 have not co-operated at all. No clubs have reported.

There are two provinces conspicuous for their work—Gamma and Delta. The record of Delta is given in full because it ranks 1,000 more than any other. Gamma Delta chapter of Delta province sold more than any other chapter—1,002 boxes. This chapter made a FAB organization as soon as the sale began and systematically worked at it during the entire time. Other chapters in the province did well. As a result the endowment fund profited from the work of Delta Province \$1,207.50; while the chapters have received \$501.50 for their own uses.

In Gamma Province the Columbus Association organized a selling campaign for their house building fund and as a result sold 1,252 boxes; thus the endowment fund profited \$288 and the house the same.

Probably Eta Province with fourteen chapters and three associations did better pro rata with 1,239 orders. Many chapters and associations cooperated loyally.

While the report looks well it is far from what it should be. Loyalty means co-operation, I bespeak greater co-operation in all fraternity work from the individuals as well as the chapters and associations.

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE ROYCE WALKER,

National President's Deputy,

Chairman of FAB Committee

REPORT OF DELTA PROVINCE FAB SALES

JANUARY, 1926

Chapters	Orders	Endowment Fund	Chapters	Refund
Delta	320	\$80.00	\$80.00	
Iota	112	28.00	28.00	\$28.00
Mu	100	27.25	27.25	
Карра	99	24.75	24.75	
Xi	9	2.25	2.25	
Beta Delta	78	19.50	19.50	
Gamma Delta	264	66.00	66.00	66.00
Total	991	\$247.75	\$247.75	\$94.00
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lota	33	8.25 11.25	11.25	\$8.25
Mu	45 56	14.00	14.00	
KappaXi	30	14.00	14.00	
Beta Delta	13	3.25	3.25	
Gamma Delta		95.75	95.75	
Total	600	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$8.25
		8.25		
		\$158.25		
	SEPTEM	BER, 1928		
Delta	102	\$25.50	\$25.50	
Iota		30.75	30.75	
Mu	57	14.25	14.25	
Kappa		35.75	35.75	× - F
Xi	41	10.25	10.25	
Beta Delta		.75	.75	
Gamma Delta	355	88.75	88.75	
Total	824	\$206.00	\$206.00	

TOTAL OF THE SEVEN	CHAPTERS OF DELTA	PROVINCE	
Delta 492	\$123.00	\$123.00	\$36.25
Iota 268	67.00	67.00	36.25
Mu 211	52.75	52.75	
Kappa 298	74.50	74.50	1
Xi 50	12.50	12.50	
Beta Delta 94	23.50	23.50	
Gamma Delta 1002	255.00	250.00	66.00
Total2415	\$603.75	\$603.75	\$102.25
Refunds	102.25	102.25	
Total Endowment	\$706.00	\$501.50	
Total Chapters	\$501.50		
Total	\$1207.50—rece	eipts from Del	ta Sales.

THE ALLERTON HOUSE SERVICE TO COLLEGE WOMEN

Kappa Kappa Gamma alumnæ in Chicago have just made arrangements to have a complete information service available through Allerton House, 701 North Michigan, for all traveling members. This service will include the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all Kappas in Chicago or suburbs. Also the names of the Chicago Alumnæ officers and information in regard to all luncheons, dinners, and parties.

The Allerton is the official intercollegiate alumni hotel in Chicago and through this appointment the names and addresses of alumni from the ninety-eight colleges and universities included in the Intercollegiate Alumni Extension Service are also on file there.

Seven separate floors of the Allerton have been reserved for women guests, of whom 75 per cent are college women and every national sorority is represented. Chicago alumnæ groups from the majority of national sororities are co-operating with this plan which will provide a sorority information bureau for Chicago as well as offer transient or permanent living quarters for college women in a college atmosphere at a very reasonable rate. The Allerton is located within a fifteen-minute walk to the business and theatrical section of the city. Here also you will find a circulating library, eighteen-hole golf course, and eight tennis courts.

When you are in Chicago we are expecting you to attend our meetings and if you want to find any of your old college friends, call at the Allerton.

Tabloid Book Reviews

By CAROLYN OGILVIE, Alpha

I cherish books that bring to me
The deathless beauty of the ages,
And books in noble company,
Alive with wisdom of the sages;
And times there are when best by far
Are books with laughter in their pages.

THE new year brings a wealth of books, for all tastes, for rich and for poor, for children, for scholars, and best, for the home. It would be a poor world without books, to lack care for good books.

Empress of Hearts. The author has several names—E. Barrington, L. L. Adams Beck, and Louis Moresby—but under whatever name, she is a genius. Her books are well worth reading. The Divine Lady, Glorious Apollo, The Thunderer, these are marvelous books. The Empress of Hearts is Marie Antoinette, the lovely and unhappy queen whose story is told in this book. Dodd, Mead Co.

Schumann-Heink. This famous story tells a lifetime filled with happy work. The author has collected anecdotes about the life of the great singer and woven them into a most attractive form. The Macmillan Co.

The Case of Sergeant Grisca. Many novels about the war have been great, but the latest about Arnold Zweig surpassed all of them. The story is remarkable, intensely interesting, and will move the hearts of the world. A great book. The Viking Press.

Lily Cristine. Michael Arlen grows with his popularity, and the latest novel, perhaps not so literary, has more of the human and lovable. Mr. Arlen delineates women everyone must like to read about, whatever we may think of them. Lily Christine is a "good woman," as Arlen says; a woman worth writing about as the author sees her. Doubleday, Doran & Co.

William Beebe's new book is Beneath the Tropic Seas. The scene is of Haiti's shores. The book has sixty illustrations.

Harry A. Franck's latest book has ninety-five illustrations, *The Fringe* of the Moslem World The illustrations are remarkable, from photographs taken by the author.

Bobbs-Merrill books are received always with joy and this season have more than the usual acclaim, for we have Erskine's *Penelope's Man, Exploring Your Mind, Scarlet Sister Mary*, and Bacheller's great book, *The House of the Three Ganders*.

Editorial Comment

FEEL as though the center-pole of the big tent had fallen.

Della Burt is no longer holding up with all her strength and energy the growing superstructure of this fraternity. Hers has been a heroic task and one that from now on three women will perform. Yet Della someway covered the ground and who of you ever met other than cheerful response to your queries or demands? You who have worked and were within reach of Della will recall that when any new work came to light, from a form letter to instruct Key correspondents to the mailing of fifteen thousand endowment letters, her immediate remark was, "I'll do that. I'd just as soon." Imagine! The fraternity as a whole does not know how grateful it should be to Della Lawrence Burt for what she has put into her work. She has bridged the gap from a small easily run concern to an organization that requires several sorts of officials in the executive office and infinite amount of detail work to preserve its history, establish its efficiency, and provide for reasonable growth. We must rejoice with her that she is to have a little home life free from Kappa, but oh, how we shall miss her!

The following editorial is taken from *The Key Ring*, Theta Province paper. Mildred Maxey is the editor, and this being unsigned is undoubtedly from her pen.

CHAPTER DEADWOOD

A convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma is held primarily for the checking up of individual chapters. If done decisively, this biennial work can give our national unlimited strength. Too many platitudes have been written about "A chain is as strong as its weakest link" to make an emphasis on universal chapter efficiency necessary here. The purpose of this editorial is to re-invigorate the deadwood that drags along in every chapter, and that in the long run, defeats the work of the convention.

It was noticeable at the 1928 convention that none of the outstanding weaknesses admitted to by delegates were unavoidable. All of them might be remedied with constructive thinking on the part of every member in a chapter. Lack of co-operation within the chapter, weak scholarship, few activities are not conditions caused by an inexorable fate; they are the inevitable result of the attitude often adopted—and sometimes unfortunately held—by the initiates. They have been initiated; there is no necessity of making good grades; activities are not demanded of members; they create factions in the chapter for their own excitement. Through habit, this attitude is often continued during a girl's entire fraterntiy life.

As a rule, the president of a chapter unconsciously encourages an accumulation of deadwood. The efficiency of her work depends upon the prompt execution of

her suggestions and rules. Invariably she learns to rely upon five or six; the rest of the chapter becomes merely background. These five or six are the girls who in later years keep alive our alumnæ associations. They give more of themselves to the fraternity; naturally they value it twice as much as do the girls who regard Kappa merely as a social asset and a creditable boarding house on the campus.

A fraternity is an idea building towards an ideal; that ideal is the finest kind of womanhood. Since most girls enter a fraternity between the ages of sixteen and twenty, they should be impressed with this idea at the time when they are most be-wildered by the complexities of their reactions to good and evil; when they are most uncertain as to the meaning they should give their lives. In this direction, the influence of a fraternity is not only ideal, but practical, for it may set into motion all the noblest energies of the developing woman. That is why many Kappas are still interested in the fraternity when they have attained the utter resignation of old age; they projected themselves into fraternity life and thus became receptive to purposes and ideals which are merely harmonious rituals to many.

The fraternity cannot afford to carry along too much of this deadwood. It should be the conscious effort of every chapter to weed out as much of it as possible. We offer these suggestions for consideration in solving the deadwood problem: (1) Pledge girls only after the most careful analysis of their character, their intellect, their physical well-being and their ability to respond to fineness. (2) Train freshmen, not through fear, but through pride of individual attainment. (3) Penalize old girls as severely as freshmen for failure to live up to scholarship and activity standards. (4) Place a chapter responsibility on every old girl at least once a semester. (5) Don't reserve fraternity ideals for the yearly initiation. Drill into the old girls the psychological fact that freshmen imitate. The responsibility of being a pattern will sometimes re-create a particular dead piece of wood.

Make your fraternity a living, vital thing by insisting upon practical application of its ideals.

This fine editorial suggests to mind the question, "What is a good chapter president?" Is she the girl who works fast and can do twice as much in a given time as anyone else? Is it the one who plans and executes the plans for the chapter, who sees to all the detail of chapter management? I don't think so. I once met a man who was on a rather long vacation—too long, it seemed to me, for one who was not very high up in the executive scale. I said to him, "How can you stay away so long from your work? How does your office get on without you?". His reply impressed me so that I have never forgotten it. "If I do my work so badly when I am there that its results do not go on just the same when I am away, it is time I lost my job." Of course he was one whose work was in directing others and having established his system he did not need to watch it continually.

In his comment is the germ of my idea of what a good president should be. She must have the ability to pick the right girl for each piece of work, to see that all the officers function, but not do the work herself. She must use all the girls in the chapter not just the few who work fastest and most efficiently, and most of all she must organize her work so that it goes on without her constant supervision. That sort of president has character and ability. But we expect those qualities from Kappas.

Have any of you heard that a prize has been offered for the best piece of original writing offered to The Key this year? The chapters were instructed by convention to send in at least one such piece, be it poetry, prose or drama, before June 1, 1929. Two of the fifty-seven chapters have responded.

Once more my attention has been called to a peculiar kind of rudeness much too often practised by otherwise lovely Kappas. It is the rudeness of neglecting to notify your Kappa hostess whether you will be present or not when the meeting is bridge or a meal. I have painful recollections of the Sunday evening supper at Stanford the week of the 1926 convention. Twice a day for the preceding days of convention the marshall had requested from the platform that all who intended going to Stanford inform the proper official beforehand. Seventy people signed for the trip, as I remember. The hostesses felt safe in providing for double that number. When something over two hundred put in an appearance you can imagine the unpleasant result. Recently much the same thing happened in an eastern city. I suppose everyone of those women thought they would be the only one who hadn't reserved a place. But there are always others! The embarrassment caused the hostesses is out of all proportion to the small inconvenience it would be to telephone one's intentions. It is one of those discourtesies that come from carelessness and for that very reason are most difficult to eradicate. Because if you think, you won't do it. If you don't think, you won't know you are being rude.

News Items

THE biggest piece of news is the moving of the Central Office of Kappa Gamma from St. Louis to Columbus. The deed has been accomplished, you will have read the details in the foregoing pages, and next issue of The Key you will see pictures of the familiar office equipment, minus Howard Burt and the dining room chairs.

A Panhellenic club has been organized in New York that has captured the interest of many women who felt they had outgrown the more limited sorority association. This organization quite appropriately has quarters on the fourth floor of the Panhellenic building. Three-hundred twenty-five women have joined in the first two months of its existence. Seventy of these are Kappas. There is no doubt this club, inter-sorority in nature, will stimulate interest in the separate associations.

Theta Upsilon has announced the installation of two new chapters, at Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois, and at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

Delta Zeta announces new chapters at the University of Louisville, University of South Carolina, University of Pennsylvania, and the University of Utah.

Martha Overlees, Beta Theta, can be heard almost daily over WKY, a station maintained in Oklahoma City by the Daily Oklahoman and the Oklahoma Times. Martha is one of the famous trio consisting of herself, Pete Caldwell, Beta, and Walter French, Sigma Chi. Martha sings anything from church solos to the latest blues.

Gamma Nu announces the marriage of Nina Fitzpatrick to George W. Streepey, Sigma Chi.

Ninette Huffman, Gamma Pi, was married September 30 to George T. Hupp of Columbus, Ohio.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Henrietta Hadley, Beta Mu, and Warren B. Lammert. Miss Hadley's father was chancellor of the Washington University and a former governor of Missouri. She is a niece of Mrs. J. W. Lyman, Omega, and Kansas City Alumnæ Association.

Miss Eugenie Armstrong, Gamma Iota, has announced her engagement to Charles A. Brandon, a Princeton graduate. Miss Armstrong attended Mary Institute, Washington University, and Vassar College.

Miss Abbie Lewis, Gamma Iota, and John Holler were recently mar-

ried in St. Louis. Mr. Holler is vice-consul at Venice and he and his bride left immediately to make their home in Italy.

First prize for the most attractive booth at the annual Melting Pot Bazaar, was won by the toy booth of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Mu celebrated her fifty-first birthday January 2. A party was given at the chapter house, with the alumnæ in charge of the six o'clock spread.

The following extract is from a letter written by Tade Hartsuff Kuhns and is reprinted from Mu Murmurs.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM TADE HARTSUFF KUHNS ON BOARD S.S. PRESIDENT WILSON

I have gone down to the sea in a ship and am off with the school children for some play and study in the Orient. In other words more elegant, I am a part of the student body of the "Floating University." But I am not going all the way round with them—only to Siam. . . . I rather think I shall go over to Ceylon, possibly drop off at Egypt and come home across the Atlantic.

There are two nice Kappas among the students—one from Texas and one from Wisconsin University. Then there is a dear girl from Wilmington, Delaware, whose mother was a Kappa at Swarthmore, but she herself is a member of another organization at William and Mary, where she attended.

I was in New York a week the last of September and again several days before I sailed, so I had a chance to see the new Panhellenic House—really functioning beautifully. Mrs. Walker and I had lunch together at Alice McDougall's. Panhellenic House is really very fine in its planning and soon dividends may be expected. Mrs. Hepburn has an office there and gives a lot of time to the whole enterprise. How proud the whole fraternity will be of this building and its superb location.

Am so glad Mu Kappas are moved and like it in the new place.

Sigma Phi Sigma announces the installation of a chapter at the State College of Washington.

We quote from The Theta Key Ring:

On the evening of Tuesday, November 6, Marjorie Thomas, Beta Omicron, and Karl Marvin Zander, Chicago, were married in the Trinity Church of New Orleans. All of Theta Province will be interested in this wedding, for during the year and a half that Biddy has been president of the province, she has come to mean a definite and charming personality to hundreds of Kappas. Much to the joy of her chapters, she will remain in office until such time as another head is elected at a regular election.

Biddy wore a beautiful white satin gown and a lace wedding veil. The wedding party was thoroughly a Kappa one, for her sister, Mrs. Garvin Saunders, matron of honor, another sister, Dorothy Thomas, maid of honor, and four of her bridesmaids, Clara Fitzpatrick, Corinne Robin Lapeyre, Ann White and Beatrice Ford are all Kappas from Beta Omicron. The other two members of the bridal party were Mrs. Harry Zander and Elizabeth O'Kelley Kerrigan. In green and yellow velvet, the bridal party created a lovely pageant down the church aisle.

HELEN MARIE SKILTON, Omega

Helen Marie Skilton, Allerton House resident and fashions artist at the Lane Bryant shop, has been awarded the first prize check in a nation-wide wardrobe designing contest conducted by the Chicago Evening American.

The contest, in which Miss Skilton was given highest recognition, consisted in making up a wardrobe for the college or business girl, or

the girl at home on a maximum budget of \$200. Miss Skilton selected the young business woman's wardrobe as her problem and drew up her prospectus, outfitting a complete wardrobe in her plan. This prize-winning wardrobe plan was embellished with drawings and clippings from newspapers and apparel advertisements, and described in verse which Miss Skilton wrote to accompany her contest prospectus.

The wardrobe contest conducted by the Evening American was sponsored in connection with the "Chic Cherie" fashion features of the Hearst newspapers and associated feature syndicates. Contestants submitted wardrobe plans from practically all parts of the United States and many women who participated



HELEN SKILTON

in this contest hold authoritative positions in the world of fashions. Miss Skilton is an alumna of the University of Kansas of the Class of 1926 and a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She became connected as a fashions artist with the advertising department of the Lane Bryant Shop of Chicago, and has been an Allerton resident for six months. Miss Skilton has become active in the Allerton Panhellenic Club, the Allerton branch of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, and of the Alumnæ Association of the University of Kansas.

Owen D. Young, husband of Josephine Edmunds Young, Beta Beta, has been chosen to represent the United States at the Reparations Conference. Mr. Young is co-author of the Dawes Plan and head of the General Electric Company.

Southern Methodist University has been placed on its approved list of colleges by the American Association of Universities, President Charles C. Selecman, president of the local institution, was advised in a letter received Saturday from Dr. Adam Leroy Jones, New York, chairman of the association.

The affect of this action is to assure that delegates and credits issued by Southern Methodist University will be accepted without ques-



HELEN WILLS
A Portrait Study by Dorothy Wilding of London

Dr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Wills of Berkeley have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Helen Wills, noted tennis player, to Frederick S. Moody, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Moody of San Francisco.

The couple met three years ago at Cannes on the Riviera. Miss Wills has been a student at the University of California, and was affiliated with the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority there. She has also attended a school in Switzerland.

The wedding date has not been set.

tion by the members of the association and by colleges and universities on its approved list.

"This recognition places S.M.U. in the highest class of American institutions of learning," President Selection said. "It is the most important event in the life of the institution since it was founded. Less than 200 institutions are on the approved list of the association and only four of these are in Texas."

The university has been under consideration by the association for

more than two years, Dean E. D. Jennings of the college of arts and sciences said Saturday. The final report on the qualifications of the university made a document of 110 typewritten pages.

ORGANIZED FIFTEEN YEARS

The American Association of Universities was organized fifteen years ago by twenty-five leading institutions to raise the standards of work in American higher institutions of learning. Since organization it has admitted but one institution to membership. Instead of expanding membership it has adopted the plan placing other institutions on its approved list. The twenty-six members of the association are: California, Stanford University of California; Connecticut, Yale; District of Columbia, Catholic University of America; Illinois, University of Illinois; Northwestern, Chicago University; Indiana, Indiana University; Iowa, State University of Iowa; Kansas, University of Kansas; Maryland, Johns Hopkins; Massachusetts, Harvard and Clark Universities; Michigan, University of Michigan; Minnesota, University of Minnesota; Missouri, University of Missouri, Washington University; Nebraska, Nebraska University; New Jersey, Princeton; New York, Columbia and Cornell; North Carolina; Ohio, Ohio State; Pennsylvania, University of Pennsylvania; Virginia, University of Virginia; Wisconsin, University of Wisconsin.

"The requirements for approval include meeting standards set by the association on the following points: Efficiency of faculty members, salaries, plant, teaching equipment, endowment and grade of work done by students," Dean Jennings explained. "Work done by S.M.U. students was compared with work done by students in the twenty-five member universities and stood the test.

"An interesting discovery made during the examination of the institution was that graduates of S.M.U. studying for higher degrees in other institutions made higher grades in these institutions than while in S.M.U. This was considered evidence that the S.M.U. grading basis was not too high."

The vote was favorable on granting charters to the petitioning groups in Vancouver, B.C., and Fargo, N.D.

In Memoriam

ELIZABETH TANNER ECKEL, Beta Tau, '98
December 1, 1928

Mrs. Elizabeth T. Eckel, wife of Attorney Albert F. Eckel, died last night at the family home, 121 Victoria Place, after an illness of several months. Mrs. Eckel was a daughter of the late William E. and Mrs. Adeline M. Tanner, for many years residents of Geddes and Syracuse.

She was a graduate of the department of music, College of Fine Arts, Syracuse University, where she studied voice culture. Mrs. Eckel was affiliated with Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. She was for years connected with choirs of First Baptist and Geddes Congregational Churches, and also served as superintendent of the primary department, First Baptist Bible School.

At the time of her death she was a member of Calvary Baptist Church and of the Billy Sunday Chapter Women's Club. Surviving besides her husband are a sister, Mrs. C. Harold Peters of St. Louis, Missouri; two daughters, Miss Ruth A. Eckel and Miss Betty C. Eckel, and a son, Frederick Eckel.—Syracuse *Post-Standard*, December 2, 1928.

Alumnae Department

IN A LETTER to association secretaries in December the alumnæ editor asked that everyone start the New Year right and have their letters in on time. The December Key had thirty letters missing. Up to today, January 8, there have been only forty letters sent in. I wonder if you realize how discouraging this is to a new officer.

Of course I realize that everyone has been having the flu and that the holidays are pretty well taken up with family affairs, but it does seem as though there ought to be some able-bodied person in each association who could write a paragraph or two if the secretary was incapacitated. Really, the association secretaries are not overburdened with work. A letter on time to The Key four times a year anyone ought to be able to manage.

Please won't you do better?

Although most of you had the following statistics by letter, they are repeated here for the benefit of those who have missed their annual message from the National Vice-president.

ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION STATISTICS FOR 1928

New York City with a paid membership of 205 established a new high mark in association membership and surpassed San Francisco Bay which previously held the high mark with 172 in 1927. San Francisco Bay dropped to 143 for 1928 and the Los Angeles Association which ranked third in 1927 with a membership of 119 dropped to 97 in 1928, ranking sixth among associations.

San Francisco Bay in spite of the drop in number ranked second in size for 1928 with Minnesota, the association serving with Chi chapter as hostesses to Convention, was third with a membership of 108. Indianapolis, although its membership dropped from 113 in 1927 to 102 in 1928, continued as fourth ranking association and completed the list with membership over one hundred.

Kansas City, although its members dropped from 110 in 1927 to 98 this year, retained its position as fifth in size while Columbus, Ohio, with only 90 members in 1928 as compared to 96 in 1927, ranked above the Beta Iota Association, composed of alumnæ of Swarthmore College, inasmuch as the latter dropped from 99 in 1927 to 77 this year, and was surpassed by Detroit whose membership increased from 66 in 1927 to 88 in 1928, by Denver although its membership dropped from 91 to 87 and by Portland whose phenomenal rise from 38 in 1927 to 80 in 1928 ranked it ninth among all Kappa associations.

Cincinnati increased from 70 in 1927 to 74 in 1928 while Akron in the same state dropped from 72 in 1927 to 62 in 1928.

Bloomington, Illinois, and Middlebury had remarkable increases—the former from 46 in 1927 to 60 in 1928 and the latter from 23 to 52.

Lincoln dropped from 46 in 1927 to 34 in 1928 and also did not send a delegate to Convention last summer while St. Louis increased from 34 to 44 and paid full expenses of its delegate as it has done for a number of years.

Bloomington, Indiana, and North Shore at Evanston with 40 each in 1927 increased to 46 and 43 respectively in 1928. While Seattle with a membership of 44 in 1927 dropped to 35 in 1928. Washington, D.C., continued its steady growth with an increase from 35 to 42.

Adrian with 31, Toronto with 37, Madison and Milwaukee with 33 and 34 respectively, Newcomb at New Orleans with 33, Pittsburgh and Dallas with 36 each were in the class of those below 30 in 1927.

Fine increases were made by Des Moines with only 17 in 1927 to 40 in 1928 and Spokane and Boston with 10 each in 1927 to 30 and 48 respectively in 1928.

Other associations have memberships of less than 30 among which are the following that paid dues for the first time in 1928: Ames, 12; Ardmore, 10; Beta Sigma of Adelphi, 24; Evansville, 19; Longview-Kelso, 12; Phoenix, 15; San Diego, 17; Wichita Falls, 18; Vincennes, 11.

BOSTON INTERCOLLEGIATE

Through an error in mailing, our last news letter was lost somewhere so it has been a long time since we have appeared in print. However, our organization is still very much alive. Most of our members returned from their happy vacations but there were several who for various reasons have left Boston. Our loss may be another's gain, for doubtless some will be near other Kappas. The secretary went abroad last summer with a party conducted by Charlotte Gilman, a Kappa of Delta. About half the party were Kappas. It was a most interesting trip.

Our group was ably represented at convention by our present and past presidents—Miss Beatrice Woodman and Mrs. Irene Railsback—and also by an exgrand president, Mrs. Burnham.

Of course Endowment was uppermost in the minds of those who came from convention and they have been trying to impress all other members with its importance. This resulted in a party at Mrs. Burnham's on Founders' Day to which many went with a coin for each year to help that fund. At this party the active Phi chapter, the Phi alumnæ association and the Intercollegiate association were together.

Our regular meetings on the first Wednesday of each month have been well attended. Our programs have been interesting. Convention took up one meeting, Sara Cone Bryant entertained with readings from her own poems. At the last meetings Mrs. Mary Rodes Leapheart, former grand officer of Kappa, who has come to Cambridge to live and is one of our new members, gave the program.

Celia M. Hardy

SYRACUSE

In November the alumnæ meeting was held at the chapter house so that we might have an opportunity to have a social meeting with the active girls and to meet the pledglings.

The annual Christmas meeting was held Friday evening, December 28, at the home of Jeannette Ross Howard, 124 Chatham Road.

There was a large attendance. Several alumnæ from out of town or away from Syracuse except at vacation times were present. They were Martha Reed, Ida Allis, Margaret Knapp Nichols, Marion Wilson, Marguerite MacFarlane, Janice Dorr, and Margaret Johnson. After an informal discussion as to the possibilities of a new chapter house, there was a short program. Susie Brown told of four unusually interesting days during her trip to Europe this summer, and Genevieve Reck told a Christmas story. Each guest had brought a small gift which she was asked to describe in such a way as to

give only a clue to its identity. The one who guessed what the package contained received it.

After a delicious salad, rolls, coffee and cake had been served, we wished each other a Happy New Year.

On December 5, the association held a bridge luncheon at the home of Mable Mansfield Kieffer. Another one is to be held on January 15.

We are very happy that Clara Mac-Farlane Hummer, '05, has come to Syracuse to live. Her husband began his duties as superintendent of the high school of Syracuse in September.

DEATHS

On December 1, 1928, Elizabeth Tanner Eckel, ex-'02, died at her home in Syracuse, after a long illness.

MARRIAGES

Harriet Fairbanks, '22, to Harold Emery Richardson of Boonville, New York, August 18, 1928. Mr. Richardson is a science teacher in the Yonkers High School. He graduated from Colgate in the class of '20, and is a member of Kappa Delta Rho.

Alice G. Childs, '23, to Alexander Tyler Stewart, Jr., of Asbury Park, New Jersey, September 24, 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart are making their home in Asbury Park.

Ruth Daboll Reed, '24, to Lloyd Wiltsie Cumming, October 23, 1928. Mr. Cumming is a chemical engineer, a graduate of Ohio Northern University, 1923, and a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon. They are living in Buffalo.

Anne Hart, '22, to Robert Park, November 24, 1928, at Utica. Mr. Park is a Bucknell man and a member of Phi Gamma Delta. They are to live on Parkview Drive, Syracuse, N.Y.

BIRTHS

To Jeannette Ross Howard, a daughter, Corinne, July 4.

To Marion Aller Norris, a son, James Jr., August 22.

To Marie Brothers Thomas, a daughter, Barbara Jeanne, September 29, 1928.

To Florence Sengstacken Richards, a son, George, Jr., October 5, 1928.

To Florence Eddy Courtney, a daughter, Nancy Nadine, November 17, 1928.

FLORENCE R. KNAPP

WESTERN NEW YORK

While this letter is being written, our efficient secretary, Fay Loucks Hargrave, is speeding on her way home. It is her first visit to Falls City, Nebraska, since she came East to make her home in Rochester. Her little daughter Mary is with her and they are planning to stop in Chicago where they will see three Kappas—Alphonsine Clapp, Winifred Merryhew DuVall, Lorna Plimpton Dodds.

Just before Christmas, one of our Kappas went into a large jewelry store here, and while looking for Christmas presents saw there, behind one of the counters, a sweet-faced lady wearing a Kappa Key. She is Eula DeVoll of Iowa State University and has lived here several years and has never met any of the members of our association. Quite a Christmas, and we know the Kappas will enjoy her!

Mildred Lincoln seems to be taking very long strides in her profession. Besides her work at Monroe Junior High School here, she is teaching an extension course at Rochester University. Her latest stride is the signing of a contract to teach at Columbia University Summer School. She will teach two courses in the School of Education, Teacher's College, in educational and vocational guidance, a subject on which she is becoming known as quite an authority. She has taken her master's degree at Harvard University and nearly completed the work necessary for her doctor's degree.

We were very glad to be able to give a Christmas present of \$25.00 to the Rose McGill fund.

Bertha Angell Peck, who is now living

at Honeoye Falls, has a little daughter, Mary Lou.

Nancy Courtney is the little new-comer at the home of Florence Eddy Courtney. Nancy is the third generation of Kappa in that family.

Our next meeting will be a sleighride to the home of Norma Shaut Deuel in Penfield where refreshments will be served. The Kappas look forward to this party as one of the happiest of the year.

In February, we will have a benefit bridge, in March, a dinner. To both of these, as well as to the sleighride, husbands and friends will be invited.

FANNIE R. BROUNSTEIN

ST. LAWRENCE

The first of this season's events important to Kappa was the celebration in October of the seventieth anniversary of the entrance of Dr. Alpheus Baker Hervey, the oldest living graduate of St. Lawrence University. This honor to Dr. Hervey was arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Owen D. Young. Mrs. Young, formerly, Josephine Edmonds, ex-'95, is a member of Beta Beta chapter.

A special train from New York brought many graduates who were students at St. Lawrence at the time when Dr. Hervey was president of the college. Among the Kappas who attended the celebration were: Dr. Lucia Heaton, '79; Mrs. Florence Lee Whitman, '82; Mrs. Emily Eaton Hepburn, '86; Jessie F. Merritt and Mrs. Jessie Stiles McBride of the class of '90; Mrs. Charlotte Kimball Kruesi, '92; Mrs. Daisy Traver O'Neil and Mrs. Ella May Adams Walrath of the class of '93; Mrs. Carolyn Foster Wallace, '94; Mrs. Jessie Hanna McKinney, ex-'94; Mrs. May Erwin Montague, '95; Mrs. Josephine Edmonds Young, ex-'05: Antoinette J. Foster, '96. The active chapter gave a tea for the visiting alumnæ.

In November, at the home of Alice Gunnison, '03, the local alumnæ entertained the nine pledges, continuing a custom that has been observed annually for several years. It is interesting to note that this is the first year in which granddaughters of Beta Beta alumnæ have entered the chapter. One of these is Lucia Pink, whose mother is Mrs. Hazel Kelley Pink, '04, and whose father is Louis Pink, '04, son of Eva Dolly (Heaton) Pink, '76. A noteworthy book by Mr. Pink, The New Day in Housing, has been recently published. Another granddaughter is Helen Pfund, whose mother Mrs. Irma Hale Pfund, '03, and grandmother, Mrs. Etta Bachellor Hale, ex-'79, are both members of Beta Beta.

We are glad to announce the birth of four Kappa babies: Barbara Ann Manning, Schenectady, whose mother is Mrs. Mary Ellsworth Manning, '21; Barbara Ann Campbell, Brooklyn, whose mother is Mrs. Eleanor Aldridge Campbell, '17; Don Freemont, Floral Park, whose mother is Mrs. Althea Burt Campbell, ex-'29; and Robert Linden Merrill, Canton, whose mother is Mrs. Dorothy Singlehurst Merrill, '19.

Mrs. Louise Burke Morgan, '24, with her two children, was in Canton to spend the Thanksgiving and the Christmas vacation with her mother.

Our association is happy in having a new member, Jean Cornwall, '27, who is assistant to the comptroller of the university. In February we shall have still another member of the alumnæ association—Mrs. Dorothy DeGraff Lalone, whose husband, the Reverend Emerson H. Lalone, has accepted a call to be the pastor of the First Universalist Church of Canton.

As a Christmas gift, in recognition of many services rendered to Kappa, the alumnæ of this chapter presented to Grace P. Lynde, '93, who is a trustee of the university, a bachelor of science hood.

Those who are in Canton during the holidays are Marie Bird, '18, New York; Mrs. Mildred Lalone Roop, '16, Wood-

cliff, New Jersey; Mrs. Jessie Stearns Hardie, '97, Brooklyn; Mary Mahoney, '08, Syracuse, New York; Elizabeth Short, '21, Watertown, New York; Susan Bernier, '23, Watertown, New York.

Mrs. Alice Poste Gunnison spent the Christmas vacation in New York.

MIDDLEBURY

It has seemed almost impossible to get back to Middlebury for meetings this fall but we hope to soon make up for our inactivity. February 22 comes on Friday, (an extended week-end for many) and Middlebury is planning Alumnæ Homecoming Day. It is hoped to have initiation at that time and we are also looking forward to a meeting. Officers are to be elected so you can all look forward to a "whiz-bang" letter in the April issue! Don't fail to read it!

We want to tell you that Dorothy Douglas, Gamma Lambda, '22, was married December 3, in Philadelphia to William H. Purdy (Chi Psi, Middlebury). They are living in Mt. Vernon, New York. We wish them worlds of happiness!

To Donald and "Sammie" (Harder) Ramsdell, a daughter, Ann Harder, was born November 29. Sam and Emily (Hobbs) Thompson have twins, Harwood Hobbs and Harriet van Denburgh, born November 14.

Myra Bagley, Gamma Lambda, '10, has been appointed by Middlebury College, director of admissions for women and alumnæ secretary. She has had considerable experience with girls and is ideally filling the position.

"Del" Hadley, who has been studying music in London, has gone to Paris for this semester to continue her study there.

New Years Joys to you all!

RUTH E. QUIGLEY

NEW YORK

Due to the large and constantly changing group of Kappas in and near New York the officers of the New York Alum-

næ Association are trying out a new plan of meetings. There are to be but four general city meetings a season instead of the usual eight. During November seventeen chapter groups were entertained at luncheon or tea, arrangements being made in each case by a chapter chairman. Fifteen smaller chapter groups met in the Solarium of the Panhellenic House one afternoon at the invitation of the association officers. Mrs. James F. McNaboe, of Eta and Pi, was hostess at tea. A hundred and fifty Kappas attended these meetings and we are hoping that another year these chapter meetings may include all of the fiftyfive chapters represented in our territory. As another phase of the new plan, regional meetings are to be held during January.

Since our last letter many events of strictly Kappa interest have taken place not to mention a full program by the New York City Panhellenic in which we have heartily co-operated.

Late in October an informal subscription bridge was held for Kappas and their friends at the home of Mrs. Guy M. Walker and many Kappa vases were disposed of.

On Sunday afternoon, December 2, our association and that of Delta Zeta were joint hostesses at a tea in the City Panhellenic clubrooms in the Panhellenic House it being the custom for the various fraternities to entertain on Sunday afternoons.

On December 8 the association was entertained at a most delightful luncheon at the home of Mrs. Owen D. Young, Beta Beta. Mrs. Young's hospitality was very graciously extended by her secretary, Miss Gertrude Chandler, in the absence of the hostess from the city. More than 150 Kappas present marked this as the largest meeting ever held by New York alumnæ. Alice Duer Miller's (Beta Epsilon) talk on "Objections to Writing as a Profession" had been eagerly anticipated and was keenly enjoyed.

In order to raise money to pay part of our thousand dollar pledge to the Endowment Fund we took over the Civic Repertory Theater for a special holiday matinee performance of Peter Pan on December 28. We are glad to report a profit of \$460. We are anxious to meet our Endowment Fund pledge as soon as possible for we have in mind a fascinating new philanthropy which we are eager to undertake.

BERTHA F. TOLMAN, (Mrs. Guy H.)

PHILADELPHIA

The Philadelphia Association is in the midst of a very successful year, from several standpoints. With Alice Bordman as chairman, a definite schedule of social meetings for each month has been planned, and printed in little blue and blue booklets. Besides the annual initiation banquet which is always attended by many alumnæ, there are sewing bees, luncheons, and picnics on the program, as well as a Kappa Song Night and a Stunt Night. The result of the planning has been a decided increase in attendance at the three meetings which have already been held.

December 11, the alumnæ had a Christmas party at the chapter house. Pauline Hart had secured an unusually nice Christmas tree, which we trimmed as a present for the actives. We all felt that we had a little of the truest Christmas spirit, for instead of bringing presents for ourselves, we each gave something for a poor child. Alice Boardman took the gifts to the Philadelphia General Hospital, where they were most gratefully received.

Our next meeting takes the form of a sewing bee, where we will do any bits of sewing for the house which the actives may desire, in order to prepare for the February rushing.

Speaking of rushing reminds me that we think our actives are to be congratulated on the twelve freshmen who were pledged in November. The association treasurer, Louise Horner, has a little sister in the group, so we take a special interest.

In concluding, I would like to extend a cordial invitation in the name of the association to any Kappas from other associations who may be in the city. They would be most welcome at any of our meetings, and we hope that they will feel free to join with our group at any time.

DOROTHY W. DRAKE

MORGANTOWN

Morgantown Kappas, both active and alumnæ, enjoyed an unusual and thrilling Thanksgiving week, as all the ceremonies and festivities incident to the inauguration of Dr. John Roscoe Turner as president of West Virginia University took place at that time.

The inaugural exercises were held in the Men's Field House, which is almost completed, before an audience of 5,000 people, on the afternoon of November 27.

That night the inaugural reception was held in Elizabeth Moore Hall, our beautiful new women's building, which houses the girl's athletic and other recreational activities. This building was formally dedicated that night and a splendid painting of the noted artist, Gardner Symons, was unveiled at the same time. painting was presented to the University by one of the oldest scholastic organizations on the campus, the Beowulf Club. Many of our alumnæ from all over the state attended this function and the annual football game with Washington and Jefferson next day.

Our December alumnæ meeting, which was held at the home of Mrs. Anagrace Cochran Roby, was featured by an interesting discussion of the new expansion policy of Kappa and by a splendid report of the convention given by Rebecca Guiher, who represented Beta Upsilon at Breezy Point.

Hazel Bennett Sisler, an alumna of Beta Upsilon, has returned to Morgantown with her small daughter, Jean, to make their home. Several of our members are spending the Christmas holidays in New York City. We are expecting interesting accounts of their visit at our January meeting.

MARGARET V. REAY

WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 20, our association held a supper meeting in Georgetown at the home of Letta Brock Stone. She and Louise Bartlett Coale were our hostesses. When business was concluded we heard a delightfully informal talk from Cora Rigby, Phi, on current happenings. It is a treat to hear from an experienced news specialist something of the political situation in Washington. The account of press conferences with President Coolidge and the gossip of coming Cabinet appointments were of particular interest.

We took orders for the lovely Weller ware Kappa pottery which was on exhibit, and discussed plans for a rummage sale. Forty-three were present, making the largest attendance we have had at a meeting this season. We welcomed several newcomers whom we hope to have with us regularly and one visitor, Mary Buckbee Riggs, Beta Delta, from Detroit.

A Kappa vase is the gift our association sent to Helen Heinley, Beta Tau, whose wedding date coincided with that of our November meeting.

Several of our members have been invited to meet the rushees at parties given by Gamma Beta Pi and Sigma Delta, our near-by local sororities, that are petitioning for Kappa charters. Each group has splendid new girls, of whom we are especially proud.

EDITH R. MACAULEY

AKRON

Each one of us has taken This year, a child to raise. We call him little "Happy" He's so chock full of days. We hope all of us can bring him up successfully!

Our old year left us memories of two nice parties; one just before Thanksgiving at Miss Estelle Musson's studio, when the actives and alumnæ got together to talk over plans and achievements.

We are so proud of the chapter for the wonderful way they have raised their scholarship standard. It has been hard work and entailed sacrifices but the satisfaction of living up to Kappa ideals has been well worth while.

Miss Musson has enjoyed several trips abroad and after pumpkin pie and coffee she showed us many of the lovely shawls, bits of odd jewelry, books and pictures she brought back with her, and talked most entertainingly of her various experiences.

The Christmas party was held December 18 at Mary Conner Wilson's charming new home. It was supposed to be a dinner-bridge, but after dinner there were so many lively topics of conversation, that the bridge tables were chiefly used as elbow supports. For it was rushing season, and everyone enjoyed vicariously the old thrills, as the younger contingent told of campus activities.

The holidays are full upon us and Akron Association closes with the customary greetings, sincerely voiced to all.

FLORENCE CAMPBELL HARPER

COLUMBUS

Before last year's program was ended, it was the opinion of this association that some new and novel way must be discovered for raising whatever money was to be paid on our endowment pledge this year. Rummage sales have never been exactly a pleasure, and are becoming less and less a profit here in Columbus. Benefit bridge parties were extremely successful until too many organizations discovered this to be the case, and gave benefits till Ohio State bridge-playing alumnæ and friends rebelled. Now we

are going to try a type of vanishing bridge party, although instead of "vanishing," the parties will merely cease. This series will be opened by a committee of twelve chosen from the alumnæ, the Mothers' Club and the active chapter, who will meet on a certain date to play bridge each paying one dollar. Within a stipulated time these women will each invite twelve friends to her home to play bridge at one dollar each, and these in turn will each invite another twelve and the series will be complete. Brush up your high school math and figure for yourselves how profitable this will prove if it works 100 per cent perfect! Anyway, it won't be the strain on our nerves that it is to manage (or even play at) a mammoth bridge party seating eight hundred players at once!

In your December KEY you read all about our Clara Pierce and the honor she is bringing us once more. For some time now we have been backing Endowment (and Clara) with all our might; now in addition we are watching with great pride and interest while she shoulders this new responsibility, and hoping for a chance to be of service to her and Kappa.

Marguerite Heiner McKillip (Mrs. Gale) has taken charge of endowment in place of Clara Pierce; to do so she resigned January I as treasurer of the Columbus association, and Eleanor Penniman Boardman (Mrs. John) has consented to act as treasurer the remainder of the year.

BETH PARR MARQUIS

CINCINNATI

Our Cincinnati Association has been unusually busy this year in carrying out a new plan adopted at one of our early fall meetings. This plan was suggested by our president, Bess Gabriel, and arranged for dividing all members into six groups or circles, each under a chairman, and all under a head chairman Bertie Pfirrmann. The idea was for each circle

to raise at least \$50 this year by whatever means it might choose. So all set to work with a new interest and some spirit of rivalry to see who might reach the goal first.

The Minerva Circle under Martha Mayer are giving a series of card parties, charging each player a certain amount.

The Key Circle, under Irene Rainey, gave one large card party in the evening inviting their husbands and cleared most of their sum, and more than made up the rest with a circulating library, charging a quarter to keep a book two weeks. They also sold five dozen glasses of grape jelly made by one of their number.

The Fleur-de-Lys Circle, under Kathryn Beaman, are raising their amount by selling Henderson's Lime Liberty jell.

The Blue and Blue Circle, under Elsie Shewman report progress, but have not made known their plan; likewise the Sigma Delta Circle, under Lillian Thompson, are working on a scheme so far kept secret.

The Owl's Circle, under Clarine Kuehnle, were the first to earn their amount by clearing nearly \$70 when they gave a very lovely Silver Palmist Tea on October 12.

Members of the different groups have come closer together working this way and this has put added zest to earning the money we need to meet our pledge to Endowment and to help send our delegates to convention.

Beta Rho pledged twelve girls whom we were very happy to have at our party for the actives in November at the home of Helen Eger.

We were more than delighted to receive a card from Mrs. Herbert Hoover, thanking us for flowers presented to her on the train which stopped here briefly early in November on its way to California.

Esther B. Littell

CLEVELAND

Christmas has come and gone and once again we turn to stern matters of business and more especially to ways of making money for our endowment pledge. Our Christmas card and stationery campaign has netted a little but not as much as we had hoped, so now we are off on new trails.

In spite of the nearness of Christmas we had a good supper meeting with Mrs. George Billman. We had three new members with us then, Miss Eleanor Gill of the Allegheny chapter, who is doing settlement work at Alta House, Miss Marion Crathern, of Middlebury, and Mrs. Ruth Bayles Fisch, of Butler, whose husband is on the faculty of Western Reserve. We were also glad to see Mrs. Bertha Dalgleisch who attended for the first time this year, her absence being due to a broken leg.

Mrs. George Billman was elected president of the Cleveland Wooster Alumnæ Association at their annual meeting in December.

We are delighted to hear of the arrival of Mary Elizabeth, December 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bingham (Lois Shepard, Rho).

We are looking forward to the beginning of our Kappa bridge tournament for the winter, which was outlined at the last meeting. Eight tentative groups of eight each have been planned, which will play eight times, and the play-off will be our big party of the year. This also will be a means of supplying money for our treasury.

May the new year be one of accomplishment and pleasure for all alums.

MARGARET GUY ROWLAND

TOLEDO

Toledo Association extends a cordial welcome to its two new members: Jean-ette Striker Norris, Beta Rho, and Doris Talmadge Daniells, Eta.

We shall miss Ruth Frederick this winter while she is basking in the sunshine of Pacific Palisades—and Mrs. Charles Cunningham who is visiting her daughters at the University of Arizona.

Marian Griffith Castellini with her young daughter and son, were guests in the Griffith home during the holidays.

Marguerite Griffith was our hostess in September. Nineteen of us met and discussed the successful outcome of the rummage sale we held to complete our quota for the endowment.

Founders' Day banquet took the place of the October meeting. The committee in charge planned a delightful dinner and bridge at the Women's Club. We were pleased to have as our guests Gertrude Arcy of the Cincinnati Association, and Marvel Garnsey, Xi, of the Wright Players, who was in Toledo for several weeks this autumn.

Our November meeting became a bridge tea at the home of Louise Noe Robeson, and in December a downtown luncheon for those of us who were flu free.

Toledo Association wishes all Kappas a very happy and successful New Year. ALICE STEFFENS MINOR

RHO

An event of great interest to Rho Association members in Delaware was the interfraternity conference held early in December at Ohio Wesleyan University. The conference was sponsored jointly by the interfraternity council and the college Panhellenic, and brought officers of nearly all national fraternities to the campus. Talks by Amy Onken, Pi Beta Phi, Mary Love Collins, Chi Omega, and Elizabeth Roff, Delta Delta Delta, were especially worth while.

In connection with the conference a luncheon was given by the city Panhellenic, with Louise Leonard of Alpha Gamma Delta as the speaker, and the college Panhellenic entertained the visiting officers at tea, Edna Hall Russell presiding at the tea table.

Marion Ackley was Kappa's official representative and the Delaware members of our association entertained at breakfast in her honor. Marion was on her very best behavior too—not reeling out any fish lines!

As to announcements, we have only two; the marriage of Mary Earley to Sam K. Beetham of Warren, Ohio; and the birth of Martha Dietrich Swink's young daughter who is now several months old. Helen Patten Miller

INDIANAPOLIS

Happy New Year and to all good wishes!

Christmas is over, but we want to go back and tell you of the joyful party at the Board of Children's Guardians' Home where we played Santa Claus to one hundred homeless children. After a program of songs, stories, games and magic tricks each child received a gift. The younger girls' little faces beamed when each was given a doll and each of the older girls were equally as glad upon receiving a compact. The boys, well Santa Claus had box guns, ties, and all sorts of boy things for them. Of course there was candy and apples for all. It was an afternoon well spent and to see the happy faces of the children and to know that we had helped to bring this happiness to them made us realize that the joy of Christmas is giving to others and that the spirit of Christmas is unselfish service.

At our last regular meeting which was held with Mrs. Guernsey Van Riper, Mu, each member of the association received a present from our president, Shirley McNutt Landers. She had had made, at her own expense, little light blue boxes on which were printed in dark blue letters,

"The Rose McGill Fund"

"Your Mite Makes Kappa Mighty"
We were all glad to accept a mite box and at the end of the year we hope to bring them back to Shirley full of pennies, nickels and dimes to be sent in as Indianapolis' contribution to this worthy

fund.

Our next regular meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Alfred Glossbrenner. The Gamma Delta girls will be our hostesses. Bernice Havens Brayton, Helen Harmison and Myrtle Ziegner Van Nauker are in charge to assist Mrs Glossbrenner.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rhoadarman announce the birth of a son, David Paul, December 8. Mrs. Rhoadarman was Mary Lou Reed, Delta.

MABEL WARNER MILLIKAN

MUNCIE

The Kappas of our association had a very delightful supper meeting in December at the home of Mrs. Fred Crapo (Mildred Kitselman, Eta). Due to the abundance of flu germs in and about Muncie, some of our members were unable to attend. However, we made up in enthusiasm what we lacked in numbers.

One of the matters brought up for discussion during our business meeting was the question of a suitable and lasting gift for our new Y.W.C.A. While our first interest as a group is the welfare of the national fraternity, still we have many and varied interests among which are civic affairs. Having reached a 100 per cent record in endowment, we are now aspiring to further contributions to this worth while cause. We have not found money-raising an easy proposition, but we have adopted as an association slogan "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

The program of our last meeting was in charge of Mrs. Everett Warner (Lalah Randall, Iota). She gave the most delightful talk on "Kappas of Whom We Are Proud." She touched on the outstanding Kappas in the various professions, and she did bring us so many little personal touches. You see, she was so well qualified to do this, having handled that department of The Key for a number of years.

Writing this as I am just at the close of 1928, I should like to wish for Kappas everywhere a New Year filled with never ending joy and happiness.

Lois Guthrie

ADRIAN

'Tis the day before Christmas—a very inopportune time to attempt to write an interesting Kev letter; but notices say "thou shalt"— by January I. Goodness knows that it is only human nature to forget all routine business in the more important business of Christmas shopping—thus the last-minute rush on the letter.

Kappas, have you all been as serene and "busy-less" as this association has been? Since our last letter was sent in very little of importance has taken place. Our busy time comes around Easter.

Our November meeting was held with Mrs. E. P. Lake, and took on the form of a potluck, with a short business meeting later. Needless to say there is always a good time when "Kappa pals" get together.

The December get-together is to be January 28 at a down-town tea room: and at this date I am ill advised as to the details of preparation. One must wait and see-just like Christmas packages. We hope to see some of our home-visiting alumnæ there, and have a good old talk. Mrs. E. M. Hawley (Doris Adair, '15) of Hart, Michigan, is visiting her mother here, and we hope that some others will follow her example and return for a visit. Mrs. Alfred Humbarger (Helen Wotring, '26) of Calumet, Michigan, visited her mother for about a month, but has returned to her home for the holidays, just too early for our meeting. But we surely did enjoy seeing her again anyway.

Some of the girls who live in Adrian but teach away are home also. Among these are Betty DeFoe, Dorothy Hanover, and Kathryn Kuney; Marjorie Lewis, Phyllis Haas, and Leona Spielman are home from the University of Michigan. Alice Rorick returned from

Brenau College in Georgia, and Gladys Westgate from Northwestern. Oh, we will have a splendid reunion!

One thing has rather hampered any activity and that is the flu epidemic. Great numbers of our Kappa Family have been stricken; schools were closed for three weeks, and altogether the atmosphere was not conducive to meetings. By the time our next letter is due we shall have regained our "wim, wigor and witality," and have something interesting to tell you.

Meanwhile Adrian sends all Kappas packages of good will and everlasting friendship.

FLORENCE ROSENTRETER

DETROIT

Our December meeting started off with a bang. Mrs. Kelly announced that the profits of the rummage sale were \$285—the biggest ever.

A swelled bank account gives such a good feeling just before Christmas! The spirit of the season was with us all, and we immediately proceeded to vote away a good bit of surplus. One hundred dollars went to the Maybury Sanatorium at Northville, fifty dollars to the Rose McGill Fund, twenty-five dollars to the Christ Church Parish House (it was there that the rummage sale was held) for its philanthropic work, and twenty-five dollars to the Goodwill Farm at Houghton, where Henrietta Rowe Brodie, Beta Delta, is matron.

We hope, however, to have as much more to give away after our annual card party, which will be held January 19 at the Detroit Federation of Women's Clubs Building. Elsa Colter is the general chairman for the party; that fact in itself is an omen of success.

Two gatherings are down on our calendar for February I, potluck supper and stunt night at Gladys Condit's, February 8, at which time we hope (the we is editorial, for I am the hopeful chairman) that every true Kappa will be

willing and glad to make a fool of herself to promote the enjoyment of every other Kappa and her own rejuvenation; and the other, a social meeting with men guests February 15. Evidently the Kappas with sizeable homes are fighting for the honor of entertaining the men, for no place has yet been decided upon.

At the November meeting twelve Kappas new to Detroit were formally welcomed into the association. Bernice Kimmel surprised us by visiting us at this meeting. Certainly the association that claims her now has a charming Kappa and a live worker.

We were delighted to see Betty Bullock Hatch at the December meeting. She has moved back to Detroit and showed her good old Kappa spirit by coming to the first meeting possible.

We wish to announce the arrival of the association's newest prospective Kappa, Jean Wheeler, born December 12 to Louise Humphreys Wheeler, Beta Delta.

Two of our members are indulging in splendid winter vacations. Mrs. Ralph Skinner, our president, went to California to spend the Christmas holidays; and Joyce Yost is to leave the middle of January for two months in Hawaii.

The association expresses here its appreciation to Della Burt for her very real service to the fraternity, to its every chapter and association, and wishes Clara Pierce success and happiness in her new work.

DOROTHY WHIPPLE

LAFAYETTE

The Christmas rush has kept us all so busy lately that I'm afraid we haven't much news.

We gave a dinner at Margaret Hepburn's for the pledges from the active chapter and for Mrs. Haig, their new house mother. We all enjoyed the chance to get better acquainted with them.

Our annual Christmas party was held with the Leamings. Quite a few are not able to attend but those who did reported a delightful time. Dean Caroline Shoemaker read us some Christmas stories which were much appreciated.

We sent ten dollars to the Rose Mc-Gill fund and wish we were able to do more.

Best wishes for a prosperous New Year to each and every one of you.

MRS. GRACIA BUSKIRK

NORTHERN INDIANA

November 18 with three loaded cars the Fort Wayne Kappas sped southward to Bluffton to enjoy a luncheon-bridge for which Mrs. Patton and Elizabeth Patton were hostesses.

Just before the Christmas rush, December 14, fifteen Kappas gathered at the home of Mrs. Van Ness to enjoy a Christmas supper party. Following a delicious supper we gathered about the Christmas tree for a gift exchange. After a series of "ohs" and "ahs" over our gifts, we enjoyed an evening of bridge. We were glad to have Eleanor Wilson Telfar of Ann Arbor, Michigan, with us during her visit home.

PHYLLIS BALES

GARY

During the rush of the holidays Gary Alumnæ have still found time to devote to Kappa.

At the monthly meeting in November birthday envelopes were collected and we were proud to report a 100 per cent donation. An additional pledge was made to the Endowment Fund and although it was necessarily small we know it will be received in the spirit in which it was given.

In the early part of December we were entertained by the Gary Alumnæ Association of Kappa Alpha Theta at a bridge party for the benefit of their national scholarship fund.

Two very destitute families were provided for by our members at Christmas and when we saw the radiant faces of these poor parents we knew we had succeeded in making their Christmas a merry one and not "just another day."

Elianor Aldrich Sponsil, Beta Lambda, has recently moved into her new English home and we are all happy for her as it is truly lovely.

The first meeting of the new year is scheduled for this week and I hope that instead of making many resolutions which are so easily broken, all our Gary Kappas will resolve to do bigger and better things for Kappa each day throughout the coming year.

We all join in sending our best wishes for a glorious 1929 to Kappas everywhere.

MARGARET MURPHY HODSON

EVANSVILLE

At our November meeting we discussed plans for another rummage sale which was held, accordingly, on November 24. After the phenomenal success of our last one it fell rather flat. But we did make about twenty-two dollars, and after all we really had no hope of breaking our record.

For our Christmas party we had a very nice bridge luncheon at the Hotel McCurdy. As a rule at our Christmas parties there are a great many girls home from school as well as out-of-town guests, but this year there were few outside the Evansville chapter. Those who attended the luncheon, besides our own members, were Jeannette Brill Havens, Rossanna McGinnis, Vera Brizius, Margaret Mayer and Martha Covert.

CHARLOTTE COVERT

SOUTH SHORE

We have had only one meeting of the South Shore Alumnæ Association since our last letter. December 8 we met at the home of Mrs. E. C. Lathrop where we had a short business meeting, followed by bridge.

We are looking forward with interest to our January meeting at the Allerton House when we are to learn more about their plan for sororities which we think may aid us in establishing contacts with other Kappas. As this is quite a problem in a large city, we are hoping it will prove to be a step toward the solution of our chief difficulty. We shall be able to give you more details in our next letter.

New names in our yearbook are: Mrs. Orville T. Bright, Jr., of Nu; Mrs. C. J. Handley of Beta Mu; Mrs. R. J. Sheafe, Beta Pi; and Mrs. W. F. Van Buskirk of Kappa.

Mrs. F. F. Bradley of Kappa has returned after spending a year abroad.

CECILE CLARK ARNOLD

MADISON

December 3 the Madison Alumnæ Association entertained at a dinner for the active chapter, the pledges and their mothers at the home of Mrs. Frederick Allison Davis (Edith Swenson). It was a delightful occasion, and we are much indebted to Mrs. Davis for her generous hospitality.

The last news letter suffered a misprint in the report of the June bridge benefit at the Kappa House. The amount raised was \$135.00, and not \$13.50.

Dr. and Mrs. Chauncey Leake (Betty Wilson) are now living in San Francisco, where Dr. Leake is head of the Department of Pharmacology at the University of California.

Marian Casterline Sperry and husband have recently moved from Akron, Ohio, to Hinsdale, Illinois.

GENEVIEVE G. HERFURTH

BLOOMINGTON

On November 22, our alumnæ association entertained the active girls at our regular supper meeting which was held at the Y.W.C.A. The program consisted of a clever one-act play, *The Play is the Thing*, which was presented by our own talent.

Alice Palmer Nichols of Princeton, Illinois, and Nellie Beggs Marvel of Champaign spent a few days in November at the home of Myra Sinclair Peairs.

Flora Warlow Moore of Jamestown, New York, has been spending a few days here visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Margeson (Harriet Kraft) are spending the winter at the former home of Mrs. Margeson in Towanda, Illinois.

Katherine Garretson Meyers of London, England, is making an extended visit with her mother, having been called here by the death of her father.

December 5, we held a two-day rummage sale which was very successful. The proceeds will be used for our new Kappa House fund.

Mrs. Augestine entertained us December 13, at our regular supper meeting. At this time we held our annual auction sale, which was quite a success due to the efforts of May Bengel and Charlotte Probasco who proved themselves to be very able auctioneers.

A number of Epsilon Kappas were home for the Christmas holidays including Mary Jeanette Munce, Piper City; Lucile Hyneman, Duluth, Minnesota; Courtney Davidson, Janesville, Wisconsin; Francis Prothero of Rutland, Illinois; Helen Dooley, Elpaso, Illinois, and Almeta Frey of Eureka, Illinois.

Mary McIntosh Sinclair and two daughters of Ashland, Illinois, were the house guests of Myra Sinclair Peairs during the Christmas holidays.

Edith Supple Fielding of Ogden spent a few days with her parents.

Mrs. C. C. Marquis, Laurestine Marquis, and Charlotte Probasco will spend the winter months in Florida.

WEDDING

Henrietta Prothero to Lawrence C. Evans, December 26, 1928.

MARGARET HUNTER JONES

MINNESOTA

The Minnesota alumnæ have had only one meeting since October, which took the form of a dinner meeting at the College club, Tuesday evening, December 11. We had hoped for a large gathering but alas, everyone was afflicted with the influenza and those who had escaped expected to be victims soon. Imagine our consternation when the fateful number of thirteen persons appeared on the scene. Each one secretly wondering who would be the first to be stricken. However, the College club, in its gay Christmas setting and the delicious food served, soon put an end to all fears and the thirteen Kappas present had a delightful Christmas party. After the dinner a short business meeting was held when plans for the new year were discussed. Corice Caswell of the active chapter came over and told of the plans of the chapter for a benefit to be held January 28, at the Flame Room, the Raddisson Hotel. Bridge was to be played in the afternoon, with dancing in the evening. The alumnæ are eager to assist in making the benefit a great success.

ENGAGEMENT

Ann Elizabeth White to Herbert Rogers, Alpha Delta Pi.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Randall (Jenella Loye), a son, Richard.

To Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Merriman (Ruth Ainsworth), a son, Calvin Ainsworth.

JESSAMINE JONES WILDER

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Our alumnæ association held an evening meeting at the home of Mrs. C. E. Jenks, December 14, 1928 with eleven members present, first, to hear the report of the twenty-eighth biennial convention from our delegate, Mrs. Reid Steele and second, to elect another president and secretary to finish out the year. At the close of the school year in June, Mildred Green, Epsilon, our secretary, returned to her home in Omaha. She is

now supervisor of music in one of the grade schools in Omaha. November 11, our president, Edna Cantrall, Beta Delta, was married to Mr. Frank Pereboom of Springfield. At present they are making their home in Ohio. Mrs. Reid Steele was elected president and Mrs. B. L. Catron, secretary. Mrs. W. H. Knox, Epsilon, who came to Springfield as a bride last summer, was elected to serve on the executive committee with Mrs. Jenks as the other member.

Mrs. Steele's enthusiastic report of convention was heard with the greatest interest and numerous questions and served to point the way for our future work. This association—lacking an active chapter to serve—must express its Kappa interest and loyalty through the larger, national channels. We are hoping that a joint meeting with the Bloomington, Illinois, association may be arranged sometime this year.

Because we had no news letter in the October Key and believing that an important feature of the alumnæ letters is specific news of members of our associations (or how shall our contemporary Kappa sisters keep in touch with us?), this letter is to include some personal items about a few of the Springfield Kappas. Our new president shall be first on this list.

Hazel Simmons Steele (Mrs. Reid), Delta, who was our convention delegate and who sang at the Memorial Service at Breezy Point is taking a prominent part in our Amateur Musical Club. December 1, she was one of a group from the Springfield Amateur Musical Club who gave an exchange program before the Amateur Musical Club in Bloomington, Illinois. She is also soloist at the Christian Science church in Springfield. Before coming to Springfield, she served as state president of the Indiana Federation of Music Clubs and is continuing this line of work as a member of the Board of the Illinois Federation of Music Clubs, acting as

chairman of the finance committee. She is also president of the Parent-Teachers association of the local Stuart School.

Kent Rolla Dunlap Hägler (Mrs. Elmer E.), Beta Alpha, has been giving during the past year and a half distinguished service as president of the Springfield Woman's Club-an organization of eight hundred women that is a distinct force in the civic and educational life of this city. During the past summer she and Dr. Hägler rebuilt their home, "The Oaks" which is located very beautifully in the outskirts of Springfield. The original house was destroyed by fire a few years ago. Two small grand-daughters and a grandson-children of Mrs. Hägler's daughter Clarissa Hägler Jorgensen (Wellesley, 1923) claim Mrs. Hägler's devoted attention.

Kittie Parsons Hanna (Mrs. J. C.), Beta Gamma, who served our national organization as grand treasurer when Tade Hartsuff Kuhns was president (1882-84) and who has a Kappa daughter has for five years been the chairman and the instructor of the parliamentary law standing committee in our Woman's Club. She was recently re-elected to serve as the president of the Presbyterial Society of the Presbyterian Church and until recently served as district vice-president of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mary Wells Jenks (Mrs. C. E.), Delta, and Rachel Weir Maxwell (Mrs. C. G.), Beta Lambda, spent three months last summer traveling abroad. Two weeks were spent in France, one of these on a motor trip through the Chateau country; then a month's cruise on the Mediterranean was taken and returning they traveled in Italy and Switzerland. Mrs. Jenks is now organizing a party to take a similar trip next summer. She is also chairman of the book review standing committee of the Woman's Club.

Mary K. Pierce Knox (Mrs. W. H.), Epsilon, was married June 24, 1928, in Bloomington, Illinois, shortly after her graduation from Illinois Wesleyan University. She and Mr. Knox went to Lake Geneva on their wedding trip and are now living in Springfield. She brings to our association the enthusiasm and knowledge of fraternity matters of the recently active Kappa.

Mary Hickman, Epsilon, who for a short time last spring was assistant to our executive secretary, Mrs. Burt, is spending a delightful winter in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Her loyal and enthusiastic support of our association is greatly missed. We shall welcome her return.

Winifred Axtell Hoover (Mrs. W. C.), Beta Gamma, is president this year of the young woman's missionary society of the First Presbyterian Church, The Mizpah Society, a large and representative organization that is doing splendid work.

It can be seen from these items that Springfield Kappas—quite as it should be—are enlisted in various fine community enterprises and thus are contributing a share to the civic, religious, and educational life of this city. However, we find opportunity from time to time to meet as members of our alumnæ association of Kappa Kappa Gamma, that we may thus keep warm and effective our fraternity affiliation and give tangible, practical expression to our loyalty.

VIRGINIA SINCLAIR CATON

NORTH DAKOTA

The second meeting of our association was held at the home of our president, Mrs. N. C. Young, who was assisted by Mrs. George Black in giving a very novel party. It was in the nature of a victory luncheon, due to the fact that "our Mrs. Hoover" will soon be first lady of the land, and that "our Beta girls" had pledged the "pick of the campus." Decorations were carried out in red, white and blue and elephants and Uncle Sams were much in evidence. One

feature which caused much merriment was the composing of limericks suitable to the occasion. Phyllis Marlin won the prize with a very original poem, which I unfortunately have forgotten. I do remember the one written by Louise MacFadden:—

November 4 was the date

That "our Lou" put it over Kate! After the business was over the meeting turned informal with the Beta girls dropping in to call on us.

We are proud of our two new members annexed at this meeting. Phyllis Martin of Beta Zeta who is teaching at Valley City Normal School, and Mary Orlady. About a month after this meeting Mrs. Young left us, as she usually does, to spend the winter in Miami. We always regret having her go, as she lends such a lot of enthusiasm to our meetings.

The city Panhellenic Association held open house at the practice house of the State College, for all sorority members on Homecoming Day.

Mrs. J. E. Finley, of Gamma Phi Beta alumnæ association, spent several days in Fargo and was principal speaker and also guest of honor at a luncheon given December 13 by the Panhellenic association. Miss Thelma Chisholm, national inspector of Kappa Delta, was also a guest that day.

I am deeply grieved to report the death of Dr. Martin Rindlaub, brother of Julia Rindlaub Wooledge. Dr. Martin was actively interested in education, being a source of inspiration to many young men. He was particularly interested in the growth of fraternities and was founder of the chapter of Sigma Chi at the University of North Dakota. Himself, a graduate of Wisconsin University and also of Johns Hopkins, he never ceased to be interested in our smaller Western colleges.

He was a loyal "Kappa Man" and his loss will be greatly felt by all of us.

MARGUERITE WATSON WOOLEDGE

KANSAS CITY

Kansas City alumnæ are fast developing into super-saleswomen and all because of endowment. Our latest venture is in selling Campana's Italian Balm. We have a variety of sales talks which we guarantee to convince the most formidable of prospects. All ye who would have beautiful hands and lovely complexions let anyone of us know and we'll send immediately (on receipt, of course, of the proper amount of money!) a bottle, a carton, or a crate of this wonderful, delightful, soothing, pleasant, alluring liquid.

The January meeting at Rockhill Manor was in the form of a bridge party. Only thirty-five were present as the weather was dreadful and most of us snowbound. Those hardier spirits who finally got there felt repaid because it was a very nice affair. It was at this meeting that plans for a Panhellenic dinner dance at Mission Hills Country Club, February 9, were discussed. Assured of good food and good music, everyone seemed enthusiastic. A report of the sale of stationery and Christmas cards by Theta alumnæ was given. It developed that about \$50 was made. This amount is to go into the Mission house fund. Our magazine subscription venture is flourishing-approximately \$25 in commissions was made for endowment during the month of December. Della L. Burt and Clara O. Pierce were kind enough to remember us when they wanted magazines and sent us a number of very substantial subscriptions for which we're most grateful.

Three new babies have arrived in our midst, none of them prospective Kappas since all are boys. Mr. and Mrs. George Moore Browning (Mary Schultz, Theta) have a son, George Moore, Jr., who was born November 20. The day after Christmas William Taylor Stevenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor Stevenson (Dorothy Ensminger, Omega) arrived; and December

29, H. Neil McCaskey, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Neil McCaskey (Eunice Whitesides, Beta Phi) was born.

Theta and Omega chapters each received from the association, Christmas gifts intended to help outfit the guest room in the respective chapter houses. A pair of sheets and pillow cases, bordered in light blue and monogramed in dark blue, and a bath towel, face towel, and wash cloth were sent to the chapters at Lawrence and Columbia. Also the chapter at Manhattan was sent a pair of pillow cases.

A feature of the February meeting is to be a moving picture show called Snap Shots of Europe. It's to be given by Marjorie Davis, a Delta Gamma, who spent last summer in Europe and who has in this form a permanent record of her trip. ISABELLE STEPP HELMERS

LAWRENCE

In our last letter to The Key, we mentioned our pleasure at having Lorena Mack in our organization this winter, but alas—we have again lost her, This time to Russell Kline Jagger of Seattle, Washington, to whom Lorena was married November 29. Mr. Jaggar is an Alpha Delta from Washington University, and it was when Lorena attended school there two years ago, that the romance began. They will be at home at 1619 East John Street, Apartment 207, Seattle, Washington.

Our December meeting was held early in the month at the home of Mrs. W. R. Smith. We were disappointed in having to give up our annual bazaar and auction sale to be held at the chapter house December 15, but on account of the wide spread epidemic of influenza in the university and town, it was decided to abandon it this year, and a Christmas present of an assessment made instead upon each active girl and alumna. At one time there were twenty girls ill at the house, while Mrs. Miller, the housemother herself was suffering from a

slight attack. We are glad to say that there were no serious results from the disease and we are glad to have our active chapter back again in school, after the early dismissal for the holidays, due to the epidemic.

Mrs. Fred Zoellner, our secretary, has been ill and spending several months at her home in Arkansas City. We hope she will be able to attend the rest of our meetings as she is greatly missed.

November 24, under the management of Mrs. Paul Dinsmore, the alumnæ with the aid of the active girls held a rummage sale in which \$50 was netted for the house fund.

Dorothy Dinsmore, a graduate from last year's Omega chapter and daughter of our president, Mrs. Paul Dinsmore, is attending the National Kindergarten College at Evanston, Illinois this winter.

BLANCHE SIMONS MALONEY

OMAHA

The Omaha alumnæ association meets the first Saturday of each month. Luncheons are held at the homes of the members, followed by business meetings and programs. The December meeting was held at the charming new home of Mrs. Earl Hawkins (Lillian Shinn), Sigma. A guest that day was Helen Hall of Lincoln. After the business meeting, candy bags in the shape of little men were made and filled for the Christmas of the children in one of Omaha's charity organizations.

A bridge benefit was held at the Blackstone Hotel on the Monday night before Thanksgiving. Mrs. George Seaman (Nita Dunn), Sigma, gave a talk on contract bridge. The association cleared over one hundred dollars which is to be applied on our pledge to the endowment fund.

Our January meeting will be with Mrs. Julian and we are hoping to meet there all the active girls who are at home for the holiday vacation.

TOPEKA

Since we last assumed our news-letter frame of mind the Topeka Alumnæ Association has had two delightful meetings. The November meeting was a six-thirty dinner meeting at the charming new home of Edith Earle Gray. As usual our dinners succeed in drawing larger numbers of our members than the afternoon meetings. The December meeting was in the afternoon at Dorothy McCamish Dean's home. We were so glad to have Marjorie Fulton Jordan in town at that very time and at our meeting.

Beyond the regular meetings we cannot say very much for ourselves this time. None of us have won any championships, written any books, or struck oil! The stork has absolutely passed by the organization this year and those of us who are eligible to Leap Year's spell and Friend Cupid's wiles have not succumbed.

We wish every Kappa a very happy 1929—and may we make an extra wish for the further progress of our fraternity!

MARY E. DUDLEY

DENVER

Denver Alumnæ Association wishes all Kappas the happiest of New Years! We have been having a very gay holiday season which came to a splendid climax with the December meeting of the association. It was held December 29 at the home of Dorothy Knox, and was well attended by the members and a large number of the actives from Beta Mu, who were the honored guests. Betty Martin was very amusing as a modernistic Mrs. Santa and each one received a gift from her pack of contributed "white elephants." The food was unusually delicious-in all, a lovely Christmas party.

Ann Stark Moritz (Mrs. Sidney, Jr.) of Piedmont, California, with her husband and small daughter passed the holidays here, as did Mr. and Mrs. Roy C.

Hecox, Jr. Mrs. Hecox, formerly Maxine Mayer, surprised her friends greatly with her wedding in Chicago, November 10. It's always a pleasure to greet again our members who have moved away from Denver.

We also will welcome Helen Beatty Noland (Mrs. James) who will spend several months here while the State Legislature is in session. Mrs. Noland is representative from La Plata County where Durango, her home, is situated.

Mrs. Clyde Sargent (Harriette Beatty) has returned to Denver to live after spending several years in the Pacific Northwest.

There is a splendid representation of Kappas in the membership of the A.A.U.W. this year, and several are very active in its affairs. Mrs. John Fry (Mae Carroll) is the regional director for the Fellowship Drive, the funds of which will provide scholarships for college women interested in research.

The next important date on the alumnæ calendar is January 12 when Beta Mu will hold initiation for a very large percentage of its freshman class. We are all invited to attend both the services and the banquet—an event we anticipate with the greatest of pleasure.

VIRGINIA BAILEY

ALBUQUERQUE

"Christmas is coming and the geese are getting fat,

Please put a penny in the old man's hat."

This brought wonderful results for we all put our pennies together at the Kappa Christmas party and this money is to be used in buying initiation paraphernalia.

Each year we entertain the actives and pledges with a Christmas party—not a plain Christmas party, but one with a tree, presents, plum pudding and all.

It was such fun having it in the Kappa house this year and we agreed with the actives and pledges it was very successful. I casually mentioned the Kappa house but I hope everyone noticed it for it is quite a novelty to us and I believe we are as happy over it as the active chapter. We enjoy the privilege of dropping in on the girls and visiting with them for a while. It seems to bring us all closer together.

We wanted to give the girls something for the house so we sold magazines and used the money to buy linen for them.

This has been a very busy fall for us with a visit from Mrs. Martin, our province president, which we enjoyed very much and a benefit bridge at the home of Mrs. Whitmer and our regular monthly luncheons.

We made enough money at our bridge party to pay the last of our endowment pledge.

We regret to say that Josephine Hoskins has gone to Whiting, Indiana, to make her home.

Mary Frances Simpson, from the Boulder chapter, is a new member in our association.

Kathleen Long Koch of Santa Fe has a new baby boy—this is Kathleen's third boy.

By the time this reaches you it will be a new year and we hope a very happy and prosperous one for you all.

LILLIAN S. KOLLE

TUCSON

Since the last KEY letter the Tucson Alumnæ Association has met regularly in spite of the flu which has held sway in Tucson for the past two months.

During November we had the privilege of meeting our province president, Mrs. Caldwell Martin. Naturally most of her time here was given to the active chapter, though the alumnæ association were happy to meet her at a small luncheon which was given at the Temple Tea Room. We hope Mrs. Martin will come to Tucson again in 1929.

Probably the most interesting and exciting meeting of the year was the Christmas party which was held this vear at the home of Frances Blair Mac-Neill. After a short business meeting Santa Claus, usually known as Mr. Charles Stewart, arrived and presented each one with her part of the Christmas "Her part," however, proved to be some Kappa's "white elephant" instead of the dainty little \$1.00 gift she usually received. This time each alumnæ took along the \$1.00 she was accustomed to spend for the Kappa Christmas tree. The dollars all went into a fund from which \$5.00 was given to the Red Cross of Tuscon and the remainder to endowment.

Christmas parties will seem old news when this letter is printed but it isn't even New Years yet. So from Tucson, Arizona, "way out on the desert where the sun shines all the time" the Tucson Alumnæ Association wishes every other Kappa a Happy New Year.

HAZEL HINDS

PHOENIX

Through this, our first letter to The Key, the Phoenix Alumnæ Association sends greetings to all the alumnæ and chapters, and wishes to tell you a little about ourselves.

We have been in existence for about nine months and in that time have increased our membership from the original fifteen to twenty-five. We meet once a month at the homes of our members and there are very enthusiastic and enjoyable meetings. This information is primarily for any Kappa who may be planning on spending the winter months in Phoenix, for on account of our wonderful winter climate we have visitors from all over the country and our association is anxious to know and welcome these Kappas from afar.

As we are very close to Gamma Zeta chapter our interest naturally centers around them and our efforts have thus far been largely in their behalf. In June we entertained ten members of the graduating class of Phoenix High School who were going to the University of Arizona. This party was a luncheon at the country home of one of our members and enabled us to send a list of splendid material to Gamma Zeta in September.

In October a group motored to Tucson to attend Gamma Zeta's Founders' Day banquet, and this month we are planning a special luncheon honoring holiday visitors from that chapter as well as visiting alumnæ. We are also sending a Christmas box to Tucson in which each of our members has enclosed a gift for the chapter house.

Let me say in closing that we are very proud of our alumnæ charter with its golden seal and blue ribbons and are trying hard to develop into an association worthy of Kappa.

MRS. GEORGE SAMPSON

DALLAS

For the past year the Dallas alumnæ have devoted their efforts to the forming of a new Kappa chapter at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. have so few Kappa chapters in the South, that the active chapters in Theta Province have felt a crying need for more; therefore, less than two years ago, the Dallas alumnæ appointed an extension committee to look into the needs and advisability of this project at Southern Methodist University. It was found to be most desirable; but this university has so many national sororities already established that the committee decided on colonization (that is, forming a new group the nucleas of which is made up of girls already Kappas) as the only feasible method.

Under the very able leadership of Mrs. Howard Dunham (Mary Helen Holden) as president of the association, and Mrs. Robert L. Shapard (Lois Lake) as chairman of the extension committee, all the Dallas Kappas began work in earnest. By the latter part of June, Mrs. Shapard, as our delegate, was ready to

present our plan before convention, and there we were given permission to colonize at S.M.U.

The three girls who formed the nucleus of the colonizing group, which we call Gamma Kappa, are Gertrude Sims, graduate student who has been in both Beta Xi and Beta Theta chapters, Wilton Wade, a junior from Beta Xi, and Jane Prather, a pledge of Beta Xi. Taliaferro Erwin (Margaret Kelly) proved to be a most capable rush She wrote rushing letters, planned parties and collected all rushing assessments from the Dallas alumnæ. Remember that alumnæ are not college girls and there are many demands on their time; but every member of the association gave liberally in both time and money and the reward was a success far exceeding our fondest hopes. We were indebted to the Kappas from Beta Theta who came down to help during rush week, as well as for the interest shown by other chapters in the province. To add to the zest of rush week Kappa Alpha Theta decided to put in a chapter at S.M.U. They came at the last moment with the promise of a charter immediately (at this date they have already been installed).

The pledges of Gamma Kappa, petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma, were chosen by the three girls who formed the nucleus, and by the Dallas alumnæ, who represent at least ten Kappa chapters. We took our place in the lead immediately, and we feel confident that we pledged girls not only who will fill Kappa's highest ideals but girls also wanted by the oldest and best sororities on the campus. We are proud of the fine group of representative girls in Gamma Kappa and feel confident that by colonization we have secured strength and position that by any other method would have taken vears of struggle.

LAURA WEST BOLDRICK

MIAMI

The Kappas of Miami are all looking forward to the opportunity of greeting Mrs. Herbert Hoover, next First Lady of the Land, who with the President-elect is expected to spend more than a month here prior to the inauguration March 4.

Plans for Mrs. Hoover's reception are tentative, pending advice as to the number of social functions to be included on the calendar of the presidential party. If Mrs. Hoover's program permits, Kappa will be hostesses at a luncheon in her honor at the Miami Biltmore Hotel.

Our Kappa meeting in December was in the form of a covered dish luncheon held at the home of Mrs. Morton M. Milford. It was the first get-together of the kind we have had this year and though it was a cool day for Miami, Mrs. Scott Edwards' baked beans tasted so much better and the booming fireplace made it more cheerful, so "a good time was had by all." After lunch, instead of playing bridge as we usually do, we had fun learning new Kappa songs.

In the afternoon, girls of the University of Miami local which we are sponsoring, came for tea and pledged ten very attractive girls, whom they won after an exciting rush.

It was the last meeting for Mrs. Scott Edwards, our retiring president, who leaves the first of the year for New York City to make her home there. We shall miss her very much, as she has done a lot to help our association the past year. Mrs. John G. DuPuis, Jr., succeeds Mrs. Edwards as president.

Our Kappa friends are coming back to Miami, now that Christmas is over and the snow is peppering the North. To persuade as many new Kappas as possible to visit us this winter, I will tell you where I am now writing this. Louise Strickland Godfrey, of Mu chapter, who with her husband is spending the winter in Miami Beach, and I are in our bathing suits enjoying a sun bath on the ocean beach.

Now, will that bring you?

FRANCES BRUBECK FELT

BOISE

This is the holiday season of the year when every one is so busy with other social activities that there is very little time for activities of interest for a news letter. Just barely before this busy season started we gave our fall rummage sale which, although quite successful, did not turn out as well as our previous ones have. There had been so many such sales in town that there was not a chance for everyone to make big profits.

Now that Christmas is over our thoughts are turned toward the annual Panhellenic ball. Each year some different sorority is hostess and the others help with decorations, music, refreshments, etc. This year it is our turn to have charge of the refreshments so you may well imagine how busy our members are seeing that enough refreshments are furnished for about 500. The proceeds from this dance furnish a scholarship for some girl to the University of Idaho.

We are very pleased to have with us during this holiday season, Margaret Blackinger Pearson, Gene Springer Whyte, and Hester Yost Brenn all of Beta Kappa chapter. All have at one time been with our association but since being married, live various other places away from Boise.

BIRTHS

A son, Arnold Carey, December 1, to Katherine Johnson Nixon of Beta Eta chapter, class of 1916.

MRS. L. J. PETERSON

MONTANA

Montana Alumnæ Association's New Years wish is a happy, successful year for Kappa Kappa Gamma.

We have had enthusiastic meetings

every second and fourth Monday since our opening meeting in October. A new chapter house is the main topic of both social and business sessions. At the last meeting before the holidays a letter from our new province president, Dorothy Flegel, was read, and some practical points suggested by her to check our group on, were discussed. We are looking forward with pleasure to meeting her in the near future.

Maude McCullough Turner and her family have gone to La Jolla, California, for the winter. Valle, her young daughter hasn't been well and requires a change of climate. We will miss Maude and her enthusiasm at every Kappa meeting this year and look forward to her return in the spring.

Marjorie Wilkinson, Irene Murry Lansing, and Ruth Worden came home for the Christmas holidays from Seattle, and Gladys Peterson from her school in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Hulda Miller Fields and little son were guests at the home of Eleanore Stephenson Anderson in December. ISABEL RONAN

SEATTLE

The Seattle Association began this year with a great deal of enthusiasm, under the capable leadership of Mrs. William Horsley as president. We inaugurated a new system this fall, which came originally from the Kansas City alumnæ group, and which we have found most satisfactory so far. Under this system the names which appear in our yearbook are only those who have expressed themselves as willing to pay dues, attend meetings when convenient. and do their fair share of Kappa work. At present we have a roster which contains the names of 108 paid members. the largest number our association has ever had. A complete register of the group is kept by Mrs. Walter Service.

Our rummage sale in November, of which Mrs. Oscar Procter was in charge, brought \$210 to the treasury.

We have also taken over an agency for the National Circulating Company, and are selling magazine subscriptions and renewals, from which we receive a good profit, and from which we hope to build up a steady clientele and a regular income. This system was started only a few weeks before Christmas, but through the efforts of Mrs. Raymond Ensign, already it has brought in a good many dollars.

But we haven't been working all this fall—our bridge-party meeting, and the annual Christmas sewing-party meeting proved to be lots of fun. And what with elaborate plans for a dinner dance January 26, and our banquet in February, this year bids fair to being not only one of the busiest, but one of the pleasantest we have had.

ELIZABETH THOMAS

SPOKANE

I have just returned home from the Christmas tea, which the Spokane Association sponsors each year for the actives and to this one the mothers were invited. The Christmas tea is one to which we all look forward with a great deal of pleasure, it is so much fun to hear the news from the home chapter. Then the weather added to the spirit of the occasion, each pine and fir had on her very best white mantle, and here and there lights from the homes added the necessary color. Inside the lovely home of Lucille Higgins the joy of sisterhood reigned supreme, here were representatives from every chapter in Iota province and each one had found that something that Kappa gives to her daughters.

Turning from festivities we seem to have a dearth of news, we have met regularly each month, planned our winter's program, sent flowers to our sick and have made plans concerning endowment. There have been no marriages, that I know of, and only one new son,

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Williams are announcing the arrival of Cleveland Deane. Which when one considers the duties of the secretary, a letter every other month, one wonders just what the poor lady is to talk about.

She might expound at some length on the beauties of a winter in Spokane, but on the other hand, the secretary should write of Kappa news and not run a Chamber of Commerce bureau—so as our association is well and thriving, the secretary of the Spokane Association is "signing off" until more news is forthcoming.

ELIZABETH SHOWACRE

WALLA WALLA

The Walla Walla Alumnæ Association sends greetings and very sincere wishes for a happy and successful New Year.

Under the capable leadership of Faye Hamm we have started on what promises to be a happy year. Our first meeting at Henrietta's was a buffet supper. We had so much fun that we decided to have as many social meetings as possible during the year. (The plan has worked beautifully thus far.)

We were fortunate in having Mrs. Harry Davenport as our guest at this first meeting. She brought us so much convention news and enthusiasm that we almost felt that our chapter had had a delegate. Catherine Hoxsey's report of convention put the finishing touches on our enthusiasm and we immediately launched our campaign to raise our pledge to the endowment fund.

We are pausing long enough to give the actives another party. I say another party because this is to be a rush party. Imagine us after all these years giving a rush party! The actives will be so busy with getting back to school that we are taking their Sunday night tea date. We are going to have a Spanish holiday party and I know that it is going to be heaps of fun.

We regret to say that Mary Yenney

and Hazel Huffman are no longer with us this year; they are in California. Dorothy Chandler is in Europe. Thus our family seems to be scattering. But we have some new additions also. Hazel Letellier is the proud mother of a son and so is Margaret Franks.

Again we wish you all a very happy New Year! HAZEL BRYANT

PORTLAND

In October, Mrs. Davenport, our province president, came to Portland after visiting the two Oregon chapters. At a luncheon arranged by Esther Workman at the Campbell Court Hotel, Mrs. Davenport very delightfully told us about the growth and needs of both the chapters and the value of the alumnæ associations to active chapters. We enjoyed her visit, and hope that we may enjoy another one later on this year.

Now that the Christmas holidays are about over, the Portland Association will be bustling with activity in such forms as rummage sales, style shows, collecting of dues, the selling of hand lotion and various other things peculiar to alumnæ organizations. So far this year we have had but one financial venture, a theater party.

This benefit was held in November at the Dufwin Theater. Doris Slocum Garbade, Beta Omega, had charge of the affair, *Daddies*, starring Robert Mc-Wade, was the vehicle.

In November, we also had an afternoon meeting at Mrs. Leila K. Eldons at which we sewed for the Fruit and Flower Mission.

The Christmas party was held at Mrs. David Mason's home December 15. Margery Gilbert, Beta Pi, was chairman. After the dinner and the business meeting, a Christmas play was read and carols were sung. The association usually has a tree for needy youngsters but this year we brought jams and jellies for the Fruit and Flower Mission.

THELMA JEAN WAGNER

LONGVIEW-KELSO

Our little group still lives on and seems to be enjoying our social meetings each month.

In November we met with our president, Mrs. Dean, and did Christmas sewing as we chatted. We all were together soon afterwards when Mrs. Dean entertained some of the girls home from college during vacation at a delightful evening of bridge.

A business meeting followed by a social hour made our December meeting held in the lovely new home of Mrs. Scott an interesting one.

For our January meeting we are planning a dinner followed by bridge in honor of our husbands and "boy" friends."

Despite the fact that this letter will not be published until February I, we want to wish all kinds of success for the coming year to the other associations. A late but none the less sincere Happy New Year to all Kappas!

CHARLOTTE WALKER

PALO ALTO

Happy New Year!

This is the worst time of the whole year to write a newsletter, for we all seem to be so busy with personal things. Our association did not have a meeting in December because the Kappa Mothers' Club had chosen our regular date for their bridge benefit, and their invitations were out before they knew it. means I have no association news to forward. But we are very much interested just now in a Kappa wedding, January 2, when Lydia Murray will be married to Albert H. Huneke in our beautiful Memorial Church. I do believe that all of Palo Alto is going, as well as the faculty, for her father, Professor A. T. Murray, head of the School of Letters, has been on the faculty since soon after the university started, and his family grew up with the town. "Al" is a Stanford man too, graduated in 1926, and is an Alpha Delta Phi, and they are going to live in Los Angeles where Lydia has hosts of Kappa friends. With all this excitement in the Murray family, another wonderfully interesting thing has happened, and that is the invitation extended to Professor Murray to go to Washington and take charge of the Friends Meeting, where our new President and Mrs. Hoover will worship. Of course Dr. Murray has not retired from Stanford duties, but we hope some way will be arranged to allow him to be there for part of the four years, since he is a very old friend of the Hoovers. He will be there by the end of February and stay until our summer quarter opens, and perhaps be able to go back next fall.

I wish I might wait until every one is back from the Christmas holidays, for I am sure I could gather in some news. but printers don't wait, so we can't, and I must close with the best of New Year's wishes to you, one and all, personally, and to our fraternity, nationally and internationally.

DOROTHY PUTNAM

SAN DIEGO

Blossom McConnell is returning in January, from an extensive visit with her family in Texas.

Frances Clark has returned from a most pleasant visit in Tucson, Arizona.

She was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Leeson, while there, and enjoyed visiting Gamma Zeta chapter and enjoyed meeting new Kappa friends.

Grace Tupper has two Kappa sisters visiting her over the holidays, Mrs. Herbert Finnegan, formerly Bess Alexander, who is a Kappa from University of Arizona and is very active in Panhellenic circles in Globe, Arizona, where she now resides. Miss Ruth Alexander is a Kappa and a senior at the University of Arizona this year. She expects to teach Spanish and art next year in the Globe High School at Globe, Arizona.

Kappas have taken a prominent part in the Panhellenic formal dinner-dance, which was given at the San Diego Athletic Club the evening of December 27.

San Diego Kappas have all bought new clothing for the children at the Boys' and Girls' Aid, and also a case of oranges for them for Christmas.

The last meeting was held at the home of Evelyn Murphy, who entertained us with a most delightful luncheon, followed by bridge.

We expect to begin plans and preparations soon for our benefit bridge tea to earn money for the Endowment Fund, and we hope we can earn quite a lot.

GRACE C. TUPPER

Chapter Letters

KEY CORRESPONDENTS!

Read your instructions in the standing rules.

Two letters were written on both sides of the paper. They had to be thrown out. There was no time to copy them and they cannot go to the printer in that form.

Four or five letters were sent to the editor instead of the editor's deputy. Three letters were not on official stationery.

All this you will find in the record at the end of the letters. The record is there every time, but the same chapters repeat these mistakes. That is why these comments are also being put at the head. Perhaps they will be seen and heeded.

It is an excellent practice to see to it that every incoming officer reads her new duties aloud in meeting.

PHI Boston University

About the middle of November things began to move very suddenly and we found ourselves begun on a campaign that bade fair to be a real struggle. Our rushing party came early and of course we had our Sultan party which has already become a tradition of Phi.

I wish I could present everyone for a short glimpse at the court of the great Kappa Kappa el Gamma. Under the canopy he sits enthroned, puffing on a Turkish pipe that calls for all the genius of the Chem lab, and surrounding him sit his wives—a really enviable harem, if we do say so, with a fortune in cheese-cloth and silk girdles and gilt jewelry. Important in the court are the two visitors, Samuel Pepys, much more English than any Londoner, and the Señorita, who will later favor us with some songs of Spain.

After that, feeling that our freshmen had been duly impressed, we endeavored to keep them so with teas and lunches, till finally it was all over and we had gained six new sisters-to-be. At our last meeting before vacation, which was also the first meeting for the pledges, we celebrated the dual event by a real old-fashioned Christmas party, with a tree, and mistletoe, and stockings at the fireplace for our children, and a slam party that certainly proved the old saying, "A friend is one who knows all about you and loves you just the same."

The same night our pledges organized and immediately surprised us by an invitation to their first tea. We elected officers as follows: Mary Trafton, treasurer; Peggy Love, assistant treasurer; Genevieve Cummings, corresponding secretary, and Virginia Smith, chairman of scholarship committee. After this, having had really quite a full evening, we ended meeting, after making several New Year's resolutions which we won't publish.

PLEDGES

Frances Cole Helen Lothair Frances Palmer Frances Perry Laura Peck Grace Senders Margery Ward

BETTY GEORGE

BETA TAU Syracuse University

It is very difficult to believe that the Christmas season is here because Syracuse has the reputation of having a foot of snow even in June. Now, however, the landscape is very brown instead of white and the air is as balmy as in September.

The last letter to THE KEY ended with a brilliant pledge dance. Kappa's next social activity since then was a tea dance on the night of the Colgate game. I believe I will omit anything about that game because it will always remain a sore spot in the minds of Syracusans. Miraculously, the day was almost perfect. Anyone familiar with Colgate day will know that it was a miracle for people have been known to plan months ahead to don slickers, carry umbrellas and freeze on that day. The Kappa house was full to the over-flow with alums who came back for the week-end. The tea dance furnished a most favorable opportunity for old friends to renew acquaintances.

Almost before we knew it, midsemesters had descended upon us and it was but to do or die. Everyone emerged none the worse for all the studying that was done. In the midst of these exams, the chapter entertained the alumnæ at one of our meetings. The pledges had a very clever skit in store for us. They presented a typical Kappa girl as she appeared twenty or thirty years ago. The girls who live in Syracuse furnished the costumes which were screamingly funny. The skit was later chosen as one of the four to be presented at the Panhellenic banquet.

Thanksgiving vacation found only four girls left in the house. We all felt great pity for them but I believe that the pity was turned to envy when we heard the glowing tale of their vacation. Grace Roxby as chief cook was elected to prepare the dinner. Helen Maday, as much to her surprise as to our own, won a duck at a raffle a few days before Thanksgiving. This was donated to the dinner and proved to be very delicious.

December went so quickly that I can scarcely think of any events which were outstanding up until Christmas vacation. Syracuse became a victim of the "flu" just about a week before. The infirmary was filled to its capacity and some of the cases were sent to the city hospitals. Every day found an increase until finally the authorities decided that school should be closed for the few remaining days rather than endanger the students who were not already ill. Ordinarily this would have been most welcome news but happening as it did, just before all the Christmas formals which had been looked forward to for so long, the news brought more long faces than smiles. It is customary for Beta Tau to give a Christmas party every year before vacation. Each girl draws the name of another whom she is to impersonate at this party. were most disappointed to have to forego the party for it is always such fun. The formal is to be held on January 4, the night we return from vacation.

There was quite a surprise for most of us when we heard that Betty Chapin's engagement to Richard Hickox was announced at a party given by Mary Lou Wakefield. This happened during vacation so we haven't had a chance to find out more about it but we will be looking forward to a big five-pound box of candy very soon.

As the New Year approaches, we think of good resolutions and plans for the days to come. Beta Tau extends a most cordial greeting for a Happy New Year to all of our Kappa sisters and also resolves to do her bit towards making 1929 the most successful year that Kappa has ever known.

MARGARET SMALLWOOD

BETA PSI University of Toronto

BETA PSI TIMES

KAPPAS LEAVE APARTMENT FOR LARGER
DWELLING

With thirty-one very active Kappas, twelve pleased pledges, Beta Psi had to obtain a room where all forty-three and some grads could get in at once without stepping on each other's toes—so we picked up our belongings and took them to a much larger apartment. We think it will be quite nice, our only fear is that we may lose ourselves in such vast spaces. It is situated just across the road from the abode of the Pi Phis and Alpha Phis.

ALUMNÆ HOLD SUCCESSFUL THEATER NIGHT—ACTIVES SELL CANDY

The active grads in this community held a theater night at the "Empire"—the play was *Shannons of Broadway*—and as the audience had a sense of humor there were many laughs. During the intermission the actives passed candy and the ducats just rolled in.

BETA PSI'ERS BUS TO BUFFALO

Some of the girls went over to visit one of the local sororities at Buffalo. They certainly had a dandy time. More of us expected to go, but the final rugby game of the season at Hamilton was an even greater inducement and most of us motored to it.

SOCIAL EVENT OF THE SEASON

The Pi Phi pledges held an afternoon tea for the pledges of all other fraternities on the campus.

DISCUSSIONS AFTER BUSINESS MEETING PROVE VERY SUCCESSFUL

Every second week we are having a discussion group after the regular meeting. One night Dr. Marion Hilliard, a Kappa grad, spoke on "What a Fraternity Should Mean," and we continued the

idea along the line of fraternities-college spirit. Mr. Taylor Statten, a Kappa father and a leading psychologist and educationalist led a discussion on "The Value of an Education." We considered the traits of an educated person and how these could be obtained during our college course. Mr. Statten told us a little about the correct way of discussion and the discussion movement which has grown up and is taking the place of old time addresses at conferences and gatherings of all kinds.

KAPPA'S CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Even term exams and stuffy lectures cannot dampen the spirit of Christmas which pervades the world from December 20 till the New Year. We had a party for the alumnæ at Adele Statten's on the Wednesday before Christmas, the pledges and grads put on stunts and everybody talked enough to make up for all the silence endured during the writing of exams. In spite of the flu epidemic there were a great number of grads at the party and to add especial honor to the occasion, one of Beta Psi's charter members.

We packed two large Christmas dinners for families whom Santy Claus might otherwise have missed and we filled four large Christmas stockings as well.

The influenza epidemic kept quite a few of the girls under blankets for holidays, the pledges especially seem to have gone under as one man, but recently they have been crawling out one by one. The kind university authorities gave us five extra holidays in order that every little sniffle might disappear.

Elinor Gibson has gone on the West Indies tour for the holidays, and five Kappas have had a cottage in Muskoka Beach where there are great snow drifts and hills just great for skiing. Their favorite recreation is driving through the fields in a cutter.

Helen Reed has been very ill but is

recovering and will have forgotten all about it by the time of the big event in the fall.

Elinor Smith, '31, is giving her first piano recital at the Toronto Conservatory of Music. We are very thrilled about it.

ELECTION RESULTS

While Mr. Hoover was defeating Mr. Smith, we in Canada, held an election which was very exciting. The officers of Beta Psi for the next term are: president, Margaret Jamieson; treasurer, Beth Mader; corresponding secretary, Grace McCauley; recording secretary, Dorie Harvey; marshall, Jean Robertson.

MARY L. NORTHWAY

GAMMA LAMBDA Middlebury College

Pledge day was November 2 this year and what an exciting time it was in Middlebury! The freshmen had given their preferences to Professor Abbott the day before and bids had been mailed that morning. Promptly at five o'clock, after all the answers had been received, everybody rushed around after freshmen and then followed half an hour of celebration before supper time. That evening we all went down to the little white house and pledged fifteen of the best girls who entered college this year, Now we are looking forward to initiation when all fifteen will be full fledged Kappas.

The seniors gave us a party the last Monday before Christmas vacation. There was a Christmas tree in one corner of the room and under it was a present for each of us. "Ham" Freeborn acting as Santa Claus handed out the packages and the last thing she presented was a new portable orthophonic victrola which we all helped purchase as a gift to the house.

At the close of the party we went out caroling, singing at the homes of several of our alumnæ and friends in town. When we reached Miss Ross' house she invited us in to sing and we spent a delightful half hour or more in front of the fireplace where a wonderful fire burned while we sang all the songs we could think of between bites of cake and sips of cocoa.

PLEDGES

1930

Lucy Hager

1932

Eleanor Benjamin
Evelyn Benjamin
Jeanette Burgess
Betty Chase
Virginia Coley
Marion Jones
Barbara Landis
Betty Lee
Betty Merriam
Evelyn Remick
Marion Singiser
Winifred Webster
Marion Wilcox

BLANCHE EMORY

BETA ALPHA University of Pennsylvania

At this beginning of the new year the Beta Alphas can look back on a happy and well-spent term together. We started the term in the best possible way by pledging three splendid girls, Leonora Ornston, Norma Savin, and Marion They proved their worth by being catapulted into rushing almost as soon as they were pledged and taking it all like seasoned veterans. During rushing we were awfully glad to have Peggy Burns, a Pittsburgh Kappa, with us. She was a great help and the rushees were bowled over by her hot dancing at the very first party. We had a wonderfully successful season of rushing and much credit for this fact is due to the tireless work of the alums who helped us fix up the house which was badly in need of it. They also gave the parents'

tea for us and it was a delightful affair and one that we'll be a long time in forgetting.

As usual Kappas are very much in activities. Huntsy is president of the senior class, Janet Lewis is vice-president of W.S.G.A., and Janet Brown besides being business manager of Bennett News was recently pledged to Mortar Board, senior honorary, a fact which makes us even prouder of her than we were before, if that's possible. Ornston is news editor of Bennett News and is also a member of Sphinx and Key, junior honorary. Mims Brous is an assistant business editor of the News and treasurer of Sphinx and Key. Fran Decker made the classics honorary. Last year she held the highest scholastic record in the chapter. Anne Gehman, Jean Fry, Eleanor Anglin, and Ruth Branning are on the Record Book staff. Betty Bowman is junior leader of freshman commission, and Jane Harshberger is manager of junior basketball. the pledges: Betty Thompson is vicepresident of the freshman class, Mildred Horner is the woman student in charge of C.A. Drive, and Edna Lockhart is a member of freshman council. Marion Scarborough and Mabel Reed are graduate students in the Law School, Mabel is a Psychor from Penn State. All the pledges are interested in some form of activity and are going out for everything with a great deal of enthusiasm.

Just before Christmas we had our annual Christmas party at the house and a few days later, the Christmas dance. The alums got a beautiful tree for us and trimmed it. It was so lovely we hated to take it down. Both the party and the dance were complete successes and left us with just the right feeling before the holidays. We have just gotten back together now, the New Year is already well begun and the Beta Alphas are looking forward to another term as happy as the last.

PLEDGES

Betty Blum
Mildred Horner
Frances Edmonds
Gene France
Edna Lockhart
Mabel Reed
Marion Scarborough
Cornelia Turrell
Therese Fischer
Ruth Winchester
Betty Thompson
Betty Paul
Ru

RUTH BRANNING

BETA SIGMA Adelphi College

Beta Sigma has had a busy and profitable season. We pledged eight girls the first part of November and have grown prouder and prouder of them every day for they have entered into school and fraternity life with a spirit that has never been surpassed. Helen Osborn has put them through a rigorous course of pledge training and as examinations draw perilously near, it looks as though they will be initiated, making the chapter 100 per cent Kappas, a record for which we are working very hard.

November 25, we had an informal chapter tea at the home of Dorothy Guy, our president. She and Helen Osborne told the pledges about convention, and inspired them to attend province convention this summer which will be quite near at hand.

The chapter gave a successful bridge December 8. The prizes were Kappa blue bowls, admired by all.

December 13, we initiated five girls. Mrs. Westermann and Mrs. Smith were present and assisted in the ceremony.

Christmas vacation came along but we saw a great deal of one another nevertheless. The chapter gave a Christmas party December 26, and drew presents from Santa Claus's bag. All the girls as well as the alumnæ were in full Christmas splendor and it was a delightful occasion.

The New York alumnæ took over the theater for a special matinee of Eva Le Galliene in *Peter Pan*. A large number of the chapter attended in a body and enjoyed the immortal Peter and Wendy.

We were glad to have Doris Mills, a pledge at St. Lawrence, at our Christmas party. It was interesting to hear of our other chapters, and to exchange ideas and strengthen friendship in Kappahood.

Kappa is holding its own in school activities. Ruth Phillips, is president of the freshman class and Anna Grace is secretary. Anna was also chairman of the dance which the freshmen gave the sophomores. Isabel Nostrand is a splendid athlete, participating in all the sports which Adelphi offers. Peanut Von Arx was in charge of the stunt for Faculty party at Christmas time. Frances Bush has already tried out for the college newspaper, and had some things accepted. One can see why we are proud of our pledges.

Rhoda Halvorsen is on Junior Prom committee and Peggy Henderson was one of the committee for the sophomore dance.

Kappa is planning to have a dance in the spring, which we hope will be as successful as our bridge.

PLEDGES

Grace Picaso, '30 Dorothy Von Arx, '31 Frances Bush, '32 Anna Grace, '32 Ruth Milligan, '32 Isabel Nostrand, '32 Ruth Phillips, '32 Helen Reynolds, '32

INITIATES

Helen Knorr, '30 Malde Jacobsen, '30 Katherine Miner, '31 Dorothy Von Arx, '31

ENGAGEMENT

Margaret Snyder, '30, to Edward Weber Tabell. Margaret Snyder

GAMMA EPSILON University of Pittsburgh

The December Key is so full of long lists of pledges and initiates that Gamma Epsilon is inspired to do great things with the long list of prospective rushees which she has concealed in that chest in the hall cupboard. The freshmen this year are an excellent group, and it gives us a secret thrill to know that two of them are Kappa sisters. However, rushing does not begin until after semester examinations; we hope, though, to have as perfect a report as so many of our sister chapters have given.

One night last month, before meeting, we were all ordered to sit on the floor on one side of the living-room while the pledges gave their traditional stunt. When the audience had stopped whispering and speculating on what was going to happen, the pledges trooped down the stairs, dressed in what were great-greatgrandmothers' and grandfathers' clothes (or what might have passed very well for such if we had not recognized a certain black hat and table scarf). Virginia Wickersham, pledge president, in old lace, announced that accomplished young actresses would give a scene from The Rivals. So for fifteen minutes we sat entranced as Mrs. Malaprop explained the proper conduct for young ladies.

On Friday evening, December 7, we held our second annual Benefit Dance, at the Edgewood Community Club. Katherine Dauster, one of our juniors, was chairman of the committee, and her work should be the pride of the School of Business Administration. It certainly is the pride of Gamma Epsilon, for we went over the top, and we cleared 50 per cent more than we had dared hope to The dance was well supported by all the fraternities on the campus, and we took the bumps and jostling in good spirit, because bumps and jostling meant a big crowd, and a big crowd meant gold in the coffers of Gamma Epsilon. We danced until one o'clock to the tunes that a colored orchestra played, and then went home to snatch what little sleep we might before nine o'clock the next morning.

For we had to be at the house the next morning to make ready for the initiation of our five pledges. We began initiation at two, and at six-thirty that evening we held the formal banquet for the initiates at the Garden Tea Room. Now we have five lovely new Kappas to help us rush these freshmen, and, judging by their enthusiasm for Kappa, they will be very capable.

We had planned the nicest Christmas party for the night before we all separated for vacation; but the "flu" epidemic came along and gave us three and one-half day's vacation, so we postponed the party until next year. We really ought to give and receive two ten-cent gifts then, just to make up.

Anna Louise Semmelrock has been chosen chairman of the Cathedral Committee. This is a distinct honor; the committee's task is to plan for the decorating and furnishing of the women's lounge in the Cathedral of Learning.

Beatrice Crippen and Mary Ray were chosen honorary majors of the R.O.T.C. Meda Fraser was given a rôle in *The Best People*, a play given by Pitt Players, the amateur dramatic club on the campus.

Engagement
Alice Cecil to Glenn Guy.

INITIATES

Sarah Drum Jean Wallace Adelaide Hartman Virginia Wickersham Katherine Zimmerli

ANNA WATTS ARTHUR

GAMMA KAPPA

College of William and Mary

As we leave for the Christmas vacation we bring to a close two unusually full months. And telling last things first, this week before Christmas has been a very gay one. Thursday night the Dramatic club gave Channing Pollock's The Enemy in Phi Beta Kappa Hall and Polly Venable had a leading rôle. The Cotillion club gave their Christmas dances Friday and Saturday nights with a dansant Saturday afternoon. The Kappas seemed to catch the Christmas spirit, and although it was raining, had quite a merry time. We are in the midst of interfraternity basketball games with Virginia Alexander as our captain.

We had the surprise of our lives one day when we came home from classes and found "Pat" Riley here; Lois Lacy had brought her down from Richmond. They stayed several days, and we enjoyed having them so much. Another very enjoyable surprise was the bridge party Connie Jamieson gave "Pat."

Speaking of bridge parties, our pledges gave us one of the most attractive I have ever seen. They innocently started quite a vogue when "Dot" Rhodes won a deck of "Old Maids" for the booby prize, to teach her, they said, to play some game. Staid bridge is really eclipsed by the more exciting new rival, and if you hear shrieks of laughter, it's a perfectly safe guess that a new victim has been added to the sisterhood of spinsters.

Not long ago our tradition of sunshine was spoiled by snow. It snowed all day and night. Six inches of snow on the ground was not to be resisted. Our nineteen pledges and all of us put on our woolen mittens and went out for a snow battle. Neither side could claim a victory as everybody abandoned the fight in its midst to build a huge snow owl, which was a source of great pride until a number of S.A.E.'s carried it off and perched it on their roof. It was very sad to see our owl lonely and to watch it melt on foreign territory. After we were tired of playing in the snow, we toasted marshmallows, popped corn, and sang Kappa songs before our open fire.

We are very proud of our pledges. Jean Newkirk and Margaret Reddy were elected the freshmen representatives to the student government council. They are the only representatives from the freshman class, the only girl holding an office in that class.

December 9 we gave a tea to the Delta Delta Delta and Kappa Delta fraternities which have been installed at William and Mary this winter. It was a real Christmas affair, the house decorated with red candles, holly, and everything.

As a wonderful climax Miss Roberts entertained the seniors and all the Tri-Delts at a buffet supper last Sunday night. This sounds like we spent all our time going to parties, dances, and games—but yet Christmas comes only once a year!

ELIZABETH DUNLAP

RHO Ohio Wesleyan University

As the Christmas season fast overwhelms us and we are wondering whether we can get four weeks' work done in two or not, it comes to my mind to look over the past few weeks and see what the Kappas have been doing.

I imagine by far the most important event of the fall on our campus has been the Greek Conclave. It was a meeting of all the Greeks, men and women, on the campus to promote a better spirit among all the fraternities and to settle problems on our campus. It was such a success that it is going to be repeated next year. We are represented by Miss Marian Ackley, our charming chairman of the Rose McGill Fund. It certainly was an honor to have her with us, and we did enjoy her so much.

Yesterday our pledges gave a lovely bridge-tea for us which helped break up the monotony of the storm of exams the last two weeks.

Tomorrow night is our Christmas party in our rooms when the pledges are going to give us a stunt and some Christmas entertainment. It will be our last chance to be all together before the holidays, so we are awaiting it with much expectation.

We are now making plans for our formal dance which is to come soon after vacation. It will be a welcome oasis in the desert of after-Christmas gloom so we are going to do our best to make it a big success.

Among honors brought to Rho this fall, Kathryn Kunkle was elected to Theta Alpha Phi, and Betty White and Celia Hite to Wesleyan Players. Ruth Alice Wilson was one of the few freshmen on the campus to make English Writers' Club. Bettina Beach, Ruth Wilson, Marjorie Bangham, and Jane Elliot made the *Transcript* staff.

The best o' luck and happiness for the coming year from all of us to all of you.

CATHERINE CRAIG

BETA NU Ohio State

Fall quarter is over, for better or for worse, for passing or for failure, and it is time for the letter to The Key. The flu has been laying about half of us low and the rest of us are praying earnestly, and looking reproachfully at anyone who coughs or sneezes near us. But the flu doesn't hamper us. Oh, my, no! Just wait till I tell you some of the nice things that have been happening to Beta Nu!

In the recent class elections, Ellen North was chosen vice-president of the Senior class. One election leads to another, and so we chose new chapter officers. I can't think of enough nice things to say about each one individually, so I'll just make one comprehensive remark—they couldn't be better! Elizabeth Landacre is president, replacing our capable and beloved Frances Romer; Elizabeth Linton is recording secretary; Virginia Krumm, corresponding secretary; Lois Keiser, assistant treasurer; and Lucile Dum, sergeant-at-arms.

Two banquets brought us honors. At Panhellenic it was announced that Kappa was third on the scholarship list, and at W.A.A. fall intramural banquet Virginia Gill was awarded a Varsity "O" and Doris Smith a W.A.A. "O."

Miss Margaret Lea, an alumna of Beta Nu and a new addition to the physical education department, was elected an adviser of W.A.A. board.

When Scarlet Mask, musical comedy organization, broke all precedents by admitting girls to its formerly completely masculine ranks, it chose Margaret O'Shaugnessy and Jane Hewitt for speaking parts, and Beatrice Torbert, Ellen North, Marjorie Dum, Frances Strouthers, and Sara Stanley for the chorus.

Our Christmas party at the house was a great success. Santa Claus distributed ten-cent gifts lavishly after a generous spread prepared by the pledges, and the party ended with Christmas carols and Kappa songs.

MARRIAGE

Eleanor Penniman to John Boardman.

BIRTHS

To Marian Lilley Smith and E. O. Smith, a daughter.

To Ardis North Hamilton and Howard Hamilton, a daughter.

ELEANOR MARTIN HALL

BETA RHO

University of Cincinnati, Ohio

Now that rushing and pledging are over—which may I say was most strenuous—everyone is settling down to studying. The system of rushing used at the University of Cincinnati was a new one and very concentrated lasting only one week. You can imagine how difficult it was, nevertheless we are mighty glad its over and pleased with the results.

Our pledges are receiving definite training this year and we are hoping that they will all make their grades. So far things look fine. Eleanor Allison, who is the freshmen's chairman, told us in meeting last night that none of them were near being on probation and several are making A's, lots of them B's etc. The pledges can have no dates during the week unless they get special permission. However they like it, and in fact, expect it.

The pledge dance was given at the Highland Country Club and everyone agreed that it was a peppy dance. As usual the freshmen had to give a stunt to introduce themselves. Sue Druetzer, a freshman, posed as a magician and by calling out telephone numbers, one by one the freshmen appeared.

The alumnæ gave us a party last week and such clever stunts we had never seen. Incidentally we met a lot of Kappas that we never had met before. The alumnæ are carrying out all sorts of interesting plans to make money.

November 17 we celebrated at school Homecoming Day. Each organization has a float and there is a big parade. The freshmen fixed up a float for Kappa. Such fun and such floats.

Charlotte Beaman, who was recently initiated, is to be married to Gilbert Garvin, Beta Theta Pi, on Thanksgiving Day. We are all invited and quite excited about it.

Eleanor Heuck, our president, was elected sponsor of the band. Another honor for Kappa. Everyone is doing something for Kappa in her own particular way.

PLEDGES

Lenore Banker Virginia Baldwin Margaret Burrows Sue Druetzer Marjorie Guethlein Janet Gebhardt Agnes Hales Virginia Mossman Wilma Strawn Bonita Paynter Vera Heidt Virginia Thornell Polly Scudder

RUTH ROSENFELDER

BETA CHI University of Kentucky

If I hadn't usurped more than my rightful share of space in the December KEY letter I certainly would write a regular epistle this month because the brand new year is suggesting so many hopes and aspirations to me that I feel that I would like to preach a real sermon on "Values" to every Kappa in the land. What a ridiculous thought when no doubt every girl is feeling exactly the same impetus of life and desire. So I will desist and get down to earth and to my dear Beta Chi who is all snugly settled again after a glorious vacation of ten days. We were decidedly glad to get back to the Kappa house again and to take up living where we left off. The chapter was remembered by many lovely gifts from the alumnæ and the pledges. The night before the holiday began the active chapter and pledges were entertained at the house for dinner after which Santa Claus distributed gifts from a gorgeously bedecked Christmas tree.

In writing the few notes of news for Beta Chi this month I feel almost as much in a haze as that Californian who ran the wrong way with the ball on New Year's Day, because I feel that I am writing in the wrong direction as my news will be rather backward when The Key comes out.

At the beginning of the second term several of our pledges will come into the house to live, we are very happy over this because then our rooms will be full and our circle stronger and happier. Basketball is in its glory in Kentucky at this time as well as the grand old formals. The university ruling does does not permit any formals until after Christmas but from then on they play quite important rôles in the week-end calendar.

I am sure that the most surprising bit of national news last month was the resignation of Mrs. Howard Burt, our wonderful executive secretary. I wish that there was something on behalf of Beta Chi chapter that I could say that would express the appreciation that we as a chapter feel for the untiring and inexhaustible services that Mrs. Burt has rendered to Kappa Kappa Gamma. One need only trace the establishment of the Central Office and the growth of the fraternity as an organization to realize the amount of service that our ex-executive secretary has given to Kappa. It seems providential that Mrs. Burt gave us her ability and service at the time that she did because it was then that as an organization we needed a mind and a heart just such as she has. It was a wise person who said, "God suits the burden to the bearer. If you have much to bear it is because you are strong enough to do it nobly and well." So, it must have been the case with Mrs. Burt, because who could have had more to do than she and who could have done it more nobly?

There is always an epidemic of selfishness going on in the world, and no place is it more prevalent than in the chapters of a fraternity. If we as chapters could only learn that Love is Service and sometimes even Sacrifice then we would have learned the most inspiring and useful lesson that was ever taught. My wish for every chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at this the beginning of another year—is that each chapter will serve the world, its university and its group with such a true measure of love that by this time next year Father Time can sincerely quote to you these lines:

"Because your generous hearts gave out A kindly thought a minute,

You've made the world a whole lot bet-

Just by living in it."

FAIRIE JENKINSON

DELTA

Indiana University

Since Delta sent in a poem to the last KEY, we were unable to tell some of of the interesting happenings.

Our first social event was a tea in honor of our new chaperon, Mrs. Hazel Scott Mauck. It was our pleasure to have Mrs. R. D. Canan, our province president with us at that time. Our next affair was an informal fall dance.

After studying hard for midsemester exams we were given a delightful formal Thanksgiving dinner by our house manager, Mrs. Baker.

We are pleased to say that many of our girls have been getting into campus activities this fall. Jane Williams, a junior in school but a freshman in fraternity, has been made president of the English club as well as having a prominent part in So This is London, a play given recently by the University dramatic club. Agnes McNutt, a sophomore in the chapter, had the lead in this play. Both girls were splendid and we were indeed proud of them. Mary Tucker and Mary Bartle, both freshmen, were put on the Y.W.C.A. sub-cabinet. Winbourne Smith and Crystal English, seniors, are also very active in Y.W. affairs. Helena Whitmeyer and Mary Siebanthal, freshmen, became members of W.A.A. by making the class soccer team. had the honor of making the varsity soccer team which is an unusual thing for a freshman to do. Jane Hoy, a sophomore, made Pleiades, an honorary social organization.

Our yearbook, *The Arbutus*, has been conducting a subscription campaign the past two weeks. A captain was chosen from each sorority and fraternity house to be assisted by teams composed of freshmen. Our team, headed by Eloise Welborn, a junior, won the contest between the sororities and we were presented with a silver loving cup.

Just before the holidays we had our annual formal Christmas dinner and

party at ten-thirty when everyone came in. The second week-end after we return from vacation we have a winter formal, our traditional snow ball dance, to look forward to. However, after this we will all practically go into seclusion for finals which come within two weeks, and we cannot fail!

EDWINA BEORSS

IOTA

DePauw University

These last few days before Christmas vacation find the Iota Kappas busy cramming for exams, puzzling over time tables, shopping, and in their spare moments making plans for the annual Christmas party. For a week now we have been singing carols every evening around the fireplace, and tomorrow night the freshmen entertain the upperclassmen with a Christmas party. Of course there is to be a tree and a Santa Claus to distribute gifts, but the plans for the refreshments and the entertainment are being kept secret.

Everyone is much enthused over the the idea of going home and can think of little else, yet the girls did calm down long enough to elect the new set of chapter officers last week. Mona Eckardt is to be our new president when Helen Stokes, the present one, graduates in January.

The Iotas are still making good in campus activities. Recently Betty Cook, Marian Smith, and Mary Rhue were elected to Mask and Gavel, the public speaking club; Helen Stokes was elected to membership in Delta Sigma Rho, national forensic society, which is quite an honor and Emma Jean Burke was elected to Duzer Du, local dramatic society, but in this joyous, hectic Christmas rush even the glamor of winning campus honors dwindles somewhat, and the only important thing seems to be to wish everyone a very happy holiday season, and if possible, a happier New Year.

LOUISE B. CLOTHEY

MU Butler College

A Page from the Diary of a Feminine Jo College

> Kappa House, Winter Season

Up a bit aft betimes and a-scurrying into my jersey frock and brogues. Thence with book in arm and breakfast in hand did sprint across yonder campus arriving full late in my class. Tardy and unlike my custom, was much abashed. The past fortnight, however, had proved a strenuous one for all of us closing with our sally forth last night to see our own Anna Lee Howell and Mary Margaret Ham in Naboth's Vineyard. Thespis, our dramatic club, did successfully present the latter in its first showing in America.

My thoughts drifting from the lecture, fell recalling the many enterprizes in which we Mu Kappas have been engaged of late-and with agreeable success too. The Melting Pot cup does adorn our mantel in fine fashion. Marabeth Thomas and the other artistic sisters truly realized an attractive booth of toys for the college bazaar that day. moment that it was at the dance following when first place was awarded to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Most appropriate, attractive and original in its decoration of black and white, our kiddies' room of dolls, games and gingham dogs was outstanding.

From a juvenile playroom to a plantation scene, we donned the blackest grease paint and did enact "Cotton Blossoms," a musical skit so ably planned and directed by Lil Pierson as to gain second place in the judging. Y.W.C.A. truly sponsored two performances of entertaining stunts this year. Emerging from this experience a trifle duskier in countenance we did grow hilarious over the fun had in humorous character acting. The topsy chorus was so—Br-r-r-ing-g!—the bell.

Along the corridor toward the publicity office did come upon Kitty Willis now employed as secretary therein. She asking me the burning questions, "Did you have a good time at the Pledge dance? And whom are you going to ask to the Christmas formal?" To which I replied, "Yes." Our twenty pledge members were real hostesses that night at Babe Brossman's house—such a cute dance they did bestow upon their actives. Good music, hand-made decorations and programs, and punch were generously conferred upon us. And so with high hopes for the traditional holiday dance!

At noon a-sauntering toward the house and reading all the while *The Tower*, a choice compilation of best student literary achievement here at Butler. And therein a morality play, "Universal College," created by none other than Eleanor Durbin, met my eyes. I took pride for Kappas in new fields—and this, one admirably sanctioned by the faculty.

Refreshed by another of Cook Edith's satisfactory midday meals as it has been her custom to prepare, did spend the afternoon in the interests of Mu Murmurs, our chapter paper. "Now you write a feature on 'Where Mu Kappas Will Spend the Christmas Vacation'," Editor Elsie Hancock assigned me. With little difficulty did obtain the following statistics. From New York to Texas and from Mississippi to Michigan to be the extensive radius of holiday travel in our little group.

"And a good news story on the organization of benefit bridge clubs within the chapter to raise money for the new house." Methinks that is the battle cry now. Pledges and actives alike are in earnest over this endeavor—we do so want a new house next year. Dear Good Kappa Fairy, help us to have one and then with our new great guest room we can so much better entertain you and your visiting sisters who come to call.

Most recent among our guests was our charming president of Delta Province, Mrs. Canan (Inez Richardson). And so into the news bulletin went an account of her short stay with us. Did type with added zest the copy for this story for it was truly a pleasure to know and entertain her. A tea, and dinner parties, besides a real meeting with her were extremely enjoyable.

"And don't forget to write up the receipt of Louise Frisbie's good letter from 'way out at Beta Theta chapter in Oklahoma. Such fun it was to hear from her—urge others who have strayed from Mu chapter to pen us their whereabouts." This my last assignment and the paper was off to press.

But hold! Wherewith Mary Elizabeth Davidson did excitedly burst in from her secretarial duties at French Club with news of the sophomore election. Betty Jeanne Davis was elected vice-president—totaling two class offices for Kappa—a unique showing in our recent history. Betz is a reporter now on the daily Collegian too.

Dinner finished, Mrs. Shimer and we eight house girls engaged in somewhat of a self-satisfied chatter session. But we are proud of our Mu chapter and its record this year on the new campus. "And in January we will celebrate our fifty-first birthday," repeated Ham in her sleep, as the rest of us tumbled into our P-J's—and so to bed.

DOROTHY RAGAN

XI Adrian College

BLUE AND BLUE WEDDING

Panhellenic affairs seem to be the last word in weddings now. At least, such was the case when Thelma Stell was married to T. Stanley Cooper, Alpha Tau Omega, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at four-thirty in the afternoon, December 22, 1928. Dr. Alden J. Green, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, performed the single ring ceremony, and Mrs. Green, Delta Delta Delta, played Mendelsohnn's Wedding March. Miss Alburta Williams, Kappa

Kappa Gamma, was maid of honor, and Trevor Cooper, brother of the groom was best man. The bride was given away by her mother, Mrs. Effie A. Stell.

The simplicity of the bride's dark blue transparent velvet gown was enhanced by a lovely shower bouquet of forget-me-nots. The maid of honor also did justice to the blue and blue scheme by wearing a light blue crêpe dress and carrying blue sweet peas.

A dinner, delightful in every detail, was given by the bride's mother at the lovely home of Dr. and Mrs. Green. Those at the dinner included Mr. and Mrs. T. Stanley Cooper, Mrs. Effie A. Stell, Mrs. George Cooper, mother of the groom, Dr. and Mrs. Green, their sons, Melvin and Alden, Miss Alburta Williams, Mr. Charles Braun, and Mr. Trevor Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are both graduates of Adrian College. Mrs. Cooper has been teaching in the Adrian High School, and Mr. Cooper is associated in business with the H. J. Heinz Company. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper are at home to their friends at 3057 Zephyr Avenue, Corliss, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

It was unanimously agreed that our Christmas party this year was "bigger and better" than ever. Who wouldn't like a dinner that offered the palate creamed chicken patties, mashed potatoes, fruit salad, pineapple ice, hot rolls, jam, olives, pickles, banana cream pie, and coffee—consumed at a table gay with tapers? And wasn't it just like Santa to make a visit afterward with gifts for all? The Christmas season is such a lovely one, and it doesn't come often enough.

We are glad to announce the pledging of Mildred Engel of Adrian, Michigan.

Members of Xi were delightfully entertained at tea by Kappa chapter at Hillsdale College during the Thanksgiving season. They have a house to be proud of, and we loved it.

Our pledges offered the tollowing

song-hit one night. Although slightly off key, it was duly enjoyed.

(Tune—That's My Weakness Now.)

My girl's a K. K. G.
I never knew a K. K. G.
But my girl's a K. K. G.
So that's my weakness now.
She wears a golden key,
I never cared for a golden key,
But she wears a golden key—
And that's my weakness now.
A golden key,
The key to her heart
To unlock her heart—for me.
She likes the fleur-de-lis
I never liked the fleur-de-lis
But she likes the fleur-de-lis
And that's my weakness now.

Ryll Spaur was the surprised recipient of a miscellaneous shower, celebrating the announcement of her engagement to George Clark, of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

RYLL MARSH SPAUR

GAMMA DELTA Purdue University

When all of us left for Christmas vacation and home, we were in search of much needed rest, for our annual Christmas stunt and slumber party was given the night before our departure, and as usual it was an all-night affair. The pledges performed creditably before about forty alumnæ, actives, and guests, although their clever take-offs of the upperclassmen embarrassed us at times.

We have all been realizing that the fall is the time to start accumulating activities, and the results are already apparent. Irene Rhodes, Virginia Connors, and Helen Sprague have been made members of Gold Peppers, a junior-senior organization for the support of athletics. Irene and Virginia have also been elected to Gamma Alpha Eta, women's athletic honorary. Virginia Connors and Margery Mathias are on the staff of *The Débris*, a school yearbook; and Jane Wilson and Mary Cory are on

the sophomore co-ed staff of *The Exponent*, daily school paper. Margery Mathias and Mary Carolyn Barnard both had material in the recent addition of *The Scrivener*, school magazine. Gladys Maws and Mary Cory had leading parts in the Forensic Council play which was presented not long ago, and Irene Rhodes is social chairman of the Purdue Union.



ENTRANCE TO CHI CHAPTER HOUSE

After about two months of weekly practice, the Kappa rifle team had bad luck in the university meet. We came in second, losing to the unorganized girls by the narrow margin of one point. However, Charlotte Canady shot the second highest score of the meet, and she and Margaret Steele made the varsity rifle team.

The rush committee for the following year was elected not long ago, and consisted of Mary Carolyn Barnard, rush captain; Gladys Haws, assistant rush captain; and Mary Cory, rush manager. The committee is already busy making plans for midsemester rush.

Just before our Christmas vacation began, we made plans for our formal, which is to be given the Friday after we return to school. Although joy may be unconfined that night, it will necessarily be of short duration, for not long afterwards we start finals.

MARY CAROLYN BARNARD

EPSILON

Illinois Wesleyan University

By the time this is out, the new year will be more than a month old but right now it is just about time to wish everyone a Happy New Year and we are hoping for every chapter the most successful year possible in 1929. It's snowing like everything now and it looks as if we were to have a deep white New Year's day to make up for our lack of snow on Christmas.

The first event of importance since the last letter was November 13, when Mary Myers was initiated into the ranks of Kappas who wear the key. Mrs. George Dick, one of our alumnæ, generously offered her large home for initiation—an offer which we accepted most thankfully since it enabled us to have a much nicer initiation than would have been possible in the Kappa house.

November 17, we had our fall informal which was a Thanksgiving dance. Programs and decorations carried out the idea, special features by the orchestra, and a clever stunt by the pledges all went into the making of a grand and glorious time.

November was the annual Farmers' Feed, which this time was at the home of Laurastine Welch in Lexington. Farmerboys, country lassies, and numerous grandmothers of all periods all combined in one hilarious mixture for an evening of singing old-fashioned songs, dancing, and chattering.

During November, the active chapter

and pledges were entertained at an alumnæ meeting and supper followed by a clever presentation of the one-act play Thursday Evening.

The winter formal came next on our social calendar—December 15. It was a dinner dance this year and Christmas candles and a huge tree helped in making a holiday affair of it.

Our annual Christmas spread was made a trifle different this year by the idea of each girl giving a dollar to the house to buy much-needed kitchen utensils and other things, and making our own traditional gift exchange one of tencent presents with appropriate humorous verses. Our housemother surprised us with curtains for our dining room and the house received some other lovely gifts also from several alumnæ. Altogether we felt that as an experiment Christmas for the house was a decided success.

A new venture just begun on our campus is a series of Panhellenic teas at which several sororities are hostesses together to the girls of the university. The first one was held in December and though not largely attended due to lack of sufficient publicity, it was extremely interesting for those who went.

Then Friday, December 21, we all went home for two glorious weeks of vacation, weighed down with various ponderous volumes to occupy our vacant (?) hours!

Glancing back over this letter it strikes me as not much more than a report of our social life, but in the long intervals between we have been studying most awfully hard, winning an intersorority hockey championship and trying to set good examples for our pledges whenever possible.

Our Convention delegate reported that KEY letter should be shortened up a bit and I'm afraid I've already run over the line, so this must be all for this time.

MARY STEVENS

ETA

University of Wisconsin

Our household has had the enthusiasm, energy, and drive that only appears when there is a definite goal to be achieved and when that goal is in sight.

Every Sunday evening we have served tea for the small fee of eighty-five cents. We assumed the rôles of cooks, waitresses, cashiers, and hostesses. This added \$75 to our house fund. One may buy hosiery or subscribe to *The Sportsman* magazine to help the common cause. The day after Christmas a bridge is being given by the Chicago alumnæ at the Drake Hotel.

The week-end of the Minnesota-Wisconsin football game gave us an opportunity to meet twenty-four Chi Kappas.

To increase the number of study-hours for both actives and pledges, each pledge studies seven extra hours each week supervised by an active; the report is given at chapter meeting. This system has been proving convenient and simple; we are hoping that the grades will improve in proportion to the increase of time.

Our new officers are: Dorothy Davis, president; Virginia Clement, recording secretary; Nancy Mugleton, corresponding secretary; Margaret Weisiger, registrar; Jane Bliss, marshal.

ENGAGEMENTS

Dorothy Goff to Charles MacIntoch, Phi Delta Theta.

Carolyn Olson to Bertram Depue, Alpha Delta Phi.

MARRIAGES

Emily Mead to Henry Baldwin, Beta Theta Pi.

Helen Young to Walter Pfietzer, Phi Kappa Sigma.

Louise Barbee to Robert Tower, Psi Upsilon.

Helen Kohl to Henry Schuette, Phi Kappa Sigma.

Winnifred Fletcher to David Gray.

Ione Judson to Robert Ellis, Alpha Delta Phi. Eleanor I. Savery

CHI

University of Minnesota

What with finals, flu, and Christmas shopping, we never thought we'd win the haven of vacation, but here we are and can enjoy our flu in leisure and anyway lie abed till ten or eleven dozing and taking a last reminiscent glance over '28 before '29 proves too engrossing.

And one of the things we think of with satisfaction is our pledges. We told you last fall that we knew they were wonderful. We believed in them all through the term even when they did forget to deliver that important telephone message, and now we think we've had proof that our belief was not in vain. In the first place, they gave us a party just before finals began to cheer and encourage us on our way. It was just as good as any of our other Kappa parties, which really is highest praise, of course, because we Kappas do seem to be able to have a lot of fun. Then, at our last regular chapter meeting before the end of this last quarter, the pledges gave the actives a little display of their talent in the form of a seven-act vaudeville. Though we were prepared to be stern and censorious, we soon forgot that and were laughing, applauding, and even encoring. Best of all as a finale was a song of Kappa pledges with both original music and words and somehow we felt that they were beginning really to know what Kappa spirit, friendship, and fun is.

Then last, but not least, about our pledges, one of them, Moana Odell, was elected secretary of the Freshman class. While we are speaking of elections, we mustn't forget to say that, as usual, Barbara Poore went and did something. This time she had herself elected treasurer of the Junior class.

There is one particular week-end in November that many of us of Chi chapter will not forget soon. That is the time of the Wisconsin game when practically the whole chapter packed their suitcases and departed for Madison. I can just imagine what the girls of Eta chapter thought when they saw us pouring in their house, but they were wonderfully good sports and treated us royally well for the two days we were there. We did enjoy ourselves. There was the game, exciting enough in itself, the enthusiastic crowds, the experience of seeing the Wisconsin campus and comparing it with our own, and the chance to see a little of the life and spirit of a university-the surroundings of which are quite different from those at Minnesota. Not the least of all our pleasures was that of meeting and talking to Kappas of another chapter, and we brought back several ideas for improving our ways of doing things.

Now it is vacation, but already I find myself counting the days till the new term begins. Not that I love my studies so overwhelmingly, but, you see, we are planning a Kappa Follies, and I hope in the next Key to be able to proclaim the great success of our show and the greatly increased affluence of Chi chapter.

LOUISE BESTOR

GAMMA SIGMA University of Manitoba

At last we have a breathing space after the fret and worry of Christmas exams, and we all know what cramming they call for. I suppose we can enjoy our holidays that much more, especially since we do not receive the good or bad news until January I. What a way to begin the New Year! However, we are all hoping for the best.

So much has happened since our last letter to The Key that we can't begin to tell you everything in one short letter. To begin with we held our annual rummage sale in November, and besides having an hilarious time we made more money than ever before. In fact, we had

so much fun and such a profitable day that we immediately began to plan another. A number of the boys came down to help us, and they certainly are a wonder when it comes to selling tin tubs, etc. Our alums, too, were a great help and must have scoured their homes from top to bottom.

Then followed a tea given by our alumnæ in honor of the freshies. It proved a wonderful chance for them to get to know the new girls and for the freshies to meet our alums.

Marion and Eleanor Fletcher went to Minneapolis for the game Thanksgiving week-end. They stayed at the Kappa house, and for the next few days we heard all about their visit to Minnesota U. The rest of us are just living in hopes till the next one.

Since December the first we have been buried in books and, needless to say, all pleasures ceased.

Last week Jean Juhlin, an Omega Kappa, passed through the city, but as we were all busy writing exams, Eleanor was the only one able to meet her. Their visit was very short but we hope to see her again December 1, when we will all be able to meet her.

New Years day we are going to hold our annual "at home." These are always very successful, but this one promises to be bigger and better than ever.

Back to lectures on the third! What a wonderful holiday but I'm afraid most of us won't be able to boast of much sleep. Things are only beginning to happen with the return to varsity. Rushing starts again but this time in earnest.

The Glee Club in putting on the Gondoliers in February. We are well represented in this, and Enid Russell has one of the leading parts.

We had a lovely letter from Ruth MacKenzie from Cairo, Egypt, and she sent us the sweetest Egyptian place-cards which we are going to use at one of our rushing parties.

We are all collecting wonderful ideas

for a big event but we must wait until it materializes to tell you about it.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Halls (Helen Upham, Eta), a daughter December 26.

EVELYN RANNARD

THETA

University of Missouri

We gave our mothers a little sample of university life during the Kappa Phi Delt Mothers' week-end, November 9-11. On Friday evening we entertained our mothers with a formal banquet after which we proudly took them to the Phi Delt reception. Saturday afternoon we gave a tea to which the Phi Delt mothers and sons and Kappa alumnæ and Kappa friends flocked. Sunday morning we took our mothers to Sunday school. We were sorry when we had to say good-bye to the eighteen mothers who had come a-visiting.

We gave our traditional Halloween party for our pledges, who amused us with surprisingly clever and original stunts.

I really hate to brag, but our new house is being built so fast and is so beautiful that the Pi Phis have just announced that they will build a new house across the street from us. (They want closer competition as well as a nice view.)

December 7, we gave our formal, a dinner-dance, at the new Tiger Hotel. The tables were bright with red candles and mistletoe, and the constantly changing colored lights added charm to the pleasures of dancing. Everything was perfect!

On account of the dreadful epidemic of influenza that we are having, President Brooks announced on December 10, that the university would close until January 3.

We are very sorry to have to postpone the annual Christmas party given by the pledges, for on this occasion they always produce sarcastic take-offs on the actives.

This month Old Mizzou is the host of the fourth annual congress of the National Student Federation of America. It means that a group of nearly 300 students are here from colleges and universities scattered throughout the country. These men and women are representative of the best-informed student opinion in America, and among the delegates are Kappas!

PLEDGE

Annabelle Wayland.

MARRIAGE

Alice Newell to Howard Peterson, Phi Delta Theta.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. George Browning (Mary Schultz), a son.

GERTRUDE PAE

OMEGA

University of Kansas

The University of Kansas closed a week early this year for vacation because of the influenza epidemic. And because school closed, many things were curtailed. Our annual Christmas dinner and auction, all plays, lectures, and parties had to be postponed. Now there is no sign of students in this little university town, and so it will be until after New Years.

In spite of the premature vacation, it seems a few days ago that Barbara Ersheim was conducting successfully the Christmas seal campaign over the hill. She, with Mary Margaret Moore assisting, had complete charge of the committees for selling seals.

One of our pledges, Harriet Lull, began the year well by making MacDowell Club. She is not only a promising pianist, but also a composer. We are proud, indeed, of her.

Ruth Beck was initiated recently into the art fraternity. Ruth is one of our all-round girls. She is corresponding secretary for rushing, taking the place of Joe Anderson, who is to be graduated this year.

The mid-semester grades are always the cause of anxiety and despair. But we feel the Kappas did well enough last month on their grades. In fact, we are planning to be at the top when finals are over in January.

Of a more trivial nature than studies, Kappa has had a share. Elma Jennings received the lead in the dramatic club play, The Whole Town's Talking. This is the second play Elma has headed during her two years in school. Helen Renz has also a leading rôle in the play as a reward for her atmospheric part in Hamlet last month. We had several girls in the W.S.G.A. fashion show A Lily in a Garden: Anna Louise Bondy, Rita Risden, and Rosamond Gilmore.

The French Club was to have given a play before the holidays, but it has been postponed until later. Three Kappas have parts in the play: Ruth Breidenthal, Mary Carr, and Dorothy Stanton.

The most outstanding event of the past months was the visit of lovely Mrs. Barney. She was here for a few days only. It was delightful for us, and she was most encouraging. We wish she could be with us more often. Mrs. Barney gave us some ideas about our Big Sister's dinner. It was the first time we have ever had one. The freshmen seemed to enjoy finding out who their Big Sisters were in such a pleasant way. We had a dinner to which the upperclassmen took their little sister and at which the "sisters" became well acquainted.

Now that football season is over, there is little interest in sport except for basketball, but between games our calendar predicts an interesting program of concerts and lectures: K. U. Symphony Orchestra concert, concert by Mischa Elman, Flonzaley String Quartette, lecture by Will Durant, Will Rogers, Roy Chapman Andrews, Rabbi Stephen Wise.

Omega Chapter wishes all the Kappas elsewhere a particularly successful New Year.

ENGAGEMENTS

Marion Dillonbeck to Hubert Dye, Delta Upsilon.

Patricia Hatfield to James Smith, Delta Upsilon.

NANCY HASSIG

SIGMA University of Nebraska

Seems as though every month is shorter than the last, and one chapter letter has hardly been completed when it is

time to send on the next one.

Two weeks ago we had our annual Christmas party. As usual, the Christmas tree was the center of attraction, with its load of ten-cent store gifts, and their accompanying poetry, which was usually written in the form of a "crack." After Santa had duly remembered every little girl with a gift, the freshmen put on their stunt. Rather than giving a play of any kind they composed parodies to two songs, said parodies consisting mostly of "cracks" on upperclassmen. The songs having been completed, brotherly-rather, sisterly-love once more held sway, and the upperclassmen and freshmen enjoyed apples and candy together.

The next night we gave a party for about twenty poor children of Lincoln. And such a party! After a nice big Christmas dinner, Santa—Mary Elizabeth Long—flew down from the Northland in his plane, and brought all of the little boys and girls lovely toys, candy, and something nice and warm to wear. So endeth that episode.

Oh, my goodness, I'm forgetting the most important thing of all! Sigma gave itself a beautiful combination radio and electric victrola for Christmas, and also presented the kitchen with a new Frigidaire. Needless to say, we're the envy of the campus—you guessed it—because of the *Frigidaire*.

Then "Turn backward, turn backward, oh time, in thy flight"-the Kosmet Klub gave a Thanksgiving show. To complete the affair-not boasting-six of the Kappas appeared as a pony chorus. These six girls who were: Georgia Pyne, Edna Charleton, Mary Jane Pinkerton, Anita Felber, Helen Rice and Betty Marr, wore skating costumes of white tulle and satin with tiny white fur muffs. Also one of our pledges, Jane Steen, a very accomplished "blues" singer, took part in an act and sang several songs. Something happened a few weeks ago, which pleased us all very much. That was the announcement of the engagement of Rogene Anderson to Paul Robinson, Phi Kappa Psi.

And last, but not least, Sigma chapter wishes you all the happiest and most successful of New Years.

MARY JANE MINIER

GAMMA ALPHA

Kansas State Agricultural College

With finals not far off Gamma Alpha actives and pledges are all concentrating long and earnestly on readin' and writin' and 'rithmetic in an effort to raise chapter scholarship. We have been hard at work raising money for a new house, and hope to be able very soon to begin the work definitely, by the purchase of a lot.

Although improved scholarship, and the new house have been given perhaps the most attention lately, Gamma Alpha has continued to take prominent part in campus activities. Our freshmen won third place in the contest for the sale of the college yearbook, and as a reward we will have two representatives in the annual popularity contest. Olive Baker and Helen Durham will be entered. Right now we are particularly proud of Inez Moorshead, one of our pledges. has been given the second lead in The Last of Mrs. Cheney, which will be presented soon by the Manhattan Theater, college dramatic organization.

In November Mrs. Barney, national vice-president, visited us, and we feel that we all profited greatly, both individually and as a chapter, by this opportunity for personal acquaintance with

All of us are looking forward eagerly to next semester, when Dorothy Lee Allen, who has been out of school on account of the death of her father, will be with us again.

We are beginning to believe that Cupid has formed an alliance with either the dentists or the confectioners, for within one week Crystal Taylor put on Scott Howard's five arm star of Sigma Nu, and Beatrice Brown began wearing Harold Murray's Sig Ep pin.

MARGARET PLUMMER

GAMMA THETA

Drake University

Delectable bits of campus lore heard in the sweet shop, blissful hours of loitering on the campus, afternoon bridge and matinees; no longer do these former pleasures allure the busy Kappa at Drake. She aspires to realms of higher intellect.

When you enter the library and view a whole table of us busily absorbed in the pursuit of knowledge you can understand just how anxious we are to keep the newly won scholarship cup that graces our mantle. It was presented to us by the Women's Panhellenic association of the city and if we win it again this year it is ours permanently. However, competition is doubly strong and, consequently, this diligent effort on our part.

Still, this sudden metamorphosis of ours has not quite transformed us all into dull grinds, and we find plenty of opportunity to enter Kappa leadership into other university activities. Three of our girls are serving as members of the Delphic staff; one of the leading rôles in our next play has been assigned to a Kappa; and every honorary and study club on the campus boasts one or more of our sorority sisters as its members.

But our pendulum of extra-curricular activities also includes a gay whirl of social functions in its wide circuit. We have been hostesses at several dances this year and our last meeting before Christmas was a gala occasion, beginning with a Christmas party and winding up with an auction sale. Bothilda Mahler

GAMMA IOTA Washington University

Here Gamma Iota we are enjoying our new home in the Women's building. Entertaining is such fun now that we have this attractive place in which to receive our friends. We are thrilled over such casual remarks as, "What a charming secretary," "Such a colorful panel"; however one cannot help being impressed with our new surroundings. The early American reproductions give it a formal tone while the rich red hangings add warmth and cheer. Our mothers have been very generous. They have given us a grandfather's clock and a card table and chairs which have been the source of much pleasure to us. Our alumnæ associations has given us lovely lamps and accessories which add a great deal to our room. We wish to express our appreciation to these two groups and to invite all Kappas to come and enjoy our room with us.

Although our formal dance is a memory, I am sure it is a pleasant one for all of us. It was a supper dance given on December 20 at Algonquin country club. We were glad to have many Kappas there from other chapters.

In the field of activities our former president, Ume Chaplin, is being heaped with honors. She is a member of Mortar Board, president of W.S.G.A. and a leader in athletic activities on the campus.

Mary Tuttle, one of our pledges is distinguishing herself in dramatics. She has the leading rôle in the Thyrsus production, Love in a Mist. Gene Williams has a part in the same play and we are eagerly anticipating their success.

Several Kappas and pledges have been invited to join Tanea, honorary literary society.

At our last supper meeting we elected our officers for the second semester. Virginia McConkey, our new president, is already proving very efficient.

When Mr. and Mrs. Hoover were in St. Louis it was our pleasure to send flowers to Mrs. Hoover. We received from her a very gracious acknowledgement.

MARY CAMPBELL SANFORD

BETA MU University of Colorado

Homecoming day at C. U. was a big event for the Kappas, for in spite of the fact that the University of Utah beat us in football, we won the first prize for the best decorated sorority house on the hill, with a huge "welcome" in big black letters about twelve feet high and the windows colored silver and gold, the school colors, red and white, Utah's colors, and light and dark blue.

Wednesday, October 31, we had our Halloween party, given by the seniors Tuesday, November 27, our Thanksgiving dinner, by the freshman and enlivened by a series of skits given by them, and our Christmas party Thursday, December 6, given by the sophomores.

Many of our members were honored this quarter. Jane Pollard, a senior in the home economics department was voted into Mortar Board, and also won a scholarship to Johns Hopkins University where she will continue her work in dietetics in September. This is a great honor as there are only six such scholarships given in the United States. Josephine Bennett, another senior, was voted a member of Players' Club, and Nancy Finch, a junior, was put in charge of the costuming of the University plays for the entire year. Janet Knox and Harriet Burton, two freshmen, are members of the Silver and Gold staff, the school paper. Several of our freshmen, as well as some of our upperclassmen, survived the first two tryouts for the annual Boosters' Club operetta.

The flu epidemic struck us rather hard. Many were forced to stay out of school several days because of it, and it remains to be seen how the chapter average will be affected by this.

ENGAGEMENTS

Hazel Horne to Sidney Keoughan, Chi

GAMMA BETA

University of New Mexico

It's Christmas week and everybody is out of town. Those of us who are in town are worn out from lack of sleep and excitement.

Excitement at Thanksgiving time was interrupted by an epidemic of the flu. The cabaret dance at an Italian dance hall was significant for its absences, its sniffles, and its coughs, but a tea dance given by the pledges two weeks later was a huge success. Stags lined two sides of the room. These infants!

Mrs. Martin, our province president, came down from Denver and spent a few days with us. Lots of fun; teas and meetings and things! Also a crowd of us spent a week end in the mountains just loafing—that was highly successful.

The house that we started out with in the fall proved to be too small so we had to take another clear at the other end of town. Its plenty big enough and people that live in town make a point of picking the girls up in time for eight o'clocks and one o'clocks so—it isn't so very inconvenient. We had a house warming soon after we moved in, and the alumnæ gave us a Christmas party there. The town girls are appropriating the empty beds for a slumber party tonight.

PLEDGES

Mildred Bess Nellie Clark Marian Dunkerly Lillian Dunkerly Barbara Eller Mary Anton Revis Bailey Jocelyn Koch Wilma Lusk Adeline Lawson Dorothy McGonigall Margaret Rector Annie Lee Thomas Edith Owens Mary Helen McKnight

INITIATED

Pauline Jones

WINIFRED STAMON

GAMMA ZETA

University of Arizona

Merry Christmas, Kappas, and a Happy New Year! Gamma Zeta wishes every chapter in the fraternity a successful Blue-and-Blue 1929.

Santa was wonderful to us, and especially at our Christmas party, the last Thursday before the holidays. Everyone received befitting gifties, accompanied with appropriate verses. We should all know our failings, now. And of course, we had some very nice entertainment in the form of pledge stunts.

The social calendar at Arizona has been a blank for several weeks, on account of the flu epidemic. So we had to cancel our pledge dance, which was to have been December 14. Oh well, orders is orders.

The scholarship committee has been at our throats, as usual, trying to extract a few good grades. Everybody, of course, plans to get up all their back work during the holidays, but you know how holidays are; they just will slip by. But really the gals at least kept from roosting on the bottom limb of the scholarship tree. And then there are all those New Year's resolutions.

There just doesn't seem to be any more news—so this will be all for the present.

ISABELLA CALDWELL

GAMMA OMICRON University of Wyoming

Now that the Christmas rush is over and we have a little time to get our breath before starting a new quarter, I will try to tell you of all that has happened during the past few months.

As Christmas rolled around, we had our annual Christmas breakfast for the alumnæ, and we all had the coziest time gathered around the Christmas tree beside the fireplace. A truly live Santa distributed the gifts which caused much merriment. You see, a week before we had decided that each pledge and sponsor should exchange gifts that would not exceed the fabulous sum of fifty cents. But the big surprise of the morning was the presentation by the alumnæ of a chest of salad forks. It seems as though they are always helping us out in some way, and we only hope that they can realize just how much we appreciate them. Then the pledges gave two clever stunts, and everyone decided that it was the best Christmas party we had ever had. I almost forgot to mention another of our Christmas gifts-new curtains and drapes for the sun porch. They were given to us last fall by our patronesses, and this made the porch a very attractive place during rushing.

December 20 we had a dinner for the patronesses. The dining room looked very attractive with the Christmas decorations of large red candles and wreathes forming the centerpiece of each table. We sang Kappa songs and it was not long until everyone had the real holiday spirit. Then a little remembrance was given to each patroness as a token of appreciation.

Just before Thanksgiving vacation, we had a "slumberless" party for the pledges. You see most of them live at the dormitory and it is always a real treat to stay overnight at the house. A delicious buffet supper was served during the wee small hours, and in spite of the fact that our house seemed overflow-

ing, we all managed to get a few winks of sleep before dawn.

And now I must tell you about our pledges. Eighteen of them, think of that; and although I know it is not becoming to boast, nevertheless we just have to admit that they are the pick of the campus. Pledge work was begun early under the direction of Mary Gaber, and all the pledges have proved themselves to be exceptionally talented and well-behaved, and we all get along with the best possible co-operative spirit.

Early in November our pledges gave a Blue and Blue buffet dinner for the pledges of the other sororities, and needless to say, it was a great success. Isabel Guthrie has been pledged to Sigma Alpha Iota and we are very proud of her. Another pledge, Dorothy King, as well as our president, LaVonia Nelson, have been initiated into Alpha Zeta Pi, modern language fraternity and Helen Lewis had a part in Caponsacchi which was presented by Theta Alpha Pi December 14. Several weeks ago Dr. McIntyre, our faculty adviser, gave a tea in honor of the pledges at her home.

With the idea of becoming better acquainted with the various men's fraternities on the campus, we have had a series of after dinner dances, and although they only lasted for an hour, they have proved very successful, and have helped to show our hospitality and friendliness.

Shortly after school started this fall our president, Alice Reinking, was called home by the serious illness of her mother, and we have certainly missed her. LaVonia Nelson, one of our seniors, was elected in her place.

Our pledge dance was given November 9 at the chapter house, and for decorations we used blue lights with a large replica of the pledge pin above the fireplace. The programs were also blue and blue.

We have several engagements to announce: Myrtle Yoder to William Lane,

Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Mildred Beck to Kenneth Flora, Kappa Sigma; Betty Johnston to Leland Dickinson, Independent Club; and Wanda Helsberg to Ben Joyce, Kappa Sigma. And now, amid other Christmas surprises, we have learned that Wanda and Ben were quietly married at her home in Sheridan, Wyoming, last Sunday afternoon, December 23. We all wish them lots of happiness, but will surely miss having Wanda with us again.

And now we are eagerly awaiting the new year—1929—for we are certain that it will hold much in store for us.

Gamma Omicron sends greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all.

DOROTHY STAMM

BETA XI University of Texas

There was nothing except excitement around the Kappa house before the holidays. Everyone was thrilled over the pre-Christmas parties and the thoughts of going home. Who wouldn't be?

We had our usual tree—more beautiful than it had ever been. Some of the gifts were very, very cute and clever. It was the first time the pledges had had an opportunity to get it back on the initiates. Well, they certainly took advantage of it. Of course, too, the initiates' gifts to the pledges were by no means less attractive. Before I go a bit further I must say, that the pledges gift to the house was lovely. They gave us a gorgeous dinner cloth, which thrilled us to death.

A few days before the holidays all the actives received formal invitations to a dinner party at the hotel given by the pledges in our honor. The pledges themselves entertained us between courses with songs and dances. The dinner was a grand success and it made all of us especially proud of our chapter.

The formal dinner the girls in the house had just among themselves was more fun than anything. Everyone dressed up, acted like themselves, and enjoyed the affair to the fullest extent.

But that's all past, the holidays are over, and all the girls are back at the old grind. Exams are three weeks off and cramming has already begun. Poor old house, it will be reeking with a literary and scholastic atmosphere before long.

During the holidays, Elizabeth Baker and Shorty Long, Sigma Alpha Eta, were married. We are all thrilled and happy for Elizabeth, however, we surely will miss her in the house. Besides Elizabeth, Wilton Wade, and Jeff Armtrong, Sigma Chi, and Frances Boyd and Dr. King Smith were married. Both these girls were in school last year. At last we understand why they didn't come back.

BETA OMICRON Newcomb College

It's difficult to get back into the old routine after our strenuous playing during the Christmas holidays. But we're here, and midterm exams are not far away. Beta Omicron's annual Christmas tree for poor children was a huge success, and it was beautiful to see the gratifying looks on the faces of the little tots and the eagnerness with which they received their presents.

Our pledges are simply delightful, and are continually entertaining the chapter at Sunday night suppers other than the regular monthly one. They (the pledges) are a very musical crowd, and have composed some charming songs which we hope to send to The Key at some time in the future.

The active chapter entertained the pledges at a most enjoyable thé-dansante at the Orleans Club. This was one big party of the year and we found it necessary to give a rummage sale to help out with expenses. I wish I had the time and space to write about that sale in the semi-business district which is patron-

ized by colored people, but we had a wonderful time.

Kappa certainly enjoys student body meetings for we are all glorying in the fact that the two girls who preside are both Kappas: Florence Pierson (chapter president) is student body president, and Rosalind Rogan (a new initiate this year) is recording secretary. Aren't we proud, and rightly so?

FLAVIA CLAVERIE

BETA THETA University of Oklahoma

Since this will be published about February I don't suppose there is much use of mentioning Christmas. I hope and pray that everyone has recovered; it is highly improbable that I shall. Too much turkey is always harmful, in fact I don't believe any of us are feeling too chipper, but we'll improve with age.

The Y.M.C.A. gave Beta Theta a little Christmas present for which we were very thankful since it was the Stunt Night cup. Not bragging or anything like that but this is the third year we've won it and so of course we think we're pretty good.

The stunt was "College Daze," a burlesque of campus life of 1910 at Oklahoma University. Student dances, with programs if you please, literary societies, Dark Deep Mystery Clubs, tandem bikes (with me on the back end) and flannel nightgowns, foot warmers, and curlers were greeted by the audience with shouts. groans, and Barbara Hoyt, one of the chuckles. heroes, recited a poem to her Lady Rose, which will be handed down through the years. It went something like this.

"'Twas not beneath the mistletoe I kissed my darling Rose, 'Twas not beneath the mistletoe

Beta Theta has been well represented in dramatics this semester and in future years when I am sitting in a darkened theater, seeing the beautiful heroine

But right beneath the nose."

languishing in the arms of the handsome hero I shall probably nudge my neighbor excitedly and whisper, "She's a Kappa and I knew her when—" Anyway Mildred Maxey, Rosalind Hammond and Velma Jones helped to present *Craig's Wife*. This was sponsored by the University Players of which all the girls are members.

Well, here's wishing everyone a happy Fourth of July.

ELGENIA MOORE

GAMMA NU University of Arkansas

A cough here and a cough there! That's one way of telling how we at Arkansas are getting along. In fact, there is so much coughing that everything and everyone is unusually quiet. We Kappas managed to sit up long enough to have our Christmas party at the house, and to put on a mask of gaiety. Quiet though we were at first, the gifts we all received, that made known our own pet traits, soon put us all in a jubilant state of mind. The gifts ranged from ball and jacks to popcorn and elephants.

Before Christmas we had our baby party. Although this is an annual treat for the pledges, this year's select were perfectly unaware of the motive behind the command, "Pledges, report downstairs immediately. Each proud mother led her child to the platform where she was entered in the best baby contest. The baby books, designed by one artistic active, told of the child's cleverness, and wisdom, too, in seeking the Kappa house for a home.

Every year Pi Kappa, honorary journalistic fraternity, puts out an edition of the student paper. Much credit comes to Kappa for the 1928 edition, for under the editorship of our president, Nelda Hichman, who is president of Pi Kappa, the paper was a success—and no man's writing appeared in the issue. Two other Kappas are on the *Traveler* staff,

Mary Schilling and Madge Curtis, and another is a poor reporter.

We are quite proud of Nelda, who besides being president of Kappa and Pi Kappa is also president of Lambda Tau, honorary English fraternity. She is always busy, too, for if she isn't working she's reading a newspaper.

MARY PEEL

GAMMA PI University of Alabama

"Twas the night before Christmas-" With the words of this old familiar poem still in their hearts the pledges were tucked in bed Saturday night just before the holidays. They had hung up their stockings by the fireplace, and cautioned not to come down the next morning until all were up. When they all did get up they gave an excellent interpretation of real children on Christmas morning. It was well worth our trouble of playing Santa Claus just to watch them. After the newness had disappeared from the toys and nut shells scattered all over the floor we all went in to breakfast to find the table decorated with red and green streamers above, and holly around the center. Afterwards we all wished that Christmas came oftener.

November 30, Hazel Baucum of Haynesville, Louisiana, became a full-fledged member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Several of the alumnæ came back for the initiation among whom were Mildred Beale, our last year's president.

Panhellenic has been having a terrible time this year averaging the sororities' grades from last year due to a new averaging system. We've all been on pins and needles for four months at least to hear the final results. The president, however, gave us encouraging news once when she told one of us that Kappa was ahead so far. We are living in hopes, but afraid to hope too much.

Mrs. Bessie Hays, our housemother, had to leave us on account of illness. When we return from the holidays Mrs. Dellinger from Tulsa, Oklahoma, will be with us. Mrs. Dellinger has two daughters who are Kappas from Beta Theta chapter, soon she is to have twenty from Gamma Pi.

We are very, very glad to have Mrs. Berwin Kaufman, Beta Alpha, near us this year in Tuscaloosa. Her husband, Dr. Kaufman, is head of the new botany department at the university.

MAY BRADFORD LUTZ

BETA OMEGA University of Oregon

How fast time flies. Fall term has passed already, but may be looked back upon with many pleasant memories. The most enjoyable event was our pledge dance of November 2. This dance is always given by the Sophomore class, which this year had a grill dance. There were twenty-four tables, each seating two couples, arranged along the sides of the rooms. The decorations were very simple but effective for such a dance, consisting only of a lighted candle on each of the tables and flood lights in each corner of the rooms. Every one had a particularily good time.

Another busy week-end was that of homecoming, which was November 23. It was not the week-end that it usually is, however, due mostly to the flu epidemic which was very prevalent at that time. Very few out of town alumni came back; we had only four staying at the house.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon received the prize for the best homecoming sign but Beta Omega received honorable mention. Our sign was composed of a series of ducks dressed in comical attire and ranging in size from six feet to two feet. They were placed on the side lawn as though walking from there to the front door, where the smallest one seemed about to enter.

We are very proud of two of our girls who have received high honors. Martha Stevens was appointed art editor of the Oregana, our yearbook; and Naomi Hohman was elected to Pi Lambda Theta, education honorary.

We are proud to announce the pledging of two very fine freshman girls: Frances Humphrey and Julianne Benton.

We have done very little rushing so early in the year but we did have a tea in Portland during Christmas vacation. There will be more to do during the next two terms, however.

By the time this issue of THE KEY is published, we shall all be back to our books to work hard for another semester; and winter term is always an interesting one. Beta Omega wishes all other chapters a very happy and a very prosperous New Year.

HELEN McCRANEY

BETA KAPPA University of Idaho

The three months since school began have gone so rapidly that we can hardly realize that the semester is nearly over. Several new house policies were put into effect this semester. First, it was decided to make firesides more interesting and valuable by asking someone to speak to the girls each time. After fireside, the ideals and background of Kappa were discussed in conjunction with the pledge lessons. Not the least to benefit by this was the members. policy was the systematic and thorough entertaining of faculty guests. Last year the entertaining was rather hit and miss, but this year we have entertained guests every week and the result has been some very congenial and inspirational evenings. The doing away with "rough week" was another new thing this year. The substitution of "courtesy week" instead was very satisfactory, especially since it was terminated with the annual Christmas party.

The fall has been very full with social events. A dance was given for the pledges and they reciprocated by giving

us a very clever party. Homecoming was as festive as usual. Our display was a brilliantly lighted boat and a vandal standing nearby. After the all-college play Fourteen, in which Ethel Lafferty took the lead, our housemother gave a gay midnight party in Ethel's honor. Just before we left for home for Christmas vacation Alene Honeywell surprised the campus by issuing invitations to her wedding. This was lots of fun for her sorority sisters, who decorated the house, provided the music, and stood up with her when she took her yows.

After the campus had successfully recovered from the shock of a flu epidemic, we were all vaccinated for small-pox and sent home, rejoicing, for vacation! We are looking forward to Iota province convention in the spring and to midsemester pledging. Happy New Year!

AVIS NELSON

GAMMA GAMMA Whitman College

While other chapters are enjoying the satisfaction of strict freshman discipline, Gamma Gamma chapter is experiencing the ups and downs of deferred pledging. All rushing has been theoretically suspended; but still always underneath our activities is the fundamental ruling principle—endear the freshmen to Kappa Kappa Gamma. It certainly keeps us busy. We have given all kinds of informal parties, from a gypsie picnic to a lovely old Southern supper.

But rushing does not limit our activities.

Margaret Collins, Helen Meyers, and Helen Gray were prominent in planning the homecoming program for November 16-18. Our homecoming window, with its modernistic decorations, designed by Hildegarde Paterson, received much admiration. And Helen Gray, as the last half of the horse, in the feature dance for the homecoming hop, created more entertainment than the campus has had for months.

Little Meyers did a complicated Russian dance in the opera, *The Chocolate Soldier*, given on November 29-30.

Marcelle Wynn, Helen Gray, and Hildegarde Paterson are pledges in the dramatic club this year. In the set of plays given by the club, December 14, Ellen Hazeltine, vice-president, was director, and Helen Gray and Hildegarde Paterson took part in the plays. The audience was tremendously impressed in the fantasy, *The Prodigal Doll*, when Helen Gray, as the stern parent, slew the devil and placed a size eleven foot on his chest, as a sign of dominance.

Our Christmas informal, featuring the gingham cat and the calico dog, was given the Saturday night before vacation.

In the next publication of THE KEY, we hope to have listed as pledges to Gamma Gamma chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, a group of the finest girls in the incoming class of Whitman College.

RUTH THOMSON

GAMMA ETA Washington State College

The present writing finds us all over the state, home for the Christmas holidays! Luncheons, supper parties, and bridge keep us together in Spokane, as well as in some of the smaller towns where Gamma Eta is well represented. The alumnæ of Spokane are giving a benefit bridge, December 28, to help us swell the funds for our new house. We have completed plans for it, and will take definite steps about January 19.

The annual Christmas bazaar at Colfax was unusually successful, and we surely appreciated the way our alums came to our assistance with any number of attractive articles. We netted about \$150.

During the last few weeks we have four new Kappas. Elna Beste, Helen Rowe, Elizabeth McCarthy, and Shirley Brewer were initiated. Election of officers finds us with Wilma Scott at the helm, Elsie Fletcher as the new secretary, and Jean Huffman, treasurer.

The last time we wrote, we were busy practicing for the annual all-college revue. After the smoke of battle cleared, November 17, we found ourselves galloping off with second prize of \$15 for a full twenty-minute act.

Many of our girls made their début in campus journalism during the past two months. Elna Geste, Alice Norum, Byrla Harriage, and Grace Severance are working on the staff of the *Chinook*, college yearbook. Margaret Still is associate editor of said annual.

Margaret Still and Florence Porter are also associated with Gamma Chi, women's new local advertising honorary. Margaret is a charter member, while Florence Porter is a pledge.

Irene Miller and Winnifred Mason were both on the production staff of the last college play, *The Swan*. Jean Huffman and Vera Plath are on several all-college committees.

Elizabeth Shapely has announced her engagement to Norman Sonju, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and former crew man at the University of Washington. Dorothy Graham was recently married to Harold Sugg, of Yakima.

MARGARET STILL

GAMMA MU

Oregon Agricultural College

Amid the gaiety of Christmas trees and presents, and the savory smell of roast turkey, it is rather hard to write a letter. School seems miles away and it's with quite an effort that I force my brain—what's left of it—on the things that have happened at the dear old institution. (Sarcasm)

After school had begun and the routine had been established, Gamma Mu looked about to see what she could do on the campus. Mary Louise McClanahan, one of our new pledges, was elected to the office of president of Blue Tri. We are very proud of her, for she is president of the largest body of freshman women on the campus.

We were still rejoicing over this at our fall informal; it was rather an apt celebration. Under the able direction of Willa Hoyt Budd, our dance was a huge success. It was given in the Hotel Benton which is really the best place in town. The sport motive was carried out in the decorations, and tennis rackets, pennants, and football blankets covered the walls.

November 17-19 was our homecoming. We made a huge gold key, put lights on it for pearls, and hung it up to welcome our alums. Above and below it were the words: "Welcome, Grads—Key to the Campus." It was very effective. We had ever so many alums back, and when they weren't seeing the noise parade, the bonfire, or the game, we enjoyed hearing them tell about all they were doing.

About this time, Ruth Shellhorn, our one girl who is taking agriculture (land-scape architecture), was awarded the Alpha Zeta scholarship cup for having the highest scholastic average among the freshmen in agriculture. We were more than pleased, as it is the first time the cup has ever been awarded to a girl. The men didn't like it a bit to see a girl taking their cup, for Alpha Zeta is a men's honorary.

This term, for some unknown reason, practically the whole house has gone into athletics. Three of our girls were on the hockey teams: Marian Conklin, senior, Peggy Pond, and Grace Ellen Baird, freshman. On the volleyball teams we had five: Gladys Kinnear, second senior; Helen Wirkkala, junior; Lucy Renolds, sophomore, with Ruth Shellhorn, captain; and Mary Lou McClanahan, freshman captain. At the annual volleyball-hockey banquet on December II several Kappas were given positions on the honor teams, teams

composed of girls picked to be the most outstanding. Marian Conklin was placed on the all school hockey team. Gladys Kinnear made the second honor volleyball team, and Helen Wirkkala, Ruth Shellhorn, and Mary Lou McClanahan made the first. We were all quite happy over the results for it looked like a Kappa walk away.

Again, in the last convocation before vacation, the Kappas took the honors. It was the annual Phi Kappa Phi convocation in which sophomores who had made an average of 91 or above in their freshman year were given certificates for freshman honors by Phi Kappa Phi. Out of the 1,500 freshmen only fifty-seven received them; three of the twenty-four girls were Kappas: Mary Sinclair, Margaret Holmes, and Ruth Shellhorn. It was a feather in our cap for we had more representatives than any other sorority.

We are extremely proud of our girls, for there is scarcely a function or an activity that does not include at least one Kappa, when other sororities are represented, Kappa is there too and when they are not, we have Ruth Shellhorn with the Alpha Zeta cup, and Marian Conklin, the only girl at a recent banquet for the editors and managers of all the college publications.

PLEDGES

Elizabeth Marker, Whittier, California.
Belle Jacobs, Seattle, Washington.
RUTH L. SHELLHORN

GAMMA XI

University of California at Los Angeles

It's a little late to wish every one a Merry Christmas, but at least we can hope that you all had as gay and exciting a vacation as we did. To help matters along, our enterprising pledges planned a big open house at Billy Youngworth's the Sunday before Christmas. We also had two Kappa weddings during the holidays, both of them very beautiful.

Sigrid Von Toll was married the Saturday that vacation started, and Betty Elliot's wedding came about a week later Mary Stimson had been married not very long before, her wedding taking place about the end of November. That leaves three vacant places for engagements, two of which have already been filled by Mary Travis, who is not in school this year, and Lydia Florence Creamer, one of our newest crop of pledges. Since both of the girls are planning to be married in the spring, we probably won't see them back at school again. I hope those things aren't too infectious!

I'm afraid I rather started at the end of everything, and I have so many things to tell about our busy chapter that I must be systematic; so I'll go back to the beginning.

After rushing and pledging, the first social event of our year was our formal presentation tea. We felt quite cocky about the pledges, and we were pleased when the whole campus agreed that we took the cream of the class this year. Close on the heels of that party we spent a busy day with the initiation of our four newest members in the afternoon, an early initiation banquet, and then by the formal pledge dance. The new members naturally felt like celebrating, and so did we, to have them; the pledges "did themselves proud," and altogether the dance was a huge success.

The following week-end the whole chapter packed itself up and rushed down to Gertrude Murphy's house on Balboa Island for a House party. was late enough in the year so we nearly had the whole bay to ourselves, and still the weather was made to order for us. We swam, canoed, sailed, and did everything that people do on house parties. Saturday night we went to the local movie, and finding that we formed most of the audience, we satisfied all the rude instincts that are usually suppressed by civilization, and cracked peanuts.

munched popcorn, and chuckled right out loud at the sentimental picture. Later that night the pledges put on a very peppy and funny variety show, following it by some equally good food. I think everyone, even the hardworked pledges, will agree that the week-end was lots of fun.

Our next big event came only the following Wednesday night, when we gave a benefit at the Carthey Theater. Everybody worked hard, especially Regge Doran, a Kappa whom lots of you probably know, who was in charge of the publicity at the theater, and did all kinds of things to help us. Altogether we made between seven and eight hundred dollars for our new house. other big item for the house was a shower given by the Mothers' Club. They were more than generous, and we were delighted with practical gifts of quantities of sheets, blankets, towels, and even a lovely piano cover.

This letter is growing too long, but before I "sign off," I must write the customary boosting paragraph. Without realizing all our good fortune, pledged some very clever girls. Three of them made the Glee Club, and three the University Dramatic Society. Audree Brown and Lucy Guild already belonged to that; and Audree took the lead in their annual play, Expressing Willie. Two of the pledges were on the Kappa basketball team which won the hotlycontested intersorority series. victory gave us a plaque, with a chance of winning the cup for this year, if we win enough points in swimming, volleyball, and tennis. And besides that trophy, the house now boasts a lovely ship model, the prize given by the Y.W.C.A. for the best contribution towards a huge rummage sale, which incidentally, was managed by Lucy Guild, '31, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

I feel that I've forgotten a few things, but with another letter coming up soon, I think this should be sufficient. We all join in the very best New Year wishes to all, and hope that 1929 will be the most successful and happy year of all for Kappa.

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Beta Eta Beta Delta

The letters from the above two chapters were written on both sides of the paper and could not be sent to the printer.

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GREEK LETTER "NEWSGAYS"

At the convention held in the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C., last June, Kappa Sigma established a full time Executive Secretary in charge of Central office—also a National Finance Board to direct the administration of all Endowment funds of the sorority.

Beta Kappa, after ten months of investigation by the Executive Council, has returned to the single official jeweler plan, the L. G. Balfour Company having been given the contract.

Among the conventions to be held next summer, we read the early plans of these three.

Alpha Gamma Delta, July 6-12, Syracuse, New York.

Phi Omega Pi, June 26-30, Mackinac Island.

Phi Mu, June 25-30, on Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

RHO ABSORBS LOCAL

After negotiatons extending over several months, Rho chapter at Illinois Wesleyan University initiated on June II a large percentage of the active chapter and several of the alumni of a local fraternity called Theta Delta Rho.

—Beta Kappa Journal.

Psi Alpha chapter of Chi Omega at the University of Oregon, instituted an innovation in college affairs last summer when they took over the Continental Airways in Portland and gave a tea "up in the clouds." This was the first aërial or "hanger" tea ever held and was enthusiastically patronized by students and citizens.

-Eleusis of Chi Omega

Though we have not seen it, we have read about it in *The Trident* of Delta Delta Delta—Volume I of *The Triad* of Tri Psi, published June, 1928! The unusual in this new publication lies in the character of the membership which it serves. Tri Psi is composed exclusively, as we understand it, of the mothers of Delta Delta Delta members who are

definitely organized, pledged and initiated in the manner of their daughters.

The balance of the Delta Delta Delta war fund has been put toward the furnishing of a room in the American Dormitory at the University of Paris.

Should any chapter or association have a weather eye cocked for money-raising schemes, The Alumnæ Round Table of the *Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly* offers several practical, tried-and-gainful plans:

THE COLLEGE WOMAN'S COOK BOOK

The College Woman's Cook Book was compiled and organized five years ago. Since then, the Cook Book has developed into a means of steady income amounting to about \$1,000 a year.

Vesta Simpson, with the aid of her husband, organized a committee of older Lambda alumnæ who had had experience in domestic science and housekeeping. This committee sent out letters to alumnæ and undergraduate chapters all over the United States asking them for their favorite recipes. Out of all these contributions they selected five hundred recipes which were accurate, tested, and economical. These were tabulated under a dozen different headings and sent to the printer. The College Woman's Book was finally chosen for the name and the parrot for the cover design. This design and name were later copyrighted to prevent anyone else using them.

The first books were paper covered, selling for fifty cents, but soon an imitation leather cover edition was printed which sold for seventy-five cents. To advertise the books, to get them on the market, and to give other chapters a chance to make some profit for helping us to make our project a success, shipments of one hundred or more books were sent out to the various chapters, who bought them for twenty-three cents and thirty-seven and a half cents for paper and imitation leather cover books, respectively, thus making them a profit of twenty-seven cents on the paper covered books and thirty-seven and a half cents on the imitation leather covered books.

Each year the initiates of the chapter are required to take twenty Cook Books to sell to their friends. The orders for these books continue to come in and are a source of income with very little effort and no expense since the books now on hand are all paid for. The active chapter has appointed a committee to take charge of the sales of Cook Books, with an alumna to direct and advise the procedure. On this committee one of the girls, with the aid of pledges, wraps the books and mails out the orders, while another is responsible for the correspondence. Almost no advertising is necessary now for many orders come in daily from all parts of the country, and from England, Scotland, Alaska, and Honolulu.

In regard to the success of the College Woman's Cook Book and the financial support it has given to Lambda, we can only say that the whole undertaking would have been utterly impossible without the foresight and organization of a capable business man at the helm, who gave not only endlessly of his time but assumed the financial responsibility of the first printing of the College Woman's Cook Book until the association was able to finance itself and pay its financial obligations.

Another suggestion was the outline of a theater party in El Capitan in Los Angeles when \$1,040 was cleared in one night. The fact that most of the girls in the chapter lived at home and had the co-operation of family and neighbor in the ticket selling, is perhaps part of the secret of the ease with which this benefit went over.

THE FALL BAZAAR

Delta chapter holds a bazaar about every three years to raise money to apply on the mortgage on our house. On the two intervening years, we have a "bazaar assessment" of \$5.00 each which likewise goes to pay for our house. We begin to work on the bazaar in April and hold it the following November. In the spring, the corporation officers choose the general chairman. She in turn appoints chairmen for the various sewing groups which comprise the novelty, household, baby, apron, and delicatessen booths. The general chairman also appoints a publicity committee which takes charge of posters and newspaper publicity. All of the Twin City alumnæ are divided up into the various sewing groups. Each chairman collects \$5.00 from each girl in her group who plans to sew for the bazaar, and \$7.00 from each one who cannot possibly assist with the sewing. With the money collected, the chairman purchases material for the articles she has planned to have her group make. Each group then begins in April to meet every two weeks at the homes of the different members. Each girl sews at the meetings and also at her home between the meetings. Alumnæ who do not reside in the Twin Cities either send \$7.00 or sewed articles whose material cost them \$5.00. This then is the part the alumnæ take in preparing for our great bazaar.

The undergraduates take charge of the dance in the evening; advertise it, and spend a great deal of effort working up an entertaining vaudeville program which they give both afternoon and evening. Each undergraduate pays the \$5.00 assessment which is handed in to the general chairman.

The Mothers' Club takes charge of the bridge which is played both afternoon and evening.

We give the bazaar at the Leamington Hotel in Minneapolis as it is large enough to take care of the bridge tables and the booths from which we sell our articles, and also has a ballroom where the dance is held. The bazaar is held near November 10, begins at ten-thirty in the morning and continues through the evening. It is entirely financed from the \$5.00 and \$7.00 assessments on both active and alumnæ members, and the net profits run from \$600 to a once glorious \$1,100.

The Eleusis of Chi Omega relates a fascinating story of a record achievement in producing volume I of the History of Chi Omega in an amazingly short time. One hundred copies were ready for convention last June literally warm from the press. This for those of us who think that books come from a book store:

When Mr. Wilterding came in March to go over final estimates for the history he said it would be possible to have Volume I at convention if all the data were in the hands of The Banta Publishing Company by April 10. We accepted the challenge, a bit staggering though it was. "Chris" and "Liz" took the tremendous

task of putting the chapter facts together and these were typed, blue penciled and retyped. Nell Upshaw Gannon and Helen Hunter wrote the first drafts of the fascinating chapter "The South—Our Fraternity's Homeland," as well as several chapter sketches.

Another sizeable phase of the history job was the selection of pictures. More than three thousand pictures were reviewed in the course of making our choices. Every campus has a touch of individuality, something precious or unique. We wished to reflect these things because it is good that this individuality be emphasized and cherished. However, many a telegram was necessary to achieve the result we sought. The first of the pictures began going to the printer by the end of March.

The work of writing the history moved steadily and amidst trials and tribulations. Finally, on April 17 the manuscript was mailed to The Banta Publishing Company. It was necessary also to carry on the routine work of the fraternity and the additional work that a convention year always brings. Also, the task was not finished when the copy had been sent. There were two proofreadings to follow—the galley and then the page proof.

Finally everything was ready for printing. Convention was only nine days away. On June 13 I met Mrs. Collins in Chicago. There we commandeered a table in one of the dining-rooms of the Blackstone and set to work on a final arranging and checking of the book. Copies had to be in White Sulphur by the twenty-fourth. It was now the fourteenth. Promptly and with a most heartening display of willing co-operation the big plant of The George Banta Publishing Company swung into action. Running twenty-four hours a day, Chi Omega's History had the right-of-way. On the night of the twenty-second, one hundred books were ready.

I had arranged to personally take the 100 copies to White Sulphur, and found at the last minute that it would be impossible to get to Menasha in time to get them. What to do, what to do? Finally, the Banta people gained the special favor of having the advance shipment sent to Chicago on a Pullman from Neenah. They came, and I had to have a veritable caravan of Red Caps to carry them to my waiting cab. Next, a transfer to the C. & O. station, where more porters were pressed into service.

The rest was easy. The train arrived at White Sulphur early Sunday morning and the race was won.

Intelligence is what enables a man to get along without education; and education is what enables him to get along without the use of his intelligence. What a wonderful thing for this world when we get the right sort of education for the most intelligent member of the race.

-Theta News of Theta Kappa Nu

The January issue of *Themis* will carry an entirely new section where chapter letters formerly ran. It will be a section teeming with news—printed in a readable form, spotlighting the important events, subduing the unimportant and eliminating the meaningless words of secretaries who strive only to fill up space. If you could but realize the approximate amount spent each year to print chapter letters, you would begin to see how imperative it is that you write only the interesting and inspirational doings of your chapter and campus lives.

Consider the cost—and then take the writing of the chapter letter in earnest. It is the business of each member of the chapter to see that the right news is included in each letter.

-Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha

Is a sorority truly national if it does not affiliate at all? Does enforced affiliation destroy the unity of the chapter—unity made possible by the privilege of black ball? Should a chapter affiliate when and whom it thinks advisable? According to Phi Mu law a transfer is affiliated with the local chapter after having attended school there one semester, with satisfactory scholastic results. Is it right for Phi Mu chapters to be bound to affiliate transfers after the required semester, willy-nilly? Has a Phi Mu chapter to assume responsibility for a sister who has moved to another campus?

The present method of affiliation is a well considered one. It seems most logical and satisfactory. Without doubt it is fraternal. If there are cases in which it seems inadequate the trouble may be lack of give and take—going half way—by both chapters and transfers.

-From an editorial from The Aglaia, Phi Mu

.... Students who are constantly changing Alma Maters are not those who are in search of the finest courses and the ablest professors, and so are willing to sacrifice social enjoyments to obtain them. On the contrary, it is frequently the student who feels the need of a fresh start socially or scholastically, who moves on. This admission of defeat is never made by a good sport. Others keep moving because they have an inborn wanderlust or else are in search of perfection.

A girl who has spent a year here, and a half year there should have to convince a chapter that she has come to stay ere she is given the privilege of wearing a Phi Mu pin. Our attitude toward the "campus tramp" should be one of righteous suspicion.

-From an editorial in The Aglaia, Phi Mu

THE MICHIGAN DAILY SAYS OF WOMEN'S COLLEGES:

"Why a woman's college?" The question, ever growing in seriousness since the advent of the great coeducational institutions of the West, has again been cast into the limelight by an article in the November issue of the Atlantic Monthly. A committee composed of the presidents of Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar, and Wellesley colleges has investigated the question, it seems, and has come to the conclusion that the problem at present is one of finances rather than quality.

Following a bewildering display of statistics, the presidents conclude with the rather unfair query "Do Americans believe in educating women or do they not? If they do, the question is one of justice rather than chivalry." As a matter of fact the question is one neither of justice nor chivalry, as any one but a committee on women's college presidents could see. The question is, to be quite plain, whether the privately supported schools for women can survive in competition with the great state universities which give women, in the West, equal advantages with men.

The committee of presidents is no doubt right when it quotes figures to show that the future of women's colleges is financially black. They by no means prove with equal conclusiveness, however, that the cause of segregated education is a worthwhile one. Even the Harvard Crimson, organ of a segregated university, admits editorially that "in the West and Middlewest coeducational universities, supported by the state, have solved all difficulties for the education of women by placing them on a par with men."

If the cause of the women's college can not command sufficient support financially to sustain the faltering institutions of the East, then perhaps it is time that the committee of presidents, instead of bemoaning its plight, raised its head and looked beyond the Alleghenies.

-Banta's Greek Exchange

A new departure in archeology may develop ere long:

What is believed to be the oldest fraternity emblem in America was recently plowed up in Chester County, Pennsylvania, where Washington out-maneuvered Howe and where Lafayette was wounded. The emblem is a Phi Beta Kappa key. It bears the name of John Graham, an alumnus of William and Mary College who was killed on the battlefield where the badge was unearthed.

-The Phi Kappa Delta

George Odd Newman of Huntington, oldest living member of the fraternity, is 91 years old. His first fraternity pin lies somewhere beneath the dust and mud on the outskirts of Manassas Junction, Virginia. It has been there ever since the first battle of Bull Run.

In 1855 Newman joined Gamma chapter of Sigma Chi at Ohio Wesleyan University. Graduating the following year, he went to Portsmouth, Ohio, to practice law, and in 1861 he joined the First Ohio Infantry and took part in the highly touted invasion of Virginia that came that summer.

Bull Run is a classic in American military history. The army lost the battle, the nation lost its head, Lincoln nearly lost the war and the high privates lost everything they had in their hands. Rifles, haversacks and coats were discarded as impediments to flight. And, in all of this turmoil, George Odd Newman lost his fraternity pin. He didn't stop to look for it.

"No wonder it jostled off," he says. "We ran, that time, let me tell you."

A diligent search of the Bull Run battlefield has failed to locate the pin.

—A copyrighted N E A news story printed in the Sigma Chi Magazine

SIMLA DARJELING WOOGLATMA

It is with great regret that we announce the resignation from the staff of this magazine of Simla Darjeling Wooglatma, the celebrated Indian mind reader and space annihilator. His special task has been to anticipate when a subscriber intended to move and to notify us of the new residence address, so as to reduce to a minimum the number of complaints about not getting the magazine. As we are unable to find a successor to Wooglatma who has the same powers of pre-science, we shall have to depend upon the members themselves in the future to notify us when they move. By special arrangement with the United States government, a

handsome card called a postal card has been provided for this purpose. It may be secured at any postoffice for one cent in American money. It is unnecessary to show any membership receipt to purchase this card, as all stamp clerks have been instructed to accept the penny without question. But it is well to remember that the clerks are forbidden to write the card. The purchaser must do all this himself. It is reported to be a comparatively easy task.

-Beta Theta Pi through Theta News

Don't forget-a cut a day keeps Commencement away.

-The Triad of Acacia

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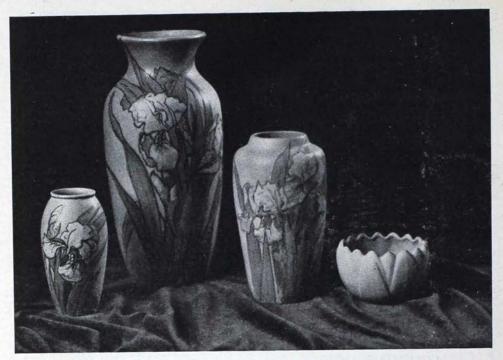
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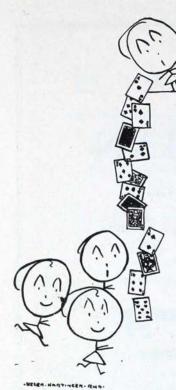
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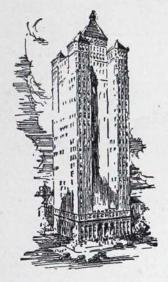
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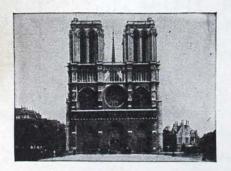
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May 15—Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director of

Provinces.

June 7-Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.

June 7—Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance Chairman. June 15—Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director of Provinces.

July 15 (on or before)—Treasurer places all material necessary for annual audit and check for same in mail to National Accountant. Request to send material to National Accountant, earlier than July 1, must be made if it is necessary.

September 1 (on or before)—Correspondent to The Key sends Chapter News Letter for the

October Key to the Editor's Deputy.

September 1 (on or before)—Correspondent to The Key sends Chapter News Letter for the October Key to the Editor's Deputy.

September 1 (on or before)—Alumnæ Association Secretary sends Association News Letter for October Key to the National Vice-President.

October 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.

October 7—Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance Chairman.

October 7—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President.

October 7 (on or before)—Corresponding Secretary sends chapter's subscription (\$2.00) to

Banta's Greek Exchange to the Executive Secretary.

October 13—FOUNDERS' DAY. Wear Kappa colors, and have BIRTHDAY COIN Celebration.

October 15—Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director

of Provinces. October 30 (on or before)—Registrar sends to Executive Secretary typewritten list of names and college addresses of all active members.

November 1 (on or before)—Alumnæ Association Secretary sends association news letter for December Key to National Vice-President.

November 1 (on or before) - Correspondent to THE KEY sends chapter news letter for December

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November 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.

November 7—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and Province President and President

Province President. 7-Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance November Chairman.

November 15—Registrar sends to National Registrar the annual archives report.

November 15 (on or before)—Treasurer mails letter from National Finance Chairman and charge sheet to all parents of active and pledged members.

November 15—Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director

of Provinces.

November 30 (on or before)—Treasurer sends Executive Secretary per capita tax report and per capita tax for each member active at any time during the first semester.

November 30 (on or before)—Province President submits informal report of her province to National President.

December 5—Corresponding Secretary sends to National President and Province President an informal and frank account of the condition of the chapter.

December 7—Treasurer places monthly financial report in mail to National Accountant and

Province President.

7-Permanent Finance Advisor places monthly report in mail to National Finance December Chairman.

December 10 (or second meeting preceding Christmas)—Election of officers except Registrar.

Corresponding Secretary sends to members of National Council and Province President her name and address on blanks supplied by Executive Secretary.

December 15—Province President sends an informal report of her province to National Director of Provinces.

December 17 (or last meeting before Christmas)—Installation of officers except Treasurer. December 20—Send Christmas gifts to Kappa's two philanthropic funds— Rose McGill and Students' Aid.

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WITHIN ONE WEEK AFTER INITIATION Treasurer sends initiation fees with addresses for "The Key" to Executive Secretary. Registrar directs Assistant Registrar in typing and sending to Executive Secretary catalog cards for initiates.

