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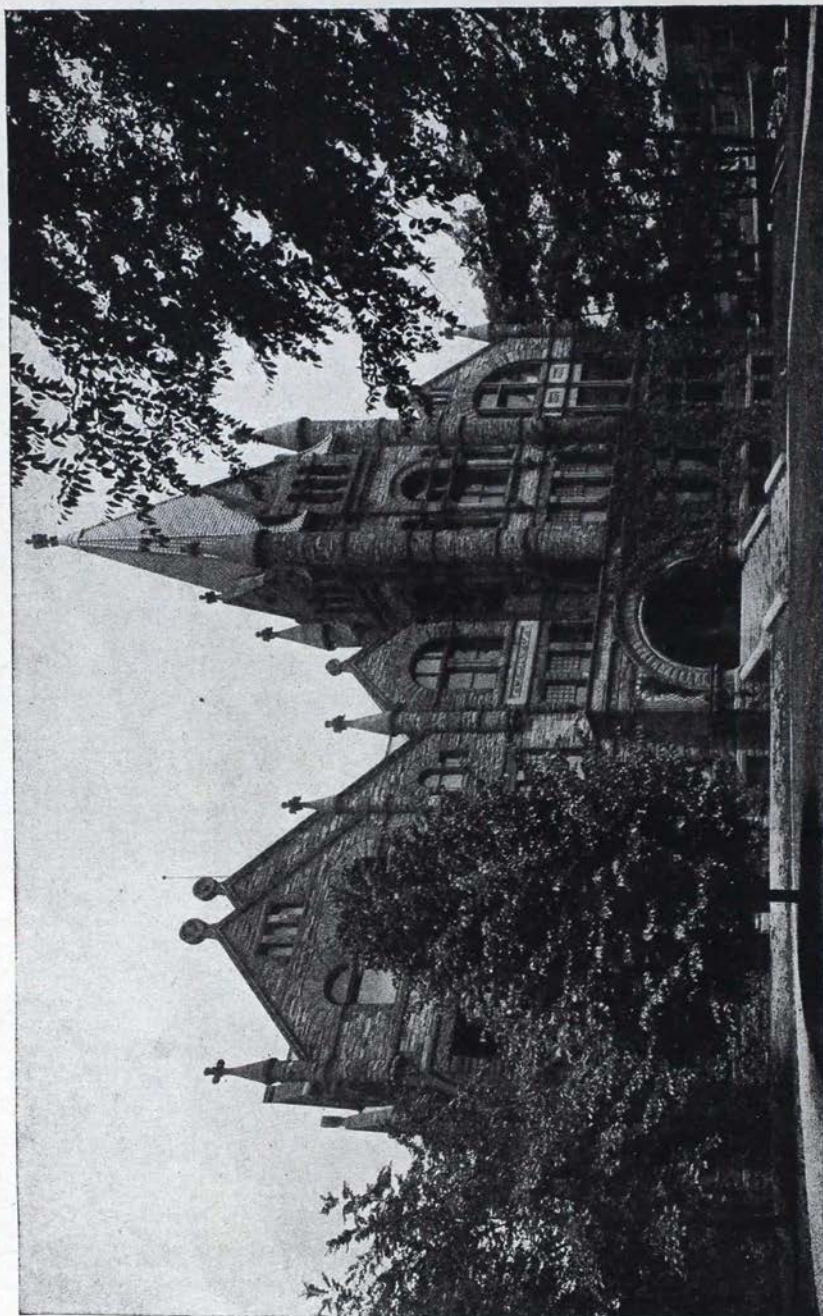
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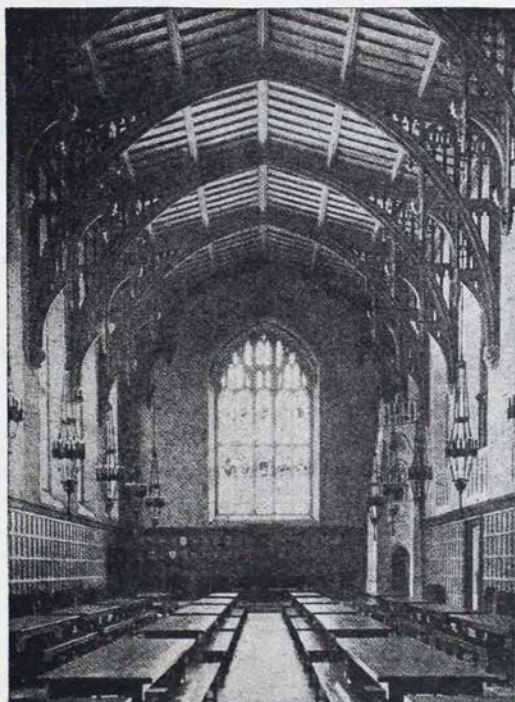
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FEBRUARY, NINETEEN TWENTY-FOUR
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University of Toronto

A SMALL English boy was once asked to write an essay on Canada, which he began as follows: "Canada is a terrible country. The bears and wolves run about the streets and it is so cold that the people have to sleep in fur bags." Rather hard on us! There is, we know, no danger of our neighbors to the South harbor-



HART HOUSE

The Great Hall. Above the High Table the panels bear the arms of the Royal Family and of fifty-one universities in the British Empire. The Great Hall seats three hundred for the serving of meals.

ing any such ideas about the "Land of the Maple." Yet there are a few things we should like you to know about Beta Psi and our university system here generally, for it is quite different in many respects from the systems which have become established in the United States.

We might first answer a query which many American Kappas have put to members of Beta Psi regarding the absence of a Panhellenic. Kappa Kappa Gamma is the only fraternity represented at Victoria College, one of the four colleges which constitute the Faculty of Arts and hence there is no interfraternity competition, a fact which obviates entirely the necessity of "rushing" and of a Panhellenic. A Panhellenic does exist, however, at University College, as six different women's fraternities are there represented.

The four colleges, University College, Victoria, Trinity and St. Michael's are, as mentioned above, devoted to Arts, although there are theological departments in the last three also; and there are in addition and separate, Faculties of Practical Science, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Forestry, etc., which are important and extensive. The Medical College reaches a very high standard and its renown is now, indeed, world-wide, since the recent discovery of Insulin by Dr. Banting and his associate Mr. C. H. Best, who carried on their researches at the College.

The opportunities, then, for training in the various professions are manifold. The University of Toronto is affiliated with Oxford and Cambridge and has itself, with its many departments, a larger attendance than any other university in the British Empire.

*CONVENTION—June 24 to July 2
Bigwin Inn, Ontario, Canada*

History of Beta Psi

ON MAY 24, 1924 Beta Psi will celebrate her thirteenth birthday in Kappa Kappa Gamma. In 1907, by great persuasive means, the Senate of Victoria College granted a charter to Xi Zeta Gamma. We had a constitution, very simple, a pin of which we were exceedingly proud, and dreams of big things to be accomplished



ROSE MCGILL AT GRAVENHURST SANITARIUM
The Cause of the Rose McGill Endowment Fund

by our organized zeal and enthusiasm. These Xi Zeta Gammas had very happy times together with numerous hikes, picnics and annual house-parties. Philanthropic work has also carried on and many homely gray, flannel petticoats found their way to the Earls court home for little children.

Shortly after the founding of Xi Zeta Gamma several of the members attended the student Christian conferences then held at Silver



ACTIVE CHAPTER IN HILARIOUS MOOD, 1923-24

Bay, Lake Champlain. We already knew the girls of Alpha Phi and Kappa Alpha Theta at University College, Toronto, but now, we heard of other national fraternities and the girls with the Golden Key made the greatest impression upon our Silver Bay delegates. So much so that after much argument and discussion we sent off our application to Kappa Kappa Gamma and then tried to carry on about college as if nothing had happened. But things did happen and we shall always look upon Mrs. Roth as a veritable fairy godmother for the splendid way we were welcomed and installed in Kappa Kappa



GROUP OF GRADS AND ACTIVES AT HOUSE-PARTY, LAKE SIMCOE, MAY, 1923

Gamma. How she wrestled with our system of affiliated colleges, prescribed courses, scholarships, methods of grading, etc., is well remembered by Xi Zeta Gamma! Kappas from Beta Tau and Psi assisted at our installation on May 24, 1911. What a grand and glorious feeling we had when it was over and we also were wearing the Golden Key and had become Beta Psi Chapter in Kappa Kappa Gamma, an integral part of an international fraternity.

From that little nucleus of fifteen, Beta Psi has come through the vicissitudes of war and peace and has grown to a membership of over one hundred. We have very scattered alumnæ, in China, the United States, England and all parts of Canada, and a very flourishing active chapter of thirty. There are girls of all types, various occupations and scholastic attainment, but joined by a common, fraternal bond, and endeavoring to live up to the ideals of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

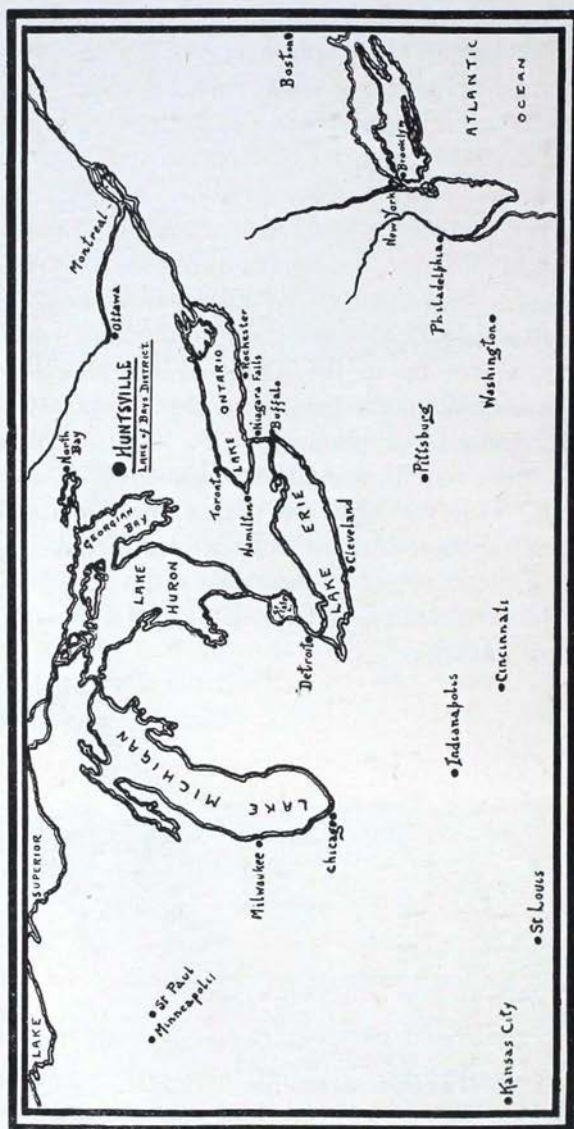
The very largest castle-in-the-air of the old Xi Zeta Gamma guard of fifteen never reached the pinnacles of a Kappa Convention and some of us old-timers require considerable pinching to make us really believe it is true. One can scarcely realize that Beta Psi is grown up enough for such honors but we hope we shall measure up to our responsibilities. Indeed we are more than proud to be the hostess chapter of the 1924 convention and to welcome Kappa Kappa Gamma to Beta Psi and to Canada.

LEXA DENNE, '09,

HELEN COATSWORTH, '20.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

June 24 to July 2



MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF HUNTSVILLE

Possible Side-Trips

Dear Kappa Sisters:

You will soon have heard so much about Beta Psi that you will think there is nothing more to learn. Far from it. We are going to pester you all with letters from now till convention. You see we are so anxious to have as many as possibly can come, and we think the best way is to get you interested in us. And think of meeting so many Kappa sisters in such a wonderful place at the same time! We only hope that all this advance literature won't scare you away.

Granted that you may be tired of hearing about Beta Psi and her humble doings, I want to try to tell you about some of the other things you may see after convention is over. If any of you are planning to spend some of the summer holidays in Canada, as we hope some may, there are two or three very lovely trips which I am sure you would enjoy and which are easily taken from Toronto.

All those from the South and West may not have seen Niagara Falls,—one of the seven wonders of the world. We, in the East, think it as fascinating and wonderful as the Grand Cañon or the National Parks. The best way to see it would be to take the boat from Toronto—a two hours' run—and spend the day there. You can go down right under the Falls and hear and see them dashing over you. I can vouch that it will be one of the best thrills of your whole trip. You may either return to Toronto the same day or go on to Buffalo, if that is on your way home.

Another lovely trip would be a cruise through the Muskoka Lakes. I think many of you have heard of their beauties as so many Americans summer there. On the way home from convention the train stops at Gravenhurst, and it is there you take the boat for Muskoka Lakes; so it isn't out of your way at all.

I also want to mention that Rose McGill, whom I am sure you have all heard of since the creation of the Rose McGill Endowment Fund, is staying at Gravenhurst. Rose is one of the sweetest members of our chapter and we are earnestly hoping that she will be well enough to go to convention. If by any chance she isn't there, I am sure some of the Kappas will want to stop over a train and see her. I need not tell you how delighted Rose would be to see you, and I know how charmed you would be to meet her.

Another very beautiful trip is a cruise from Toronto, among the Thousand Islands in Lake Ontario, down to Montreal, one of Canada's largest cities; down the St. Lawrence to historic Quebec City, and from there down the Saguenay River, the scenery of which can only be compared with the Norwegian fiords. Everyone knows the glamor and romance of a boat trip, and this one, I am sure, will fulfill anyone's expectations.

These are just a few of the things you might do, but I hope at least to have aroused your interest. We expect that one of the railroads will get out a booklet on Canada, but in any event I shall be very glad to send you any information you would like. We will be so glad if you spend some time here and get to know us and our country.

We are looking forward to convention, despite the work, and we certainly hope you will enjoy it. Please bear with me if I ask once again that as many as possibly can will come. I can't begin to tell you what it means to Beta Psi, but I feel sure it will absolutely change her whole existence. We, of Beta Psi, meet so few Kappas outside our own chapter that we feel very far away from our sisters in the States. Perhaps now you will realize what it will mean to us if three or four hundred Kappas come. It will open our eyes to just what Kappa Kappa Gamma means.

Yours, till we meet at Bigwin Inn,

MARY ROWELL, *Beta Psi*, '25.

CONVENTION June 24 to July 2, Bigwin Inn, Lake of Bays,
Ontario, Canada



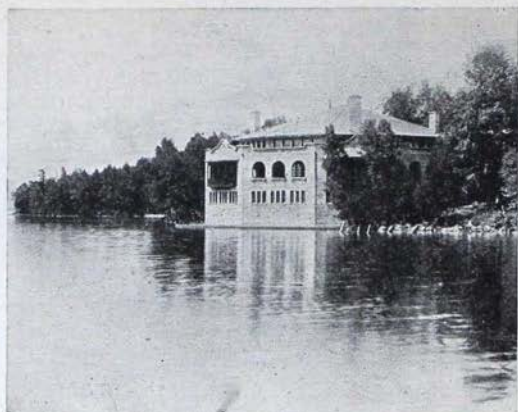
BIGWIN CREST

To the Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity:

Knowledge of the decision to hold your Twenty-sixth Annual Convention, in 1924, at Bigwin Inn, Lake of Bays, Canada, probably will have come to you ere this; and it is our desire to supplement that knowledge with a concise description of Bigwin Inn and district; to manifest our pleasure in the privilege of entertaining you and to utter a brief word of welcome. A real privilege it is, too, in our opinion and, with such feeling, our every effort and interest, from this time until you will have had your convention and returned home again, will be in your behalf, individually and collectively, that you may combine your business deliberations with that kind of comfort and pleasure essential to the success of a fraternity such as Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Bigwin Inn, unlike other summer resort hotels, is of a distinct type, not erected altogether for the purpose of gain but rather for the comfort and convenience of those whose patronage is desirable and to whom will appeal the splendid results of forethought and vision.

Picture an island two and a half miles in length and a half mile in width, in the midst of the beautiful Lake of Bays, Highlands of Ontario, some eleven hundred feet above sea level. An island, on which, at one time, dwelt the Algonquin Indians; on which a Hudson



DINING HALL

Bay Post was established, where trading with the Indians was then the only means of existence for many and the method of transacting business; what we have termed "The First Convention." Then picture the Wigwam supplanted by a series of fine substantial buildings of concrete and stone construction, a hotel with every modern comfort and convenience and every facility for rest and recreation—The Bigwin Inn.

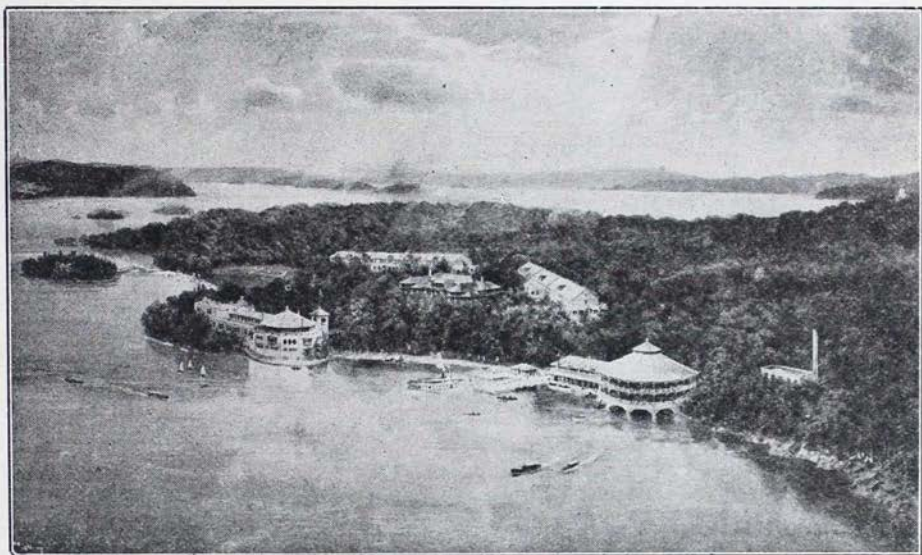
This series of buildings comprises two sleeping lodges, an Administration Building, sometimes called the Social Hall, and a Dining Hall, all connected with great covered walks, also a boat house and a large dancing pavilion. The sleeping lodges, East Lodge and West Lodge, are identical in construction and each one contains one hundred and forty-two rooms, so arranged on the first and second floors, that a



EAST END OF EAST LODGE

bathroom is located between each two rooms, whilst every room on the third floor of the West Lodge has a private bath. The West Lodge has been selected for Kappa Kappa Gamma Quarters.

The Administration Building or Social Hall is commonly referred to as The Rotunda. It is one hundred and seventy-six feet in length and one hundred feet at the widest part, with a fifteen foot veranda along three sides. Here, you have the offices of the hotel, the post office, local and long distance telephone and connection with the Canadian National Telegraphs, the news stand or tuck shop; and this is where the guests foregather for social entertainment, the musicale,



BIGWIN INN

the rubber of bridge or the sing song. Here, too, is where you may have your business sessions if the weather happens to be unpropitious, or if you so desire. Then, there is the mezzanine floor, off which there are several spacious balconies which, together with the various alcoves, reading, writing and card rooms, are planned to take care of your every desire. In this building, there are no less than nine open fireplaces, so that a little coolness in the weather is not permitted to become uncomfortable.

You will be delighted, too, with the Dining Hall. It is located, perhaps, a hundred yards from the Rotunda—a great concrete structure of impressive design, Venetian in appearance and surrounded by a



ONE OF THE NINE FIREPLACES IN THE ROTUNDA

promenade overlooking the waters of the lake. Here, you will be served meals of the highest order; well-balanced meals more of the home cooking variety, rather than the hotel kind, and served in that dainty, unobtrusive manner, peculiar to Bigwin Inn, and now a matter of tradition. The Dining Hall is capable of seating six hundred persons at one time, thus, obviating the necessity of having double sittings. Afternoon teas on the promenade are, likewise, an attractive feature. Excellent programs are rendered during the luncheon and dinner hours, each day, by the splendid Bigwin orchestra and, in the evenings, except Sunday, they play for an hour and a half or two hours' dancing in a pavilion expressly erected for that purpose. The dancing floor is in keeping with the occasion and many delightful hours are thus spent.

Doubtless, you will have noted, from the foregoing description that, with the various buildings being separated, the sleeping quarters being



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apart from the others and the construction of concrete and stone, Bigwin Inn is practically fireproof. It is being realized more and more that this is an important factor in connection with hotels, and our guests may feel assured that they can rest secure against any chance of a conflagration.

Now for a little outdoor recreation!

To bring your golf clubs, will be quite in order, for we have a beautiful nine-hole course, not so difficult, but what they call "sporty"; and it is to be hoped that your business sessions will be of such duration as to permit of devoting some time to this most popular game of all time. Then, too, we have four excellent clay tennis courts. They have been pronounced the finest in Canada and, since the Northern Ontario Championships Tournament is played here, annually, and as those, to whose pronouncement we have just referred, were participants, we are inclined to believe them.

Ladies, as a rule, are not so keen about lawn bowling, though many of them, especially in Canada, are quite proficient in this form of outdoor sport. There are three fine bowling greens and it might be well to consider this item. We would call attention, also, to the fact that you may rent golf clubs, tennis racquets and bowling balls, if you should not have them or if it is not convenient to bring them with you. The Tuck Shop will be pleased to care for you in these particulars as well as in the essentials, such as toilet articles, drug supplies, confectionery, souvenirs, Kodak supplies, developing of films, etc.

The above, together with boating, canoeing and picnicing, constitute the usual forms of recreation in which our guests generally indulge; but it will be our wish and pleasure, with your permission, to modify these, somewhat, in co-operation with your Entertainment Committee, in ways not yet fully developed and, perhaps, we will add an item or two and not say anything to the committee until after your arrival. Whatever we do, though, will be in keeping with your high standard and ours and will be merely an earnest of our endeavor to welcome you to Bigwin Inn.

Yours respectfully,

JAS. G. REID,
Manager Bigwin Inn.



Our "Oeuvre" Continues

I HAVE again visited our *Oeuvre*.

To explain to those young Kappas who were Girl Scouts and high school children in 1917—just imagine such youth!—our "Oeuvre" is the little dispensary at Bellevue-Muedon, France.

Before the United States went into the war, a letter was published in *THE KEY* from Dorothy Canfield Fisher, who was then in France, telling us about her work with the blind soldiers, and about war conditions in general. She gave us a vivid and appealing description of some little children at Bellevue-Meudon, a suburb of Paris, whose fathers were fighting or dead, whose mothers were working in factories, and who were hungry and cold, and without even a ball to play with.

Mrs. Fisher was not begging for those children, but the plight of them appealed immediately to Kappas all over the country. They began to send over toys, clothes and money. There was at first no central management of the gifts, but there was such a whole-hearted and generous response, that it was possible for Mrs. Fisher to organize a business-like aid station for those French children and their mothers.

The authorities in the town co-operated, a room was given for it, by the Mayor, the services of a visiting nurse were paid for with Kappa donations, clothing and food were distributed, Christmas parties were given to cheer up the children and summer vacations at the sea were made possible. It was then the chief philanthropic work of the fraternity.

In 1918, the war year for us, we gave up our convention because it did not seem right for us to spend several thousand dollars on our enjoyment. We sent two thousand dollars to Mrs. Fisher for the dispensary and it was endowed as a permanent work. After the war the *Femmes de France* joined with us. Mrs. Fisher came back to America, leaving the management at first to Adele Lathrop of Sigma Chapter, once editor of *THE KEY*. When Miss Lathrop came home, Madame Marguerite Fischbacher, friend of Dorothy Canfield Fisher, took charge.

At our last convention, in 1922, we voted to send no more money to the dispensary in any official way. The sentiment was that Kappa Kappa Gamma should devote its energies and funds to American charities.

But the doors are still open, the work still goes on. I visited it in

1921 one Sunday morning in October. I met the charming Madame Fischbacher, the visiting nurse, Doctor Neel of Parils, who has office hours every Sunday for the people of Bellevue who need him, and a room full of women and children who were there for medical treatment, or to get the clothing or the food recommended by our visiting nurse.

I visited it again last June. Taking the 10:30 train out from Paris, the train that goes to Versailles, we arrived at Meudon Val Fleury in about a half-hour. Too early for the appointment we had made to meet Madame Fischbacher—pronounce it Feesh-bash-ere—we walked around the little narrow hilly cobble-stoned streets of the town. It is a historic place. The son of Louis XIV, the Dauphin, had a palace there which was destroyed by the Germans in the war of 1870. The gardens of this estate extend all the way to Versailles. A famous observatory is there. It is the highest point near Paris and you have a gorgeous view of Paris from the Fischbacher garden. Rodin lived there, and some of his statues are on exhibition in his garden. Crowds go out from Paris to see them.

We went to find the little flat-iron shaped building which had been the dispensary when we were there before, and found it forlornly empty. But prowling around the neighborhood we found nearby another little wooden building with a sign over the door. This sign said, *Oeuvre des Kappa Kappa Gammas Pour Les Enfants de Bellevue-Meudon*. It gave me quite a thrill to find our name on a sign so far from home. I tried to take a picture of it, but there was not enough sun. Inside the building I found the visiting nurse, the same capable woman I had met before. Madame Fischbacher was also there, and at his table in another clean room was Doctor Neel. A woman with two children with bronchial colds sat by the doctor's table. The children were very good about taking long breaths and saying "Ah" while the doctor listened to their breathing. The little girl who was about three years old, was so pleased with her examination that she breathed so deeply and opened her mouth in such an exaggerated way that we all laughed. She was like a child who was acting for the movies. Absolutely no fear.

After this we went to luncheon at the fascinating old house of the Fischbachers. It has a walled garden and is a vine-covered stone house with French windows, geraniums, stone floors, book-cases filled with rare books, vases with lovely flowers. Monsieur Fischbacher is an *editeur* which means publisher, and he has a book-shop in the Rue

dè la Seine, the scenery-like *Quartier des Livres* on the left bank of the river.

We met the five children again, all two years older and bigger. The two boys, fifteen and seventeen, are now like young men. Marise, aged thirteen, is a pretty brunette like her mother. Rachel, aged eleven, and a blonde like her father, was interested like the rest in the two American guests who spoke such peculiar French. Dolly, now two years old and walking about, is the amusement and the idol of the family. Doctor Neel's little yellow-haired girl, Mimi, was there. And a clever sister of Monsieur Fischbacher's, a young woman who had been in America three years and spoke English perfectly.

All these people are wonderful, intelligent and attractive. It must have been a bore for them to have to talk to two Americans who could speak only struggling French. Madame and Monsieur have a reading knowledge of English, but have had little practice in speaking or hearing it. But even with the barrier of language they have a complimentary way of getting your idea that you try to express, and replying with spirit and enthusiasm, and helping you to say the very thing you wish to.

They understand why Kappa has stopped sending yearly funds for the dispensary and are grateful for the generosity we showed for the five years of our *Oeuvre de la Guerre*, but they do not expect us to keep it up forever.

However, they have not taken down the sign, and our work continues. Some of our capital still remains. We started something good, that is going to last. So, although we are no longer officially connected with it, let us send over some warm clothing sometimes or some strong shoes for children, or a check to pay the board of a child who needs to stay in the mountains or in a better air than the little factory town of Bellevue can give.

Dorothy Canfield Fisher was expected by Madame Fishbacher to be a neighbor of hers this winter, and is probably there now. Madame's address is 4, Rue Obeuf, Bellevue-Meudon, Seine et Oise, France.

KATHERINE T. MULLIN.

CONVENTION—June 24 to July 2
Bigwin Inn, Ontario, Canada

Endowment Fund

GREETINGS

May the New Year bring to each and every Kappa much joy!
May each and every Kappa bring to the Endowment Fund her share of service!

The Endowment Fund is pretty much a "paper" fund to date. We have been trying to show you the fund on paper. We are organizing a live national committee to launch a national campaign for life members, a committee that will know that campaigning among Kappas is a special privilege. We know that you expect to become a Life Member sometime during the campaign.

A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

As a special New Year's resolution, won't you send the Kappa Kappa Gamma Endowment Fund a New Year's greeting saying that you wish the Endowment Fund a prosperous New Year and that you pledge yourself to take a ten-dollar life membership payable in two installments to help your wish come true.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Acceptances to December 15, 1923 for the National Endowment Fund Committee, consisting of the Province Presidents and Vice-presidents or their representatives, have come from the following Province Presidents: Mrs. Clifford R. Hunt, Alpha Province; Mrs. George Smith, Gamma Province; Miss Alice Burrows, Eta Province; Miss Berthe Lathrop, Theta Province, and Miss Ruth Bird, Vice-president of Eta Province.

CAMPAIGN PLANS

Each Province Committee will follow in the main these plans, modified to fit local needs. The Province Committees will consist of a Chairman, Vice-chairman, and a representative from each active chapter and alumnae association in the Province.

CHAPTERS AND ASSOCIATIONS

All members in the active chapters and alumnae associations will be approached through the Province Committee and asked to pledge to

take a Life Membership of \$10. In this way all alumnæ belonging to Kappa Associations will be approached by other Kappas.

ALUMNÆ AT LARGE

We also wish to appeal to our alumnæ scattered throughout the country and far from organized associations in a personal way. The alumnæ representatives of each Province Committee will list the alumnæ becoming Life Members according to chapter and forward these lists to the respective chapters.

The chapters will then know which of their alumnæ have been approached, and can plan to reach the others. To make a personal appeal it is suggested that the chapter reach some members by asking their alumnæ to write personal letters to certain of their own classmates, and by having each member of the active chapter write personal letters to alumnæ. Incidentally this will introduce the alumnæ to some of the newer Kappas.

BUREAU OF MISSING KAPPAS

A complete report of all the new Life Members, together with all alumnæ not yet reached will be prepared for convention. The Endowment Committee will conduct a "Bureau of Missing Kappas" at convention to try to locate alumnæ who have not been found by their chapters.

COMMITTEE TO MEET AT CONVENTION

Each Province Endowment Committee, together with the National Committee will meet at convention to prepare plans for 1924-25.

ROSE MCGILL FUND

The Kappa Club of Bloomington, Indiana, contributed ten dollars to the Rose McGill Fund. We publicly thank them.

IRENE FARNHAM CONRAD,
Chairman, Endowment Fund.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

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The Students' Aid Fund

It is quite impossible to communicate to each of you, who have so faithfully and loyally supported The Students' Aid Fund without being able to share in the appealing personal side of its work, the inspiration which your chairman receives with every individual application.

The following excerpts from letters concerning the last applicant, which are so recent that they have not yet been filed, are typical and should interest you:

From the president of College:

"I am informed that you are a member of a scholarship committee, and that you are considering Miss, who has attended our college for the last three years. Miss is a very deserving woman due to the fact that she has been a very excellent student and has the right attitude toward her work. She has had unusual experience; she is a young woman of strong physical type and is especially adapted for leadership.

"I will be glad to answer any particular questions which you may choose to ask concerning her and likewise furnish any further information which I may have at hand.

"I trust you will give her careful consideration in awarding any scholarship which you may be dispensing at this time."

This, from her former Dean of Women:

"Miss writes me that a scholarship committee has suggested willingness to take part of the responsibility of this college year's expenses, provided the Dean of Women thinks her a fit subject.

"I am pleased to state that Miss is a superior young woman. She ranks high in scholarship, poise, interest in her work and in young people, enthusiasm, application, and in personality. She is very strong in every way. Any scholarship committee would honor itself in honoring her."

Again, from the acting dean of College which Miss is now attending:

"I have not known Miss but a few months, but from what I have seen of her work, and understand from her spirit, and learned from her experience, she is exceedingly capable, personally attractive, and thoroughly reliable. I should not hesitate myself, to offer her an opportunity of this kind, if it were within my power to do so."

Finally, this from Miss herself:

"Your letter of has taken a big load from the cares of this year. What a splendid work your fund is doing. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to profit by it."

Can you imagine anything more satisfying in compensation for your efforts to do all within your power for your fund? Can you think of any other investment, in which your money would be safe and still return one hundred per cent dividend in the development of fine young womanhood; in the creating of college democracy; in the tearing down of anti-fraternity criticism; and in everlasting gratitude? Can you think of a better place in which to leave even a little bequest—as small an amount as thirty-five dollars once tided one of our girls over—than to the work of your Students' Aid Fund?

Not long ago a recent Kappa graduate remarked to your chairman: "I want you to know just how I feel about our Students' Aid Fund. Of course, I haven't any idea of dying just yet, but if anything should ever happen to me, I have directed that a certain sum of my savings be turned over to The Students' Aid Fund. I like to think that I am to have a perpetual share in giving some girl her chance."

Has it ever occurred to you, "to give some girl her chance" to lighten her load, to make her college days brighter and better?

This then is your chance! Bequeath something, whether it be great or small, to your Students' Aid Fund. Be secure in the knowledge that some girl is going to have her chance because of you—and after her, another; and then another and another in one endless line of grateful young womanhood.

THE POOR EDITOR

Getting out a magazine is no picnic. If we print jokes folks say we are silly; if don't they say we have no sense of humor. If we publish original matter they say we lack variety; if we publish things from other papers they say we are too lazy to write. If we don't go to church they say we are heathens; if we do we are hypocrites. If we wear old clothes we are not solvent; if we wear new clothes they are not paid for. What in thunder is a poor editor to do, anyhow? Like as not someone will say that we swiped this from an exchange. We did.—*The Carnation* of Δ Σ Φ by way of *Banta's Greek Exchange*.

Kappas in Book and Magazine

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor*

BOOKS:

Head Winds, a novel. By A. M. Sinclair Wilt, Beta Pi, '07, Duffield and Company. New York, N. Y. \$2.00.

This present reviewer is compelled to admit that she is not a great lover of adventure stories. Somehow, amidst the real adventures of normal every day life, thrilling contacts with thrilling personality and mystifying, often almost unbelievable incident, the vicarious excitement of the adventure story seems too utterly vicarious, too superficial, too unreal. Why thrill about the unreal when there is the thrilling real?

This being her usual attitude towards adventure stories—and for the most part she leaves them alone—she is compelled to admit, again, that it was with a little impatience, even dread, that she started in on *Head Winds* by A. M. Sinclair Wilt. Still, she had it to read, and so plunged in.

And did she read it? Well, I should say so! She forgot to order the meat for dinner, and sat up 'way late to finish it. It's that sort of story. And she forgot all about not liking adventure stories, and read it like a race horse, a page after page after page.

It's a sea story, along the Pacific coast, north from San Francisco, and it's about a man who had a yacht and who was big and handsome and strong-willed and brave. You know. And about a girl, little and pretty and self-willed and clever. I'm sure you know. And the girl was determined to marry the wrong man, and they called him "The Rotter." And her brothers didn't want her to. But she would. So the Man agreed to help them out. And he certainly did!

Now that's the story, and it's highly improbable; at least, many of its situations are. And it's not subtle, nor psychological, nor morbid, nor vulgar! which all real-for-sure modern novels are supposed to be! But it is utterly enthralling and refreshing and salty and sweet.

The author, whose name sounds like a man's, and whose knowledge of the sea and ships and things nautical makes you almost sure she is one, is none other than Rita Sinclair of Beta Pi, now Mrs. Frank T. Wilt. And the present reviewer congratulates her on the success of this, her first published novel.

New Stories to Tell to Children. By Sara Cone Bryant, Phi, '95. Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston and New York. \$1.75.

Some years ago, Sara Cone Bryant, who in real life is Mrs. Theodore F. Borst, and the mother of two children, wrote a book called *How to Tell Stories to Children*. And it was such a good book and so helpful to mothers and teachers that after a little she supplemented it with another book *Stories to Tell to Children*. This also was gratefully received and has been widely used. Still later she wrote *Stories to Tell the Little Ones*, a collection for which there is almost no substitute, containing, as it does, the most charming bits imaginable for the tots from two to five.

And now she has given us another pleasure. For, in December, the Houghton Mifflin company published her *New Stories to Tell to Children*, and this reviewer can see already how four year old Mary's eyes are going to shine when she has them read to her. For there is the story of Mother Hotty and the little Hotties who live in Daddy's furnace and every morning drive the Coldies out of Gordy's house; and the story of Teddy Bear and how he made a mud-pie mask so he could rob the bees; and the story of the naughty, naughty engine that just simply wouldn't stop; and others just as funny and nice; fifteen of them, all in all.

And the beauty of them is that with all their simplicity and fun, they are also very wise; they interest and they teach; they emphasize the right things and present the right ideals. May we have some more of them!

MAGAZINES:

"Devoted Women." A story, by Alice Duer Miller, Beta Upsilon '99, in *The Saturday Evening Post* for Sept. 22, 1923.

"Atmosphere in Dress." By Marie Beynon Lyons Ray, Beta Sigma '08, in *Harper's Bazaar* for Oct., 1923.

"When You Order Your Canned Goods for Winter," by Jenoise Brown Short, Eta '08, and Gladys Beckett Jones, in *The Pictorial Review* for Nov., 1923.

"World Traveler," by Mabell S. C. Smith, Phi '84, in *The Independent* for Aug., 1923.

"The New Near East," by Mabell S. C. Smith, Phi '84, in *The Independent* for April, 1923.

"The Palace of His Fathers," by Alice Duer Miller, Beta Epsilon '99, in *The Saturday Evening Post* for Nov. 3, 1923.

Kappas Known to Fame

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor*

PAULINE GIBSON PITTENGER

Delta '96

Unlike most biography sketches written, I shall omit the date of birth (not by request, however) birthplace and childhood of my subject and shall proceed immediately to introduce her as a "grown up."

Mrs. P. M. Pittenger, Pauline Gibson, of Indianapolis, Indiana, is the newly elected president of the Indiana State Federation of Clubs.

She spent two years in Indiana University where she became a member of the Delta chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. One year of delightful work was taken at the Indiana State Normal, she attended Columbia University and later graduated from the Pennsylvania State Normal. She then became a very successful school teacher and always an active church woman. Today she is a most successful teacher of one of the largest Bible Classes for women in Indianapolis.

But Indianapolis knows Mrs. Pittenger best as a club woman and lecturer. She is that type known as a "hard worker" with untiring energy, always displaying an unselfish devotion to her club work. As chairman of the Fauntleroy Home Committee for the Indiana State Federation of Clubs, this committee, by her careful, steady guidance, has since 1921 raised a fund large enough to purchase the Old Fauntleroy Home at New Harmony, Indiana. This home holds a great interest for clubwomen, because in its parlor was organized, September 20, 1859, the "Minerva Club," the first woman's organization in the United States to hold its meetings according to the rulings of a written constitution. This is truly a historical landmark which will be maintained by the Indiana State Federation of Clubs.

It was after Mrs. Pittenger married that she took extensive elective work in the field of education, in which she and her husband have always worked. Let me pause at this point to mention that Mr. Pittenger is superintendent of the Indiana State School for the Deaf and in this capacity he finds his wife a true helpmate, she with her numerous activities serving as the Matron of the School.

As a special student of English literature, her lectures are delightful and inspirational.

Speaking of her college days, Mrs. Pittenger says "Of course I had a big case when I was in college, and I kept it all the way through, even until now. As to Kappa, through its influence, have come my



PAULINE GIBSON PITTENGER
Delta '96

warm, good friends of to-day. Kappa, after leaving college, has meant more to me in every way. It is the ripening of the friendships of my college days."

EDITH L. HUGGINS, *Mu* '09.

EMILIE J. HUTCHINSON

Emilie J. Hutchinson graduated from Barnard in 1905. Throughout her course she had been one of the most prominent girls in her class, serving as sophomore class president, editor-in-chief of the *Mortarboard*, president of the Undergraduate Association, and vale-

dictorian, and winning Phi Beta Kappa at graduation. She took the Master's degree in economics from Columbia in 1908 and the Ph.D. in 1919.

Although her first position after leaving college was that of secretary to the Women's Civil Service Reform Association, most of her work has been in the field of teaching. She was instructor in economics for three years at Mount Holyoke and for two years at Wellesley; assistant in history one year at Barnard, later instructor in economics at Barnard and since 1919 assistant professor. Besides teaching a part of the prescribed economics, she gives courses in economic theories and in the economic and social position of women. This last represents her special interest, the field of women's work and women's opportunity. A very close practical connection with it was gained during the war, when for one year she served as manager of the Inter-collegiate Bureau of Occupations in New York City, a non-commercial vocational and placement agency for college women interested in occupations other than teaching. She wrote her Ph.D. dissertation on *Women's Wages*. And in 1921-22, when she held the Alice Freeman Palmer Fellowship for study abroad, she continued her research in the subject of the economic position of women by investigation and study in several European countries. She is now, in the intervals of her college work, putting her material in shape, and hopes to be able to publish the results before long.

KATHERINE L. DOTY, *Beta Upsilon*, '05.

Who Are Your Chapter's Famous Women?

LALAH RANDLE WARNER

Editor of the Department of Kappas Known to Fame

Early in November there came to the Executive Secretary a letter from Miss Lillian B. Sheridan, Associate Editor of *Women of 1924*. This letter stated that the editorial staff of this annual had been requested to include in the 1924 edition a department devoted to women's fraternities and asked for information, statistics and concise details of the activities of Kappa Kappa Gamma. At the close of the letter she wrote, "If you could give us the names, addresses and achievements of your prominent members, also the name and achievement of any prominent members who have died during the year, this would make the report more complete."

The Executive Secretary at once attempted to comply with the request, for of course we wanted to be included in *Women of 1924*, and prepared her list of officers, statistics and definite facts concerning the activities of Kappa Kappa Gamma. But when she came to the list of prominent members she was stumped! There was no such list in the archives—and there ought to be! Why hadn't anybody thought of it before!

In haste she wrote to this editor, and to Mrs. Westermann, asking the former to please hurry up and compile a list, and the latter to hold the rest of the copy until the list of famous ones arrived.

Now this editor has been hunting up "Kappas Known to Fame" for about twelve years, and she has presented in *THE KEY* during that time close to one hundred famous Kappas. And continuously she has had a list of "prospectives," women she was watching with interest and hoping to use sometime, and she still has such a list. But this editor has a family of little folks and seldom travels afield and she knows that her list of "prospectives" is far from complete. Doubtless each chapter has many women who are achieving distinction, or at least are doing unique and interesting things, full of promise for the future, of whom she has never heard and of whom the fraternity ought to know.

In the present instance this editor collected and compiled, out of past *KEYS* and scattered notes and her list of "prospectives," with much expenditure of time and effort, a very incomplete list of "Kappas Known to Fame," with their achievements and addresses, for the *Women of 1924*. But Mrs. Westermann suggests that we do better than that in the future, that we really find out who our famous Kappas are, and that each active chapter and alumnæ association, and not just one lone editor, participate in the search. And she asks that each active chapter and each alumnæ association send in to this editor, by the first of June, a list of all possible candidates for such a list, with their addresses and achievements, and that we ask not merely for women who have already attained high distinction, and who are already eligible, therefore, to presentation in the "Known to Fame" department of *THE KEY*, but for women who are doing any sort of unique and promising work successfully.

These names will be collected into a card catalogue, classified by chapters and occupations, and will make a valuable permanent record of the achievements of our members for the archives of the fraternity.

First prize to the chapter sending in the first list!

Second prize to the chapter sending in the longest list!

What Is "Prominent"?

A box of candy was passed to a very little girl and she was told to take some. The child hesitated, then asked, "But how many *are* some?"

So we of the Council asked "What is 'prominent'?" when there came to us a request for "the names, addresses and achievements of your prominent members" for publication in a "Who's Who" among women—*Women of 1924*.

No such list was immediately available but fortunately Lalah Randle Warner who has for a number of years conducted the KEY department "Kappas Known to Fame" had at hand material from which she compiled the list which is here published.

The editors of *Women of 1924* will have to answer for themselves the question "What is 'prominent'?" They may not publish the entire list sent but for our purpose and from the fraternity point of view any Kappa is prominent who is doing interesting, unusual, worthwhile work. Those of us who are listed by the census taker as having "no occupation" will contend stoutly that our task of home-making is pre-eminently worth-while, usually interesting and, far too often for our peace of mind, unusual. But we do not expect to find our names in the list of those who are "prominent."

Will you, readers of the KEY, take time to go over the seventy-two names in our list and send to Mrs. Warner corrections and additional data concerning them? And, more important than that, will you send her—before you forget it—the names of other members who should be included? Notice that there are nine members of Psi in the list, eight of Chi and six of Phi and of Beta Upsilon. Surely other chapters can equal these numbers and this honor should be paid to the members who have brought honor to Kappa Kappa Gamma.

MAY C. W. WESTERMANN.

Prominent Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma

KAPPA WRITERS

DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER (Ohio State University).

Mrs. John R. Fisher, Arlington, Vt. Author of *The Brimming Cup*, *Rough-Hewn*, *Raw Material*, *A Montessori Mother*, etc.

MABELL SHIPPIE CLARKE SMITH (Boston University).

Mrs. James Smith, 39 East 10th Street, New York, N. Y. Author of *The Spirit of French Letters*, *Twenty Centuries of Paris*, etc.

ALICE DUER MILLER (Barnard College).

Mrs. Henry W. Miller, 62 East 53d Street, New York, N. Y. Author of *Come Out of the Kitchen*, *Manslaughter*, *Are Women People?*, *Wings in the Night*, etc.

MARTHA TARBELL (DePauw University).

Miss Martha Tarbell, East Orange, N. J. Author of *In the Master's Country*, *Tarbell's Guide to the International Sunday School Lessons*, etc.

ELSIE CLEWES PARSONS (Barnard College).

Mrs. Herbert Parsons, 115 East 72d Street, New York, N. Y. Author of *The Old Fashioned Woman*, *The Family*, *Religious Chastity*, etc. Authority on ethnology, sociology and economics.

SARA CONE BRYANT (Boston University).

Mrs. Theodore F. Borst, Newton Centre, Mass. Author of *How to Tell Stories to Children*, *Stories to Tell to Children*, etc.

CHARLOTTE PRENTISS HARDIN (Tulane University).

Mrs. William Hardin, 1415 Webster Street, New Orleans, La. Poet, Author of *From A Flat Housetop*, etc.

KAPPA EDITORS

MABEL POTTER DAGGETT (Syracuse University).

Mrs. John Daggett, Rocklett, Orange Co., New York. Author of *In Lockerbie Street*, *Women Wanted*, etc., Associate Editor of *The Delineator*.

MARTHA ETHEL DODSON (Cornell University).

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DISAPPOINTMENT FROM THE FARM

I sent big Tom to college
And nothing did he lack;
I spent a thousand dollars, and
I got a quarter back.

N. B.—If he was a good quarter-back, you could sell him to several institutions for more than that sum of "expense money."—*The Phi Chi Chackett.*

Vocational Guidance Department

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PERSONNEL WORK

I. THE DEPARTMENT STORE EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

Along the line of Social Work and closely allied to it may be classed Personnel Work, which includes the occupations of Educational Director in Department Stores and Employment Selectors and Managers in industries or merchantile establishments. We will consider first the Educational Director in the Department Store.

1. *The Nature of the Vocation.* Selling methods have so changed and improved in the last few years that it has been necessary to improve store service and salesmanship to keep pace with this progress. Cashiers, wrappers, salespeople alike are selected with care in the up-to-date department store, and are trained to the special routine and standards of their establishment. The field of the educational director varies according to the particular interpretation put upon the work by her employer. The duties usually assigned her are: to conduct classes in store system and service, supervise the younger and newer salespeople, organize a library, rest room, medical department, and lunch room, and to collect and make available reference material for the improvement of employees. In some stores the educational director conducts tests to measure the fitness of salespeople, checks on errors with the accounting department, conducts classes in textiles and other merchandise for assistant buyers and experienced salespeople, and has a general responsibility for teaching store policy, co-operation, loyalty, service, etc. She may even be called upon to suggest means of raising the standard of certain departments, and to give assistance wherever there is a need of ideas or stimulus.

Indeed the work of an educational director may become as broad and useful as the personality and brains of the executive make it. It is almost entirely limited by the capacity of the worker herself. The whole field is so new that it is just beginning to be recognized and developed. Store managers are, as a rule, open to conviction and have only to be shown results to be quite won over to a policy of educational work in their establishments.

2. *Preparation Required.* A college education, at least a year's experience in store work, and from one to two years' training in a school

or course in salesmanship are the best preparations for educational work in a department store. Some of the Universities are offering special courses in Merchandising and Retail Selling and employ workers familiar with their immediate field who can place their own students. There are, however, three recognized schools for such training:

Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburg, Bureau of Retail Selling.

Prince School of Education for Store Service, Boston.

New York University, Training School for Teachers of Retail Selling, New York City.

The courses offered vary from a year to two years and are open to college graduates, or in a few cases, undergraduates of marked ability or unusual experience. Undergraduate training should include courses in Sociology, Education, Psychology, Economics and Business Practice.

In rare cases a woman without actual training may be given the position of educational director, but experience is a longer and harder course than any special school prescribes, and the price paid, in the long run is much higher. After consulting several educational directors I would strongly advise anyone interested in this work to prepare herself in one of the recognized schools where she not only has the advantage of the best training possible, but has the backing of the school in securing positions.

3. *Advantages and Disadvantages.* One of the most attractive features of this work is the opportunity it offers to the young woman of ideas and originality to create her own position in a new field. There is nothing stereotyped or prescribed about the work. It is free from drudgery or tedious routine, and it has almost unlimited possibilities of development. It offers an opportunity for improving conditions among employees and educating employers to their responsibilities. Where these employers are men of ideals and liberality the work may be particularly stimulating and inspirational.

The disadvantages are obviously the long hours and few vacations. The expansion of the work is apt to depend upon business conditions, and in times of depression it is often the first activity to be curtailed. It may, too, be dependent upon employers who are narrow and utterly lacking in idealism and is then very discouraging and disheartening. Educational work is likely to be subject to the criticism of every department in the store, and may under these conditions be wearing and depressing to one who is sensitive to such unsympathetic treatment.

4. *Opportunities in the Field.* Wherever there are department stores, particularly in the large cities, there are quite sure to be openings. There is at present a demand in the Middle West, and the South. There are fewer opportunities in the Northwest, but a growing demand in the East and California.

5. *Financial Return.* An inexperienced educational director may expect to be hired at a salary of \$1,200 or \$1,500. But with experience she may command from \$2,000 to \$3,000 or even \$4,000 a year depending, of course, upon the degree to which she becomes of value to the store.

6. *Specific Qualifications Necessary.* It would be difficult to find a line of work in which so much depends upon personal qualities and force of mind and character as in store educational work. A pleasing appearance and manner are most desirable, tact and adaptability are essential. A gift for, and interest in, teaching are also necessary. The director must have the courage of her convictions and yet self control enough to hold all her own pet plans in abeyance until just the right moment to produce them. She must be willing to take criticism and rebuffs and yet keep her spirits and good nature. She must have inspiring qualities so as to lead the people whom she is to direct. She must be able to work harmoniously with all types of salespeople and executives. She must be ready to improve and change her methods to meet constantly changing selling conditions.

For any girl who has initiative, originality, teaching power and a desire to serve as well as an interest in merchandise and people, the field of educational director in a store offers a very fine opportunity to make for herself a fascinating and satisfying life work.

"An alumnus is not an alumnus when he turns to alum," says *The Delta* of Sigma Nu. How easily that could be paraphrased to read "alumna" instead of alumnus.—*Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha.

A Champion of Pure Aquarelle

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ELIZABETH GOWDY BAKER HAS UNIQUE POSITION AS ONLY PAINTER
TO PRODUCE LIFE SIZE PORTRAITS IN WATER COLOR

ASIDE from the merit which art critics have assigned to her art, Elizabeth Gowdy Baker has the distinction of being the only artist in the world who is painting life size portraits in pure water color. Not long ago there were persons in the art world who said such a thing could not be done because of the insuperable difficulty of the medium. Such a view is natural enough among artists, who know how terrific an undertaking is the management of pure aquarelle without the aid of a "body color" or paste, such as the white of an egg or rice flour, to aid in the spreading of the pigment. To do without some such "body color" is to assign to one's self the task of painting with lightning speed without the possibility of correction, such as is possible in oil or tempera. But so great was Mrs. Baker's love for the brightness, the vivacity and the spontaneity of pure aquarelle, that, after an early experience with oils, such as most artists have, she decided to attempt the mastery of it. This would not have been quite so heroic a resolution if her chosen branch of painting had not been portraiture, something that requires unerring accuracy, at least from Mrs. Baker's point of view, because it is one of the tenets of her art that a portrait must be a faithful and life like presentation of the sitter rather than an expression of the way in which the sitter affects the artist.

Mrs. Baker's striking success in making water color amenable to life size portraiture, together with her zeal in spreading its gospel, has made her a commanding figure in that branch of art. She is militant (if that word may be used) in the cause, and is the founder of the Aquarellists, a society of forty artists who paint in pure water color. She called them together and they elected her as president, an office which she still fills. This group held its first exhibition in the Ainslie Galleries, New York, last February. The second annual show will take place in the first two weeks of next January at the Milch Galleries. Needless to say, only works in "pure" water color are considered as eligible by the Aquarellists.

"I felt," says Mrs. Baker, "that the water color exhibitions, showing, as they did, mostly pictures in 'body color' which would better have been done in oil, and pastels and black-and-whites, with only here and there a crisp, snappy, pure water color, did not show or prove the beauty of the medium. The response to my call proved that the same feeling existed in many other artists. I think without doubt a renaissance of water color is now under way, and expect to see a new popularity for aquarelle paintings, whose luminosity and beauty contrast with the heavy qualities of oil which make works in that medium difficult to see except in a certain light."

The Aquarellists, this new society of American artists, has the oldest traditions in the entire field of painting, for water color is the oldest medium known to art. Its earliest form was tempera, and this dates back to the Memphite dynasties of Egypt, or about five thousand years. H. M. Cundall in his history of water color says the Egyptian painters on papyrus or on walls mixed their colors with water and used mastic, wax and various glues as a medium to fix them. This technique was passed by the Egyptians to the Greeks, from whom the Romans acquired it and dispersed it throughout Europe. Thus the monks of England in their illuminations and the early portraitists in their miniatures probably used a technique identical with that of the early Egyptians. The use of pure water color, without "body color," came later, but it is now the generally accepted meaning of "water color painting."

Mrs. Baker, like other artists who have produced in water color, has had to combat the misunderstanding which the public has that the medium lacks permanency, that it is likely to fade and that the paper on which it is applied is too frail—in other words that oil and canvas are superior in durability. Quite the contrary is true, according to these authorities. Paper is more durable than cloth, they say, especially when protected with glass in front and board behind, and pure water color is subject to less hazard than are pigments mixed with oil, which combination undergoes chemical changes and absorbs particles out of the air.

As early as 1868 American aquarellists issued a little brochure explaining the merits of water color. In its catalogue of the exhibition of that year the American Society of Painters in Water Color printed a symposium of authorities. They quoted Aaron Penley, author of *The English School of Painting in Water Color*, as follows: "A mind that leaves nothing to chance, but whose every touch is a thought ex-

pressive of some intended result—to such a mind water color offers every advantage. It will accomplish all required of it; indeed there is no effect of which it is not capable, whether for power or for delicacy, whether for intensity of color or purity. Being equally excellent for figure and for landscape painting, it will faithfully fulfil the artist's will and present to the world an instructive, perfect and permanent work." And John Burnet, another author of that day, is quoted as endorsing water color.

This, then, is the foundation on which Mrs. Baker has built the unique edifice of her art—unique because she is the only artist using water color to produce life size portraits. Her characteristics, then, become almost inevitable. The very surety of her drawing—a requisite of her medium—produces strength of characterization and faithful portraiture. Her medium helps her to attain spontaneity, vivacity and glowing beauty of color, which is wedded to richness and depth of tone. In composition she uses the grand method of English portraiture, which being a supreme style in decoration, is in itself a worthy expression of beauty. It may seem strange, in view of the foregoing, to add that Mrs. Baker, when her sitters prefer it, paints portraits in oil, and she does it with characteristic faithfulness and, because she loves light, with surprising luminosity of tone. She transfers her precision and intensity to the other medium.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

June 24 to July 2



EMILY DAY, BETA TAU, AS "ROSINA" IN
"THE BARBER OF SEVILLE"
Coloratura Soprano

Mary E. Sweeney, Beta Chi

THE biographer of Mary E. Sweeney is faced by an overwhelming task—that of crowding such a busy life into a short page or two for THE KEY. To be near Miss Sweeney is to be happy, for she radiates personality from the tip of her head to the soles of her feet.

But to more mundane things. Mary E. Sweeney was born in the country at one of the lovely old bluegrass homes for which Kentucky is celebrated. One can well imagine her leading a life not unlike that of "The Little Colonel" and indeed now, she has much the bearing of our story book friend.

Miss Sweeney was graduated from Transylvania College, Lexington, Ky., famed as the oldest college west of the Alleghenies. Afterwards she did postgraduate work at the University of Kentucky and later received her master's degree from Columbia. It was during the period of her graduate work that she became affiliated with Kappa Kappa Gamma, being a charter member of Beta Chi chapter. From the day of her initiation to the day of this interview Miss Sweeney's interests in fraternity affairs has been both active and continuous. Her enthusiasm is never lacking and her interest is ever assured.

The gods smiled upon the University of Kentucky for after receiving her master's degree from Columbia Miss Sweeney accepted a position at the University. It was under her careful and splendid direction that the department of Home Economics became not only one of the strongest in the University but one of the very best in the South.

And then came the War and with it Miss Sweeney left. From the interviewer's standpoint, modesty is an unpardonable sin, but from her it was impossible to glean any facts of her war activities. However we know, but not having been told by her, that she was decorated for bravery and that all Kentucky is proud that she was a native of the "dark and bloody ground."

After the War she came back to Kentucky only to leave us soon to become the Dean of Home Economics at Michigan Agricultural College. In this capacity she served for two years. The University of Kentucky recalled her and she is now serving as head of the Home Economics Department.

It would be impossible to enumerate all that she has done but of the more important things there is the Presidency of the American Home Economics Association, the Chairmanship of the Legislative Committee of the American Federation of Women's Clubs, the distinction of having spoken in twenty-four states and an undying interest in our ever present problem in the South—the rural school and community.

To know Miss Sweeney is to love and respect her. She is a true friend, one whose sense of responsibility never fails and whose sense of humor is ever present. Wherever she goes she brings a keen understanding that is of enduring value to all with whom she may come in contact. Mary E. Sweeney is one of the few who inspires one to really great things.

CURTIS BUCHLER,
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The N. V. P. in Indiana

LATE last spring when the National Vice-president was able to slip away from her fascinating "job" in a brand new wonderful office, she collected the few new clothes she'd been acquiring with such a trip in view, and journeyed into Hoosierdom—otherwise known as Indiana. Although it was a strange field, I—sorry, but I never could use the editorial "we" for long at a stretch—felt sure that it would not be long before the key I wore would make of new acquaintances, old friends. And the cross Vice-president, as I have been jokingly called because of the insignia on my key, a little gold cross, was quite correct, for Indiana and spring and Kappas combined to make my visit a thing to be long remembered—by me. I dare not predict as to how long the chapters will remember it.

At any rate, I must get down to business and tell you of our four splendid chapters in the order in which I visited them. Indianapolis and Butler College first. What a fine old college and what a future ahead of it! I wonder if it is generally known that definite plans are taking shape to move the whole campus to the other side of the city. On a beautiful spring Sunday we drove to the site of the new college on the banks of the White River and as I looked across at the high bluff I could visualize a whole row of fraternity houses already there. An ideal location it will be, away from the noise of the city and yet near enough to be practical. Under the circumstances, it is fortunate that Mu chapter does not now own a home near the old campus, but that does not mean that they were not comfortably located in a fine roomy house. I say "were" because since my brief sojourn there they have changed homes. The new one seemed equally as attractive when I peeked in a moment this fall. No, dear Mu Kappas, none of you were home, except Carrie, for there was a big football game in progress, and as I was passing through Indianapolis hurriedly I couldn't wait to see any of you. But I liked your new home very much.

With such ardent workers as some of the alumnæ behind the chapter, one need not worry that the floors will not be properly waxed and the windows screened. And the Mothers' Club, a well-organized group of doting Kappa mothers, hold monthly luncheons with thirty-five to forty in attendance, where they plan for an increasing supply of linens, curtains, and other necessities. A delightful tea at which I met many alumnæ and other fraternity women, two theater parties, one unusually

interesting performance of the Harlequin Club from Purdue, a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Chas. Harris, and last but not the less important, a fraternity meeting, filled my allotted three days completely and all too soon I had to travel on to Lafayette and Gamma Delta chapter.

The two-hours' trip from Indianapolis to Lafayette was one of the most fascinating of my entire journey. The red bud trees were in full bloom, and with the peach blossoms which seemed to grow in every one's back yard, transformed the country side into a blaze of color. Born and bred in a Ford atmosphere with factories and blast furnaces more usual sights than fruit trees, I was delighted with Indiana farms and the distance between chapters was all too short.

At Lafayette I was met by two Gamma Delta girls, and the news that in half an hour I was to be ready to go to a formal dinner being given in honor of the seniors. We drove hurriedly to the house, were introduced to dozens of sisters in an incredibly short time and changed, more hastily still, to more appropriate formal clothes than a suit. Some accommodating freshman, with the help of an iron, had made my nearest approach to a dinner dress quite presentable and to my astonishment I was ready when Major and Mrs. Loudon, Province President, arrived to take me to the Lafayette Club. Dr. and Mrs. Morrison, whose daughter many of you will remember at Glacier, were the hosts for a delightful senior farewell party. All too soon we had to leave to meet with the alumnae gathered at the house, but that is one penalty for such hurried visits—lack of time makes it necessary to dash madly from one appointment to the next.

During my stay in Lafayette I did manage time to get acquainted with the town and campus and was privileged indeed to be taken through the new Home Economics building which I am sure must be the most complete in existence. The campus is beautiful, rather formal, very large and businesslike. Purdue is a man's college, so they say, and I'll not dispute it at all, but it did seem as though they were very nice to the girls! I felt quite collegiate when I attended a couple of classes, but when the most eccentric professor on the campus came tramping down the aisle and peered over his glasses at me, I quaked for fear he would ask me to discourse on the whys and wherefores of American history.

Before I knew it, I had to be on my way again and in order to waste as little time as possible I arose with the dawn one Saturday to catch a 6:30 train to Greencastle. Somewhere I seem to remember hearing the *National Registrar* hold forth on red plush day coaches. It is dif-

difficult to decide whether I could fully appreciate them at such an early hour, but I presume we have a good deal in common on the subject. Be that as it may, I arrived in Greencastle on the same train, indeed in the same red coach, with the President of the college, although I did not know it at the time. What I realized, as soon as I reached Greencastle, was that the peace and quiet of that beautiful old town and campus was something I had long been seeking. There is an air of ancestry, traditions and fine deeds accomplished by the sons and daughters of DePauw that is inspiring. Strange to say, the lack of dancing as an amusement is hardly noticed though formal dinners with an orchestra to entertain were quite in vogue that week end. I saw the tall piano lamp from the Kappa House being whisked down the street to the Phi Gam House to help dress it up for the evening's party. The girls in their pretty evening dresses seemed made to dance, but remember, this is a Methodist school and dancing is not permitted when men are around.

For the first time I attended an out-of-door track meet and thoroughly enjoyed it, too. Classes came in for their share of attention and a most delightful informal tea at which I became really acquainted with representatives from other women's fraternities made the time pass so rapidly that I decided to prolong my visit a bit. Our own Katherine Sprague Alvord, Beta Delta, Dean of Women at DePauw, who was out of town on my arrival, returned later and I had the pleasure of a very intimate visit with her, later taking dinner with a few of the Iota girls at the beautiful dormitory, Rector Hall, over which she presides. In the evening after fraternity meeting, the sophomores entertained the assembly crowd and particularly myself, by giving a stunt. This clever little skit was a take-off on the none too greatly anticipated arrival of the "N. V. P." No class like the second year group to risk the displeasure of a visiting Council member, is there? And yet I believe they knew I would appreciate their wit and sarcasm to the fullest extent and I am sure the sophomores and I shall be great friends from now on.

Plans for a new chapter-house reached their culmination during my sojourn in Greencastle and though the ceremony of breaking ground at which I had hoped to be present, was necessarily postponed several days, still I left with a feeling of gladness and pride that very soon Iota chapter would have a home large enough to take care of all her members and with every comfort for them. Again the loyal alumnae receive a great share of credit for the accomplishment of a long dream

and ideal. I would never have believed that a small school could endear itself to me so quickly as did DePauw. I recommend it for your future sons and daughters.

Ever since my arrival in Indiana, I had heard of the famous Brown County, where artists flock to enjoy and portray the beauties of nature. Here you will find Indiana's own Artist Steel, of whom they are justly proud, and many others too numerous to mention. So it was with keen interest that I took the train from Greencastle to Bloomington, the location of the State University and Delta chapter, our oldest living active chapter. I had hoped for a short trip into the wilds of this untamed section of Indiana called Brown County, but because of a very unseasonable snow storm during my visit in Bloomington, the roads were unsafe for such an excursion. That leaves something for the next trip, however.

It was my good fortune to arrive the day of the initiation of the seniors into the Bloomington Alumnæ Association, and besides meeting the alumnæ, on that occasion I had my first experience of witnessing the very simple but effective ceremony marking the close of active chapter life. The delightful supper in honor of the seniors was also the occasion of Mrs. Joseph Henley's assuming the duties of president of the association. As you know, Mrs. Henley's sudden and tragic death this fall prevented the completion of her extensive plans for alumnæ and active Kappa work in Bloomington. She will be greatly missed by her many friends, not only in town, but all through the state.

Those of you who have not visited Bloomington, indeed have a treat in store. The campus is quite unique, for the buildings of Indiana limestone are built around three sides of a square which is natural woods with intriguing foot paths winding in and out. The effect is most attractive and I do not wonder that Indiana's graduates love to return to their school and campus.

Our girls lived last spring in a rather old and inadequate home which was sold during the summer and two splendid lots purchased for a new house to be ready by next fall. Plans are progressing rapidly and recent word from alumnæ and active groups indicate that building operations will soon be started. The site is ideal—just across from the woman's dormitory and very near the campus. Before long Delta chapter will have a fitting home for the many valuable and interesting old documents in her archives. She has a responsibility to the rest of the fraternity in the safe keeping and preservation of the early history of the fraternity.

A number of alumnæ, as well as representatives from other fraternities, attended a charming tea which was given by the chapter during my visit and though the Brown County trip didn't materialize, a beautiful drive to Bedford, the heart of the stone industry, was enjoyed just as much. Before I realized, it was necessary to return to Indianapolis and the May meeting of the alumnæ association there.

It was certainly a privilege to be present at that meeting, for the activities and interests of the alumnæ are, as you know, of first concern in the work of my office. The Indianapolis Association is so old and so well established that things run like clock work under the efficient management of its officers, whom I had an opportunity to knowing better at a luncheon given by them preceding the meeting. It was also a pleasure to come to know more intimately the Board of Directors of the Mu Chapter-house Building Association at a luncheon at the University Club.

Finally with almost a guilty conscience at having been away for over two weeks I started home with only one more stop between trains at Muncie on my schedule. The informal meeting with many Muncie alumnæ was certainly a splendid ending of my many visits and the kind hospitality of Mrs. Harry Orr, whom you will remember from convention, and Mrs. Lalah Randle Warner, of our "Kappas Known to Fame" Department, was deeply appreciated. As Muncie is the location of the General Office of Delta Zeta, I had the added pleasure of meeting Miss René Sebring Smith, Grand President, and Miss Grace Mason, General Secretary of the fraternity. If more opportunities were given for such friendships, I am sure it would result in great good for all concerned. In the midst of the most interesting exchange of ideas I suddenly realized that the midnight train was nearly due and if I were to reach Detroit according to plans, I must hurry on; and so having visited four chapters and as many alumnæ groups in fourteen days, I returned breathless and feeling more "fraternal" than ever.

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Ontario, Canada*

Alumnæ Department

Middlebury Association

The Middlebury Alumnæ Association of Kappa is still busily engaged in matters of organization and of arranging for the initiation of all Alpha Chis who have expressed a desire to join Kappa. Including the June graduates there were eighty Middlebury Kappas when we began the new college year. Now there are ninety-two and many more Alpha Chis are making plans to join at regular initiation or in June.

Because of her long illness, Helen Diehl had the great honor of a special initiation on Oct. 20. This was conducted by Mrs. Westermann and Miss Geer with the aid of Miss Woodward and several members from the active chapter of Phi. Helen Clift Benedict was fortunate in being present as a representative of both Alpha Chi and Kappa. All alumnæ certainly unite with Helen Diehl in their appreciation of the kindness which was shown her by everyone at that time.

At a formal initiation in the Middlebury chapter-house on Nov. 8 eleven other alumnæ joined Kappa. They were: Miss Gertrude E. Cornish, '01; Mrs. Irene Henry Payne, '06; Mrs. Edith Fay Johnson, '09; Miss Maude E. Avery, '10; Mrs. Mary Stone Hunt, '15; Mrs. Katherine Fish Knight, '15; Miss Louise H. Reynolds, '18; Mrs. Alice Tomlinson Belden, '19; Miss Dorothea E. Reynolds, '19; Miss Ruth Cambridge Webb, '20; Mrs. Mary Leonard Jones, ex-'23.

It was a matter of special pleasure to us that Miss Cornish, the earliest graduate of this group at last found it possible to be with us. As principal of House in the Pines at Norton, Mass., Miss Cornish had been unable to leave the school in order to join in either of the June initiations as she wished to do.

With the initiation of Mrs. Jones another mother and daughter group of Alpha Chi is completed in Kappa. Mrs. Leonard, '93, returned at Commencement for her reunion and initiation.

Mabel Wales, '09, is teaching this year in the high school at Stamford, Conn.

Ruth Clark, '19, has resigned her position in Bayonne, N. J., and returned to her home in Rutland.

Mrs. Mary Stone Hunt, '15, is teaching in the high school in Vergennes, Vt.

Miss Letitia E. Calhoun, '17, is teaching in Bennington, Vt.

The marriage of Katharine E. Bolger, ex-'23, to Joseph McGaughan of Adams, Mass., has been announced recently.

BARBARA H. SMITH, *Secretary*.

New York Association

The November meeting of the association was held in the attractive rooms of the Cosmopolitan Club, with our president, Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn, as hostess.

Seventy-seven Kappas from all over the earth sat down to luncheon. An unusual opportunity was given to meet the widow of General George Custer,

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Custer, who is one of the few people now living who knew President Lincoln. After luncheon Mrs. Custer, who is a charming old lady, spoke delightfully on "Reminiscences of the Civil War."

Mrs. Tade Hartsuff Kuhns, Mu, who was the first National President of Kappa Kappa Gamma, was present at the November meeting. With her usual wit and humor she spoke a few words, telling us that, as she glanced around she had come to the conclusion that the Kappas of to-day were just as bright and good-looking as they had been in her day.

We are proud to say that Mrs. Kuhns is a member of our association. In between her travels to all points of the globe she manages to drop in for a meeting occasionally. We are always glad to see her.

A Panhellenic tea was held at the Pennsylvania Hotel on Nov. 17. A large number was present to hear our own Minnie Royse Walker talk on "Chinese Rugs." It was a most interesting and illuminating talk.

FRANCES E. HALL, *Secretary*.

Philadelphia Association

It is always difficult, nay impossible, for folks to unite in an opinion, yet all who attended our alumnae supper party in rushing season say that it was a happy success with Kappas past, present and future having a good time together.

Our active program committee combined pleasure with business in a most enjoyable manner at our recent monthly meetings. You know a chapter's house requires business, especially when the furnace wears out.

Our president, Jessie McCulloch, has announced her engagement to Berwyn Kauffman.

May we pass on the news announcing the arrival of Anne Derle to our faithful ex-secretary, Florence Pumyea McCarthy.

MARGARET B. SAVIN.

Akron Association

"Years may come and years may go—but Kappa goes on forever"

This refrain flashed through my mind, when, after a lapse of—I shan't say how many years—I was once more commissioned to write a letter for THE KEY.

Due to the fact that those years have been full of "little things" my first bit of news is of our latest recruit, who, unfortunately is not eligible to Kappa, a son being born Dec. 4 to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mertz. His mother (Rachel Fleming) was a former president of Lambda Alumnae Association.

We are glad to have with us again Evelyn Church Smith, who has recently returned to Akron from Syracuse, and will welcome, in the near future, Mary Connor Wilson who has been living in Chicago.

Mrs. Hall (Martha Ford) of East Springfield, Pa., was a guest of Mrs. Robt. Iredell (Helen Knight) during the second week of November and was an honor guest at Juliet Allen's on the eighth. The following day an Alumnae Bridge was enjoyed at the home of Mrs. W. F. Peters (Adele Carpenter).

The annual Christmas spread for actives and alumnae was held at the home of Mrs. Dr. Kolbe (Lydia Voris). The supper was furnished by a committee

and each guest brought a toy for the Christmas tree which was afterward given to charity.

With Lambda's best wishes for the coming year, I am faithfully,

FLORENCE CAMPBELL HARPER.

Indianapolis Association

Genevieve Hughel (Mu), of the Orloff Trio of this city, is pursuing her studies in New York at the Institute of Musical Art, under Mr. William Willekee.

Mrs. Theodore Vonnegut (Delta), Mrs. Chas. A. Harris (Delta), and Mrs. Ellis Hunter (Delta), visited Bloomington recently and were entertained by the Alumnae Association in the afternoon and had dinner at the chapter-house.

The Indianapolis Iota Association held a most successful bazaar Dec. 7, for the benefit of the chapter-house. About \$500 was realized by the sale.

Mrs. Robert Matthews (Lena Diggs), (Mu), of Middleton, Conn., visited in Indianapolis for two weeks this fall, called here by her brother's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Humrichouser (Delta), of Plymouth, Ind., have recently moved to Indianapolis and are at 1459 North Delaware.

Mrs. Reid Steele (Hazel Simmons) (Delta), is in New York making records for the Victor Talking Machine Company.

Miss Mary Merker (Mu), who has been living in Pittsburgh, where she was a soloist and also taught voice, has returned to Indianapolis and is a soloist at the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Haltam (Helen Scarce), and daughters, have returned from Hollywood, Cal., and are living in Mooresville, Ind.

The Delta Province convention will be held in Indianapolis in February or in the early part of March.

MARRIAGES

Miss Mary Sale (Iota), to Mr. Donald Compton, Oct. 13, 1923.

Miss Margaret Brown (Iota), to Robert Clark, Beta, at DePauw, on Sept. 1, 1923.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Eichoff (Nancy Hadley) (Iota), a son born in September, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. Roland Scott (Lois Davis), of Gamma Beta, a daughter, Joan, born Nov. 9, 1923.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack O'Hara (Lois Grimes) (Delta), of New York City, a daughter, Lois Ann, born in Sept., 1923.

RHODA DAVIS JONES.

Bloomington Indiana Association

At the present time our alumnae association thinks one thought and discusses one topic—our new house. Plans are nearing completion and the finance committee is receiving more and more pledges daily. From the active girls alone over \$5,000.00, has been promised already.

On Monday evening, Dec. 20, the association prepared a turkey dinner with all of the trimmings and descended upon the active chapter en masse. It was a

rare treat to meet the freshmen and then enter into a real fraternity meeting again. Our only regret was that in these busy times we could not be together more. Our common interest and year's work will bring us constantly together on a business basis which will be as pleasant as the social one, however.

PERSONALS

Born Dec. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crane (Helen Beck), a son, Henry Crane, Jr.

We were all saddened by the death, in November, of Professor J. K. Beck, the husband of Lena Adams Beck, a charter member of Delta chapter.

The marriage of Miss Martha Louise Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noble Campbell, to Andrew Ziegler was solemnized at the First Methodist Church here Jan. 1. Martha Louise is a member of Delta chapter and Mr. Ziegler is a Kappa Sig in Indiana University.

MARY LOUISE HARE.

South Bend Association

The South Bend Kappas wish to send greetings of the season to all Kappa sisters both near and far.

Our President, Mrs. Homer J. Miller (Otilie Poehlmann, Akron University), has been appointed State Organizer of Parent Teachers' Associations. Mrs. Miller is a valuable worker in this field and we are glad that she consented to do this work.

Mrs. William Happ (Jessie Cowgill, Iota), has been elected vice-president of the local Panhellenic Association.

Mrs. E. Jean Nelson Penfield delivered a wonderfully fine address at the Annual State Day Luncheon of the Progress Club of South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Miller (Florence Birdsell, Kappa), and family are wintering in Florida.

Miss Calista Stephenson (Mu), is teaching in our high school and we are delighted to welcome her to our midst.

Our association gave a prize in the Music Memory Contest in the South Bend Public Schools. The prize was a year's subscription to *The Musical Observer*.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marsh (Frances Young of DePauw and Northwestern Universities) have lately come to South Bend to reside and are located in the Marmain Arms.

We are delighted to announce the arrival of two brand new sons. Thomas Irwin Wattles came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Wattles (Carmen Irwin, Iota), in April and Daniel Granville Downey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Downey (Marie Place, Iota), arrived in August.

The December luncheon of the South Bend Association will be held at the new Robertson Tea Room on Monday, Dec. 17.

ELIZABETH E. GUNN SEEBIRT.

Detroit Association

Detroit Kappas feel that they have had a very happy and successful fall and early winter program. After an investigation by our Northville Committee, composed of Mrs. C. E. Wilcox and Mrs. Adam Strohm, our association acted

upon their recommendation and we continued our program of last year, namely, supplying mittens and bloomers for the children of the Detroit Municipal Tuberculosis Sanitarium at Northville, Mich. In order to furnish these articles for their Christmas, we held an all day sewing meeting at the Highland Park High School where the time was devoted to the making of six dozen pairs of outing flannel bloomers. The five dozen pairs of mittens were purchased at wholesale and, of course, at a saving. We felt that this work was very essential and until there is a national alumnæ work we shall continue to aid these unfortunate kiddies in whatever ways the doctors and nurses deem advisable.

Our plans for Student Aid fund have taken the shape of a large card party to be given at the Merrill Palmer School, where there is ample space to have as many as fifty tables if we choose to have them. The proceeds from this party will also help to pay our delegate's expenses to convention. Our committee is now at work and we hope to make our February meeting a grand success.

We are glad to welcome the following new members to Detroit Alumnæ Association: Mrs. C. H. Didriksen, Mrs. William Hendren, and Mrs. Rollin Drake, Jr.

Miss Frances Sutton is now an architect and is giving us some valuable assistance on our party committee.

Our new officers are: President, Miss Lucy Elliott, Beta Delta; Vice-president, Mrs. Adam Strohm (Cecilia McConnel), Beta Lambda; Recording Secretary, Miss Jessie Whitney, Kappa; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Russell A. Hart (Catherine Martin), Upsilon; Treasurer, Mrs. K. W. Vance (Honor Gaines), Beta Delta.

Mrs. W. T. McGrew, Jr. (Elizabeth Davis), Beta Zeta, has a young son born Dec. 8.

Detroit Association is looking forward to convention at Toronto. We hope that many of our members may be present. To all Kappas everywhere we wish a very successful year and hope that after convention we may all be joined a little closer through some National Alumnæ Work.

CATHERINE M. HART.

Lafayette Association

The Lafayette Association holds its meetings on the first Monday of each month at the homes of the various members. The officers for this year are: President, Mrs. Lewis Leaming; Secretary, Marie Schress; Treasurer, Florence Grimes.

We have been very busy raising money for our scholarship fund. A rummage sale realized us \$77.00 and we are planning food sales, bazaars and card parties for the near future.

Homecoming at Purdue this year brought many Kappas back into our midst and made things seem like good old times again. At the banquet given during Homecoming the alumni of Purdue pledged \$45,000.00 for a "starter" toward a new athletic bowl to be erected during the coming year.

Mary Jane Love has been appointed our representative to the Panhellenic Council of Lafayette. Fern Nordstrum Hunter (Gamma Delta), is the retiring president of the Lafayette Panhellenic.

Miss Nina Short and Dean Carolyn Shoemaker, Dean of Women at Purdue, are going to entertain the association at a Christmas party Dec. 17 at Dean Shoemaker's apartment. Everyone is looking forward to a most pleasant time.

We regret having no engagements, marriages, or births to announce this time so about all I can do is to wish everybody a Happy New Year!

MARIE SCHRASS, *Secretary*.

North Shore Association

Three meetings of the North Shore Association have been held this fall. The first was at the home of Mrs. H. T. Wilcoxon, on Oct. 10; the second was held at the home of Mrs. Clyde D. Foster, on Nov. 14, and the third at the home of Mrs. Calhoun, on Dec. 12.

The officers elected for the year 1923-24 are as follows: President, Mrs. Claude R. Alling (Upsilon and Iota); Vice-president, Mrs. Walter V. Turner (Beta Lambda); Secretary, Mrs. Ralph Rockwood (Iota); Treasurer, Mrs. L. Ross Sine (Sigma); KEY Correspondent, Flora N. Hay (Mu).

The chief work of the association has been to help increase the house fund of Upsilon. Two rummage sales, held in November and December, have added several hundred dollars to this fund.

On Nov. 24, which was Homecoming Day at Northwestern, a tea for all Kappas in Evanston was held at the home of Naomi Sloan on Orrington Avenue.

Helen Walrath, who has been traveling in Europe for several months, expects to spend the holidays in Norway, returning home in January.

Dorothy Sage, who is studying language in Europe, has spent most of the time in Switzerland and Italy.

Ada E. Lindsay (Beta Lambda), who has come to Evanston recently, is Pastoral Assistant at the First Congregational Church.

Helen Gale George is a member of the Northwestern Endowment Drive Committee in Evanston, while Clara Williams Smith is Chairman of the Kansas City Northwestern Endowment Drive.

Mrs. W. G. Smith (Marian Twiss, Beta Nu), spent the summer in Berkeley, Cal.

A son, Ralph Gordon, Jr., was born in November to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Hinners of Chicago.

A daughter, Patricia, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Montague Ferry (Florence Speck) of Winnetka, in August.

FLORA N. HAY, *KEY Correspondent*.

Champaign-Urbana Club

Our annual sale of holly wreaths has begun—1,000 to be the goal. This is just one means of fulfilling our pledge of \$1,000 for the new Beta Lambda chapter-house.

The club assisted the active chapter in the sale of tickets for a movie benefit. Two hundred and six dollars were realized.

We are fortunate to have with us Mrs. E. F. Nickoley, one of our Beta Lambdas who lives in Beirut, Syria. Since 1919 she has been head of the library of the American University there. Mr. Nickoley is acting president of

the institution. Both of them are taking graduate work here during their leave of one year.

We have one wedding to announce, that of Elisabeth Holt of Chicago to Lu Holler, Alpha Delta Phi, of Marshall, Ill., on Oct. 10, 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Holler reside at 845 First Ave. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Beth was assistant to the Dean of Women for two years.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Winifred Capron of Champaign, to Donald Moyer of Willow Grove, Pa. Mr. Moyer is a member of Phi Delta Theta at Amherst.

This year the active chapter made it possible for one of the greatest Homecomings we have attended. One hundred gathered around the board at the chapter-house after our successful game in the new stadium.

PEARL H. RADEKE, *Secretary*.

Bloomington Illinois Association

Officers for the ensuing year of the Bloomington, Ill., Alumnae Association are: President, Ada Adams King; Vice-president, Maude Aires Zeigler; Secretary, Louise Lacock; Treasurer, Lelia Sweeting Adams.

Bernice Brown, Epsilon '22, was married Sept. 19, to Lawrence Rust, Phi Gamma Delta. They are living in Bloomington.

Lucy Williams is now occupying the position of librarian in the new Buck Memorial library recently erected on the Wesleyan campus.

Mrs. Howard Humphreys has gone south to spend several months at her winter home in Pass Christian, Miss.

Helen Kasbeer, Eta, is to be married Dec. 22, to Dudley Holmes Meek, Phi Gamma Delta, of Toledo, Ohio.

Margaret Marquis and Mrs. George Doty (Constance Fergusson) have returned from a most interesting tour abroad. Mrs. Doty is in the French Department of both Normal and Wesleyan Universities this winter.

The marriage of Anna Stansbury to Frank S. Gray of Chicago will be an event of December.

Lucia Neiberger is spending the winter in Milwaukee with her sister Mary, and is taking up a phase of art work while there.

We are glad to have with us this year Minnie Mae Schmidt, Beta Lambda, who is connected with the Normal University.

Ina Stover, Epsilon '23, was married Oct. 16 to Stanley Halliday, Phi Gamma Delta. They are living in Bloomington.

Marguerite Neihaus Norton is in Champaign for the winter.

Cecile Hansen was married in August to Willis McMurray, Sigma Chi. The new home is being made in Detroit, Mich.

LOUISE LACOCK.

Minnesota Association

The first meeting of the Minnesota Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma for the 1923-24 season, was held on Oct. 11 at the chapter-house. A custom of having a Founders' Day Tea, which had lapsed for a few years, was revived, and very wisely too, as a number of older alumnae who seldom come to

meetings were present. We were fortunate in having three of our charter members alternate at the tea table, so that with some of the recent graduates serving, all classes were represented.

On Nov. 26 another meeting, this time an evening meeting with a 6:30 supper, was held at the home of Miss Helen Garrigues. The "turn out" was most gratifying, as it was the largest supper meeting in over a year. We were also very happy to welcome several Kappas from other chapters and other cities to our association.

The association has engaged Miss Ruth Draper for a recital on the night of April 2, so that from now on all our thoughts and energies are bent upon that project. We hope to make a goodly sum to appease that rapacious monster, "the House Mortgage."

HELEN GARRIGUES, *Secretary*.

Iowa City Association

Miss Carrie Mordoff's sudden death on Nov. 10 was a great shock to the Iowa City Alumnae Association. She was one of our oldest and most beloved members, having been actively associated with Kappa since 1883.

Beatrice Blackmar, a recent graduate of this University had a story published in the November *Ladies' Home Journal*, and we look for another, very shortly, which is to be accompanied by her photograph, in the *Pictorial Review*. She has been married very recently to Bruce Gould, who is also an author, and they are living in New York at present.

Gwendolin MacLain Larsen has gone with her husband to Norway for a year. Mr. Larsen is working on translating of Old Norse Manuscripts, and Gwendolin is enjoying the winter thoroughly.

Mrs. Scott Anderson (Ella Searles), now living in Lamona, Iowa, announces the birth of a son in November.

O. W. HOWARD, *Corresponding Secretary*.

Lincoln Association

Our meetings this year, which are monthly luncheons, held at the homes of members, have been most enthusiastic and successful ones. At our December meeting nearly fifty alumnae were present. We held our annual rummage sale during November, and coming as it did at the end of a series of such sales, we are quite satisfied with the \$160.00 it netted us. We are planning to give a benefit bridge soon after the holidays. The money earned in this way is added to the house fund.

We are very glad to have with us this year, Lois Pebbles of the Kansas chapter.

Emma Nielson Grubb is making her home, since returning from abroad, at McCook, Neb.

MARRIAGE

Helen Curtice, '19, to Chauncey Abbott of Omaha, Neb.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kline (Daisy Parks), a son.

ADELAIDE E. GRIMM, *Secretary*.

Denver Association

The Denver Alumnae Association has been more engrossed than usual in the problem of raising money this year. Almost two years ago a fund was started to raise money to buy furniture for Beta Mu's new chapter-house. That fund is now over one thousand dollars, but with the house ready for occupancy Feb. 1, the need for money has grown acute.

In October, a highly successful rummage sale was held, and the Mothers' Club held another one in November to get money for the Kappa beds. The A. A. plans still a third for the spring, at which time the storerooms of all the members and friends will be about cleared out. Old papers and magazines are being collected with a view to selling them. During the Christmas holidays a benefit bridge will be given by the active chapter. To save duplication, the A. A. will take fifty tables, rather than give another party. Probably in January the Association will engage one of the theaters for one night during the Stock Show week, and it is hoped that over five hundred dollars can be cleared at that time. Other plans are under way, and it is hoped that all of the furniture can be paid for by the time it is needed. Any suggestions from other associations would be most gratefully received in Denver.

On Oct. 10, Dorothea Toerge was married to Mr. Vasco G. Seavy, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and on Dec. 19 Elizabeth Knox to Mr. Robert Muth, Beta Theta Pi.

ALICE BURROWS, *Corresponding Secretary, Pro. Tem.*

Albuquerque Association

Anita Hubbell (Gamma Beta), is sailing from New York on Jan. 17, for a trip around the world.

Margaret Lee (Gamma Beta), has announced her engagement to Stewart Mac Arthur (Pi Kappa Alpha), and will be married soon after Christmas.

We wish to offer deepest sympathy to Kathren Little Mangan (Gamma Beta), upon the sudden death of her husband.

BIRTHS

To Annie Lee Duncan Bruce (Gamma Beta), on Sept. 9, a girl, Mary Duncan.

To Lois Davis Scott (Gamma Beta), on Nov. 7, a girl, Joan. Mrs. Scott is now residing in Indianapolis.

To Catherine Conway White (Gamma Beta), on July 19, a son, William, Jr.

To "Jimmie" Standley (Gamma Beta), residing at Gallup, New Mexico, on Dec. 9, a boy, Charles Edward.

MARGARET ROSE McCANNA.

Newcomb Association

Our alumnae association, organized last year with twenty-one active members, made plans for good constructive work. Remembering that "charity begins at home" we started by helping the active chapter, but this year we are undertaking social service work at the Charity Hospital.

Our annual party to the active chapter given in November was a hilarious affair and a great success due to the united efforts of the committee and partic-

ularly to the cleverness of Marjie Moss, one of our most recent alumnae members. Everyone came representing somebody or something dear (or otherwise) to them at Newcomb and the result was tremendously amusing. I'm afraid if some of the professors could have seen themselves in caricature they would have been justly shocked.

Evelyn Gladney, '23, is now in New York studying art and though working very hard, I understand she is having a glorious time seeing Little Old New York and snatching an excursion now and then out to Princeton.

Berthe Lathrop, '21, has been elected Province President but as her travels of inspection have not yet begun, we are glad to say we still have her with us.

Agnes Guthrie Favrot has another adorable little son, Thomas Blackburn Favrot, born on Nov. 5, 1923.

Wedding bells have certainly been ringing for the Kappas this winter with five of our alumnae getting married. Margaret McLeod, now Mrs. Hardy Rendren, and Rosalie Vander Veer, Mrs. Benjamin Smith, started it all in September and there has been a regular epidemic ever since. Margaret moved way up to Detroit, much to everyone's distress, while Rosalie stayed in Kansas where Bennie had joined her and remained instead of bringing his bride back here as we had hoped.

Mrs. Edwin Hollins, whom you will probably know better as Alice Foster, Beta Omicron's delegate to the last convention, was married Thanksgiving Eve and left for a gorgeous long trip, but we are glad to say she is going to make her home right here and not go away as the other four have done.

Mrs. William A. West, Jr., and Mrs. William Scherman, who just two months ago were Estelle Flaspoller and Dixie Milling, respectively, are living away from New Orleans and being missed dreadfully by their friends. Dixie traveled way up to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., on her wedding trip, as her husband, a Major in the Aviation Corps, is stationed there temporarily. Estelle treated us a little better and only moved to Alexandria, which is a six hours' run from here, so her friends expect and look forward to very frequent visits.

NELL KEARNY.

Walla Walla Association

We regret losing May Cornwell (Mrs. Edward), Gamma Eta, who is moving to Eugene, Ore., to make her home.

Laura Maxwell, Gamma Eta, has announced her engagement to Herbert Ringhoffer, a graduate of Whitman College, with also an LL.B. degree from Harvard. He is a member of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity and is now a practicing attorney in Walla Walla.

Miss Carrie Reynolds, Gamma Gamma, has been visiting her family here during the Christmas holidays. She is county secretary of the Y. W. C. A. of Clark County, Ohio, with her headquarters at Springfield.

Pullman, Washington, Club

Our club fared poorly during the summer months, three of our members moving away from Pullman. Mrs. Tom Lyons has returned to her old home in Michigan. Miriam Smith Gaiser has moved to Corvallis, Ore., where her

husband is principal of the high school. Lotta Dueber is teaching in Sidney, Mont. But to compensate for these losses we have one new member in our club this year, Lucy Sanner Brown, from the University of Montana.

Mrs. Waller is living in the president's mansion this winter, acting as hostess for the college while President Holland is in Europe.

We are kept busy at our meetings making lunch cloths and napkins for the chapter-house.

NAOMI GEORGE ARGO.

Los Angeles Association

At this writing, we have two marriages to report:

Lois Collins became Mrs. Frederick Giere in December.

Helen Mosher became Mrs. Mark Davids in September.

Mrs. C. B. Woodhead and her daughter were in the heart of the Japanese disaster. Neither were injured but had frightful experiences in the earthquake, the influence of which will remain with them always.

Our association is bigger and better than ever this year. We have had three large meetings so far, held in the homes of our members. No one who can possibly help it, misses a Kappa party in Los Angeles.

Pi Association

The fall business meeting was held at the chapter-house, Nov. 20. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: President, Mary K. Adams; Secretary, Lucile Lyon Mason; Treasurer, Dorothy Davis Andrews.

Nov. 22-24 were set aside for the greatest Homecoming the University has ever had. The Kappa Alumnæ were well represented at the large reception which took place on the campus the evening of the twenty-second. Friday was the luncheon at the chapter-house for alumnæ. This was most enjoyable as there were many reunions.

The Homecoming festivities had their culmination in the annual Stanford-California Big Game on Nov. 24 which dedicated our million dollar Memorial Stadium.

Among the Kappas we welcomed at that time was Eva Powell an ex-Grand President and a National Y. W. C. A. Secretary from New York.

Marion Morrow was also here from New York.

Florence Mason Palmer was here on her way back from China to her home in Surrey, England. Her husband is in China putting through a conservation project on the Yangtse River.

Irene Hazard Gerlinger, a regent of the University of Oregon, was down here from Portland.

Wishing all associations and chapters success for the New Year.

LUCILE LYON MASON.

CONVENTION—June 24 to July 2

Bigwin Inn, Ontario, Canada

Parthenon

In Defense of Football and Fudge

Ludwig Lewisohn, the author of *Up Stream*, says that the young Americans of to-day think too little of the cultural subjects, too little of philosophy, psychology and the other "ologies," that their conversation runs more to "football and fudge." Of course Mr. Lewisohn is right, our dear good American mothers and fathers did not send us to college to discuss "football and fudge"; that is, they didn't come right out and admit it, but I don't believe they would be particularly gratified to have had us come home and spend the evening discussing the ultimate causes of social manifestation or the relation between social and psychical phenomenon, either.

I wonder what Mr. Lewisohn would think of the mental processes of fifty young Kappas if he were to walk in on, say for example, a "nut party"? I suppose he would think it was a foolish waste of time and that most of the contestants (they may be called contestants, because there is always a contest for the best or perhaps the worst costume) were half-witted. I wonder if he would be able to grasp the real value of these parties, the real social value? I am afraid he would shake his head and say, "Bah! More football and fudge."

These parties always started off with a terrific bang and always ended in front of the fireplace. What peculiar influence has fire light? There we exchanged ideas; there we built up ideals; there we talked of our hopes, our ambitions; there we freely discussed our faults and our virtues; there the ties of friendship grew tighter and the bonds of Kappa stronger. A waste of time? I wonder!

FLORENCE A. ROGERS, *Seattle Association.*

A New Scheme of State Education

Despite the fact that Los Angeles is one of the largest, finest and fastest-growing cities in the United States, chapters of national fraternities have, up to the present, been almost entirely absent from the community. Now, considering a recent announcement sent out from the University of California, it seems as though any number of men's and women's fraternities would soon vie with one another to secure good student membership in this fertile field.

The University of California, Southern Branch, will, next fall, open in Los Angeles as a four-year college of letters and science and also a four-year college of commerce, patterned after the Berkeley institution. Appointments to the staff of the Southern Branch will be made to carry on the additional work and a definite faculty will be constituted. Standards of entrance requirements, instruction and graduation will be maintained the same as those of the main University.

The Southern Branch was founded July 24, 1919. Its beginning was modest. It grew and each year a larger amount of work was intrusted to it by the regents. The first college created by the regents was the teachers' college, which graduated its first class last June. There are at the present time 4,010 college students at the Southern Branch. At the last summer session 3,300 persons were enrolled while there are more than 3,500 students in the extension division of the University of California in Los Angeles.

When notified of the action of the board of regents at Berkeley, Dr. Ernest C. Moore, director of the Southern Branch, said: "The significance of such a contribution to the life of this region of the state is far beyond the power of the imagination to predict. Slowly, but steadily, because great institutions cannot be created in a night, the regents have prepared the way for a full-fledged department of the University here."

"It is an interesting experiment they are making, an experiment which has never been made anywhere in the history of education. If successful, other states must adopt, when their populations become too great for a single unit. It is a colossal experiment, that of determining whether a great State University cannot do its work in two places where students abound in such numbers."

Graduates will be on an absolutely equal footing with those who leave the Berkeley institution.

HELEN STARR, *Los Angeles Alumnae Association.*

NATIONAL CONVENTION

June 24 to July 2

In Memoriam

IRENE BASSETT

Irene Bassett died in Macomb, Ill., on Nov. 2, after having been a patient sufferer for more than a year. She was a graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University and the University of Wisconsin. Her memory is cherished by thousands of persons in Bloomington and Normal for her devotion to the teaching of music to children. She was a musician of superior ability, possessing a beautiful contralto voice and was particularly gifted in training the ear and voice of children. As Supervisor of Music in the Bloomington Public Schools she rendered most efficient service. It was with deep regret her Kappa sisters, Musical Association and former classmates heard of the passing of this life that had such a wide and lasting influence.

ELIZABETH PURDY QUINBY

Nov. 17, 1877—Oct. 14, 1923

Initiated into Beta Iota chapter of Kappa Kappa
Gamma, Nov. 20, 1895

Beta Iota chapter and alumnae are stricken by the sudden passing of Elizabeth Purdy Quinby. To those sisters who were so fortunate as to be members of the chapter at that time, the knowledge of her death will come as a great sorrow.

Hers was a life devoted not only to a large and loving family, but to all outside interests connected with the home. Her life was filled with love and joy, and in turn she gave of her best. Whenever there was trouble and sorrow, or joy and happiness, she knew how to sympathize or helpfully direct. She was a devoted mother and an earnest worker for the public good.

To her bereaved husband and six children, our hearts go out in loving sympathy.

HELEN GAWTHROP, *Secretary.*

Editorial Comment

PLEASE note the change of address of the editor: Rosalie B. Geer Parker (Mrs. William B.) 476 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

We wish to express our thanks to all who aided in the publication of this number of *THE KEY*, and especially to the editor's deputy.

And after mentioning that 62.5 per cent of our bridesmaids, including the maid of honor, were Kappas and that fleur-de-lis added a touch of blue to their bouquets, we will proceed with the business in hand!

CORRECTIONS

Martha Foote Crowe, mentioned on page 280 of the October *KEY* in the department of Kappas in Book and Magazine is not a Kappa, but an Alpha Phi.

The name of Katherine Wortley should have appeared jointly with that of Eleanor Smith as co-author of the article concerning Miss Helen Ross in the December *KEY*.

EXPANSION

We gladly pass on the suggestion of the Exchange Editor that every fraternity member should read Mrs. Garrett's survey of fraternity expansion in the *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta for October, together with the comments of other organizations.

It is interesting to discover that most fraternity officials are "expansionists," and that extreme conservatism in this regard is generally found in the chapters on the part of members who have never attended a national convention, or come in contact with members of groups in other sections of the country. It is impossible to disassociate the ideas of "growth" and "life," and this is no less true in a social sense than in the physical. The rapidly increasing number of college students in this country and Canada offers inestimable possibilities for the formation of groups as strong as those now in existence, and the position adopted by the national fraternities toward expansion will largely determine their value and influence in the crucial years that are at hand.

SILENCE

At the opening of the new year, there were twenty-seven chapters which had failed to send the required monthly letter to the National President. If chapter correspondents knew with what interest these letters are read, especially by Council members who have visited chapters and are therefore at times allowed to share the news, and chiefly by Mrs. Westermann herself, whose acquaintance extends throughout the fraternity, they would not be regarded as "duty letters," but rather in the nature of friendly correspondence. A record is kept of the letters received from each chapter. But not because of this, but because of the pleasant sense of keeping in touch, will not the chapters take advantage of this opportunity during 1924, more fully than ever before?

YES!

The editor wishes to reply in the affirmative, and in no uncertain manner, to the frequent question: Are articles written by members acceptable as copy? Try it and see!

REVISION

Mrs. William Anderson of Pittsburgh, who was assistant to General Robert, authority on Parliamentary Law, is revising our Constitution and Standing Rules. Such matter as may not properly be included in the document, to be known as the By-Laws of Kappa Kappa Gamma, will be formed into a Blue Book of instructions for the general usage of the fraternity.

CONVENTION—June 24 to July 2

Bigwin Inn, Ontario, Canada

Chapter Letters

Chapter letters missing :

Beta Tau

Gamma Kappa

Gamma Delta

Delta

Eta

Upsilon

Gamma Theta

Gamma Zeta

Beta Pi

Phi, Boston University

In the midst of a delightful chaos of white tissue paper, Christmas gifts, and greeting cards, I suddenly woke up to the fact that I had not written a KEY letter for ages. "Must be about due!" said I to myself and the chaos about me. I took down my KEY and lo! the letter is due this very day and here I am at my Corona.

Phi chapter has been getting acquainted with its freshman addition to the family rapidly, spurred on by the comradeship of its new "house" which becomes more homelike with each month. We had a shower for it after one of the meetings not long ago and received everything from burnt-orange hangings, with lustre bowl and candles to match, to cutlery and towels. The alumnae presented the house with a divan of great beauty and comfort, built for four but capable of seven or eight on occasion! The pledges surprised us with their ambition and insisted on giving a piano, which, though not a Steinway, certainly does sound good to those who were keen to keep the large living-room floor polished between times.

At a meeting of the Graduate Club recently, held at the home of Emma Fall Schofield, "Known to Fame," the pledges gave a splendid musical program, an unusually large number being gifted along that line.

Last year Kirkie's program meetings were such a success that this year we are trying them again, but with a bit more practical subjects under consideration. After satisfying our pangs we all gather informally and have a talk given by some authority on vocations for women. We hope to have representatives from every field before the year is over. These talks are particularly interesting since those who speak usually have some connection either with Kappa or with college. We feel that since they have made good, there is a challenge for us to head straight for a high goal, too. We commend program meetings to all chapters not having them. They certainly do add to the value of the meeting.

ANABEL BARBER.

Beta Beta, St. Lawrence University

The eighteenth of September brought us back to a campus turning scarlet and brown, and a Lodge filled with flowers for our reception. In the midst of our joy at being together again, the first thought was of our alumnae who

had remodeled the entire back of the Lodge and equipped a brand new kitchen during the summer. No sympathy need be wasted on the freshmen after this.

The usual three weeks of rushing resulted in the pledging of Elsa Gunnison, '26, from Wellesley, Madeline Bishop, Jeanne Cornwall, Helen Farmer, Gene Lasher, Eleanor Perry, and Elizabeth Rice, of the class of '27.

The Province Convention at Syracuse was a source of inspiration to Beta Beta. Gertrude Wood, president, and Marion E. Higley were sent as delegates. They were entertained with Mrs. Westermann at the home of Mrs. Bray, Province President. The opportunity to become acquainted with National and Province Officers as well as the delegates from Cornell, Middlebury, Toronto and Boston, was deeply appreciated by our delegates. We were delighted at the report of Gamma Lambda, and Beta Psi's plans for the convention. Beta Tau's model initiation and the discussion which took up most of the second day of the convention so fired us with enthusiasm that we are planning a model initiation of our own. We expect Mrs. Westermann to visit us Nov. 9-11, and to have some part in the initiation service. We began the period of probation for the candidates last night by serenading Doris Pike, '25 and Helen Meany, '26.

Lambda Sigma, a local sorority, has been petitioning Delta Zeta. They are splendid girls; they have rented a house under great disadvantage, but find it hard to rush against the four nationals. We admire their courage so much that when Mrs. Littauer, the National Secretary of Delta Zeta, visited St. Lawrence, we had a tea for her and the Lambda Sigma chapter. The University is growing so rapidly we feel that another national chapter would be an asset.

With the end of the first term in sight, Beta Beta has been very busy getting ready for the Christmas vacation. This, however, has not prevented us from taking an active interest in student affairs. Georgia Peck, '26, was elected manager of the girls' basketball team, and Helen Meany, '26, made a part in one of the Mummer's plays.

Marion E. Higley, '25, went as delegate from the student body to the convention of the Women's Intercollegiate Association for Student Government at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, the week of Nov. 20. Seven Kappas who attended the convention as delegates from other colleges had a joyful opportunity to become acquainted with each other.

For some time the furniture in the Lodge has needed re-upholstering, so we resolved to take the matter into our hands. On Dec. 11 we held a Christmas sale of articles made by the girls and a card party and tea. As a result we have ninety dollars for the cause.

Recently we were shocked by the death of our beloved neighbor and alumna, Mrs. Williston Manley (Mary Atwood). She has always been interested in the active chapter, and in spite of failing health has ever maintained her loyalty as a Kappa. We have lost a true friend and a noble sister.

MARION E. HIGLEY.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

June 24 to July 2

Psi, Cornell University

We are happy to announce the addition of one more pledge to our group, Ruth Clark, of Cleveland Heights, Ohio. During the past few weeks we have been glad to receive as guests, Kappas from Beta Sigma, Gamma Rho and Beta Tau and we feel that any Kappas who are visiting in this part of the country will be more than welcome to stay at the house. Among our alumnae who have favored us with a visit recently are Dr. Mollie Crawford, Margaret Cuthbert, Helen Leary and Delphine Charles.

In the line of honors we are proud to say that Dorothy Dickinson, who is taking graduate work here, was named third in the contest for the Warren Prize in Architecture, offered yearly by the Beaux Arts Society of Architecture. Mary Yinger was selected to take a prominent part in the recent big production of the Women's Dramatic Club and she has distinguished herself as a member of the champion interclass basketball team.

Sunday evening before vacation we had a Christmas party with a most extraordinary tree and gifts. Our alumna, Sister Julia Melotte, surprised us with very artistic little calendars which she painted for us. The feature of the evening was the freshman stunt, a representation of popularity among Kappas. As a climax to the affair, our pledges presented the house with a very attractive mahogany floor lamp which we have been wanting for three years. With our new living-room curtains we certainly feel that we are coming up in the world.

BARBARA CHARLES.

Gamma Lambda, Middlebury College

Every Middlebury Kappa is saying, "One more week before vacation and a long sleep from morning 'til night, as well as from night 'til morning." "Things to be done" tread on each other's heels and time flies.

It doesn't seem long since we all had a "bacon bat" on a hillside facing west to the Adirondacks and the sunset, to celebrate Founders' Day. We love to get out of doors and sing around a fire and watch the sunsets from that favored hill of ours. We came back that night to hear "Midd., 6-Harvard, 6." I'll leave you to imagine what happened after that in the line of bonfires, and singing, until no more singing was possible.

After a long rushing period we pledged Jessie Covert, Elizabeth Hack, Margaret Sedgewick, Eleanor Smith and Blanche Walker, girls of whom we are proud. They gave a charming tea at the house for the other fraternity pledges after rushing was over.

Perhaps that "at the house" would bear explaining. We have a little white house set back from the street which we use for meetings, social affairs, etc., but in which we are not allowed to live because of the smallness of the college. I might add, all the other fraternities have rooms.

Pledging was followed by the initiation of eleven former Alpha Chis into Kappa. It is rather an inspiring thing to initiate these people who worked and dreamed so earnestly for the fraternity before us.

During the year we have different members of the faculty down to talk to us and find them helpful and much more human than on a class platform.

That reminds me that George P. Baker of Harvard spoke here the other day and I think every Kappa was there to appreciate him.

Gamma Lambda is having a real influence in almost every line of college activity. Y. W. C. A. is the strongest organization in the women's college under its Kappa leader. Athletics and Student Government are feeling the push of Kappa shoulders. One of our girls was sent to the Student Government Convention at Oberlin and two more are the Y. W. C. A. representatives to Indianapolis. We found letters for two varsity teams on one of the Kappa's desks and an election to head of tennis.

Maybe, because we're way up here in the mountains, people seem quite surprised to hear about Middlebury. At any rate, the President remembered us and a student from our mountain campus has gone to Washington to see the National Community Christmas Tree.

"Christmas, Christmas, I've a million things to do before then," such is the word on every hand. We've one happy break in the hurry and that's our Christmas party with the town mothers and alums, with the seniors as hostesses. We're planning to have each class give the house a Christmas present this year.

I'm afraid that considering her youth, Gamma Lambda has talked a great deal.

FRANCES M. HARDER.

Beta Psi, University of Toronto

If you could visit Beta Psi this winter you would find us talking about convention and the unique experience which we hope to have at Bigwin Inn next summer. Sometimes we discuss program, sometimes transportation; sometimes we even become quite worried for fear our American sisters will leave their knickers and camping clothes at home. Often we talk about songs and hope that other chapters will not hesitate to send us new ones for the convention Song Sheet. At one meeting the graduates visited us and we divided with them our responsibility and privilege.

We have so improved our chapter room with new curtains, cushions and homey touches that we are quite proud to hang our motto above the fireplace. It is inspiring to think that this cozy room may be honored by the presence of many Kappas before a year has passed.

Twice the regular chapter meeting has been preceded by a supper party. The first of these was enthusiastically planned and provided by the initiates.

As all were anxious to show the Kappa mothers our room and to meet the mothers of the initiates, we planned a Mothers' Tea early in November. Many of the girls are resident in Toronto so the tea was a decided success; the mothers loved our room and we loved the mothers.

During the fall and winter, Beta Psi has been endeavoring to cheer an unfortunate sister, Rose McGill, who is at Gravenhurst Sanitarium, by sending boxes of home-cooking, fruit, candy, and books. At Thanksgiving time a special box was planned and at Christmas, another.

Our college, Victoria, has gained recent victories on the athletic field of the University. The men's rugby team has won the Mulock Cup and the

women's basketball team, on which Beta Psi is well represented, has reached the finals.

There is very little more to say except to send sincere Christmas and New Year's greetings from Beta Psi to our American sisters, and to hope that you will plan right now to meet us at Bigwin next summer.

BETH HILTZ.

Beta Sigma, Adelphi College

We hope we may be excused if we begin this letter with a list of pledges. To Westerners who can take ten or more at once it may not seem long, but we assure you of the quality. Dorothy Davidson, Hempstead; Ruth Dutton of Jamaica; Gladys Fleming of New York; Irma Halvorsen, Roberta Stevenson and Thelma Van Norden all of Brooklyn. Last night they entertained the chapter and alumnæ at the Christmas supper meeting. We are convinced that dramatic talent is not lacking, in fact we're inclined to believe that it's quite present.

Our belief in the dramatic possibilities of our pledges seems to be well founded, as Ruth Dutton is to play "Titania" in the varsity play. Edith Hurd who is also dramatic president, is to play "Helena," and we hope when the cast is completed to find more Kappas on the list.

Christmas vacation will be a busy one, for we in our city college are here to welcome all the homecomers. Various college dances, the sophomore tea with Alice Hudson as the charming hostess, the chapter dance at Laura Doehler's, and a Christmas party for the alums at Hester Flynn Crowell's in Port Washington, keep the chapter busy.

Some of the girls are going away for all or part of vacation, but most of us are waiting for houseparty time. We hope to go to Buck Hill Falls for a week end after examinations. By dint of much planning and more persuading we expect to have quite a number of alumnæ with us. We never feel as if a houseparty were a success without a goodly number of alums there.

BETTY HORNE.

Beta Iota, Swarthmore College

Many nice things have happened to the Beta Iota Kappas since the last issue of THE KEY but the nicest, of course, is our splendid pledging in which nine freshmen participated: Elizabeth Viskniskki, Anna Rose Williams, Elizabeth Pugh, Hila Rounds, Elizabeth Miller, Marian Brown, Elizabeth Winchester, Marcia Perry, and Marian Pomenburg. Following the pledge services we had our annual pledge dinner at Strath Haven Inn, where the freshmen were introduced to Kappa songs for the first time. Our freshmen are filled with the real Kappa spirit and have shown much interest and enthusiasm in their pledge meetings. They have organized as pledges with a chairman and hold meetings of their own after the regular pledge meeting. They are going out for all college activities, three of them having made varsity squads this fall. The Sunday after pledging, our entire chapter was invited to Marcia Perry's home in the village for dinner. Again the bonds between the actives and the nine new pledges were greatly strengthened.

The active chapter has also gained many new honors this fall. Florence Hoskinson was elected manager of hockey for next year. Florence Green and Polly Pollard both received their "S" for athletics. Edith Nicely and Elizabeth Bartleson were elected to Campus Club and Dorothy Merrill was one of the two sophomore girls elected to English Club this year, which is one of the greatest honors in college. Ruth Evans as Chairman of the Social Committee of the Y. W. C. A. ran a successful Christmas bazaar. Alice Reddie was elected junior representative to the Student Government Conference held at Oberlin College.

Florence Green has just returned from a visit to Gamma Kappa chapter at William and Mary. She made us all quite envious with the stories of the wonderful times she had and also brought us many messages and greetings from our Gamma Kappa Sisters.

RUTH ANN EVANS.

Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania

A new rushing season, moved ahead from the two weeks before Christmas to the two weeks before Thanksgiving, enables us to present eight new pledges. They are, Ruth Capers, Louise Clarke, Elizabeth Cubbersley, Helen Keim, Ruth Magill, Elizabeth Sadler, Elizabeth Sutro, and Mary Morton Willis. All but Ruth Capers are freshmen. Ruth is a graduate student in English from Wheaton College. We feel that Wheaton did the just and honorable thing in sending us such a pledge-able person, inasmuch as we lost this year to Wheaton Grace Lippincott, a Kappa of the class of '25. Initiation, as under the old system, will not take place until February. Ruth Capers, however, does not fall under freshman regulations; so she will be initiated Wednesday, December 19 with all the Kappas very glad to receive her as a sort of first installment, and a very adequate one, on this year's list of new members.

All through rushing season, three of our actives presented a very sad and moving testimonial to their ability on the hockey field. "Timmy" Bohlen went about with her arm in a sling and a conquering smile on her face. Esther MacNeir had a fractured finger, and Zoe Ballagh, three broken teeth.

Besides the usual parties at rushing season, we have been having luncheon at the house on Fridays for all the Kappas who can come. It has proved a very pleasant way of getting together.

We are proud to announce that Thelma Harrison and Mary Siter have been appointed delegates to the Student Volunteer Convention in Indianapolis. They expect to depart in a cloud of dust two days after Christmas.

On the twenty-sixth, the day after Christmas, the actives are having a luncheon at which the pledges and the four Kappas away at other colleges will be special guests. Following the luncheon, we expect to entertain fifteen of the children from the Settlement House at a regular old-fashioned Christmas party, with games and presents and a tree, as well as all the other things, edible and non-edible, which go along with Christmas. We have been filling stockings also for the Y. W. C. A. for distribution among the children.

As a last festivity before the Christmas vacation, we are having a dance at the Hotel Rittenhouse on Dec. 21, the money from which is to go to the Student Aid Fund.

KATHERINE CAMPBELL.

Gamma Rho, Allegheny College

Gamma Rho is proud to announce the pledging of eleven girls, one a junior, Mary Latshaw, from Kansas City. We find it a mark of distinction to have two of our freshmen twins, Eleanor and Marion Bradford of Waynesburg. Sylvia Bingham of Cuyahoga Falls; Hazel Devereaux of Tidioute; Martha Bordwell of Warren; Louise McVicars of Tarentum; Elizabeth Wilson of Braddock; and Elizabeth Hammett, Catherine Hendershot, and Jeanette Schieck, all of Meadville, we consider great acquisitions to the fraternity.

Rushing season being over, we celebrated by a Hallowe'en dinner at Saegertown Inne, to which both the alumnae and active chapter came dressed in costume. A perfectly hilarious time ensued.

We have given two teas, one to the alumnae on the Homecoming Day of the college, and the other to the new sorority, Theta Upsilon, which has recently been organized here. On Dec. 15 our semi-annual party was held at Saegertown.

We have installed a system of calling, whereby each faculty member and alumna is called upon by at least two members of the fraternity, and it has worked easily and effectively.

We have received the announcement of the marriage of Betty Chase, '16, to David Conway, of Erie.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips (formerly Winnie Arnette, ex-'25) announce the arrival of a son.

But teas, parties, and announcements are not the only activities which absorb our attention. We are not lagging behind scholastically and our representation in outside activities is very creditable.

With this final toot of our horn, we close.

MARIAN WHIELDON.

Beta Upsilon, West Virginia University

After a very successful rushing week which ended Dec. 9, we sent bids to ten girls, all of whom accepted. We held our pledging service on Sunday, Dec. 16. The pledges are: Jessie Cunningham, Harriet Ulrich, Wheeling, W. Va.; Matilda Albright, Dorothy Kay, Morgantown, W. Va.; Elizabeth Bush, Katie Belle Abney, Charleston, W. Va.; Martha Dittman, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Alice McClintic, Marlinton, W. Va.; Dorothy McKay, Fairmont, W. Va.; Virginia Langfitt, Parkersburg, W. Va.

We feel that we have here an excellent group of girls, and we are expecting great things from them. We are very proud of the fact that Matilda Albright and Jessie Cunningham have already been selected as members of the Freshman Commission of the Y. W. C. A. This is a group of ten girls carefully chosen from the entire freshman class, and it is a distinct honor to be one of them.

The pledges have elected as their president, Katie Belle Abney of Charleston.

The chapter is now fully convinced that we have a real actress in our midst. Virginia Sweeney, who was in both of the dramatic club plays last year, is taking the part of "Dulcy" in the play by that name given by the club this year.

The cast is touring the state during the Christmas holidays, and will give the performance in Morgantown in January.

A matter which is occupying most of our attention on the campus now is the financial campaign for our new University Athletic Stadium, which is to cost about five hundred thousand dollars.. It is expected to be completed in time for the 1924 football season. The students are responding well and nearly all the Kappas have subscribed.

SARA MORGAN WATTS.

Lambda, Municipal University of Akron

In my last letter I said something about a Hallowe'en party we were planning then, so I might as well tell you how much of a success it was. We called it the "Hobo Hop" and from now on it will be an annual affair—regarded as the Lone Star Fish Fry and Z A E Fezzy Feast. The first Hobo Hop was held in an old barn which we decorated with corn stalks, hay, pumpkins and all sorts of Hallowe'en decorations. The only light was furnished by pumpkin jack o' lanterns and red oil lamps neither of which gave out much light. The orchestra was an accordion and drums, the players being dressed as hobos to lend atmosphere. Everyone danced Virginia Reels and square dances. It was highly applauded the best dance on the campus for a long time.

After that one pledge dance, we became intent on our scholastic work. We've really put through on little else. We did have another rummage sale. But I won't go into detail over this one because it rained both days and people couldn't come out.

Alice Palmer, who has dropped out of school, is "giving a wedding" Dec. 29. She is marrying Patty Jordon from New York. He formerly went to this school and was a Lone Star while here. He is also a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity at Brown University. The whole chapter is thrilled and is busy showering tin pans and buckets on her.

Dec. 15 was our rushing party. We started the evening with a formal dinner at the City Club. We all powdered our hair and tried to look as much as possible like Colonial ladies. For favors we had Colonial perfume dolls and tiny nosegays. Candles and roses were used for decorations. After dinner we took the eight rushees to Amelia Smith's house, where about twenty alumnae were waiting for us. The rest of the evening, stunts were all we had to offer. Somehow it was conceded a good party by the rushees, the "Alums," and us.

Saturday night after the rushing party, we had a slumber party for actives at "Dotty" Armstrong's house. Sunday we had initiation. At this time I take pleasure in presenting to you seven new wearers of the key: Nola Pfeifle, Audra Carnahan, Eunice Shea, Margaret Reed, Virginia Smith, Grace Chevreux and Francis Osborne.

Saturday, Dec. 22 is pledge day. I'm sorry this letter just misses it but I'll tell you next time about the luck we have.

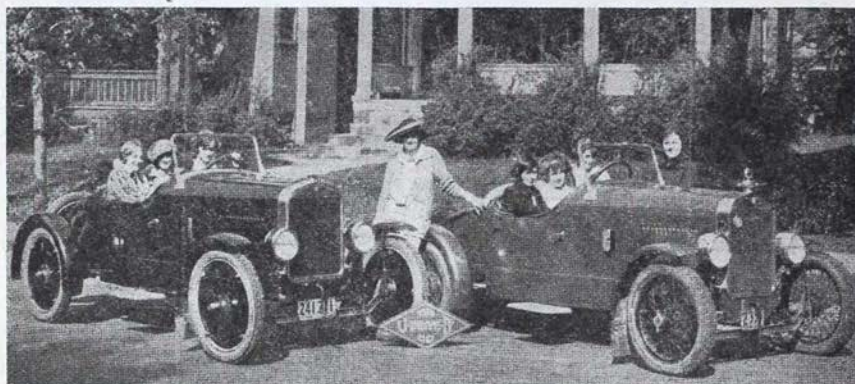
ELEANOR OLMSTED.

*CONVENTION June 24 to July 2, Bigwin Inn, Lake of Bays,
Ontario, Canada*

Beta Nu, Ohio State University

First of all, Beta Nu wishes to introduce seventeen new pledges: Jane Billison, Carmen Koop, Ne Wa Ta Winn, Mary Morrison, Catherine Morrison, Ruth Semans, Thelma Hughes, Wileen Ludwig, Bernice Barton, Margaret Jacobs and Mildred Wells of Columbus; Helen Smith, Bessemer, Ala.; Helen Bliss Enderlin, Chillicothe, Ohio; Anita Hoffman, Cleveland, Ohio; Evelyn Crossan, Zanesville, Ohio; Virginia Barr, Youngstown, Ohio, and Anne Fredericks of Coshocton, Ohio.

Soon after the thrills of pledge day, came the beauty of initiation. On Nov. 3, six girls were initiated: Ruth Hinshaw, Winchester, Ind.; Louise Bond, Cleveland, Ohio; Josephine Coppock, Greenville, Ohio; and Lillian Maetzel, Frances Davis and Nan Newton of Columbus. Following the initiation, the chapter entertained with a breakfast in honor of the new members.



A FEW BETA NUS—CHAPTER-HOUSE IN BACKGROUND

We have been trying hard to raise our scholastic standing and we feel that we have taken a step upward, for we had four girls on the honor roll for last year—and best of all *our* Nin Heinlein had honorable mention at the Panhellenic Banquet for having second highest grades. It is encouraging but we are still working hard for we want to see the scholarship cup shining as *our* trophy in *our* house!

The Student Council Christmas Bazaar which is an annual event, was held Dec. 8. Every girls' organization has a booth and this year there were twenty-five groups competing for the cup which is awarded to the best booth. They are judged on the basis of originality and attractiveness and we simply searched our brains for novel ideas but at last someone really had a brilliant thought! The result of this was a shadowy, mysterious den, fashioned from looted silks, cheese-cloth, and lighted by flickering tallow candles in rum, coca-cola, I think, bottles. Within, ferocious pirates, Captain Kidd variety, presided over old sea chests filled with jewels, choker beads, and silks, batiked handkerchiefs. The effect was really quite gorgeous we thought, the judges agreed, and we won the cup!

Beta Nu is rather well represented in activities. Isabel Lock was appointed to senior membership on the Pomerene board of control. This committee has complete charge of Pomerene Hall, our new women's building. We have two girls on Freshman Council and three on Freshman Y. W. C. A. Cabinet. Margaret Speaks has charge of the University Girls' Quartet. Frances Davis is president of Browning, Evelyn Ennes is on W. A. A. board and Mary Collicott is president of Chimes, which is the girls' junior honorary organization.

We have nine girls in the house this year and Isabel Fuller's mother is our adored guardian and chaperon. The alumnae have presented us with lots of new "pretties" for the house for which we are truly grateful.

We launched our pledges on the social sea, Friday, Dec. 14, with a semi-formal dance in their honor. We have retired to seclusion to cram for examinations which under our quarter plan, begin next week.

Rebecca Martin, ex-'24, of Columbus, left Thanksgiving night for Honolulu, where she was married on Dec. 12 to Arthur R. Brown.

ANNE WIAINT.

Beta Rho, University of Cincinnati

On Oct. 23, Beta Rho pledged Isabel Affleck, Fritzie May Baker, Nell Case, Emily Evans, Catherine Garretson, Lucille Gassman, Doris Gifford, Helen Hey, Pauline Johnson, Dorothy Lewis, Elinor Wikoff of Trenton, N. J., and Marguerite Wyckoff. You know, of course, what we think of them; we refrain from saying it because of what we hear of bromides. Without any suggestions from the actives, the pledges showed their initiative by giving a tea for the pledges of the other sororities on Dec. 15. We are glad to see a fraternal spirit developing in them so early in their college life.

Many honors have come to Kappa since the beginning of school. Senior class vice-president, junior secretary, sophomore vice-president and freshman vice-president are all Kappas. We also claim the presidency of Y. W. C. A., Mummies, Art Club, Women's Debate Club, Mystic 13, the vice-presidency of Women's League, and Literary Society. To tell any more would be boasting.

Saturday, Nov. 24, the Alumnae Association gave its annual bridge-bazaar. Over ninety tables were sold and the profit, after all expenses were paid, amounted to \$400.00. Part of this goes to a local charity and the remainder to the house fund. This year we have tried the system of having two alumnae delegates at each active meeting. The result is better co-operation, for the alumnae are able to keep in touch with what we are doing. Plans are now on foot for a joint rummage sale, by which we hope to make so much money as to put us in the "rising millionaire" class. Then too, we hope to edit a chapter paper in the spring, a copy of which will be sent to each alumna. The association has also offered to pay half the expenses to convention of the best all-around girl in the chapter, that is, on the basis of grades and activities.

There are to be several Kappa festivities during the holidays. First and most important is the annual Christmas Formal, this year a supper-dance at Maketewah Country Club. Then there is the usual Open House on New Year's Day, and the Christmas party which is a get-together for just Kappas. We have to play while we can, for after Christmas work will begin in dead earnest—for

the freshmen, the last stride towards making their grades, and for the rest of us, an effort to increase our scholarship.

Recent engagements are those of Harriett Wesche to Cornelius Hauch, ΣK , and Ruth Punshon to Herbert Schroth, $\Delta T \Delta$.

HELEN B. WEHMANN.

Beta Chi, University of Kentucky

Since the pledging of its freshmen, Beta Chi has had much to be proud of from old and new new girls alike.

First, however, I must tell you of the honor which has come to Sarah Blanding, a last year's senior who was president of the chapter. She began this year as assistant Dean of the University and upon the marriage last month of Dean Jewell, she has succeeded to the position of Acting Dean of the University. We feel that this is something which Kappa may well be proud of and that one of our girls stands foremost among the women on the campus.

From the active chapter, Frances Smith has, for the second time, been voted one of the six most beautiful girls in college. Elizabeth Cromwell has made Phi Upsilon Omicron, honorary Home Economics fraternity.

Margaret Owens, one of our pledges, distinguished herself and us by being chosen to sing the leading rôle in *Martha*, the opera given by the Music Department. Three of our girls, Mary Beard, Janet McVey, and Edwina Morrow took part in the chorus while Elizabeth Cromwell planned and designed all the costumes worn by the cast.

In class elections we were well represented for Mary Peterson is vice-president and Minnie Benton Peterson is assistant secretary of the senior class. Esther Gilbert was chosen vice-president of the junior class and Janet McVey is vice-president of the sophomore class.

A benefit bridge was given by the alumnae in Lexington to swell the Kappa building fund. The active chapter and all the pledges attended the party and took interesting packages which were auctioned off to the highest bidder. Nearly a hundred dollars was raised for the fund in an afternoon.

Now we are all looking forward to the Christmas holidays and we want to wish to all our sisters a very merry Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.

ISABEL BENNETT.

Iota, De Pauw University

Iota has made a wonderful start this year by pledging fifteen splendid girls who have already acquired the Kappa spirit. We are now anxiously waiting the day when we can put the key on these girls: Elizabeth Wentworth of Chicago, Louise Quinn of Oak Park, Ill.; Louise Shugart and Sara Poucher of Rochester, Penn.; Caroline Theinhardt of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Martha Walker of Pekin, China; Julia VanCleve of Evansville, Ind.; Myrna Pace of Duluth, Minn.; Lois Luther of Brazil, Ind.; Helen Preston of Austin, Texas; Mary E. Paddock of Springfield, Mass.; Elizabeth Hiel of Louisville, Ky.; Dorothy Smith of Goshen, Ind.; Mary K. Souders of Kokomo, Ind., and Blanche Bicknel and Anabel McWethy of Greencastle.

The freshmen have already proven themselves active and have made quite a name for themselves on the campus. They have given a tea for all freshmen women in the University and are now busily working on their freshmen stunt. At Open House, too, they distinguished themselves as perfect hostesses.

Old Gold Day brought many of our alumnae back and we saw to it that none of them failed to see the new chapter-house which is nearing completion. According to the contractors, we will be able to move in about the first of February. Even the old house, however, came in for its share of honors. In a contest for the best decorated sorority house, the Kappa House took first place. In the Musical Comedy given, four of our girls had important rôles. The entire week end was given over to meeting old friends and renewing acquaintances and we hated to see it go.

Iota is taking an active part in campus activities and working hard to make this year the best ever. Two of our seniors are members of Mortar Board, a Kappa is the vice-president of the Women's Athletic Association, one of our juniors is president of Y. W. C. A. and there are Kappas to be found in almost every organization on the campus.

The one thing towards which we are bending every effort now, is to regain the scholarship cup which we lost by a very small percentage. We know we will get it, for there is a place on the mantel in the new house just made for it.

To every chapter in the land, Iota sends a Christmas greeting.

KATHERINE McMILLEN.

Mu, Butler College

We are happy to add the name of Mildred Johns of Indianapolis to our pledge list.

On Dec. 17 the active chapter and alumnae were entertained by the Annual Pledge Stunt. All the spectators thought it was the best ever produced which made it unanimous for, of course, all the participants agreed with them. There were many clever and original ideas in it, well set forth. Among the best acts was the Kappa Trio, composed of Anne Cunningham, cello, Maude Custer, violin, and Marthe Belle Pierce, piano. We are indeed proud of the Trio, which produces such wonderful music. The other pledges who took part in the stunt are: Mildred Johns, Esther Johnson, Dorothy Clayson, Eloise Owings, Ruth Anne Clark, Lucyle Sperry, Mary Martha Lewis, Mary McGinnis, Mary Biggerstaff, Emily Brossman, Eugenia Coval, Mary Kinneman, and Lydia Bates.

The customary pledge dance for the actives was held on the fourteenth of December. It was a Hard Times dance and everyone had such a good time laughing over the weird costumes, relics of bygone days or creations of imagination, which appeared.

The sophomore members of the fraternity surprised us delightfully by literally showering the chapter with gifts for the house. Among them was a Windsor chair, an end table, a crest, book-ends and many other little things which were needed and which give the house an attractive appearance. The sophomores couldn't have chosen a better time to present them, for they arrived in time to touch up the house for the House Warming at which the chapter entertained the students and faculty of Butler College.

Mu chapter is working hard to gain the place of honor at the head of the scholarship list at Butler this semester. We think we have a good chance to win the cup for which we have been working during the last few years.

Once a month, the alumnae prepare the spread at the chapter-house in the evening, the proceeds of which are spent on the house. We certainly appreciate their kindness and are glad to have this opportunity to become better acquainted with them. This month we turned the spread into a delightful Christmas party, at which we sang Christmas songs and prepared baskets for needy families.

Our Christmas dance this year will be held on Dec. 19, at the Lincoln Hotel. We hope many alumnae and friends from other chapters will be able to come.

CATHERINE UNDERWOOD.

Beta Delta, University of Michigan

Once again it is time to write you all about what we of Beta Delta have been doing. Really I have so much to say that I don't know where to begin. Michigan is such a busy place and of course we have had our share in its many activities.

First, if you don't mind, I am going to speak about athletics for we now have a fine silver cup on the cabinet in our front hall of which we are very proud. We were presented with this cup after we had won the girls' hockey championship of the campus. After winning the intersorority contest we had to play the winner of the dormitory contest, Betsy Barbour. You should have seen that game! There were a large number of spectators who witnessed the triumphing of the Blue and Blue including a number of our patronesses. Elizabeth Ranck, '25, managed the team and was one of the best players. A number of our new pledges proved themselves very adept with the hockey stick and we are looking forward to many more good games next year. Plans are now being made for the basketball season.

Our fall initiation was held the afternoon of Friday the sixteenth of November when we took seven new sisters into our chapter: Alice Allen, Detroit, Mich.; Elizabeth Beard, Northville, Mich.; Mary Carter, Manila, P. I.; Geneva Ewing, Colfax, Ind.; Louise Humphreys, Van Wert, Ohio; Elizabeth Haskell, Detroit, Mich., and Elizabeth Olmsted, Danville, Ill. After the ceremony a banquet was held at the house with many of our alumnae present including Miss Marian Ackley, National Vice-president.

On Oct. 20, among the large number of football enthusiasts who came with their team from Ohio State were a number of Kappas, and Beta Delta had the pleasure of entertaining a few of them at luncheon and as many as could come to tea after the game.

The evening of Nov. 2, Beta Delta entertained for their seventeen pledges at a formal dance and reception.

Twice this fall we have entertained members of the faculty at tea on Sunday evening. We find it very enjoyable to meet these people in a social way in our own house. We have enjoyed, too, having Mrs. Adams, the wife of the new custodian of the Clements Library, in Ann Arbor. Mrs. Adams was a Kappa at Swarthmore and has been much interested in us all.

We all felt greatly honored when June Knisley, '25, was elected to Wyvern, the junior honor society. June also had an important part in *One Thousand*

Years Ago, a Masques production presented at the Hill Auditorium. Katherine Kelder, '27, one of our pledges, was elected vice-president of the Freshmen Girls' Glee Club, and Catherine Mellon, '26, was on the decoration committee for the first Panhellenic Ball given Nov. 30.

Considerable interest has been shown by the Beta Delta girls in the Y. W. C. A. workshop where Christmas gifts for the hospital children were made. Among other things we dressed dolls and made scrapbooks. The night before we departed for the holidays, we had our annual Christmas party when we entertained two poor little crippled children at dinner and a Christmas tree and bought them gifts. We also drew names and bought each other a ten cent present which we presented with a bit of poetry.

And now it is Christmas time again and, as it's almost too late to wish you all a merry Christmas we send you our very best wishes for a most happy and prosperous New Year.

LOUISE ELIZABETH LALLOWAY.

Xi, Adrian College

Xi chapter hopes that all her sister Kappas will accept the apology she extends for her negligence in regard to chapter letters in the last two issues of THE KEY.

Xi opened this college year with but four active members and one pledge on the campus. Before college closed in the spring we pledged Eula Smith of Blue Rock, Ohio. However, we were not to be discouraged by lack of numbers, in fact it only added interest and enthusiasm.

The week preceding bid day we, assisted by our ever loyal alumnae, entertained at a series of parties. Our first was a week end lake party in the Irish Hills, our second an informal evening spent at the home of the girls, our third a formal progressive dinner with the opening course served in the fraternity rooms, the second course at our New Lenawee Hotel and the following courses at homes of the girls.

Kappa standards and ideals spoke their own words of welcome with the result that [REDACTED] six of the most promising girls in college responded to the call of the Blue and Blue on bid day, Oct. 19.

They are Ruth Baylis of Canton, Ill., and Beryl Hayford, Etha Smith, Dorothy Hanover, Lucile Koehn and Dorice Smith of Adrian, Mich.

Although Xi's numbers are small, she is certainly carrying her share of the honors on the campus. Hildreth Gasner, our president, is vice-president of Student Union, Margaret Osgood is French Club president and Dramatic Club vice-president. Miss Osgood is a popular member of the Dramatic Club and has distinguished herself in many plays and E. Ross is vice-president of junior class. Miss Ross is also interior decorator for one of the leading department stores in Adrian. Leona Spielman is social editor of the *College World*, oratorical secretary and class treasurer.

Several of our pledges, too, have already done honor to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Ruth Baylis and Beryl Hayford have well displayed their dramatic ability in a series of one act plays given by the Dramatic Club, Dec. 14. Etha Smith is a member of the *College World* staff and Dramatic Club treasurer, Dorice

Smith is French Club secretary and Eula Smith is house-president and Y. W. C. A. secretary.

On Nov. 17, following the Hillsdale-Adrian game, the members of Kappa chapter were dinner guests in the chapter rooms. How proud we were to be wearers of the Golden Key! How thrilled some of us felt, to be for the first time greeting sister Kappas of a sister chapter.

When Xi reads of the enthusiastic reports of her sister chapters, their houses owned and furnished, it is but natural that she, too, should have a longing for one of her own. Yet we in our enthusiastic way are redecorating and refurnishing our chapter-rooms and surely, nothing could possibly look so well to us as our freshly painted woodwork and our enameled and stenciled breakfast set—themselves proof of our own laborious toil.

Winged cupid has stealthily descended into our midst, and, having loosed his poisonous shafts, has taken away from us and from Adrian too, two of the most worthy Kappas that Xi has had occasion to boast.

In July, Miss Elizabeth H. Howell, delegate to convention of 1922, became the bride of Wallace J. Page. Zeta Psi, from the University of Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Page are making their home in Ottawa, Ill.

In the summer, Miss Alice W. Baldwin, student of University of Wisconsin 1922-23, was married to John N. Warren, Sigma Chi, of the University of Wisconsin. Mr. and Mrs. Warren are leaving soon after the holidays for their new home in Rapid City, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sudborough (Winifred Stevens) announce the arrival of a daughter, Winifred Francis.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lutz (Helen Rankin) also announce the birth of a daughter, Marion Lowilla.

Two future Kappas for Xi we hope.

This year has been an exceptionally busy one for Xi thus far. We have had remarkable success in the sale of Christmas cards, each girl selling nearly fifty. We are certainly grateful that we are able to keep the profit for ourselves.

Xi sends best wishes for the New Year to all her sister chapters.

Kappa, Hillsdale College

We of Kappa chapter had thought that excitement ran high when we moved into a new chapter-house, but even the new home has been, for the time, just a bit submerged in a round of activities of which we never dreamed during the first part of the year.

On Dec. 8, the chapter gave its annual fall party—a very pretty informal, where owls and fleur-de-lis reigned supreme.

It was upon the evening of the party—how well do we remember the incident!—that Marion V. Ackley motored from Detroit to Hillsdale to pay Kappa a very brief, but such a worth-while, visit. Never can those of us who talked with her forget some of the real things she said,—so full of common sense, of practicality, yet radiating a Kappa spirit and insight which could not but inspire every girl in the chapter. There was a new feeling among the members after Miss Ackley had left us, a feeling of warmth and of loyalty to Kappa and to each other, which will most certainly show itself in Kappa chapter's accomplishments and joys from now on. Watch us and see!

Meanwhile, pledging drew nearer and nearer, and now that it is over, we cannot help but wonder just how much positive happiness can be brought to a chapter in a group of new girls, for we know that our happiness can be spoken of only in the superlative degree. And now we can "hardly wait" to see our new girls become more and more firmly a part of us, until initiation-time comes around—when they will actually *be* a part.

About Nov. 2, a certain well-known young man, an A T Ω by fraternity, came to spend a day or two in Hillsdale,—whereupon our Alice Bach announced her engagement to Bill Beck! That was not many weeks ago. and when we stop to think of all that has happened since then—our breath is temporarily taken away. For on Dec. 15 Emily Blackman's Tracy Stafford, likewise an Alpha Tau Omega, came to visit "the school"—and Emily wore a diamond! To prove that even the most calm among us is not love-proof, Elsa Smith donned a jeweled Maltese cross upon pledge-night—'tis from Donald Barringer. And was this to be all? Ah, no—for Cecile Clark gave us the most surprising of the surprises by announcing her intention of marrying Edmund Arnold, a Delta Tau Delta. And such is life in Kappa chapter at present; it has come to such a pass that every sister looks upon every other sister as a possible engagement-announcer—and almost fears to leave the chapter-house for fear another engagement might be announced in her absence! Yet those of us who claim to be heart-whole and fancy-free are still in the majority—and swear to remain so. But we shall see.

At any rate, Kappa chapter simply radiates enthusiasm about fraternities in general and K K Γ in particular, and we vow that our accomplishments shall keep up with our spirit.

Such a happy New Year to everyone!

LEILA AUGUR.

Chi, University of Minnesota

Chi's new freshmen are: Mary McCabe, Margaret Dickinson, Mary Truesdell, Marion Bailey, Irma Stevens, Lucille Andrews, Winnifred Bosshard, Lorraine Long, Mary Hurd, Margaret Tryon, Helen Stutz and Alice Griffin. Mary McCabe has been elected vice-president of Bib and Tucker, the freshman girls' organization, and Margaret Dickinson secretary of the same organization. Mary McCabe has also been taken into the Players' Dramatic Club.

Several girls have gone away to school this year. Nancy Nunnally is attending school in the east, Mildred Freng is at Simmons, Marian Abbott is at Mount Holyoke, Betty Miller at Vassar, and Mary Orlady, Ruth Murray and Marion Cross are at Smith. We were very glad to welcome Mary Whitehead from St. Lawrence University who is attending Minnesota this year.

Betty Anderson, '21, was married to Cecil McCale last spring.

Isobel Rising, '22, was married to Richard Pillsbury Gale last August.

Winifred Alys Sanders, '22, was married to Percival Lloyd in October.

Last, but not at all least, in Chi news is our scholarship rating. After having talked scholarship and thought scholarship and fairly dreamed scholarship all last year, we had the supreme satisfaction of rising from fourteenth place on the list, way up to third! There are rumors about, that for this stupendous rise, some appreciative right-thinking group is about to present us with a silver

cup and, whether there is any truth in this talk or not, just to be on the safe side, we have come to a final decision that the center of the mantel would be the proper, as well as the most conspicuous, spot for a scholarship cup.

BETTY HUNT.

Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan

The weeks roll on and the last of the semester draws near bringing thoughts of initiation. Epsilon regrets the temporary loss of one of our pledges, Alice Light, who is spending the winter in Europe with her aunt, Margaret Illington. She expects to return to school early in the spring. On Nov. 12, Rachel Hodge gave a farewell party in her honor for the actives and pledges.

Other social affairs that Epsilon has enjoyed in the last month have been a spread on Dec. 7 at the home of Ina Stover Holliday, '23, followed by a theater party, and a party at the "Y" hut on Dec. 17, to which each of us invited a non-sorority girl or a member of another sorority. After a delicious supper the pledges entertained with a clever stunt, "Little Black Sambo."

Plans are complete for our annual Christmas formal which is to be at the Bloomington Club on Dec. 22. Elizabeth Munson, Chi Omega, of Kansas State, who is in school this year at Wesleyan, will be our guest that night besides a number of Kappa alumnae.

"Dad" Elliot, the noted religious worker among college students, was at the Wesleyan Dec. 11-13. On Dec. 10 all the sororities on the campus held special prayer services for the success of his work.

Helen Dooley, '25, is doing splendid work this year as editor-in-chief of the *Wesleyana*. Eleanor Read, '25, is secretary of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet, and Lucile Hyneman, '24, is president of the English Coffee Club. One of our pledges, Teresa Colteaux, '27, is the freshman representative on the Student Council. An active worker on the Pep Committee is Dorothy Parker, '24.

The following girls are members of the Girls' Glee Club. Rachel Hodge, Mildred Green, Margaret Bruton, Teresa Colteaux.

Wesleyan's Homecoming on Nov. 17 was the most successful one ever staged on the campus. Much credit is due to the persevering work of the various committees on which a number of our girls served. The "Kappa Kandy Kitchen" at the carnival cleared thirty-two dollars for the Student Council.

LUCILE HYNEMAN.

Beta Lambda, University of Illinois

Beta Lambda is in the midst of a busy year. A large number of our alumnae came back for Homecoming this year and we had a splendid reunion. They presented us with three lovely pieces of furniture for our living-room, a console table, a windsor chair and an end table. Dads' Day too was delightful although due to pressing engagements several could not come.

Several weeks ago we gave a very successful movie benefit, raising two hundred and ten dollars (\$210.00). Our Christmas sale was the most successful in several years. Our proceeds from it were two hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$225.00).

December 15, we had a Christmas dance at the chapter-house.

The freshmen are all working hard in their studies and on campus. Dixie Dunham was pledged Illiola, a campus literary society. Mary Smock is on freshman commission and also is on the executive committee of the Blue Feather, a freshman organization. The basketball and bowling seasons have begun and we hope to have splendid teams in both.

CLARE MARTIN.

Sigma, University of Nebraska

On the night of Sigma's Christmas tree we wish all Kappas a very Merry Christmas and a most successful New Year.

Our annual Christmas celebration was held at the house on Dec. 18. An immense Christmas tree and the holly wreaths, which formed the decorations were the gift of the father of one of the freshmen. The house was crowded with actives, pledges and alumnæ. There were joke gifts and poetry for the actives, real gifts for the house, a new fraternity pin with its accompanying five-pound box of candy, and the best "Freshman Stunt" ever given. Altogether it was a most successful evening.

Since our last KEY letter the regular routine of school has kept us busy. At the time of the Homecoming football game, we entertained Kappas from Omega and several of our girls visited Theta when we played Missouri.

Nov. 10, the day of the Notre Dame game, was "Dads' Day" at the University and Sigma entertained her dads at luncheon before the game. A song, composed for the occasion by one of the freshmen, was sung and was greatly appreciated by the dads. This is to be an annual event.

At the close of the football season, there are two all-University events to which to look forward. Both take place on the same night—the Men's Cornhusker Banquet and the Girls' Cornhusker Party. The latter was held in the armory on Dec. 14. It is a costume party and stunts are given by the various organizations. Sigma chapter went as Santa Claus and his Doll Shop.

On Dec. 15, we had a Christmas house-dance and our formal is scheduled for Jan. 25.

After the holidays it is only a short time until the end of the semester and then initiation, and the hopes of the freshmen realized.

ROSANNA B. WILLIAMS.

Omega, Kansas State University

On Sept. 22, Omega chapter pledged the following girls: Martha Sharron, Ottawa; Dorothy Gage, Eula Brown, Helen Grovier and Margaret Eagan, Hutchinson; Irvine Scott, Gainesville, Tex.; Imogene Hoit, Cordelia Lacoff, and Seraphim Holcomb, Kansas City; Marcella Schwinn, Wellington; Margaret Jones, Joplin, Mo.; Catherine Allen, Topeka; Meredith Willett, Independence; Ruth DeLano, Fulton.

Our rush week was a grand success, and much of the credit belongs to one of our alumnæ, Leone Forney Little, who acted as rush captain.

On Sept. 30, special initiation was held for Edith Frye.

Many honors have come to Omega chapter this fall. The greatest of these was the election of Janet Simons to Phi Beta Kappa. She was one of five students chosen at the fall election. Nelle Carey, Eula Brown, and Ruth DeLano

made the Women's Glee Club; Mary Outland was elected to Pen and Scroll; Janet Simons to Pi Lambda Theta, honorary educational fraternity; and Edla Root to the Botany Club. In the annual Fashion Show given by W. S. G. A., Eula Brown had the lead, and Dorothy Gage and Meredith Willett had prominent parts. Nelle Carey, Leah Floyd, Eula Brown, and Cordelia Lacroff were in the musical comedy, *Betty-Lou*, given Dec. 14-15. The costumes for the Fashion Show were in charge of Dorothy Anne Cheney, and for *Betty-Lou* they were designed and made by Alice Chapman.

On Nov. 3, the upperclassmen gave their annual dance for the pledges at the chapter-house. As usual this was a most successful party. On Dec. 8, we had a tea for all the faculty of the University. This was our first faculty tea, but we hope to make it an annual affair. The annual Christmas Dinner and "Freshman Farce" is to be given Dec. 19, and we are all looking forward to it with much pleasure in spite of the fact that the farce is the freshmen's opportunity to get even with the upperclassmen!

The appearance of our house has been considerably improved this fall by the addition of a new rug and lamp for the living-room, and new furniture for the chapter-room. Our house is no longer the only one to the south of the University. The Phi Gamma Deltas have their new home just across the street, the Sigma Kappas just moved into their new house very near us, and the Phi Delta Thetas are expecting to move into their new home, east of us, Jan. 1.

Our football team just finished their most successful season in years, and tied with Nebraska for championship of the Missouri Valley Conference.

The University has been making many improvements this fall. The Administration Building has just been completed, a beautiful new library is being built, and the paving completed. All of these improvements have helped to make our campus one of the most beautiful in the country.

LEAH F. COYD.

Gamma Alpha, Kansas State Agricultural College

We have been very busy the past month with both social affairs and college work. The main thought in our minds now is Christmas and the holidays, and everyone is anxious for a vacation.

On Oct. 15, we entertained with a Thimble Party for our house-mother, Mrs. N. A. Miller. On Oct. 27, we gave a Hallowe'en dinner-dance at the chapter-house. We are having our annual tree and party for girls Monday, Dec. 17, and our pledges are giving us a house-dance Dec. 19. We are planning our Formal Party for Feb. 15.

A new pledge was added to the roll during the past month, Mary Lee Keath of Chillicothe, Mo.

Several members of Gamma Alpha have achieved honors since the last letter to THE KEY. Polly Hedges was elected to Omicron Nu, Home Economics scholarship fraternity, and Xi, senior girls' political organization. Polly has also been nominated as one of the most popular girls in college. Melba Stratton made the junior hockey team and Marjorie Hubner made the Girls' Glee Club. Irene Martin and Clarabel Grover made Freshmen Commission, honorary

Y. W. C. A. organization for freshmen girls. Irene Martin, Elizabeth Hanna and Ruth Wilson are serving on Stadium Drive committees. Louise Wann has been placed on the Discipline Committee of the S. S. G. A. and Robina Manley is sophomore representative on Student Council of S. S. G. A. We are very proud of the way in which our freshmen are entering into activities on the hill.

INGOVAR LEIGHTON.

Gamma Iota, Washington University

The month of November has been somewhat of a studious one, at any rate the grades of both actives and pledges are in splendid shape. The hockey season is over and two of our girls are heads of the winter sports, Agnes Price, soccer, and Ethel Johnston, basketball.

Members of Theta chapter came down for the "Mizzou" game and were with us at our Homecoming tea.

Several events of interest to the campus at large are worth recording. The installation of Phi Mu took place in November, bringing the total number of sororities up to seven. At present, plans are under way whereby, with the aid of fraternity women, the non-fraternity group intend to organize. The establishment of such an organization will meet a great need in the University.

The chapter is enjoying a series of discussions conducted by different members upon fraternity ideals. These talks are held every other week after the regular meeting. The monthly supper is our one regular social event and we wish you might all "drop in" on these hilarious occasions.

EULA TOWLE.

Theta, University of Missouri

Politics upon the campus of Missouri University of this season are overshadowed by Dramatics. Theta chapter is well represented in this type of activity. "The Missouri Workshop" recently staged *Seven Keys to Baldpate* and Dorothy Durst and Virginia Farrington, two of our pledges, were cast in important feminine rôles which they interpreted delightfully. Laura Stephens and Edith Arcularius are in the speaking cast of the Journalism play *The Love Jewel*, which is soon to be presented. Mary Plumb is in the chorus and Olivia Noel has written some of the music for the play. Word was received recently that "Ginger" and "Torch" Rodgers, our two sisters who have starred in theatricals throughout their college career, and who, until this year have been our chief entertainers, are playing in Keith's Circuit in an act of their own. We are all anxiously waiting to see them when they come to Kansas City or St. Louis.

Mildred MacIntosh, our chapter head, who is also president of the Woman's Self-governing Association represented the University women at the U. S. G. A. Conference held in Oberlin, Ohio. Isabelle Stepp was crowned queen at the annual "Scoop" dance given by the Journalism School, an honor of which to be proud.

Our chapter was awarded twenty-five dollars for collecting the most subscriptions for the *Savitar*, the school annual. This prize went toward a beautiful gate-leg table and pair of torchieres which greatly improve our hall.

The pledges gave the most successful party of the year in honor of the upper-



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classmen. It was a dinner-dance to which the initiated girls only, brought dates, while the freshmen acted as "stags." Their stunt which they presented recently was a large success and all of the clever take-offs won enthusiastic approval.

An announcement was received of the birth of Margaret Anderson, Nov. 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Johnston. Mrs. Johnston was formerly Margaret Anderson, '16.

Theta chapter extends the Season's Greetings to Kappa Kappa Gamma.

MARY ELIZABETH POLK.

Beta Zeta, University of Iowa

Beta Zeta returned again to the joys of pursuing a higher education at the University of Iowa, with new resolves this fall. We want a new chapter-house and with all means that we can find, we are setting out to get it. Every girl spent much time and at least four dollars, earned by herself, this summer in preparing articles for a Kappa bazaar. We might add that, with the aid of our alumnæ in Iowa City, we put over the bazaar with the greatest possible success and though our coffers are not running over, still it was of help.

We returned to what at first seemed a depleted household, because seventeen of Beta Zeta either received a degree in June or could not return to Iowa. Therefore rushing was conducted with a new vim resulting in the pledging of nine of the finest, of course. We hail as wearers of Sigma in Delta, Ellen Green of Sioux City, Phyllis Day of Oskaloosa, Dorothy Ellis and Lenore Newcome of Iowa City, Marion Rambo of Ottumwa, Katherine Copeland of Chariton, Dorothy Dodd of Fort Madison, Mildred Campbell of Oskaloosa and Josephine Engle of Tulsa, Okla.

The four latter we hastened to draw into our sisterly embrace by initiation on Dec. 9, 1923.

We have with us this year three of those beings, whom we are pleased to call professors, but whom the world calls graduate instructors. Ophelia Miller is in the French Department, Maurine Yaggy in Spanish, and Grace Gill is instructing in freshman English.

In the dramatic world, one of our initiates of last spring distinguished herself in the leading rôle of "Elsie" in a University Theater production of *To The Ladies*, the reviews waxing enthusiastic over her sympathetic powers of interpretation. Edith Rule and Josephine Engle were also Kappas in the cast.

Membership to University Players, always a much contested for honor, was won this year by Bobby Coast, Katherine Richter, and Edith Rule, the latter being Dramatic editor on the *Daily Iowan*. Marion Rambo is distinguishing herself in Freshmen Women's Literary society work.

Beta Zeta has also been showing the most intense interest in cook books, from a financial even more than from a culinary point of view. Clever blue and blue Kappa Kappa Gamma cook books have been compiled by the Cedar Rapids Kappas and are being sold throughout the state for our house-fund.

We are now on the brink of departure for Christmas holidays and so we wish the best of all wishes to Kappa chapters everywhere.

EDITH RULE.

Beta Mu, University of Colorado

Beta Mu has started a year that promises to be very successful. We returned eighteen old girls, including two who have been out for a year, three pledges, and last, but by no means least, we pledged twelve new girls: Charlotte Brown, Jessica Gamble, Elizabeth Stenger, Helen Washburn, Rachel Gilbert, Agnes Norlin, Kathleen Curry, Louise Jenkins, Louise O'Leary, Bethany Reinking, Marjorie McCutcheon, and Marion Raymond.

We have started the year with a new house-mother, Mrs. Brinker, a charming woman, who is putting up with many inconveniences for us in not having our own house. Our new house, however, has the roof on and the furnace in, which is exceedingly encouraging.

Our alumnae in Denver had a rummage sale, making a hundred dollars. Our mothers, also, who are very strongly organized, had a rummage sale, making two hundred dollars. All of this money is to go to buy beds for the house.

We have had one engagement this fall, that of Frances Sim, a graduate of last spring, and Herbert Naylor, Sigma Chi.

We had our annual Founders' Day banquet in Denver on Saturday, Oct. 13. Almost all of the active chapter were there and a great many of the alumnae, as well as the mothers. It was a lovely banquet and everyone thought it a big success.

Marjorie McCutcheon, one of our pledges, made the national chemical fraternity, Iota Sigma Pi.

VIRGINIA GUTHRIE.

Gamma Beta, University of New Mexico

As the holidays approach, it is with satisfaction that Gamma Beta looks over the work of the first few months of school.

We lost two of our new initiates, Ruth Bursum and Margaret Smithers early in the year, due to illness, but are expecting them to return next semester.

We still do not have a house, but entertain high hopes for one in the near future. The alumnae are now taking charge and are planning to build very soon a chapter-room, kitchenette, and bath on our lots. In the meantime, to have some place we may call our own, we have rented a room in the new University Dormitory in which we keep our archives, pictures, and other things of interest to the chapter.

To add to our House Fund on Dec. 15 we are holding a sale which we are calling a "Cooked Food Sale," although there are to be handkerchiefs, tea-towels, and other similar articles for sale. At the same time we are going to raffle, at ten cents a chance, a beautiful hand-embroidered bedspread, which was given to us by one of our last year graduates, Helen Stowell Mayme.

On Dec. 8, our patronesses entertained both actives and pledges at a lovely appointed dinner. The table was decorated with blue and blue candles arranged very artistically through the center of the table. Dainty little hand-painted owls were at each place in the form of place-cards, and a large owl on a tree branch surrounded with little owls was used as the center piece; sprays of smilax which were strung on each side to the ends of the table were alternated with blue baskets filled with violets. From this description I hope you will be able to picture in your minds what a wonderful party it was.

Dec. 10, the alumnae will entertain us with a Christmas tree at the home of Louise Bell. This party is an annual affair, and there is no doubt but that we will be remembered by Santa Claus and perhaps may see him.

HELEN MACARTHUR.

Beta Theta, University of Oklahoma

The time has sped by so rapidly that it seems hardly possible that it is time for copy for the February KEY. We have been very busy however, which accounts for the rapid passing of time and under the leadership of our able president, Margaret Pemberton, are accomplishing much.

First we want to introduce three new initiates: Margaret Crew, Muskogee, Dorothy Burwell, Oklahoma City, and Mary Ann Kennedy, Enid.

The most interesting thing that has happened is the determination of the scholarship of women's fraternities for spring, 1923. We regret to say that Kappas yielded first place to Alpha Xi Deltas who won by a 4.2 average while we came second with an average of 4.08. In explanation let me say that B is equal to four points. We are trying hard this semester and hope to make first place.

In averaging the grades it was found that university women have a much higher average than men and that, while no exact average has been made, it is generally known that fraternity women have higher averages than non-fraternity women.

In October the chapter and pledges went to Oklahoma City to attend Founders' Day banquet with the Alumnae which was held at the Oklahoma City club. One of the most interesting features of the banquet was the place-cards. They were miniature newspapers, termed *Kappa Gazette*, and were full of gossip of alumnae and active chapter. They had been printed as a surprise by a few alumnae and actives.

Dan Cupid has not been idle in Oklahoma this fall and we announce the marriage of two members. Katherine Peak, '23, and Tom Sosey, Σ X, were married in October and are at home in Oklahoma City. Francis Treadway, '23, and Ed Kerrigan, Φ Γ Δ, were married Thanksgiving day and are now at home in Norman, Okla.

Our house is going up rapidly and we are so thrilled over its progress! Completion has been promised by Mar. 15 and we can hardly wait to move into it.

A new honor has been added to the list of honors of members of Beta Theta. Mary Meredith is head of the local chapter of Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalistic fraternity.

DOROTHY ANNE LONG.

Beta Xi, University of Texas

We are now in the throes of examinations, struggling all day and all night, and consuming innumerable cups of coffee, in a vain attempt to keep our overworked eyes open. We are all so determined to do good work this term, due to the fact that we staggered in second in the scholarship race last year. The Pi Phis won the cup, and, needless to say, we were not at all pleased with second place, a position that Kappa should never assume.



BETA XI—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Left to right: Potter, Austin, Mather, Hoopes, Duncan, Penn, Hall, Cooper, Beckham, Carson.
 Row 2: Falwell, Potter, Holman, Remes, Biggio, Baker, Smith, Derby, Rogers, Wilkerson.
 Row 3: Cummings, Hume, Gilliam, Howard, Hodgson, Bellows, Moran, Boone, McCampbell.
 Row 4: Adams, Wilkes, Brush, Marsh, Chance, Hutchenson, Lusk, Baker, Sapper, Eckford.

In November, our pledges took pity on their poor underfed upperclassmen, and gave us a steak-fry. It was lots of fun, and we were astounded by the wonderful way in which the party was given, and we are beginning to feel that we will be able to shift some of the burdens of next rush week.

We had our Christmas tree last Sunday evening, and as a result, some of the little gifts, which were quite pointed, gave to a few of us publicity that we did not desire. The pledges gave us a lovely Madeira luncheon cloth and napkins, and all of us gave various much-needed articles to the house.

Thanksgiving was a glorious time for Texas this year. We defeated A. and M., our deadly rival, on their own field, and the Kappas went to the game *en masse*. To say that we were hilarious would be mild. In fact, I am afraid that we all became intoxicated with the joy of winning the game. (Certainly, if we were intoxicated, it was with joy!) Besides winning the game, we had three turkeys with which to celebrate the victory. Mrs. Stephens, a Kappa from Missouri, brought one of them to us and one of our pledges gave us the others. We were so glad to have Mrs. Stephens for dinner, and she has promised to come up for initiation after Christmas.

We are planning to initiate several girls in January, who are transfers with advanced standing, and we are more than excited over the prospect of having them in the house.

MARGARET DUNCAN.

Beta Omicron, Tulane University

Our rushing party is to be on Dec. 15. Although it is not a Christmas party, yet the Christmas spirit is so prevalent that our party couldn't help being joyous and successful. Imagine yourself in Dago land; a mirage of peanut stands, fruit stands, balloon men, and the mellow strains of a hurdy gurdy heard above the noise of the street urchins. Wouldn't you Kappas love to join in the fun along with the freshmen? We hope that they will enter into the fun of the party and help to make it a success.

We would like to introduce ourselves to you in this December KEY. Please do not judge us too harshly from our pictures, for truly the photographer, we feel, did not do us justice. Two of our members are not present in the picture, but we hope to introduce them to you at some later date.

Beta Omicron wishes to all Kappas a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

HUTSON CARRÉ.

Beta Phi, University of Montana

Our first quarter is almost over,—just examinations and then we leave for the Christmas holidays, and a much needed rest.

On Dec. 7, the pledges entertained us at a lovely dance at the Elks' Temple. On Dec. 15, the pledges were in charge of our annual Christmas party.

Ethel Wilson has withdrawn from school on account of ill health.

Anne Beckwith, a junior, was chosen as one of the upperclassmen to live in North Hall, our new women's dormitory. She was elected president of North Hall.



BETA OMICRON
Sophie-Newcomb College, Tulane University

Speaking of new buildings, we have six new ones on our campus this fall.

We have two engagements to announce this quarter: Katherine Keith, our president, to Richard Crandal, Phi Sigma Kappa, and Catharine Rudd to Marvin Rielly, Sigma Chi.

Beta Phi wishes all Kappas a Merry Christmas and a Happy and successful New Year.

ELIZABETH ROWE.

Beta Kappa, University of Idaho

The fall of 1923 has been a most successful one for the University of Idaho and Beta Kappa. The University has demonstrated wonderful pep and spirit this year in her football team. The Vandals were undefeated and failed to be scored upon until they journeyed south where Stanford and U. S. C. "out-lucked them"—so a San Francisco paper states. For the first time in ten years, Idaho defeated W. S. C. at Pullman. Also it is the first time in the history of the Vandal team that Oregon University has not been victorious. This year Idaho held them to a 0-0 score.

Mortar Board is extremely active on the Idaho campus this year. Beta Kappa is represented with three out of nine members and has both offices of President and Secretary-Treasurer. We are also represented among the class offices and college organizations active on the campus.

Dean French has been seriously ill and is now on a five months' leave of absence. Mrs. Bloomquist, who is our Assistant Dean, is now acting in the place of Miss French.

Intergroup athletics has begun. A cup will be given to that group winning the most points in volley ball, basketball and baseball. Our volley ball team was not as successful as we had hoped but we have mighty good prospects for basketball and baseball.

Three of our most prominent seniors will complete their work at Christmas time. Myra Armbruster will have completed her work for her B.A. degree, but will remain in the University to work on her Master's. Charlotte Broadwater will return to her home in Havre, Mont.—for how long, is the question. Margaret Blackinger is undecided as to her next move.

During Christmas vacation we are to move into our new home. Living at the Dormitory has been a wonderful experience for us as individuals and as a group. Beta Kappa's new chapter-house is built in a colonial style and has fifteen study-rooms, which enables us to have only two girls to each room. With this in view our scholastic standing should be raised considerably. Mrs. Weatherby, who is now in Long Beach and has been the entire fall, will return in the near future. She has proved a wonderful house-mother and we are all anxious for her return. Ruth McKenney, of Beta Pi, is with us this year.

Last but not least is the wedding of Lucile Gahan, ex-'25, and Joseph Burton Chaney, Phi Delta Theta, Columbia, on Dec. 16.

Beta Kappa extends the season's greetings to all Kappas and a standing invitation to visit us in our new chapter-house.

RUTH MONTGOMERY.

Gamma Gamma, Whitman College

Christmas has come and gone again and holidays with all their joys and happiness are but a lingering memory. Gamma Gamma has much to keep her mind occupied in these last weeks of the rushing season, however. Pledge date is Jan. 21, and everything points to a successful termination of the new "rushing system." Each sorority on the campus has only one more party, but the schedule is so arranged that there will be no conflicting dates for the rushees and the latter thereby will have the opportunity to hear the question of each of the four groups stated.

Last term was a very busy one on the campus. Every third Saturday brought a "rush" party and of course we tried to make them as original and clever as possible.

The conservatory students of the college, under the efficient direction of Mr. Pratt, successfully staged the *Fair Co-ed*. It played to a full house for two consecutive nights. The cast was very large and we were well represented. "Denny" Prowell played one of the leads, while several other girls took minor chorus parts.

The girls are now out for basketball and have been practicing religiously for over a month. We have a good peppy team with Julia Ferrel as our captain and we ought to make a "sweep" in intramurals.

In our next letter we will be able to announce our new pledges.

MAYME LEWIS.

Gamma Eta, Washington State College

All through the fall we have been a house full of busy girls. Hockey season was a success for us as four of the pledges, Katherine Milliren, Ella Olson, Margaret Amundson and Dorothy Sheller made their letters and two of them, Eleanor Hyslop and Edith Roberts were on the second team. Marie Amundson, Susie Wenz and Charlotte Walker received their sophomore letters and junior letters were awarded to Olive Warner, Aneita White and Catherine Ralston. Olive Warner also made the honor team.

Many of the girls are active in Y. W. C. A. work, especially on the Christmas bazaar. Thelma Harper was one of those in complete charge of the bazaar. Others are doing work on the college publications.

We are one of the groups on the final cast for the "College Revue." We put on a musical act for the try-outs and were successful. The "Revue" is to be after Christmas vacation so we are at work practicing.

Homecoming, Nov. 3, brought a number of alumnae back for a short visit. Five of our girls went to Seattle for the University of Washington game with W. S. C. and also the University Homecoming and had a splendid visit with Beta Pi chapter, as well.

We have a new pledge, Helen Hale, Leavenworth.

We wish to announce the marriage of Annabell Wells to Orval Leach and Ruth Cresswell to Arne Kettunen.

Plans are being made for a new custom for our chapter. We are to entertain the poor children of the town at a Christmas party and we hope to follow this idea each year.

CHARLOTTE WALKER.

Beta Omega, University of Oregon

In the midst of examinations, last minute feverish haste to write term papers, much confusion with dray men rushing out with trunks to be taken home for the holidays, and shopping for and sending off Christmas gifts, Beta Omega pauses to inform her readers of a few interesting items of news.

We have pledged three additional girls—Margaret and Katherine Inwood of Oregon City, and Edith Sorenson of Everett, Wash. Honors have come to a number of our pledges. Elizabeth Donald was elected to Thespians, an organization which assists the student body secretary; Florence Jones was pledged to Pot and Quill, being the first freshman ever to have been honored by her election to this literary club; Florence Allen is vice-president of the Washington Club, and secretary and treasurer of the Freshmen Commission, composed of all freshmen women in the University.

A benefit bridge tea given recently was a delightful success, and over a hundred dollars was cleared for our building fund.

Homecoming at the University witnessed the assemblage of large numbers of alumnae, and Beta Omega was happy to welcome the many sisters who returned for the festivities.

The annual Christmas party of Beta Omega was a pre-holiday diversion that furnished much amusement for us, one evening, with a gay Christmas tree bedecked with glittering ornaments and weighted down with a present for each, accompanied by an original poem à propos of the gifts, which were afterward collected and sent to the poor children of this city.

The marriage of Emma Jane Garbade, '22, and Sanford Gehr, a member of Alpha Tau Omega, occurred recently in Portland and was an important social event.

Neva Service, one of our juniors, had the honor of being one of the few chosen for the Women's Glee Club.

CATHERINE E. SPALL.

Pi, University of California

This year the University of California planned a large alumnae Homecoming which culminated with the Big Game between Stanford and California. This game marked the dedication of our new stadium of which we are all exceedingly proud. This Homecoming was the largest ever held. All houses on the campus co-operated with the University and held open house for luncheons and dinners during the three days, November 22, 23, 24, 1923. There were some grand reunions at the Kappa house.

Susette Keating, '26, announced her engagement to William Ede, Jr., at a bridge given by Eleanor Fitzgerald Saturday, Dec. 1. When the prizes for each table were brought in tied with white ribbon with gold hearts and a sprig of orange blossom some of us began to mentally anticipate the announcement. We all regret that Susette Keating expects to leave college after this term.

Marion Roads Lovekin, formerly of this chapter, expects to sail with her husband for Honolulu Jan. 8. They plan to take a trip around the world before returning to California.

The Monday night before finals, Pi chapter decided to have a Christmas dinner and tree. There were humorous presents for each one and the fun waxed fast and furious. It was a good party and put us in an optimistic vein for the coming finals.

This year the Intersorority Tennis Tournament was won by Helen Wills and also Winifred Suhr, so the Kappa house feels doubly proud of the cup.

Beta Eta, Leland Stanford Jr. University

Twenty Beta Eta Kappas joyfully returned to college the first of October and entered the whirl of campus activities with unusual success. Jean Ward, Virginia Burks, Loraine Cleaveland, and Millison Hardy are members of the Women's Athletic Association Board. Loraine Cleaveland was elected to Economics Club and was also made women's cheer leader. In the latter position she has helped to stimulate more interest in girls' athletics and has led our hockey teams on to victory by her capable leadership of the cheering. We were strongly represented on the sophomore hockey team by Jean Ward, captain, Millison Hardy, Susan Hyde, Elizabeth Clapp, and Charlotte Brown, while Elisabeth Simmons played well for the juniors. Jean Ward was sub-chairman of the sophomore Cotillion Committee, and it was largely through her efforts that the big formal dance of the quarter was a brilliant success.

Stanford went "over the top" in splendid fashion in the United Campaign Drive for charitable funds, and we were all very proud of Elisabeth Simmons who was chairman of the drive.

With the exception of one tea, we have been unable to entertain the new girls this quarter, because of the new Panhellenic rules. However, we have met them informally in classes, in athletics, and at the various Y. W. C. A. parties.

On Nov. 8 we were glad to have the opportunity of coming into closer touch with the older Kappas, when the resident alumnæ entertained the active chapter at dinner.

The following Sunday the faculty and alumnæ were our guests at tea, at which time we proudly presented our new house-mother.

We have several marriages to announce during the last few months. Violet Andrews and Yvonne Pasquale were maids of honor at the double wedding of Martha Spangler and Wellington Bonner, Phi Gamma Delta, Lura Spangler and Lisle Reinhold, Delta Upsilon. On Oct. 4, Frances Thompson was married to Parker Adkisson, and on Oct. 19 Marian Roads to Osgood Lovekin.

Thanksgiving vacation is over, and we are just beginning to realize how near at hand are final examinations, and then the Christmas holidays.

Beta Eta wishes all her sister chapters a very merry Christmas and the best of luck for the coming year.

MARGARET McDOWELL.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

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The Palm of Alpha Tau Omega has the following by Thomas Arkle Clark, dean of men at the University of Illinois, on "The Best Chapter in College":

I am often asked by freshmen just entering college or by fraternity men curious to see what I shall say, which is the best chapter of the forty-seven national Greek-letter fraternities represented at the University (Illinois). It would ordinarily not be a particularly difficult question to answer, though not often a safe one. Every man kids himself into thinking his own chapter best.

A few years ago I had a secret ballot taken upon the relative standing of our fraternities, and every organization upon the campus got one vote for first place, showing that any fraternity, no matter how commonplace it is, is sure to rate itself the best going.

Without mentioning names, I should like to characterize the chapter that I consider the best on the campus, and let the individual chapters, whichever they may be, determine for themselves whether or not they can qualify for the place.

No chapter can hope to be considered for first place without strong leadership. Every institution or organization must have a head, somebody who decides things or runs affairs, a "boss" or an autocrat if you please, whose word is law. He may be as soft spoken as you please. He may attain his ends by subtle and gentle persuasion. He may present the gloved hand, but it is necessary that he have the wrist of steel. If he has principles that can win the support and respect of the brothers, his task will not be so difficult a one. No matter how many good men there may be in a chapter, unless the organization has distinct leadership which every man recognizes, the chapter is a weak one.

The chapter that would substantiate its claim to being the best one must show some distinction in scholarship. It isn't enough that it be composed of a bunch of good fellows, whatever that may mean, whom everyone likes and who are generally known about the campus. No amount of popularity or prestige, no long list of distinguished alumni, and not even an organization history dating back to the discovery of America can take the place of grades. Colleges were organized to give men and women an opportunity to study, to become acquainted with books, and fraternities were organized in large part to further this purpose.

The fraternity that does not stand high in scholarship is commonplace, no matter how long it has been organized, no matter how many ex-presidents of the United States or eminent jurists or college officials it counts among its alumni, no matter how many social stars and good fellows it numbers among its active members. We might as well all face this issue squarely.

The chapter that would be first must be able to show something else besides grades. Any ordinary man, if he will work, can get good grades in college

and have a third of his available time free to do something else. This last statement is easily proved by reference to the majority of the acknowledged leaders of college. The first two outstanding seniors who come to my mind had a scholastic average last semester of more than four and a half.

The extra-curriculum affairs of college must be run, and the best chapter in the institution will have its representations in the conduct of these affairs—military, journalism, athletics, dramatics, politics, and the organizations and activities for the development and encouragement of strictly educational and intellectual matters.

The best chapter in college will not live selfishly within itself, but will constantly be doing something for the progress and development of the best things in the institution. Its members know something of the men in other fraternities, and have been known at times to admit without argument that not all good men in college are within its charmed circle.

The best chapter in college has moral standards, and lives up to them. Its ritual is something more than mere words to be droned off monotonously at the time of initiation and then forgotten until next year. It is a vital thing that means something to the men who have accepted it. So here are no "hooch" parties gathering on the premises of this organization at week ends, and there are no scandals about individual members to be suppressed or discussed in undertones. The men are honest and clean and bound together by a spirit of unity and brotherly feeling and are interested in everything that has to do with the progress of college affairs.

It is an ideal picture I have drawn, you say. There really "ain't any such animal." But you are mistaken. Such chapters are at every institution. You and I may not be so fortunate as to be members of them, we may be so self-satisfied and so self-centered as never to have recognized their presence, but they are here, and when each of us has examined the facts in his own case I hope he will stop to consider just how near he and his chapter come to reaching the standards which I have named. We cannot all have the best chapter in college, but we can approach, in most cases, much nearer than we have done.

It's worth trying, isn't it?—*The Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

Knowing the standards which we must set up and live up to in order to have the best chapter in college, we must set about to create conditions favorable to such standards. Perhaps one of the most important phases of building a "best chapter" lies in the character of the men or women selected for membership therein. *The Delta* of Sigma Nu presents four qualifications for pledges which may serve as signposts in determining the eligibility of freshmen.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR PLEDGES

Rushing is a strenuous time in chapter activity. We might again consider some of the elements which we should look for in the eligibility of candidates to wear the badge and bear the name of Sigma Nu. Brother Frank G. Irvin,

B B, cites four qualifications for pledges: Personality, scholarship, finances, and ambition to work.

Personality every one grants, but few agree upon; but it is more than "front" and "appearance," since these can be developed. It means that undefinable combination of the mental genius and co-ordination that brings success and the ability to get along with one's fellows that makes achievement possible.

Scholarship and finances must enter into our judgment, but their bases lie rather in the will to do than in cold figures of per cent and cash. The man who sincerely applies himself to his college work will get good grades and is more valuable than the erratic "shark" who seems to pull his knowledge out of the air, and the man who pays his bills promptly out of his allowance or earnings, even at the sacrifice of evenings at the "movies," is a better asset than one who can afford a diamond badge and drives an automobile.

Ambition to work, as Brother Irvin said, is "a real desire to graduate." It means that the possessor will stay in college for four years, thus becoming an experienced fraternity man. It means that he will use his talents, whatever they may be, on the athletic field, on the debating platform, in business management of college affairs, together with his part in dramatics, glee club, the college paper, and so on. It means that he will do his share in the work of his chapter and at the house where he will be a cornerstone in his senior year.—*Delta of Sigma Nu.*

Unfortunately, our judgment is not always correct and personality may be strong enough to cause us to overlook some other requisite. Kappa Sigma at Kansas State Agricultural College adopted an ounce of prevention system last year which some of us, in striving for the "best chapter in college," may do well to imitate.

NIPPING FAILURES IN THE BUD

The alumnus adviser of the chapter took a list of the prospective rushees that were to be entertained by the chapter and wrote to the superintendent of the school from which each came, inclosing a questionnaire to be filled out by the superintendent.

The replies in many cases caused the alumnus adviser to urge the active chapter not to pledge certain rushees. This method of improving scholarship is worthy of consideration by every chapter and alumnus adviser.

The list of the questions follows:

1. Did Mr. _____ prove to be a good student while in your high school?
2. In your estimation will he so organize his time as to do satisfactory work here at the college?
3. How does he rank as a leader of school activities?
4. Please give me your idea of his personality and character.
5. Will his influence upon a group of men with whom he would be closely associated, as in a fraternity, be for the good of the group?
6. Would the group, if properly managed, be of an advantage in developing his personality?
7. I would be glad to have any other information you care to give me.

—*The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma.*

After pledge buttons are placed on freshmen, the active chapter generally settles itself for a rest. Its responsibilities are at an end. Having pledged the eight, ten, twelve or more freshmen which are to make their chapter the "best chapter" in college, their work is over. Rushing has devoured their best energies, and weeks of catching up are entered into. About the first week of December, after mid-semester, the chapter, in horrified silence, listens to the grades of its "best on the campus" freshmen. They can't understand such irresponsibility, such lack of spirit, such "freshman attitude." With the adoption of freshmen as pledges of your chapter, the responsibility of the active chapter only begins. If our goal is ever to be reached, each active chapter must be on its toes until its new members have reached the point where all danger is passed, and by that we mean, wearing the badge, working in the chapter and in the college with average and above average grades.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi contributes the following to pledge life before active membership:

Obligations incident to the pledging and initiation of a freshman do not rest solely upon the freshman. The chapter must assume very definite and important duties if the initiate is to take his proper place in the Fraternity and in college life. Most freshmen know little about the college and its customs and less about the Fraternity. They are usually willing and anxious to learn, but need the right kind of guidance. It is the duty of the older men to give such help.

A certain amount of so-called freshman discipline, wisely administered, may have some value, but it should not be forgotten that kindness, helpfulness, unselfishness and consideration for others are still qualities that help to develop men and to bring out the best that may be in them. At the same time it should be remembered that the freshman is observing and imitative. The example set by upperclassmen is likely to be closely followed by the new members.

One of the first duties of the chapter should be to see that the freshman acquires the habit of study. It may be commonplace to repeat that that is his prime object in entering college, but it cannot be emphasized too often or too strongly. Habits acquired during the first year are likely to stick, and a poor student is not an acquisition to either the Fraternity or the college. Most men who are able to meet the college entrance requirements are capable of being at least creditable students if they make a serious effort to study. If necessary, it is the duty of the chapter to see that this is done.

The *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly* also offers advice applicable to this problem.

In those chapters where there is a period of months between the pledging season and the initiation—as happens in at least a few of our chapters—there

risers the very delicate problem of the relations between the pledged men and the upper delegations. In those chapters where initiation promptly follows pledging the intervening period is commonly rather a trying one for those who stand at the threshold. There is danger that a long period will mean the extension of that trying experience, with results not tending to harmony and the cultivation of the fraternal spirit. If the delay is in the interests of the higher scholarship standards of the chapter—that is, if it is to prevent the initiation of men who might fall by the wayside when the mid-year test comes—then nothing should be allowed that will prevent the pledged men from making the best possible classroom showing. It is the time of all times for the upperclassmen to show the big brother spirit and to demonstrate the practical helpfulness of the fraternity relationship. It is not at all the time for hazing or nagging or rough stuff of which silly tradition too often makes the freshman the victim. Nor is there ever any proper time for that sort of thing within the fraternity circle.

The following is indicative of the kind of spirit that helps to make a "best chapter in college."

The Interfraternity Conference has always worked its hardest to induce the undergraduate brother of each chapter to regard himself toward the rival upon the basis of their common humanity, and then for their common brotherhood. The child, they say, is instinctively a savage, cruel and ruthless, his savagery tempered or repressed only by parental repression. His instincts are only repressed, not eliminated. When the passing years have brought adolescence, reason and experience have softened the tough fiber of childish savagery and dissolved some of it, though not yet all of it. Out of its remains come the hazings, the "thunder of the captains and the shouting," the public initiations, and all the petty cruelties of campus life.

And yet these youths are capable of such fine things—so often do fine and beautiful things. Reason has come to him; his soul has grown. He sees, oftentimes not yet clearly, but still he sees that his soul and the souls of those about him are the greatest and most wonderful things in his world, and he is groping always toward the light. He is so receptive, so earnest in his effort to see and to know what is the right and the truth.

These reflections come to us through reading in *The Phi Gamma Delta* of a little incident that happened in connection with the drive of the Colgate chapter of Phi Gamma Delta for house funds. All unexpectedly came to them a letter which read:

"I am a Jew and the Phi Gams are the only bunch on the campus who treated me as if I were a white man. May I help?"

And this grateful young Jew sent them a check and committed himself to the furnishing of one study room.

The moral? It's there; read it for yourself. Do you not suppose that the Colgate chapter in being human and decent toward that young Jew immediately reaped as great a reward of happiness as did the recipient of its kindness? The little material reward that came later is insignificant beside the soul reward which came in college days.—*Banta's Greek Exchange.—Phi Gamma Delta.*

To develop that spirit—SING.

It is surprising to find the number of chapters which do not "Sing." The lack of singing shows an absolute want of college spirit, and certainly indicates a lazy mind and body. True, one may not sing, yet he should feel the thrill of many stout-hearted sons engaged in expressing the musical side of life. Music relieves the tension; it engenders fellowship, and may warm the heart of some homesick freshman. After the dinner has been served, push back the chairs and sing. Sing with a will because song is an evidence of civilization. Beasts do not sing. Angry people do not sing. Buttoned-up people do not sing. Snobs do not sing. Civilization sings as it marches along, and besides you have every reason to be happy and sing about it. —*The Delta of Σ N.*

WHAT ABOUT YOUR CHAPTER?

THE SPIRIT OF A CHAPTER

When the logs in the chapter-house fireplace
Burn away to a soft glowing red,
And the lights are turned low
Like the fire's sombre glow
And the sleet whips the roof overhead.

When the brothers draw closer together,
Dearest pals to be found on earth,
And the pipes are all lit
As together we sit
'Round the edge of an ember-strewn hearth;

Then the worst in us all is forgotten,
As we sit on the cushions and dream;
And friendships weave tight
In the fire's sombre light,
And brother-love grows in its gleam.

When the after years crowd close around us
And we come to the end of life's day,
There'll cling in our memory
Those days at old Emory
'Neath the old Crimson Cross of K A.

—*Kappa Alpha Journal.*

THE SPIRIT OF MEN

UNCONQUERABLE FIGHT

To-day in Berkeley, Cal., there stands amid the forest of smouldering ruins and charred chimneys the fraternity house of Phi Kappa Sigma. There it stands—the lone unburned house where formerly a long row of beautiful

homes stretched; it stands in mute tribute to courage and the spirit of fight. Within its walls, the Phi Kappa Sigmas are nursing blistered bodies, but—at home. When the huge conflagration ate its way into Berkeley residences, firemen sought to dynamite the fraternity's lodge, but the Phi Kappa Sigmas refused to give up their home to destruction. The firemen went on to the next house, while the college men fought like demons to prevent their dwelling being caught up in the surrounding flames. They saved their home!—*The Eleusis* of Chi Omega.

All out for the "best chapter in college!" Size up your own chapter in your own college, come to your decision, and WORK.

The old question of expansion or the creation of new fraternities to meet the increasing enrollment in American colleges still rages. Phi Gamma Delta adopted a definite plan for its expansion at its seventy-fifth Ekklesia by providing for the establishment of a list of accredited colleges, granting charters to locals at Davidson College and at the University of Toronto, no more charters to be granted for a period of three years. Along with the evolution of fraternity expansion policies, the Interfraternity Conference advocates the formation of new nationals.

LOCALS MAY FORM NEW NATIONALS AT CONFERENCE.—More than 550 local college fraternities throughout the United States have been invited to send delegates to a meeting to be held Friday, Nov. 30, at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, just prior to the Interfraternity Conference, when, it is hoped, one or more new national fraternities will be formed.

This move was heartily approved at a meeting Oct. 6 of the Interfraternity Conference executive committee as the logical step in a national collegiate world in which the number of students has grown by leaps and bounds, far outstripping the natural growth of national fraternities. It represents the first attempt to form new brotherhoods of college men which, from the outset, shall function on a large scale.

Members of the executive committee pointed out that delegates to the conference of locals will have the benefit of advice and competent suggestion, gained by long experience, of leaders in the fraternity world.

"The meeting," states the letter addressed to each of the more than 550 locals, "will be addressed by men of experience in college fraternity matters who desire to see the scope and usefulness of fraternities in college life broadened and extended.

"The fact that the Interfraternity Conference will be in session on the same date will enable representatives of the local fraternities to attend meetings of that important body."

In addition, letters have been sent to the deans of colleges where locals exist, acquainting them of the coming meeting and assuring them of the co-operation of the Interfraternity Conference "to the end that the number

of fraternities of national standing may be adequate to meet the requirements arising out of the vastly increased student enrollment."—*Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

CHAPTER LETTERS

TO LIVE OR DIE?

The chapter letter seems doomed. The *Sigma Chi Quarterly* is the latest Greek publication to adopt the view that the chapter letter in the magazine is no longer in keeping with the trend of modern fraternity journalism. The *Quarterly* believes that the chapter newspaper or bulletin has usurped the place of the chapter letter.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

WE WONDER

AMEN

While we most emphatically disagree with those excitable, if venerable, editors who are clamoring for chapter papers to take the place of chapter letters in fraternities' general quarterlies—though concurring in the happy thought that such deletion would make the job of editor somewhat less trying—we do agree that the chapter publication has a special rôle nothing else can fill, in bringing in fresh and piquant dress the news of the chapter to its alumni (or æ), other chapters, and officers.—*Angelos* of Kappa Delta.—*Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega.

DID YOU KNOW THAT WOMEN ARE GROWING TALLER?

Why should men glory in their strength and height and breadth of shoulder while women are compared traditionally to the weak, clinging vine. It is a far cry from the women of Jane Austen's day who fainted genteelly on no provocation;—because their stays pinched them! Judging from the tight-waisted, narrow-chested frocks shown in the windows of a local shop which is celebrating its fortieth anniversary by exhibits of garments and accessories of two-score years ago, even a generation distant the average woman was slighter then than now. According to measurements recorded in several colleges, there are significant correlations between the increase in height, in width of waist, and in the diminishing length of skirts, lighter-weight clothing, and a physiological normality. The records at Stanford show that the average height of women in that University has risen from 62.4 inches in 1892 to 64 inches in 1921. At Vassar the change has been a trifle less marked; from 63.2 inches in 1900 to 64 in 1921. The curve has risen from 62.8 in 1892 at Smith to 64.2 in 1921. The reason for the improvement is evident to anyone who has been watching the growing interest in athletics, especially outdoor sports such as golf, tennis, hockey, horseback-riding, hiking and swimming, exhibited not only during the college year but also at the summer camps which are doing so much to strengthen and harden our young women. Colleges and universities now employ women doctors, nurses, and dietitians to watch over the health of their women students. The physical measurements followed by such corrective exercises as may be necessary, the infirmaries, dateless nights, set hours for study and for sleep, the outing clubs, W. A. A.;

all contribute toward making the woman of to-day deep-chested, vigorous, and capable of bearing the strain of home and of office. Even that Arbiter, Fashion, has bowed to the demand for free, untrammelled movement needed by athletes and has yielded a variety of sports apparel for the daytime use of both college and society women.—*The Eleusis* of Chi Omega.

WE HAVE THE OWL!

For members of a fraternity whose coat-of-arms has upon it both a wise old owl and the leaves of an oak tree, there is unusual significance in the small framed legend that hangs over the fireplace of the Coolidge home in Northampton, Mass. The legend, which illustrates Brother Coolidge's most striking characteristic, reads:

A wise old owl lived in an oak;
The more he saw, the less he spoke,
The less he spoke, the more he heard,
Why can't we be like that old bird?

—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

A GOOD IDEA

Dear Jim:

When you were Executive Secretary of the fraternity you started the idea of having an alumnus in each city list his telephone number under "Phi Gamma Delta."

The idea is such a splendid one that I would like to see it developed in 5,000 cities throughout the country. Perhaps some one will see this letter of mine to you and hie himself to the office of his telephone company before the sun sets.

FATHER FIJI.

—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL

International college fraternities as the means of spreading the gospel of brotherhood to bring order out of present world chaos and make right might by the force of unity of opinion, are suggested by Irving Bacheller, author and lecturer, in a recent number of the *Journal of the Academy of Political and Social Science*.

"Our college fraternities should lead the way. They have helped to bring the young manhood of our far-reaching Republic into brotherly accord. These growing and enlightened circles of friendship have established sympathetic relations between the sons of the North and the South, the East and the West, and given them a common devotion to principles that make for good citizenship.

"Not to be lightly thought of would be the habit, formed therein, of using the best word the tongue of man has spoken—the word 'brother.' One cannot call a man his brother without seeking to justify the word with conduct. It is a compelling word and I would use its magic for the healing of many ills."—*Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi.

If I could write one little word
Upon the hearts of men,
I'd dip it in the fount of love
And write with golden pen
One little word and only one,
And feel life's work on earth well done;
For every heart would speak to me
That one sweet word "Fraternity."

—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

*CONVENTION June 24 to July 2, Bigwin Inn, Lake of Bays,
Ontario, Canada*

Clippings

At the national convention of Sigma Chi held at West Baden, Ind., in June, Postmaster General Harry S. New was elected grand consul, although he was not present at the gathering. The office of alumni secretary was created, and the provision for annual alumni dues was repealed. The fraternity's chapter at Roanoke College, active from 1872 to 1901, was revived by a vote of 111 to 8.—*Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.*

Phi Delta Theta has served notice on all of its chapters that they must own their own houses by the time of the 1924 convention or show cause why their charters should not be withdrawn. At the present time the fraternity owns 75 houses and the new mandate applies to perhaps ten chapters.—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

The Seventy-Ninth Annual Convention of Delta Kappa Epsilon, will be held in the city of Montreal, Canada, beginning Dec. 27, 1923, for four days.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon has a total of \$75,000 in the *Record* Life Subscription Fund, and a surplus endowment fund amounting to over \$30,000. There is no doubt but that $\Sigma A E$ is the wealthiest of all college fraternities.—*The Rattle, Θ X.—Palm of Alpha Chi Omega.—Anchora of Delta Gamma.*

For the first time in several years a new fraternity was admitted to membership in National Panhellenic Congress. Beta Phi Alpha, with chapters at the University of Southern California, University of Illinois, University of Washington, Southern Methodist University, and Colorado Agricultural College, is now the nineteenth and youngest member of N. P. C.—*The Aglaia of Phi Mu.*

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta says that Monmouth College, Monmouth, Ill., one of the strongest fraternity centers in the Middle West in the sixties and seventies, has modified its stringent antifraternity regulations, effective since the eighties, to permit the existence of local fraternities. Four will be organized; two for men and two for women. Chapters of Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, and Sigma Chi were killed when the antifraternity ruling went into effect. Two sororities, Pi Beta Phi and Kappa Kappa Gamma, were founded at this institution.

Did you know that Evanston is becoming popular as a center for fraternity offices? Alpha Phi, Delta Delta Delta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon have their offices in this University town. Sigma Alpha Epsilon has moved into a fine old residence which stands in a commanding position opposite the campus.—*Eleusis of Chi Omega.*

Delta Kappa Epsilon was founded at Yale College, June 22, 1844, by fifteen men who met together in the historic old South Middle Hall, for the announced purpose of founding a fraternity on a new basis along certain lines. The first building solely occupied by any college fraternity was the famous log cabin built by Lambda in the woods near Kenyon College, then a small frontier school of the Episcopal Church. Δ K E also built the first tomb in the country at Yale, which was dedicated at the historic Convention held at the opening of the Civil War.—*Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*.

CENSUS OF FRATERNITY CHAPTERS

Many fraternities have added a large number of chapters during the past few years, and there have also developed several new national Greek-letter societies. It is interesting to note that three fraternities now have 90 or more chapters and thirteen have 50 or more. The latest available information gives the following number of chapters for the various men's national fraternities:

Sigma Alpha Epsilon	94	Phi Epsilon Pi	26
Kappa Sigma	92	Alpha Delta Phi	26
Phi Delta Theta	90	Chi Phi	25
Sigma Nu	89	Alpha Sigma Phi	24
Beta Theta Pi	84	Delta Chi	24
Alpha Tau Omega	81	Pi Kappa Phi	23
Sigma Chi	80	Chi Psi	22
Delta Tau Delta	66	Alpha Gamma Rho	22
Phi Gamma Delta	65	Alpha Chi Rho	21
Lambda Chi Alpha	62	Sigma Pi	19
Pi Kappa Alpha	59	Phi Kappa Tau	19
Kappa Alpha (Southern)	54	Phi Beta Delta	19
Sigma Phi Epsilon	50	Tau Kappa Epsilon	18
Phi Kappa Psi	48	Kappa Nu	18
Delta Upsilon	48	Delta Phi	15
Delta Kappa Epsilon	44	Phi Lambda Phi	13
Theta Chi	37	Phi Kappa	12
Delta Sigma Phi	36	Sigma Phi	10
Phi Sigma Kappa	36	Kappa Delta Rho	10
Zeta Beta Tau	32	Alpha Epsilon Pi	10
Acacia Fraternity	31	Phi Mu Delta	9
Phi Kappa Sigma	31	Sigma Phi Sigma	9
Theta Delta Chi	30	Kappa Alpha (Northern)	8
Sigma Alpha Mu	30	Beta Alpha Psi	7
Theta Xi	27	Delta Psi	3
Zeta Psi	27	Theta Alpha	3
Psi Upsilon	26		

—*Shield of Phi Kappa Psi*.

Did you know that the non-stop aeroplane flight across the continent was made by a Kappa Alpha?

HOT COFFEE ACROSS THE CONTINENT

Things trifling in themselves are often fraught with the greatest significance. In the remarkable non-stop aeroplane flight across the North American Con-

tinent, made by Lieutenant John Arthur Macready, *Alpha Pi*, and his associate, Lieutenant Kelley, nothing appealed quite so much to the imagination, possibly, as the fact that hot coffee was carried all the way from New York to San Diego. By carrying hot coffee from ocean to ocean Lieutenant Macready has accomplished something that our grandfathers could not have done for their nearest neighbors. Truly the dreamers' dreams were not dreams at all, but visions. Poe, Verne, Tennyson, Wells, Stanley Waterloo, and all the others were indeed prophets. Our age is the marvelous age, but it is, of course, merely the threshold of a greater time to be. Nevertheless, it is none the less startling to us that coffee has been carried hot across the vast breadth of North America. Thermos bottles or no, it is no less striking and provocative of conjecture concerning the future. We scarcely any longer dare to speak of the impossible, lest we wake in the morning to find a past impossibility a present reality.

The Kappa Alpha *Journal* also presents the following by Mr. Edison, and provides food for thought.

Thomas A. Edison told a *Tribune* reporter recently that he has never been opposed to colleges nor disinclined to employ their graduates. If the contrary impression had got abroad, he said, it was because his attitude either had been misrepresented or misunderstood.

"There is something wrong with the college system. I don't know what the trouble is; that's not my line. I can only judge by the results. But one thing is certain: the present system of education in the colleges does not train men to think. University presidents in criticizing my questionnaire said that the college doesn't try to fill up the student's mind with a lot of information, but teaches him where to find it. Yet when we tried my questionnaire at one college—not as I give it out here, but in the library with all the reference books available—even then the students couldn't pass it because they didn't know where to find what they wanted. They hadn't even learned that.

"Culture is very nice, but it has nothing to do with a balance sheet. Most people seem to forget all their Latin as soon as they get out of school. Of course, lawyers can't get along without a college education. But manufacturers and heads of industrial plants should get their men from the technical schools, where students are taught to be accurate."

Delta Kappa Epsilon again deserts the United States for its convention. Once to Cuba and now to Toronto, Canada. We are at a loss to explain this, but after our own convention in Canada, we may wish to try Cuba the next time.

Frank Rogers, who, on January 20 resigned as Editor of the *Rainbow* of Δ T Δ had established a new record in the number of years of his service. He had completed almost twenty-five years of such service his record surpassing that of the late William Raimond Baird who was Editor of *Beta Theta Pi* for twenty-three years.—*Banta's Greek Exchange*.—*Zeta Tau Alpha*.

From *Banta's Greek Exchange*: "Here is an interesting discovery. The 'lounge lizard' as he is known to-day is not such a new institution as you will soon see. Instead of being a new variety of college pest, no less an authority than Addison tells us that he existed and flourished in the sixteenth century,

and was descended beyond doubt from that great philosopher who professed, after all his learning, that all he knew was that he knew nothing. Addison says, in the *Spectator* for May 2, 1711, that the loungers 'employ themselves in getting acquainted with all the signs and windows in the town' and that 'our younger students are content to carry their speculations as yet no farther than the bowling greens, billiard tables and such like.' Is that all the progress our world has made in two hundred years?"—*The Carnation of Δ Σ Φ.—Zeta Tau Alpha.*

Delta Upsilon holds its mid-year conventions just prior to the opening of the college year, on some college campus where the dormitories may be used for lodging where the college atmosphere will surround the delegates and where there will be greater opportunities for getting well acquainted than are found at conventions in city hotels.—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

Sixty per cent of the men who have become eminent were graduated at small colleges, the names of which were scarcely known outside of their respective states.—*Kappa Alpha Journal.*

Up to the present, the smaller colleges like Blackburn, Knox, Oberlin, Beloit and the hundreds of others that dot the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific, have given an enormous amount of leadership to America.

The small college is peculiarly an American institution. Its great importance lies in this fact that both students and professors are near to reality. Where a large proportion of the boys and girls earn their expenses in college, bolshevistic ideas and similar doctrines have small chance to exist.—*S. S. McClure (Knox '82) In McClure's Magazine.—Phi Gamma Delta.*

"American universities in the larger centers of population are too large. Enrollments of five and ten thousands, with proportionately large classes for the lecturer are contrary to the fundamental aims of higher education."

This was the view expressed recently by Chancellor David Starr Jordan, nationally famous educator, fifty years a professor, and for thirty-three years President of Stanford University.

Dr. Jordan made a plea for a return to the original conceptions of higher education which include a smaller number of students in a class, enrollment limited strictly to those who really want an education, and elimination of thousands of "reluctant" students.—*Kappa Alpha Journal.*

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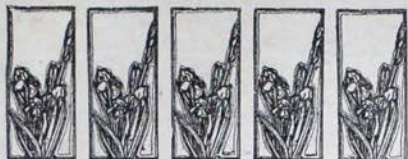


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