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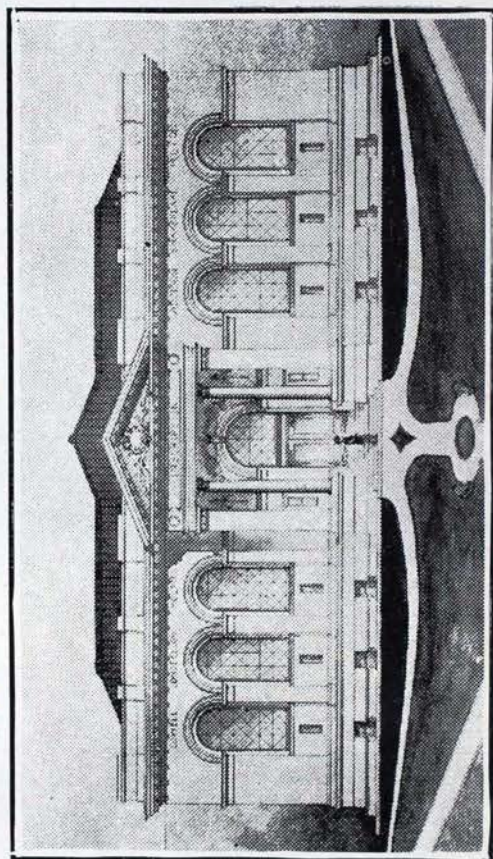
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THE BONA THOMPSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

NOTE.—Bona Thompson became a member of Mu chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma in the fall of 1893. After her graduation with the class of '97, she studied at Wellesley during '97 and '98, giving special attention to language work. In the summer of '99 she travelled in Europe, returning with typhoid fever, which caused her death the following month. At the time of her death she was arranging to take a post-graduate course in German and French at some European university.

IN the spring of 1901 the Board of Directors of Butler College of the University of Indianapolis made announcement of a gift to the college by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Thompson of Irvington, parents of Bona Thompson. The gift, as then announced, was a large triangular lot with the point fronting east, and thirty thousand dollars with which to build a library in memory of their daughter. In presenting the gift, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson desired that the benefits of the building be shared by the college with the citizens of Irvington, under the supervision of the college board. Several months ago the library committee learned that the building which had been planned according to Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's wishes could not be constructed within the limit of the thirty thousand dollars; so Mr. Thompson generously offered the additional amount needed, which was about thirteen thousand dollars.

The members of the library committee, Messrs. A. F. Armstrong, member of the college board; Hilton U. Brown, manager

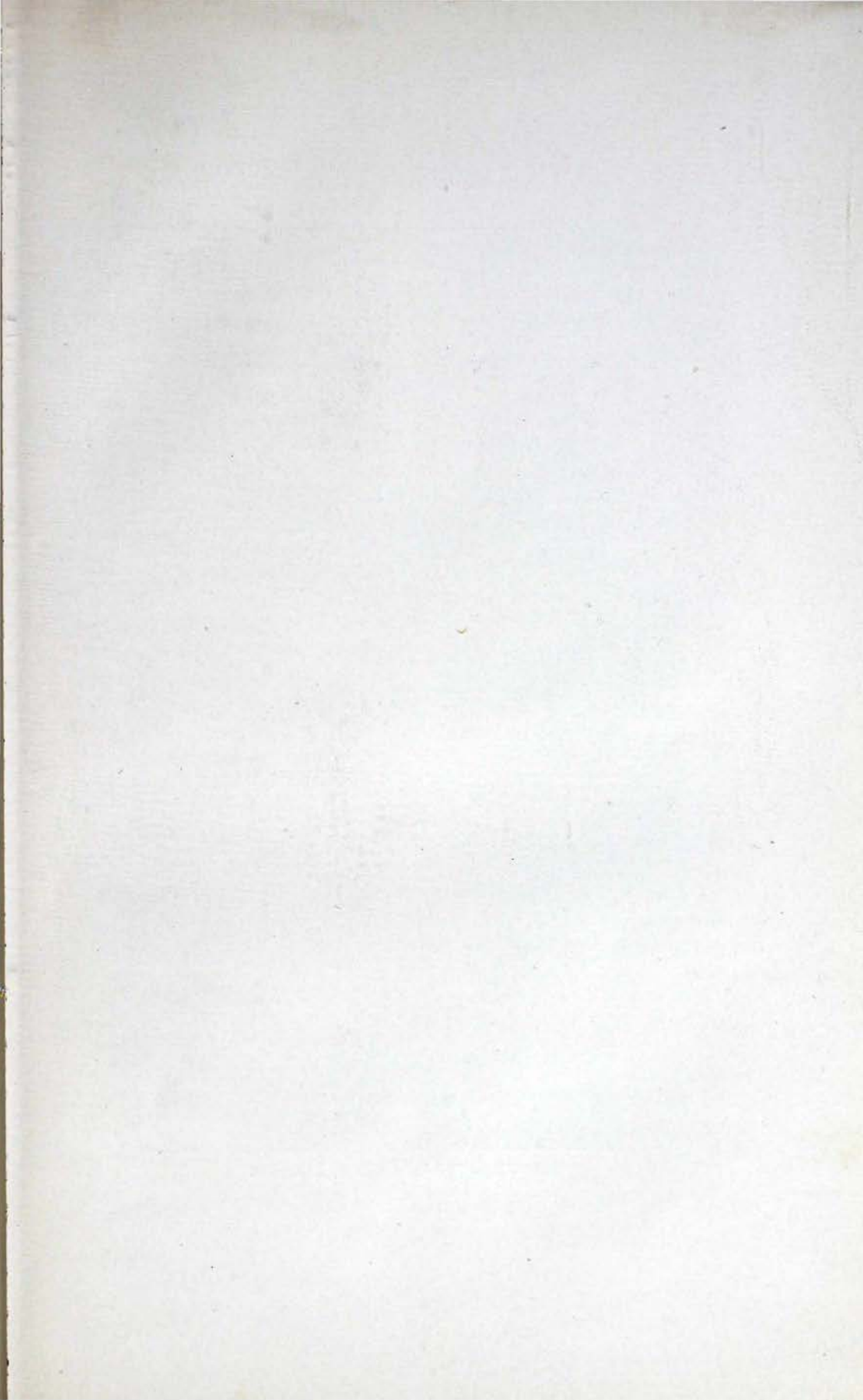
of the *Indianapolis News*; A. B. Philputt, pastor of the Indianapolis Central Christian Church; F. R. Kuntz, of the Bowen-Merrill Publishing Company, and T. C. Howe, professor of german, Butler College, have been most careful and considerate in planning the building. Finally the plans of the architects, Dupont and Johnson, were accepted, and the contract was let to the Wm. P. Jungclaus Co.

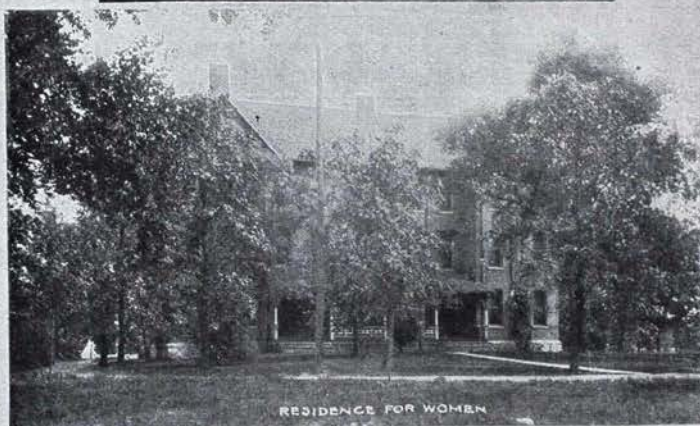
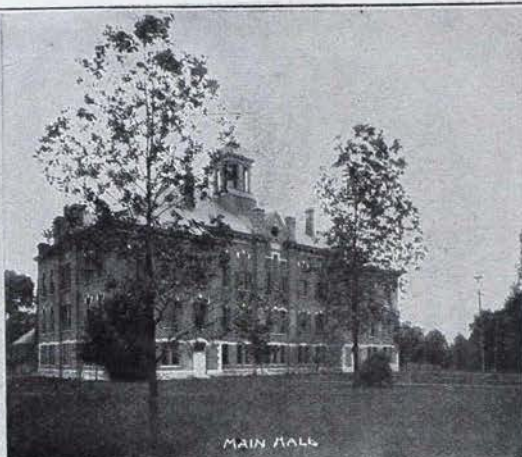
The ground was dedicated on Commencement Day, 1901, but the foundations were not laid until August, 1902. The building is to be completed by the fall of 1903. The material is of gray brick to match the Bedford oölitic limestone columns and trimmings; the roof is to be copper. The building will be entirely fireproof, of steel construction; the window frames are of iron, and the floors tile. There will be the most modern system of plumbing and indirect-direct steam radiation heating and ventilation. The heat will be furnished from the college plant, about twelve hundred feet distant, so that the library building will have no unsightly smoke-stack. The walls will all be double with hollow air spaces between to prevent dampness. The library will be furnished throughout with metal bookcases, with a capacity for sixty thousand volumes.

The style will be classic; and the completed building will be architecturally and structurally the finest library building in the state. The level of the basement floor is on a level with the sidewalk of the street, so that the building will stand high. The rooms are arranged for a large reading room, a library office, and seminary rooms for special college research classes.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson's original idea was to erect a library in memoriam, and when this idea is finally carried out, it will certainly be the most fitting and lasting memorial to the beautiful life of a young girl, a Kappa. Above the librarian's desk, the first object to attract one's eye upon entering the reading room, will hang a portrait of Bona Thompson, which is being painted by the artist, T. C. Steele.

S. C. P. '03, *Mu*.





BUTLER COLLEGE—IRVINGTON, INDIANA.

BUTLER COLLEGE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

I N January, 1850, this institution began its corporate existence under the name, Northwestern Christian University. Its charter was catholic and broad, and had been obtained under the auspices of the Disciples' churches of Indiana. Its history has been, in many respects, a repetition of that of many predecessors in the educational field. Growth has been slow, and disappointments not few. At the same time, it has been blessed with more than ordinary fortune, and has had friends loyal and generous. It was started as a stock company, with seventy-five thousand dollars as subscribed stock. During the half century of its existence this has increased to two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Its work and success have been more than commensurate with the support accorded it in benefactions. Hundreds of students have been graduated from its halls and several thousand others have pursued partial courses of study with its faculty. The financial resources of the institution, through fortunate circumstances and the prudence of the management, have increased to nearly double the stock subscribed. In 1877, on account of the peculiar beneficence of Ovid Butler, the original title was changed, and the name since then has been Butler University, until the recent organization of the University of Indianapolis, when it adopted the title Butler College of the University of Indianapolis. The change of title does not betoken any change of policy; rather it emphasizes the spirit which, in all the past, has characterized its work. The salient features of its educational policy may be summed up as follows: from its inception it has stood for the broadest culture to all. There has been no discrimination against any one on account of sex or color. It has believed that the atmosphere in which the broadest culture is to be realized is one which is distinctly Christian. It was perhaps the first institution of collegiate grade to open its doors to women on terms exactly equal to those offered to men. The institution has always been religious in spirit; by the terms of its charter it must always be so. The plan of education proposed in its founding is not limited to scientific and literary and aesthetic culture, but, recog-

nizing the spiritual needs of man's nature, it is made to include the religious element, as well. It is not, however, in any way subject to ecclesiastical control, its connection with the church being purely sympathetic and through individual members of the religious body, and not with the ecclesiastical organization. The various religious denominations are represented in its faculty and among its students. Lastly, in an age that has seen many institutions swept away by desire for notoriety, which has seen schools, meagrely equipped, advertising their ability to develop specialists, it has not failed to realize the truth that specialization in any true sense of the term, must rest upon a substantial and broadly laid basis of knowledge. It has never claimed ability to take students fresh from the secondary schools and make specialists of them in a few brief years. It has discountenanced the idea that crude youth is best fitted for the battle of life by immediate introduction into courses of specialized study, self-selected and aimlessly pursued. Rather has it stood for that thorough laying of the basis of all culture that ever has been the real foundation of true specialization and of genuine success. In point of equipment it is fully abreast with the times. The college occupies a beautiful campus of twenty-five acres shaded by forest trees and adorned with winding walks and driveways. The buildings are six in number. They are heated throughout by steam, supplied with water, and lighted by electricity. Ample accommodations are thus afforded for the various purposes and interests of college life.

In pursuance of its educational purpose the college maintains a faculty of competent instructors, all of whom have had the benefit of the best training, and among whom are graduates of the leading universities of the United States and of Germany. The college is affiliated with the University of Chicago on terms which present many advantages to students, and which are a guarantee that its undergraduate course is on a par with that of the university and that it is so recognized by the university. By virtue of this affiliation graduates of Butler College secure advantages at the University of Chicago such as are accorded to the graduates of no other educational institution in the state.

The location of the college in a suburb of Indianapolis brings faculty and students into touch with the best life of the day.

Irvington, the seat of Butler College, is a beautiful and healthful suburb. It is reached in less than one-half hour from the union station by electric cars running every seven minutes. Because of the city's unequalled railroad facilities, no other college in Indiana is so accessible. Irvington lies one hundred and fifty feet higher than the center of the city, and is a favorite residence place for the best class of citizens. The college location is the finest in Indiana, and one of the best in America; it has all the many advantages of a large, enterprising city and intellectual center, and of a purely residence suburb without saloons, factories, and noisy streets. Proximity to the city renders the facilities for the study of political economy, sociology, and kindred subjects, unrivalled. Students also enjoy the free use of all public libraries at the capital.

SCOTT BUTLER.



THE MARINE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY.

Wood's Holl, Mass.

AT the last convention of Kappa Kappa Gamma plans were discussed for the establishment of a table at a summer school, and in this connection special attention was directed towards the Marine Biological Laboratory at Wood's Holl. To anyone who has passed a summer at this place the name revives memories of the pleasantest nature. For who that has worked in the "M. B. L." will forget the laboratories with their tanks of wonderful sea animals, or the class excursions to dig for worms at the water's edge, or the white masts dotting the harbor as the setting sun lit up the shifting waters? But it is not for those who already know these delights that this paper is written, but rather for the uninitiated. To these we would say, "See Wood's Holl, and live to recount its wonders ever after."

Were it not for the laboratory and the United States Fish Commission station located at Wood's Holl that town would be known to few outsiders, excepting, of course, the owners of summer residences there. Unlike most small New England towns, it contains neither mill nor factory to bring it in touch with the business world. But annually, from colleges and universities,

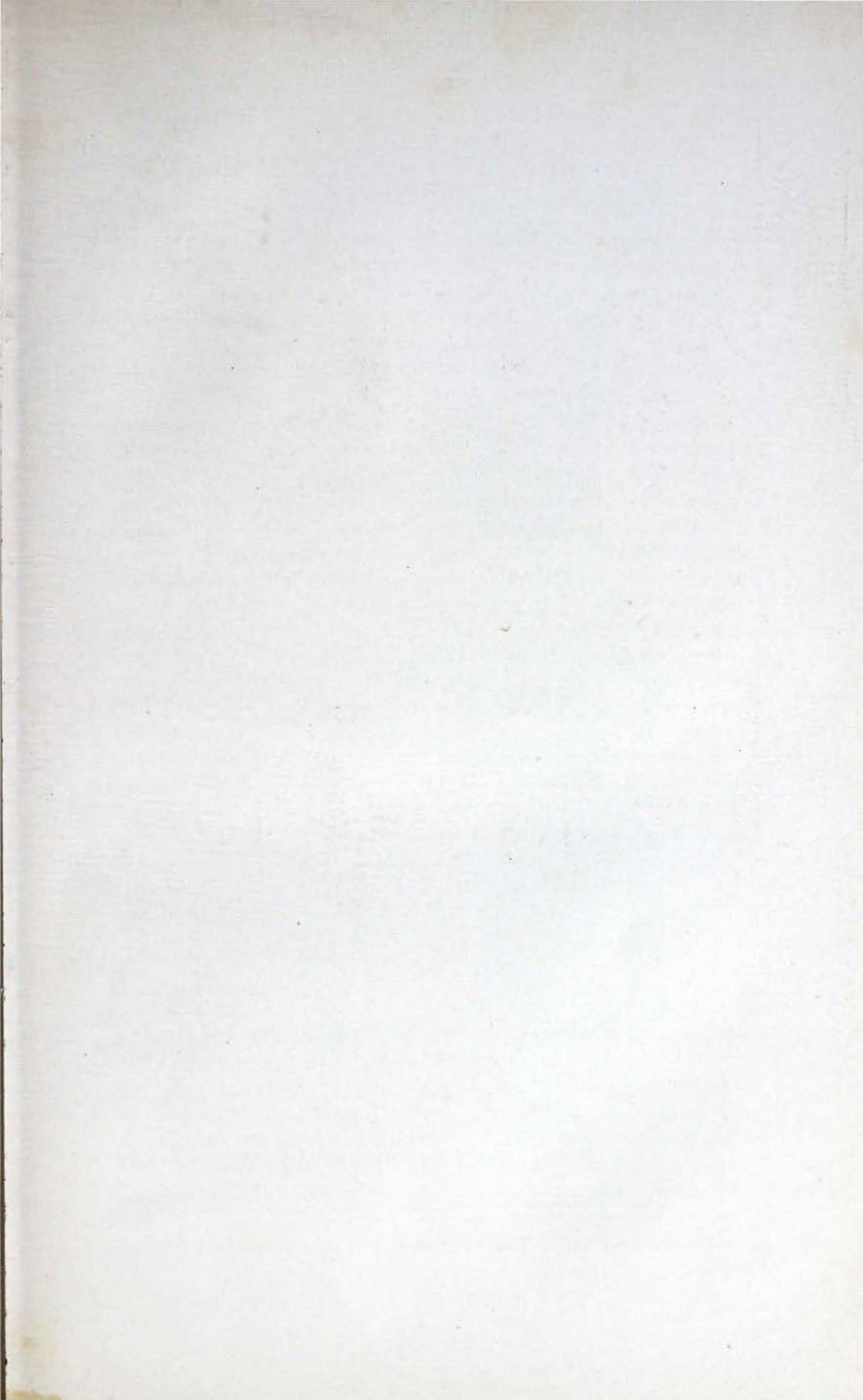
both near and far, gather hundreds of enthusiastic students and professors, converting the placid little village into a busy, active college town.

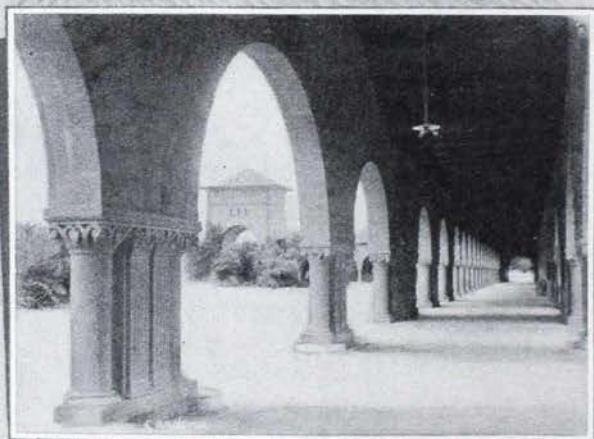
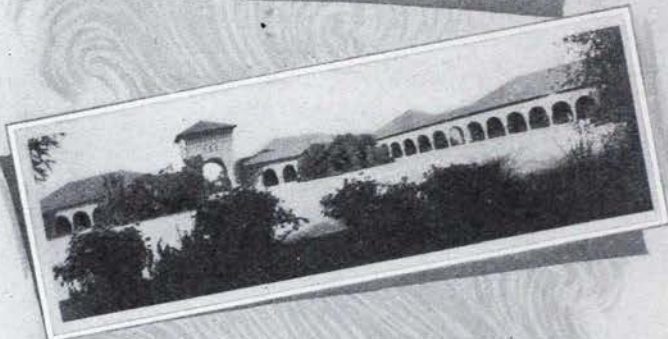
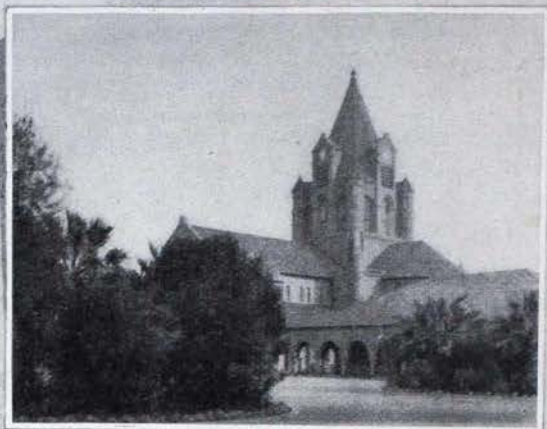
The laboratory was opened in the summer of 1888 for the use of students and investigators in marine zoology. At present there are established four departments for research and instruction—namely, Invertebrate Zoology, Embryology, Physiology and Botany. The location of the laboratory at Wood's Holl gives it exceptional advantages for pursuing the biological sciences. As described in the *Annual Announcement*, "the shore is varied by necks, points, flats, gutters, bays and islands; there are numerous fresh water ponds and lakes in the vicinity; there is no muddy river or city sewage to pollute the sea water; the fauna and flora are exceptionally rich; the climate is especially favorable for summer work; and the place is free from the inconveniences and distractions of fashionable summer resorts."

The laboratory consists of four two-story frame buildings, containing a lecture hall, seven general laboratories and fifty small private rooms; The laboratories are light and airy, and are provided with running fresh and sea water. Large aquaria and tanks are conveniently arranged in which to keep living plants and animals under observation. The students' tables are supplied with all necessary reagents, dishes and dissecting pans.

The lectures and laboratory work are conducted by a competent corps of scientists, among whom are found men whose brilliant and thorough work has won them international recognition. The opportunity of meeting and working under such teachers is one of the great advantages of the laboratory at Wood's Holl. The lectures are supplemented by typewritten outlines, which give in a concise form the main points in the day's discussion, and also directions for the laboratory work. Fresh, living material is studied, whenever practical, and this is of particular value in the experimental work in physiology and in the study of cell development. Under one's very eye one can watch a single, tiny cell divide and re-divide, until it has grown into a complex mass of many cells!

The class excursions for observing and collecting plants and animals hold an important part in the program of work. It is by seeing the organisms in their natural environments, learning their habits and activities, and becoming familiar with the conditions





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under which they live, that one gains a more intelligent and comprehensive conception of life. Under guidance of the professors and instructors, who know every inch of the surrounding country, the trips are taken with some special object in view. An excursion for certain unicellular organisms leads one across grassy fields and through shady woods. A halt is called at each little stream or pool, and at the horse troughs. The water is examined, and if teeming with life it is ladled out, by means of long spoons, to the eagerly crowding students, or rather into their small phials with which they come provided.

Very delightful and fruitful are the excursions to study fauna found under wharves and on floating timber. The trip is made by the class in a steam launch or sail-boat to some desirable point. Then parties of eight or ten put off in rowboats. Partly rowing, partly pushing against the piles and supports, the boats are brought undeaneath the wharf. Here is rich collecting-ground; for the wooden beams, washed by the water, are covered by a thick growth of sea anemones, colonies of sponges, yellow "sea-pork," green and brown algæ, and many other forms of animals and plants. The piles are scraped with sharp rimmed nets, and the treasures are transferred to buckets. "What a rich collection!" thinks the student, as he overhauls his bucket on his return to the laboratory after an afternoon's outing. And it is this wealth of material which continually impresses one at Wood's Holl. The sign on the wall of the library is hardly necessary. Its warning is, "Stuy nature, not books."

ADELINE H. JACOBS, *Beta Alpha*, '02.



LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY.

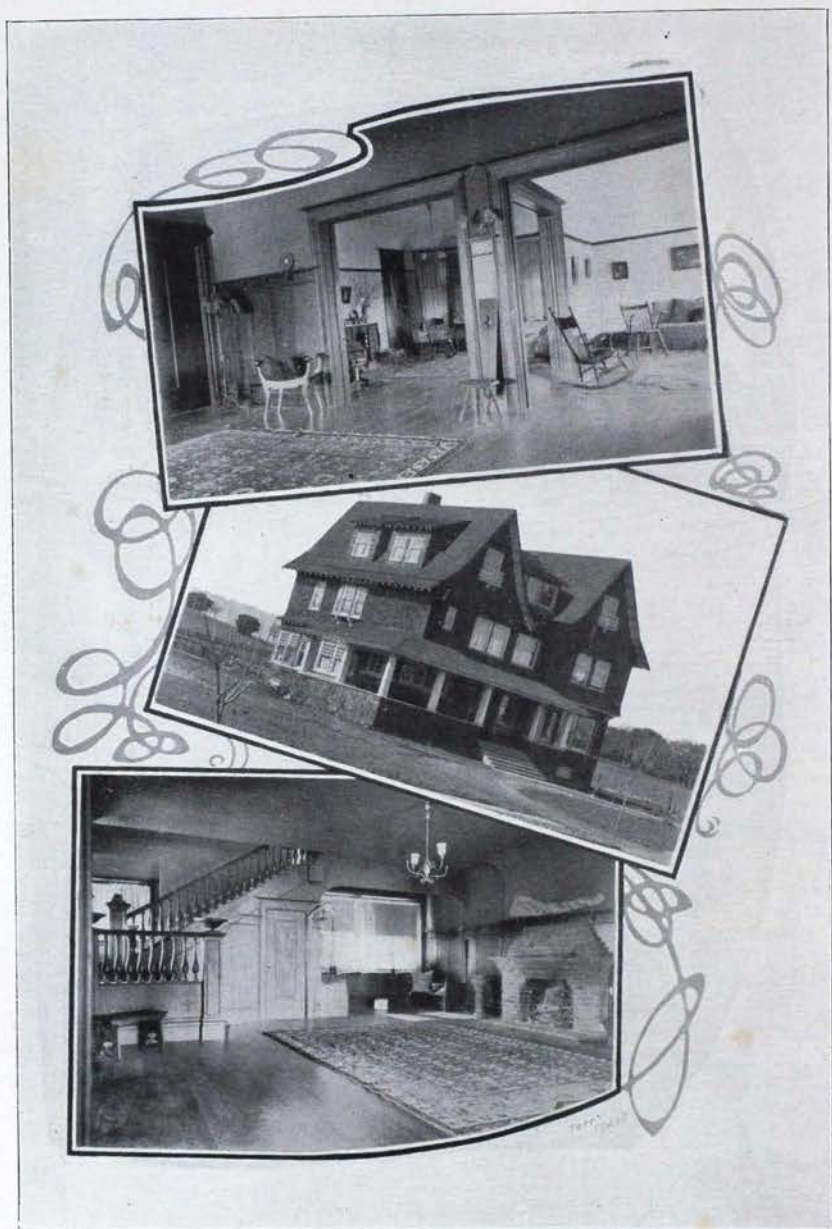
UNIQUE in situation, outward appearance and spirit, "Stanford," the youngest of the larger American universities, is now closing the eleventh year of her existence. Lying in the heart of the beautiful Santa Clara valley, the peculiar charm of its setting seems to belong to and enhance its attractiveness as a seat of learning. It was as a memorial to their only son, Leland Stanford, Jr., that the idea of the university first took form in

the minds of Senator and Mrs. Stanford, and since the laying of the cornerstone the university has been gradually building, nor is the end yet. It was the belief of Senator Stanford that a generous education is the birthright of every man and woman in America," and in this broad spirit was Stanford University founded, for men and women alike, for the advancement and propagation of learning. In March, 1885, the legislature of the state passed the act under which the grant of endowment was made in the following November. David Starr Jordan was chosen president in March, 1887, and on May 14th of the same year the cornerstone of the inner Quadrangle was laid. Five years later, on October 1, 1891, the university opened its doors to students, with eighteen professors and instructors, and work outlined in nineteen different departments. Two years passed, during which time the number of students increased, new buildings were erected and the outlook of the university grew gradually brighter and broader.

Then came the troublesome times following the death of Senator Stanford, when the revenues and the future of the university itself were endangered by the long government suit. Among these years the roll of the students had arisen to 1,100, and when the government suit was finally won in the fifth year of the life of the university, Stanford entered upon its larger career with ampler resources and that unlimited enthusiasm which has never ceased to distinguish it from its sister colleges.

The architectural beauty of Stanford is one of its most striking characteristics. The design is from the old Santa Barbara mission, with buildings of buff sandstone connected by columned arcades, which will form when completed three quadrangles, one within the other. The inner quadrangle was completed first, and was the seat of all university activities until two years ago, when the library and assembly hall in the second quadrangle were finished, and we gladly availed ourselves of the larger space thus afforded us. The second quadrangle will be completed this coming year, while work has also been commenced on the new library and on the men's gymnasium. Both of these buildings are to be as perfect as skill and thought can make them, and the plans for the men's gymnasium are said to provide for a building which shall be unsurpassed for its purpose in America. The Memorial church, in memory of Senator Stanford, is perhaps the most





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beautiful of the university buildings, and in harmony of design, elaborateness of carving and wealth of decorative work it does not compare unfavorably with some of the best known cathedrals of Europe. The rich yet harmonious coloring is one of its most noticeable characteristics, being carried out in the many stained-glass windows and in the mosaic work, both on the inside and on the outside of the church. It is now eleven years since Stanford University entered the educational field, and as this year closes we will see in the dedication of the Memorial Church the completion of the inner Quadrangle, and a large part of the second Quadrangle is also nearing completion. This growth in the outer home of the university is but typical of the inner spirit of expansion and progress which is felt in every department, promising still greater achievement in the future than has been known in the past.

The aim of the university is two-fold—to furnish a general college course and also to give opportunity for higher independent research, which latter alone constitutes a university in the real sense. Thirteen hundred and thirty students are now enrolled here, of which nearly five hundred are women, and there are included in that number representatives from nearly every State in the Union, a fact which may account largely for that cosmopolitan and democratic atmosphere which is such a prominent characteristic of the university. The college life at Stanford is unique, for we are separated by nearly a mile from the small town of Palo Alto and we are brought more closely in touch with one another, and form a more compact student body than would otherwise be the case. For this very reason the life here is nearly an ideal one. Students and professors alike live near the college buildings—the students either in one of the two large dormitories, one for men and the other for women, in boarding houses or in their various fraternity houses. Twelve men's fraternities have chapters here, and four women's—K A Θ, Δ Γ, Α Φ, and Κ Κ Γ, and nearly all of both men's and women's fraternities manage their own chapter houses. There are many student organizations here, including religious, debating and literary societies, Spanish and English clubs, and many others, all the channels into which the life of a university ordinarily flows, and which, rushing together, helps to produce that intangible yet potent thing called "college spirit." And it is in the spirit that prevails among

alumni and undergraduates alike that Stanford places her greatest pride,—a spirit tolerant and broad as our alma mater herself, yet one which will omit no effort capable of furthering her interest and which looks with pride at the commanding place which Stanford has already taken among American universities.

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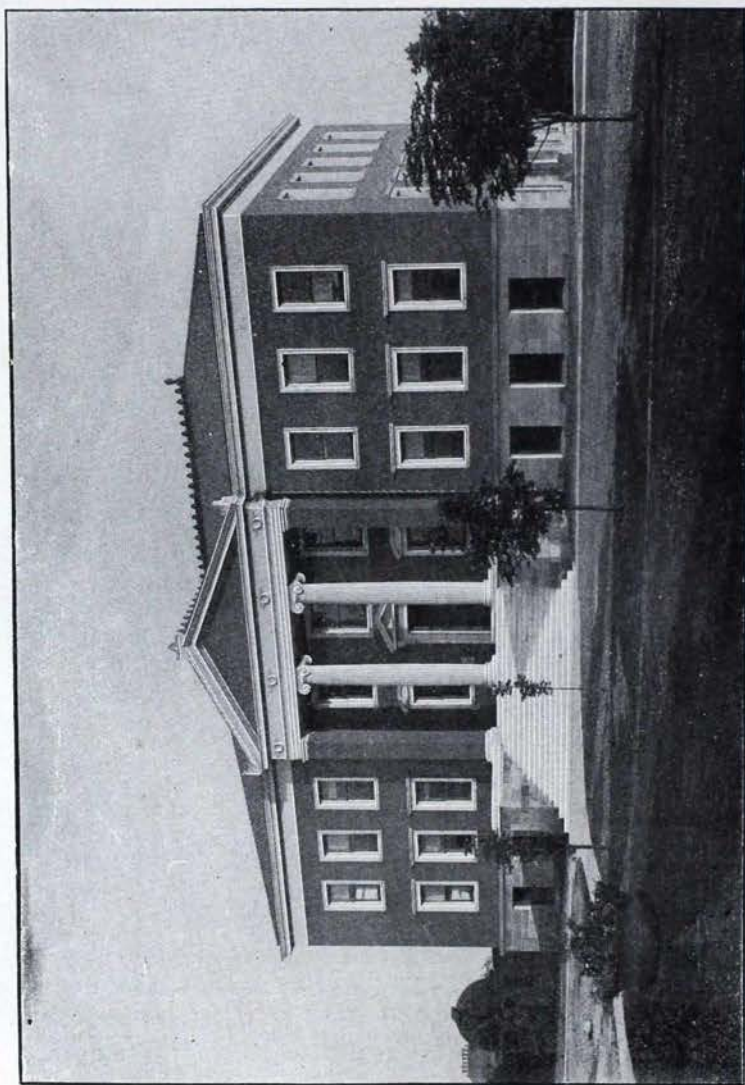


BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

BUCHTEL COLLEGE was founded in 1870 and took its name from its most generous benefactor, John R. Buchtel, who consecrated his life and his wealth to its support. It was chartered by the Ohio Legislature in the same year as a College of Liberal Arts and Letters, and first opened its doors at Akron, Ohio, for the admission of students in September, 1872. Akron is itself beautifully located among surrounding hills and valleys, and the site chosen for the college was one of the most commanding in the city.

At the opening of the college two courses of study were established, philosophical and classical. To these have since been added a scientific course, and the college now gives instruction in the three courses of four years each, leading respectively to the degrees of Bachelor of Philosophy, Bachelor of Arts, and Bachelor of Science. In connection with the college there has been established and maintained an Academy, School of Music, and School of Art. The total endowment of the college exceeds three hundred thousand dollars, having six endowed professorships and near fifty endowed scholarships of one thousand dollars each.

It was during the administration of Dr. Priest that the main college building was totally destroyed by fire. Undaunted, however, by this great calamity, the college authorities proceeded immediately to rebuild, but on the modern plan of having several buildings, each for a specific purpose, in place of the one large building, which served recitation accommodations for the entire college. The plan was to have a recitation hall, administration building, chemical laboratory, natural science hall, and academy. Of these two have already been erected and are now in use.



BUCHTEL HALL, BUCHTEL COLLEGE, AKRON, OHIO.

Buchtel, though supported by the Universalist Convention, is by no means sectarian. Students are in no way restricted in their religious views, and are allowed to attend whatever church they may prefer. It is furthermore purely coeducational. During the first year of its existence there were enrolled 217 students, of whom 98 were women and 119 men. This proportion has been substantially maintained until the present time, and experience has shown that the founders of the college acted wisely in providing for the coeducation of men and women on equal terms.

Student life at Buchtel is marked by all the influences of a small college. The close contact of students with each other and with the members of the faculty produces a universal spirit of cordiality and friendliness. There prevails a class of bright, earnest and energetic students who desire to make the most of their college life and acquire the highest benefits therefrom, and to such Buchtel offers the best advantages.

The same spirit of friendliness which is to be found in college life in general, characterizes fraternity life as well. The bitterness and hostility of former years has passed away, and but a few days ago a member of the faculty was heard to remark that no objection could be offered to the fraternities at Buchtel as long as the present attitude of fraternity to fraternity exists; that the rivalry was wholesome and honorable, and therefore commendable.

During the thirty years of its existence the college has graduated a fairly large number of students, many of whom are now actively interested in the welfare and prosperity of their alma mater.

Lambda.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

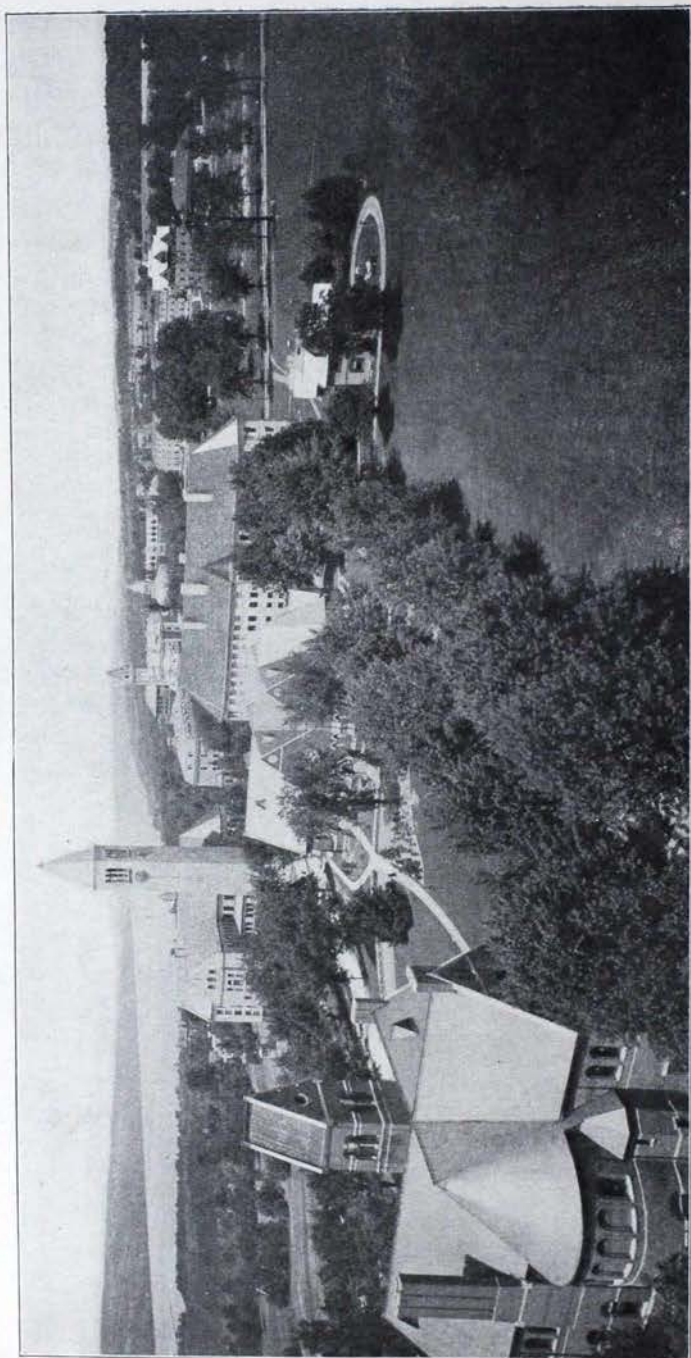
THE memorable words of Ezra Cornell,—“I would found an institution where any person can find instruction in any study,” tell better than pages of description of the broad and liberal spirit of the founder of Cornell University, and his broad spirit has become the keynote of the University, made possible by the bounty and wisdom of Mr. Cornell acting in conjunction with the State of New York.

An Act of Congress in 1862 provided for grants of public land, from the sale of which there should be established a perpetual fund to be used for state colleges. Mr. Cornell planned the union of the New York proceeds with his own resources, which was effected by the Act of April 27, 1865, establishing Cornell University. Mr. Cornell donated \$500,000, two hundred acres of land and several smaller gifts. His largest contribution came in the shape of profits eventually made by the university on the land script which he purchased from the State.

The university opened its doors in 1868. It is built high up on a hill and has a magnificent view of the city of Ithaca below in the valley, of the hills across the valley stretching away into the distance, and of the lower end of Cayuga Lake. On the campus are the oldest halls, the library and the buildings of the different colleges grouped around the green, with the homes of many of the professors at one side, and the university farm stretching back into the country. There are a number of fraternity houses on the campus, also the armory, chapel and Sage, the only dormitory which was given by Henry W. Sage for the use of the women. A deep gorge at one end of the campus affords an excellent opportunity for the hydraulic laboratory.

A plan for the enlargement and rearrangement of the campus has just been adopted by the Trustees. This calls for many changes, with a view to making the best use of the exceptional natural opportunities offered by the campus and its surroundings. In accordance with this plan, a new hall of Physics, made possible by the gift of Mr. Rockefeller, will be started immediately, and a hall of Arts and Sciences will soon be built. A building for the use of the College of Medicine has just been completed, and is the gift of Dean Sage, a member of the Sage family to whom the university owes also the Chapel and the Infirmary, besides the Women's Dormitory. A new Observatory is also in process of completion.

Cornell University comprehends the following departments: the Graduate Department, the Academic Department, the College of Law, the College of Civil Engineering, the Sibley College of Mechanical Engineering and Mechanics Arts, the College of Architecture, the College of Agriculture, and the Medical College. The New York State Veterinary College and the New



CORNELL UNIVERSITY.—VIEW OF CAMPUS.

York State College of Forestry are administered by Cornell University, and are located here.

The first class was graduated in 1872. There were no women here during the first few years, but they began to come during the early seventies and there are now about three hundred. Most of them are in the College of Arts and Sciences. A fair proportion are in the Medical College, a few each take Law and Agriculture, and one is taking Civil Engineering, the first woman student in the college.

The total registration of the University is over three thousand, with a faculty of three hundred and fifty-five.

There are thirty-three fraternities at Cornell, four of which are women's fraternities,—Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi and Delta Gamma. Most of the men's fraternities own or rent houses, but the women have their headquarters at Sage, where most of them live.

The "New Cornell" which is planned will bring many changes to the campus, but the Cornell spirit will always remain the same.



WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

THE pioneer fathers of Ohio, long heart-burdened by the importance of establishing an institution of higher education under the direction of the Ohio Presbyterians, labored hard for fully twenty years before their hopes were realized. Not until 1866 did they receive their charter for the founding of Wooster University. The object of the institution, in the terms of the charter was, "for the promotion of sound learning and education under religious influences." In 1870, with Rev. Willis Lord, D. D., as president, Wooster University was formally opened. The college offered three courses, the Classical course, the Philosophical, and the Scientific. It soon rejoiced in the addition of an art department, a musical department, military training and a medical school. Year after year the college grew, nearly all the States having representatives here. In 1892 it was found necessary to enlarge the main building and two new wings were added. Still the college grew and rejoiced in its

strength and prosperity. Many great men fondly name Wooster University as their alma mater, and to-day Wooster has a representative in almost every country on the globe. After three years of faithfulness, Dr. Lord resigned his cares to Rev. A. A. Taylor, D. D. Rev. Sylvester S. Scovel succeeded Rev. Taylor, and, in 1890, Rev. L. E. Holden became Scovel's successor.

Rev. Holden became president of a progressive institution, but he was soon to become president of "a hole in the ground," as he expresses it. Wooster students will never forget the memorable morning of December 11th, 1902, when one and all were called from their beds by the alarm of fire. Like flashes of lightning the word traveled, "The university is burned. Our all is gone." Upon receiving the news, Dr. Holden hesitated but a few minutes to recover from the shock, then flashed messages and telegrams to all friends,—“Our building is burned. Let us stand together until we build a new one.” Thus encouraged by such fortitude, citizens, students, faculty, alumni and friends all over the states exerted all power to regain their loss and build a greater Wooster. The story of how nearly half a million dollars was raised within two and a half months is well known to all interested in educational work. The work of raising this large sum was made lighter by a magnificent gift of \$100,000 from Mr. Andrew Carnegie and a generous gift of \$75,000 from Mr. L. H. Severance. Readers of the KEY will appreciate the loyalty of the students, the alumni, and their friends, when it was made possible through them and the energy of our able Dr. Holden to erect five new buildings and dedicate them on December the 11th, the first anniversary of the fire. And such a rally as it was. Friends from every State came to rejoice with us. After listening to their congratulations and words of encouragement, we feel sure that victory is before us and that Wooster is on the way to fame.

Five buildings, the gymnasium, the observatory, the dormitory, the conservatory of music, and the library escaped the conflagration. With the five new buildings there are now ten at the disposal of the institution. All of the buildings, with the exception of the conservatory of music, are situated on the campus. Each of the new buildings is worthy of a long article, but space permits only mention of them. Kauke Hall, the main building, is devoted mostly to lecture rooms for the departments of languages and mathematics. In this building are ample and suitable rooms.

for the literary societies and for the different fraternities of the college. Severance Hall is devoted to Physics and Chemistry, and is as finely equipped for such work as one could wish. Scovel Hall is given to the students of Biology and Geology, and lacks nothing that is necessary for study in these lines. Taylor Hall is occupied by the Preparatory Department. In this building is an auditorium seating five hundred. Our library, the gift of H. Clay Frick, is a handsome modern, and fireproof building. It contains nearly twenty-five thousand bound volumes, giving the students every advantage in literary work. The Chapel, which was commenced before the fire, was dedicated March fifth, 1902. Its style of architecture is beautiful, and over 1,000 people can be accommodated. Hoover Cottage is the dormitory for young women. It has all the modern conveniences and is an ideal home for young women attending college. We have a gymnasium building for the young men, and the young women receive their physical training in the gymnasium room in Hoover Cottage. Wooster has two missionary homes for the children of the missionaries abroad in the interest of the Presbyterian Church.

Work continues in the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., and many of the students enjoy the work of the literary societies. A recital course furnished by the musical department and the university lecture course offer the students every opportunity to hear the best talent in the country. At Wooster young women receive the same training and have the same advantages that the young men enjoy. We have at present five hundred students and an able faculty of thirty professors. Our summer school is widely known, enrolling more students last summer than attended college the previous winter.

Wooster University is located on a beautiful spot. It is some distance from the main section of the city, on the summit of a hill. It commands a view of magnificent country, stretching in hill and vale for miles around.

Of course such opportunities as are offered by Wooster bring a very high and cultured class of young men and young women here, and it is very good ground for fraternities. At present there are five flourishing fraternities here—three among the young men, Phi Gamma Delta, Beta Theta Phi, and Alpha Tau Omega; while among the young women, Kappa Kappa Gamma has Kappa Alpha Theta as a rival. Kappa Alpha Theta was first in the field, and their existence gave an impetus to six young ladies to

form another fraternity. On the 15th of May, 1876, Beta Gamma chapter of K K T was established in Wooster. Soon the chapter was thoroughly organized and the meetings and work have been carried on systematically ever since. By careful and wisely extended invitations we have grown in strength and numbers until to-day 180 names are enrolled on Beta Gamma's chapter roll. The active chapter at present has fourteen members. The women's fraternities of Wooster have always had rooms in private homes, but now fine quarters are offered to them in one of the new buildings, and Beta Gamma will soon move, having secured one of the most desirable rooms.

In October of 1901 an alumnae chapter was formed in Wooster with eighteen members. They meet on the first Thursday of every month and are willing at all times to give counsel and aid to the active chapter. The active and alumnae chapters very often meet together in a social way, and the actives often enjoy entertainment at the homes of the alumnae and the resident members of the active chapter. The chapters were very much delighted during the dedication by a visit from Mrs. Lucy Allen Smart and other Kappa alumnae.

With Wooster on the way to fame, Kappa will have a greater field for work and as we rejoice in our new possessions, we hope that our Kappa sisters from all chapters will join with us as we sing—

Recho, Rucho, Re, Ri, Ru,
Beta Gamma, Kappa Gamma,
Wooster U.

MRS. ROBERT C. TAYLOR,
Wooster Alumnae Association.

The Dedication of Wooster.

MORE than a thousand alumni and friends gathered at Wooster on December eleventh, to enjoy the dedication of the buildings of the "Greater Wooster." Addresses were made by Dr. James D. Moffat, President of Washington and Jefferson College; Charles F. Mabery, Professor of Chemistry in Case School; and Dr. Frank Gunsaulus, President of Armour Institute. The only woman who took part on the program was Frances A. Glenn, Beta Gamma, who sang beautifully, "I Will Extol Thee, O Lord," from the Oratorio Eli. After the exercises, luncheon was served to all visitors. Mrs. Katherine Lucas Johnson, Mrs. Helen Cornell Shepherd, Mrs. Minnie Haines Pennock, Miss Loverue Bishop, Miss Billman, all alumnae of Beta Gamma from Cleveland and the editor were happy to meet Wooster's alumnae and active Kappas at an informal tea at the home of Miss Gertrude Vollrath.

EDITOR.

Personal Notes.

PHI.

September 30th, 1902, Miss Bertha P. Richmond was married to Mr. Samuel A. Clevalier, at West Medford, Mass. Miss Richmond graduated from Boston University in 1895, and since graduation has been assistant in the Boston Public Library. Every reader of the KEY knows her because of her many labors of love for our fraternity. She was Grand Secretary from 1894 to 1896, and Grand President from 1896 to 1900.

BETA TAU.

Bessie Scott, '04, has returned to college after a month's travel in England and France.

Early this fall Annetta Williams, ex-'03, was married to Andrew Telfer, $\Phi K \Psi$.

Susan DeCew Brown, '94, has returned from her travels in Europe.

BETA ALPHA.

Julia Black Hodges was married on October 23rd, to Mr. George Wythe Lewis, in Louisville, Ky.

Mary H. Geisler, '02, has been appointed assistant in chemistry in the Philadelphia High School for Girls.

Adeline H. Jacobs, '02, is permanent substitute in science and mathematics in the same school.

Sarah P. Miller, '99, is now first assistant in zoology in the same institution.

GAMMA RHO.

Mary and Alice Colter and Louise Hempstead are taking special work at Columbia University.

Dema Bard, '02, is teaching in the high school at Vandergrift, Pennsylvania.

Louise Bolard is engaged in settlement work in New York City.

Marguerite McClintock is taking graduate work and teaching in the preparatory school of the college.

The engagement of Blanche Beecher, '01, and Mr. Charles M. Hatch, '01, $\Phi K \Psi$, is announced.

Margaret Batchelder, '00, has a fellowship in Columbia University. She is making special investigations with regard to child labor and child criminals.

The marriage of Elizabeth McCracken and Mr. Van Peters, of Oil City, Pa., is announced.

Recently a little son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hogg, of Parkersburg, W. Va.

October 22nd, 1902, Della V. Greenland and Dr. J. S. Schaul were married at Vandergrift, Pa.

LAMBDA.

Miss Arabella R. Armstrong, '96, was married to Mr. Louis Thomas Orr on the fifteenth of October, at Evanston, Ill. At home after the fifteenth of December, at 5434 Indiana avenue, Chicago.

BETA NU.

Miss Imogene Ingram, '97, was married to Mr. John B. Miles on the nineteenth of November, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Columbus, Ohio. At home, 1085 Fair avenue, Columbus.

Miss Florence Corner, '97, was married to Dr. Albert E. Sellenings on the twenty-fifth of November, at the home of her father, Columbus, Ohio. At home, 102 E. 31st street, New York. Miss Corner was deputy to Miss Talbot, Grand Registrar, 1898 to 1900, and deputy to Miss Allen, Editor, 1900 to 1901.

BETA DELTA.

Bess Trowbridge, '02, is assistant principal of the high school at Algonac, Mich.

Grace Morehouse, '02, is teaching in Indianapolis, Ind.

Jessie Bane, '04, is teaching in the Jackson, Ohio, schools.

Louise Emlaw, '03, is assistant principal of the high school at her home in Grand Haven, Mich.

Susan Potter, '04, will spend this year at her home in Peabody, Kansas.

Erie Layton, who has been teaching in Bay City, was recently married to Mr. Dana Gates. They are to spend the winter in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson (Laura Rinkle) are the parents of a little daughter. They reside in Boonville, N. Y.

XI.

Wednesday evening, September 3rd, at the home of the bride's mother at Fairfield, Mich., occurred the marriage of Maud Alice Peebles, ex-'04, and Edmund T. Bentz, of Pittsford, Mich.

KAPPA.

Clara Knowles was married on October 16th, to Mr. Percy Young, of North Adams, Mich.

Clara St. John, '99, was married October 29th, to Mr. Harry Brown, of Ravenswood, Ill.

DELTA.

Lucretia Skinner, '04, is teaching physical culture at her home, Logansport, Ind.

Harrye Branham, '02, spent the summer at Harbor Springs, Wisconsin.

Mary McPheeters, '03, is teaching in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Vesta Triplett, '02, was married in August to Dr. Otto Rogers, of Bloomington, Ind., where the couple now reside.

Millicent Coss, '02, is teaching in Asheville, North Carolina.

Edna Bartlett, '02, is in Philadelphia taking a course in training for nurses.

Verba Laughlin, '04, is teaching near Columbus, Ind.

Edna Perkey, '05, is teaching near Logansport, Ind.

Mabel Wadsworth, '05, expects to move to South Dakota in the near future. Delta will be sorry to lose her.

IOTA.

Agnes Irene Moulden and Ralph Studebaker Todd, B @ II, were married at Greenfield, Ind., October 15th, 1902. Eight girls from Iota and many of the members of B @ II attended the wedding.

Married, August 28th, 1902, Stella Hawkins and Orrin Walker, Φ K Ψ.

Florence Dice, of Crawfordsville, Mary Mitchell, of Eaton, Ohio, and Mrs. Joseph Astor Greenstreet, of Newcastle, all sisters in Iota, have been visiting us during the term.

Ethel Chaffee has returned from a year's study in France and Germany, and is the head of the German department in Elwood.

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EPSILON.

Katherine Marsh was married August 30th, to Abner Risley, an instructor in the Denver High School.

On October 30th, Maude Kilgore was married to Albert Vasey. Mr. and Mrs. Vasey reside at Leroy, Ill.

The marriage of Mattie Wilcox to Reuben Stoddard took place October 29th. Mr. and Mrs. Stoddard live at Minouk, Ill., where Mr. Stoddard is a grain dealer.

UPSILON.

Miss Frances Rawlins, '02, is a member of the faculty at Grand Prairie Seminary.

Miss Sue Mockford, ex-'04, was married on November 5th, to Mr. Edward Leadley, of Batavia, N. Y.

Miss Edna Bronson, '02, is teaching Latin and Greek in the high school at Kenosha, Wis.

CHI.

Rose Nalersberg, '97, was married to Robert Olds, Harvard, in September.

Mable P. Stone, '00, was married October 9th, to Charles Kent Dickerman, of St. Paul.

The annual alumnae reception was held at the home of Mrs. W. F. Webster, October 13th, from 4 to 6 o'clock.

BETA ZETA.

Kathryn Nay, '00, and Frank Cornelius Green, B @ II, married October the fourth. At home in Sioux City, Iowa.

Since the opening of the university we have had visits from Wilfred Myers, '98; Helen Clapp Tanner, '99; Marion Morton, '99; Florence Seerley, '02, and Anna Wyman Beardsley.

Sadie Murray Hess is spending the winter in Omaha, Neb., where she is studying art.

Harriett Peters is spending the year abroad in study and pleasure.

THETA.

Strausie McCaslin, '02, has been visiting friends in Columbia.

Florine Holmes, '05, is not in school this year, but spent a few days in town in September.

Ida Howard, '99, is attending the University at Berlin, Germany.

Irene Blair, '02, and Jessie Blair, '98, came down for the interesting ball game between M. S. U. and Washburn.

Carolyn Stoner, '03, has been elected assistant gymnasium instructor in the girls' gymnasium, M. S. U.

Maud Montgomery, who graduated last June, is back in college taking a postgraduate course for her master's degree.

Lena Storm, '99, was married to Dr. Emery Greene, in September, at her home in Kirksville, Mo.

SIGMA.

Miss May C. Whiting, '96, was married October 1st, to Mr. Theodore Westermann, at the First Baptist Church, Lincoln, Neb. Miss Whiting has been instructor in the Department of English Literature, University of Nebraska, since her graduation. She was Grand Treasurer, 1899-1900; Grand Secretary, 1900-1902, and at the last convention was elected Grand President.

Mrs. May C. Whiting Westerman, who has been in Butte, Mont., for the past two months with her husband, is expected here in Lincoln soon to spend the holidays with her parents.

Married, on August 5th, 1902, in Lincoln, Neb., Miss Mabel Richards, '01, to Mr. Lon A. Ricketts, B & H.

Married, on September 17th, 1902, in Denver, Col., Miss Blendena Emmons, special, to Mr. C. De Berard, $\Phi K \Psi$. Mr. and Mrs. De Berard now reside in Philadelphia.

Miss Margaret Whedon, music student, expects to enter Boston Cooking School about the middle of December.

Miss Lottie Whedon is spending the winter in New Mexico.

OMEGA.

Laura Lockwood, '91, professor of English in Wellesley College, has been working for some years on a lexicon to the poetical works of John Milton, and the Macmillan Company, in a recent bulletin, announces the publication of the work.

Bertha Starr Grosvernor, '87, is studying music with Frances Fisher Powers this winter.

Lilian Dudley, '89, is teaching in the Normal School at Emporia, Kansas.

Virginia Spencer, '91, returns to Plymouth, N. H., as a teacher in the State Normal School.

Maude Landis, '99, holds the superintendency of Scarritt Hospital, at Kansas City, Missouri.



A TOAST.

We come to-night, dear sisters true,
To have our first repast with you.
To us poor freshmen this is new,
We've just put on the blue and blue.
We've just received the key of gold
And safely entered Kappa's fold.
We took the key, unlocked the door,
And came where we'd ne'er been before.

With awe and trembling entered we
The new found realm of K K Γ,
But mysteries soon cleared away
And we were all rejoiced to stay.
We found a world all new and bright,
A world without a care,
Where all things stand for good and right,
And love is everywhere.

We found a house called Friendship,
And here we paused to see
If Friendship's door would open
With that little golden key.
And lo, with little effort,
The door was opened wide,
And we, no longer strangers,
Were anchored safe inside.

There we found a happy circle,
Felt that we'd been friends for years,
Knew that they would be companions,
Sharing happiness or tears,
Helping us to solve life's problems,
Howe'er difficult they be,
We can always find a refuge
In our grand old K K Γ.

'Twas so good of you dear sisters
To let us have the key
That unlocked all the secrets
Of mystic K K Γ,
And we hope that we are worthy
To wear that symbol true,
And hope that we are worthy
To wear the blue and blue.

From north to south, from east to west,
 Wherever we may be,
 Our watchword will be "Kappa,"
 And our signet be the key
 Which locks our hearts together
 In a friendship—lasting, true,
 And keeps us ever loyal
 To the grand old blue and blue.

Now join with me and drink a health
 To Kappas far and near,
 And may there be much good in store
 For every Kappa dear!
 May Kappa evermore be right
 Is what our wish would be,
 But right or wrong, we'll ever fight
 For our Fraternity!

—NELL MALLOY, *Beta Nu*, '06.

On Co-education. Since the question of co-education has been so widely discussed of late, it must be of particular interest to all Kappa Kappa Gamma chapters.

We eastern people feel that co-education is theoretically the best arrangement, but we know that practically in our part of the country it is not successful and besides—we don't want it. In the western states the universities were founded at the very time when the movement for education of women was being vigorously agitated. And in these new colleges provision was naturally enough made for the women. Boys and girls went through the preparatory schools together and then to the same college. The thing was perfectly natural, matter-of-fact, and free from sentimentality. But here in the east the large universities for men were in their prime and were turning out thousands of graduates before women even asked to be admitted. The men don't want their old associations and long seclusion disturbed, and the women don't want to be admitted on sufferance. So here it is the rule to have separate colleges. But there is something to be said against having the faculty as well as the student body composed of women. To say that women's minds are liable to run along the same paths, to think alike, is by no means saying they will never be able to organize and accomplish as consistent and exacting work as men. Rather, it implies that they have

accomplished a remarkable amount in view of the fact that they have been so long hampered by a lack of systematic education. But it is helpful, for the present, to have the faculties of women's colleges made up chiefly of men, so that we may get the pointed view of those who have been so long in the business of educating and teaching.

At Barnard we feel as though we had solved the problem as successfully as possible until eastern men and women come to a more reasonable arrangement of the question. We are one of the separate colleges in the university system. We have equal rights with the men in one of the best libraries in the country, we have the same faculty, parallel courses; we receive the same degrees and have, of course, representation in the university council. But the undergraduate instruction is entirely separate save for a few elective courses in the senior year. And even these are to be given at Barnard very shortly.

We hope other chapters will pardon us if we seem to show a good deal of local pride. We can't help thinking that we have given a pretty satisfactory answer to that puzzling question—How best may women be educated in an eastern college?

ETHEL MANTER POOL, *Beta Epsilon*.

Doubtless in most colleges where chapters of
The Woman's Kappa Kappa Gamma are established, there are
League. also organizations open to *all* girls of the college
 and instituted for the express purpose of bringing
 the girls together upon an equal footing. But I wonder if the
 fraternity girls support these leagues as they should. Are not
 most of us selfishly inclined to keep to ourselves and let these
 other girls walk uncheered on a lonely road? Of course fratern-
 ity is, for the most part, a satisfying source of pleasure, but will
 we not look on the other side of the question and see how few
 things there are for the pleasure of that other girl who cannot
 claim kinship with the fraternity girls about her. When we have
 graduated and passed out of the college world into that greater,
 the real life, where there is no opportunity of associating with
 pleasant companions in a fraternity meeting, will not you and I
 have then a little of that isolated feeling which the "other" girl

feels now? If we must look forward to this, even though in the smallest sense, let us smooth someone's path now, do our part in supporting these leagues and making the girls outside of our mystic circle feel that Kappas are indeed true-hearted women.

Delta.

**The Practical
Training of
Fraternity Life.**

The fraternity life of the average college girl is an excellent training and preparation for her future experience in the business and social world. This is especially true of those girls who superintend the management of a chapter house. Perhaps for the majority of girls these responsibilities are wholly new experiences, yet they form an indispensable element in the training of the practical American woman. The president of the well organized chapter house faces the same problems that every housekeeper must solve. She must keep an accurate account of all income and out-go, and must learn to avoid all waste and extravagance. She must keep a watchful eye on all departments of the household, even though their actual supervision be intrusted to committees. The experiences of a girl in the position of house manager or house president are of the most varied and practical nature. She learns a little about banking, the paying of bills, the keeping of accounts, the management of servants—yes, all the details of housekeeping. In those less fortunate chapters who do not enjoy a fraternity house, this training comes chiefly through committee work, which is perhaps the same thing in a specialized form. The chairmen of committees must develop executive ability and learn to perform their duties with business-like methods.

Viewing the subject from the social side we find another phase of the practical training to be found in fraternity life. The average freshman girl has had comparatively little experience as a hostess in formal society, and few of them have ever felt the responsibilities that naturally devolve upon one in the entertainment of guests. A girl's experience as hostess in the social functions of chapter life teach her poise and self-possession, and develop in her that peculiar instinct by means of which the successful hostess can cast a congenial atmosphere over a company of widely different people. These qualities cannot fail to prove of value to any woman, no matter in what field her life-work lies.

F. E. B., *Beta Delta.*

That I should attempt to set forth a new "philosophy of clothes" in this quarterly, which
A Word
About Clothes. deals with subjects thought to be vital to the fraternity, seems hardly consistent. Surely college women bound together for the purpose of mutual advancement and for the forming of close friendships have nothing to do with broadcloth, patent leather and a properly sloping waist line. We who are seekers after that which Kappa represents have nothing—so our first thought is—to do with the newest fads in stocks and the latest fashions in what, I regret to say, the most advanced among us call their "shirts." On second thought, however, we realize that clothes do concern us, that they play an important part in our lives and are, therefore, not to be worn thoughtlessly.

I know a man who fell in love with the woman, now his wife, upon seeing her in a white gown with a blue scarf about her shoulders. Many a Kappa owes her warm fraternity friendships, her memories of the solemn and beautiful initiation service, and of hours about the chapter house fireside to the fact that she wore a well tailored suit the fall she came to college. Not what a girl *is*, but what she *wears*, is the thing most obvious to a chapter, when it meets a dozen freshmen at the first "rush." The girl in a yellow waist, a red skirt, and a blue hat is condemned as "impossible"; and the girl who is seen in the classroom in a black broadcloth trimmed with bands of white satin is not asked for any more "stunts." Such decisions are not unwarranted. It was not inconsistent in the man to fall in love with the white gown and the blue scarf, in fact, it speaks rather well for the man that he loved the white gown and the blue scarf, and not a boot with a huge brass buckle and a hat with a long green veil. We may choose—and safely—the girl who comes to college quietly dressed in navy blue and the most spotless of white shirt waists; and it speaks rather well for us if we look askance at the girl who wears a pompadore pulled down into close proximity to her left eyebrow and who changes the size of her waist to suit the passing fashion.

Since "matter is the manifestation of the spirit," the girl who follows exaggerated styles in dress and who wears a painful combination of colors—worse still, clashing shades of the same color—

shows herself wanting in a woman's birthright, in intuitive feeling for the fitness of things. A woman's clothes "represent, yea, clothe and make manifest" her personality. The girl, whom the gods have blessed with hair which turns to bronze when the sun falls upon it, should show her gratitude by wearing the most golden of browns and the palest of blues; and if she wear scarlet and pink it is an evidence that she lacks an appreciation of the best about herself.

The man who fell in love with the white gown and the blue scarf came to know the woman afterwards—nor was he disappointed. If we choose freshmen with a sensitive feeling for color and an apparent ability to separate rational fashions from irrational ones and come to know them afterwards, we shall not be disappointed; for they will prove themselves, if not Phi Beta Kappas in embryo, then surely, women who are reasonable, refined and attractive.

ETHEL FRANCES RAYMER, *Eta*.

If the fraternity system does not carry with it a proportion of good results sufficiently great to outbalance the evils, real or imagined, which are constantly laid at its door, it plainly has no right to exist. However, if fraternity means the broadening and deepening of character, this great significance may fairly be said to justify the necessary exclusiveness of the system. It behooves each one of us, then, to ask ourselves occasionally, "Is my chapter, as it is in its present condition, earning its right to exist? Would the theory and practice of fraternity life, which I personally hold, justify the existence of my fraternity, if every member of it agreed with me?" How many of us could honestly answer in the affirmative?

The fraternity whose main desire is to "get ahead of" someone else is surely not earning its right to exist. The chapter where the critical spirit abounds, where the members are not above discussing one another is not "paying its way," but is a moral as well as a social failure. In short, the chapter in which love, abundant forgiving, is not continually present, had better either reform or dissolve.

However, let us turn from these our worst possibilities, which fortunately are not often realized, to the true spirit of fraternity, the spirit which justifies our being. This true meaning demands that every member shall have unflinching loyalty for every other member. Useless discussion of one another's faults will be as abhorred as it would be by a family circle. Perfect trust will be a foregone conclusion and love will not fail. But here someone may say, "But I cannot really *love* any but affinities, and affinities are rare." Someone may say this, but the speaker will be very young in thought, a girl whose heart-life has only just begun. It is true that we can love none but affinities, but some day our girl will learn that we have to make our affinities and that only a selfish soul will sit and wait for them to come ready-made. We must make our affinities by unselfishness and sympathy and when we have learned how and are truly broad we shall find them everywhere, the dearest of all in our own fraternity. Such is an ideal fraternity. May we each do our part toward realizing that ideal.

EVA DORAINE PHILLIPS, *Phi*.

Personality.

There is nothing so irresistible, in persons and in places, as personality. The leader of men is not great because of any special virtue, but because he has a compelling personality which draws all things to him like a magnet. This is what makes college atmosphere such an important influence in education; and this is what a non-resident university lacks. Unless there is real university life the students as a whole have no interests in common, aside from the class room and athletics. We, at Minnesota, feel this lack keenly when we hear the girls of Smith and Vassar and Bryn Mawr, or the men of Yale and Harvard, speak of their college life, which is as sacred to them as their family life. Once a Yale man, always a Yale man, and it is the same wherever residence gives a real personality to college life.

It seems to me that this is just what our fraternities supply, in the non-resident university. If it were not for our fraternity life, what would the university mean to us in after years? Some lasting acquaintances, perhaps, one or two precious friendships, but not a broadening of our whole life by contact with a host of

friends with whom we shall always have something precious in common, and because of whom our interest in the university will always be vital and present. And though it is natural for us to feel that our fraternity means more than others do, we must remember that it takes many types to make up a world and that it is this very variety of type which gives the fraternity world its breadth and many-sidedness. Each type, if it is genuine, has an equal right to self-expression, and finds its fullest expression in fraternity life. And it is to the Greek world, as a whole, not to one fraternity, but as an aggregation of fraternities all working for the same ends, though in different ways, that our university owes what personality it has.

POLLY CAROLINE BULLARD, *Chi*.

**The Girl
Who Refused
Our Invitation.**

The results of the rushing season now demand our attention. We are rejoicing in our victories, but there is also another side. There is the girl, who for some reason, did not desire to become a member of our circle. What ought our attitude toward her be? Perhaps we may think it best, after all, that she is not one of our number, but can we in justice to her, and to ourselves, neglect her and give her the impression that we are not friends of hers. This is a time when Kappa should be very careful of her conduct, for there are those always ready to criticise and censure.

Truly, we desire the respect and friendly feeling of all our college acquaintances, but can we hope to retain this and drop a girl because she has not chosen us? Surely, we are justified in considering seriously such a question. Undoubtedly each one of us can recall cases where girls have been made utterly wretched and have even broken off their college career because of the slights and ill feelings of those whom she did not care to join. Surely no Kappa could be guilty of such an offense.

NELLIE JOHNSON, *Kappa*.

“When you work, work hard, and when you play, play hard,” is a maxim which has been
Whole- many times repeated. One of the meanings that
Heartedness. can be taken from this is that whatsoever you do, do with your whole heart. When you have done a thing drop it from your mind and take up the next; or if you have a particularly hard thing to do and yet something else must be accomplished first, do not let the shadow of the second hang over and blur that which must take place first.

When we go to our fraternity meetings let us forget all else and strive to give the best that is in us to those to whom we owe more in our college life than to any others. If we go with a thesis or an examination on our minds we are continually worrying about that, and much of the good which we should otherwise receive, escapes us because we are not prepared to imbibe it. Our fraternity meetings are bright spots in our life, in a measure breaking its daily routine, but they would be brighter if we should always go to them feeling cheerful, good-humored and interested, for the benefits which we receive from others as well as those others receive from us depend entirely upon ourselves.

E. H., *Beta Iota.*



CHAPTER LETTERS.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

PHI—BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

The affairs of Phi are running smoothly and have fairly begun to get in working order for the year. Our number has increased from ten to seventeen and our seven freshmen are in every way worthy of Kappa. They are Ethel Rich, Emma L. Fall, Mary Piper, E. Francesca Sherry, Maud B. Simes, Eliza Twombly and Lotta Tirrell. Miss Twombly is the sister of Helen Twombly who was graduated last June, while Miss Fall is the first daughter of a Kappa to come to Boston University. Her mother, Mrs. Anna Christy Fall, was a most loyal member in the early days of Phi chapter.

Our initiation was held on Saturday, November fifteenth, at the home of Elizabeth Hunter, '01, in West Newton. About thirty-five alumnæ were present, and, as usual, the affair was greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Fall, Miss Shipman and Miss Stewart were among those who responded to toasts. Fraternity songs, old and new, were sung, and fraternity spirit abounded.

On Wednesday evening, November twelfth, Phi chapter, through the kindness of Miss Catharine Jewell Evarts, of Chi, had the rare pleasure of hearing that charming reader's presentation of Alice Brown's comedy, "My Lady's Ring." The reading was exquisitely given and Miss Evarts made a picture never to be forgotten.

In the earlier part of the term the chapter had the pleasure of meeting Miss Elizabeth Thompson, of Beta Epsilon. Miss Thompson was in Boston for a few days, and her short visit was greatly enjoyed by the girls.



BETA EPSILON—BARNARD COLLEGE.

Beta Epsilon is comfortably settled in its new quarters, just a block away from the college building, and finds them more than satisfactory. It is so pleasant to have our chapter-room in an apartment where five of our girls live, so that we are almost sure to have someone to talk to at any time that we may drop in.

And we enjoy, too, something we have never had before—a sitting room to which we can bring our friends outside the fraternity. We have entertained friends from the various classes in this informal way several times, the seniors asking their classmates to come over on one afternoon, the juniors theirs on another, and so on.

On November 19th we gave a tea for our alumnae, to introduce them to the home we have gained through their assistance. Earlier in the afternoon there was a meeting of the Beta Epsilon Alumnae Association, of which Virginia C. Gildersleeve is the president. Besides this tea, we have had a spread, where we entertained several of the old girls and ourselves by singing all the songs the other chapters taught us at Convention. All were much appreciated—Chi's owl song, Sigma's "We are of Kappa Kappa Gamma," Beta Iota's Convention song, and the rest; but the one which was greeted with the loudest applause and oftenest encored was the one we heard up at the Beta Delta chapter house that first night, beginning, "Who are the girls we love to see?"

More important than either tea or spread, we have had an initiation; and we take great pleasure in introducing to you Nathalie Henderson, who is a special, taking partly sophomore and partly junior work.

There seem to be many Kappas in New York this winter, and we have had the pleasure of visits from Mrs. Walker, Miss Rood, of Eta, Miss Hempstead, Miss Batchelder, Miss Macy and Miss Alice Colton of Gamma Rho, Miss Marie de Montavo, Miss Lulu von Ramdohr and her sister Elsa, of Beta Iota. We only wish that more of our Kappa sisters who pass through the city would come to see us.



PSI—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

It is hard to realize that over two months have passed since work began. On looking back over this period, although everybody has been very busy, there is not much that would be interesting to relate.

The most important event in the chapter's history for this year was the initiation of our six new girls: Charlotte H. Crawford, Margaret Rolston, Marian McDermott, Margaret L. Stecker,

Edna F. Huestis and Helen A. Ellsworth. The initiation passed off very satisfactorily in every detail and was a great success.

Grace Neal Dolson, who is now teaching at Wells College, was with us for a few days.

There have been numerous dances and teas, a masquerade ball, and Thanksgiving Cotillion, which have helped to break the monotony of work, and give the girls many happy times.



BETA TAU—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

First of all, I want to introduce our four new Kappas, of whom Beta Tau is very proud. Their names are: Lucille Love, '04, and Grace Henderson, Frances Thayer and Olive Wholahan, all of the class of '06. We held our initiation on the afternoon of November 7th, with the banquet in the evening at the new chapter house. We were glad to have so many of our alumnae with us on that day.

We enjoy so much hearing about the good times at Ann Arbor, from our delegate, Anna Telfer, and often wish more of us could attend Convention.

Beta Tau sends love and best wishes for a happy New Year to all Kappas.



BETA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

It is mid-term now and we at Pennsylvania have settled down into the quiet, earnest work that must be done. The football season is over, the teas and receptions are over and there stretches before us a long series of days to be filled with work—and some play. And yet we want to stop just a minute to look back and tell you about our more frivolous days.

Some of us have had the great pleasure of visiting our neighbors at Swarthmore, and of being present at their initiation. It was then we felt all the sweetness of Kappa sisterhood outside our own chapter. Later we and some of our alumnae and our pledglings were beautifully entertained at dinner by Mrs. Bramble, a Kappa mother. Then came the crowning of the Kappa year in initiation—and we have five babies. Two, Ida Hill and May Solly, we have already introduced to you through the Key. We want you to know the rest of them. Alice Davison, Marion Tape and Freda Craig. We don't think you will find four sweeter

infants anywhere. Freda Craig is the sister of Margaret Craig, a Swarthmore Kappa, and so by one more link are we held.

Blanch Edmiston of Sigma is staying in Philadelphia now, and has given us an opportunity of knowing how delightful our western sisters are. We wish she could stay with us longer.

I forgot to mention the alumnae tea where we were so cordially welcomed and met again numerous alumnae, both of Beta Alpha and of other chapters, and all the Beta Iota active chapter. Miss Griffith, our Grand Secretary, and Mary Scattergood, her deputy, were both there. It was an occasion that we shall long remember for we had a most delightful afternoon.

We are particularly busy just now planning for the dear chapter room which we are to share with the alumnae association. We simply can't express our gratitude to the alumnae for their great assistance and interest in this matter. By the time you read this we hope to be fully settled and ready to receive you almost any afternoon. Do come.

And this is a new year, a fresh, new year to be filled with joy. Yes, but the sorrow will be there too, Kappa sisters, in spite of wishes. Still, if we live up to our best ideals of Kappa love and love for all the world, a year hence we will look back and say, "It was a sweet year." May all Kappas have a very joyful New Year.



BETA IOTA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

September 18th found nine Beta Iotas back at Swarthmore eager to hear or tell about Convention. Our enthusiasm was increased by the initiation of Marie de Mantalno, '05, on October 1st. We pledged her directly on her return to college and feel proud indeed that so strong a girl has been added to our number.

We have still another new Beta Iota to introduce to you—a new Beta Iota tho' a Kappa of three years' standing—Inez Lord of Chi, who entered the senior class at Swarthmore this fall. Proud indeed are we of this new sister and we only wonder how Chi can get along without her, for we certainly could not.

We, with some of our alumnae, spent a pleasant afternoon at the Home of Hallie Hulburt on October 13, to celebrate the founding of the fraternity. We sang Kappa songs, talked Convention and "rushing," and after a chafing dish supper returned to college with a tender love of Kappa and each other in our hearts.

Another pleasant time this fall was an informal tea given by the Philadelphia Alumnae Association to Beta Alpha and Beta Iota. It was almost like Convention to see Miss Griffith and Helen Eustan again, and it was also delightful to meet so many Beta Alphas—active and alumnae. Convention was perhaps directly responsible for some pleasant hours spent by New York Beta Iotas in Beta Epsilon's pretty apartments and also for the closer contact with Beta Alpha.

On November 15th Swarthmore celebrated the inauguration of President Joseph Swain. I cannot begin to tell you with what interest and pride we gazed upon the procession of distinguished visitors to our quiet little college. There were about two hundred and thirty people in the procession and Parrish Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity. There were addresses by men and women of national reputation—President Butler of Columbia, President Harper of University of Chicago, and President Thomas of Bryn Mawr were among the most distinguished speakers. Swarthmore is now one of the thirty-one American colleges boasting an endowment fund of one million dollars, and under President Swain's wise administration many improvements will doubtless be made. There have been some changes in the general plan of college work already, chief among which is the granting of but a single degree—that of A. B. upon graduation from Swarthmore.

Just one week after Inauguration came Swarthmore's great football game with Haverford. Swarthmore defeated her rival by a score of 22 to 0, and you may imagine with what enthusiasm the victory was celebrated.

There is just one more bit of news of intense interest to us and perhaps to all Kappas. As you know Pledge day at Swarthmore comes on the first of March. At the beginning of this year "rushing" was fast and furious, and we felt that some steps must be taken to check it. A contract was finally drawn up forbidding anything and everything done in a spirit of "rushing," and this was signed by every fraternity girl in college. Matters are at present in such a peaceful and blissful state that we feel it is too good to be true. We cannot but feel, however, that this is a distinct step forward and in full accord with the opinions voiced by the Pan Hellenic Conference and our own Convention last summer.

And now for the last time this corresponding secretary bids you farewell. It is with a certain regret that she lays down the pen for there has been a pleasure in exchanging opinions with the other chapters four times this year. The truest and best success to every one of you during the coming year !



GAMMA RHO—ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Greetings to the new sisters in all the different chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Gamma Rho went through the rushing season with all the energy and enthusiasm natural to fourteen loyal Kappas. By an inter-sorority agreement no bids were given until three weeks after college opened. During those three weeks we rushed the new girls in as entertaining, yet dignified, manner as possible. The giving of the bids was followed by a few days anxious waiting and then we found that we had won six worthy sisters. Two weeks later Harriet Hampson and Phylinda Gaston were initiated into the mysterious bonds, and Bess Rist, Gertrude Dowler, Jennie Fowler and Harriet Krauss were pledged.

This term, so near its close, has been a pleasant and successful one. Dr. Crawford, the president of the college, is abroad, and Dr. Montgomery, the vice president, is in charge. The new buildings are all in regular use. New cement walks have been laid on the campus, which is always beautiful, and together with the college buildings make a most attractive place.

The number of students shows a healthy increase. The preparatory department has been completely separated from the college and the change has been good for both.

Allegheny closed the football season with a good record, having won seven out of ten games.

One delightful event of the term was the visit of five Lambda Kappas. Buchtel came to Allegheny to play football and the girls came along to see the game and visit over Sunday with Gamma Rho Kappas. That fraternity meeting has left a very pleasant memory and we wish that such visits might be more frequent.

As to the social events of the term, those which most concerned Gamma Rho were a trolley ride, a spread in the Kappa room and number of fancy work parties. Besides these, Louise Bolard and Ethel Gaston have been "At Home" to the fraternity and its friends.

BETA PROVINCE.

LAMBDA—BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

The past two months have probably been busy ones for all the chapters as well as for Lambda. Our rushing season lasted a long time, owing to a contract with Delta Gamma, so that we were kept busy entertaining our "rushees" up to November first. As soon as the worries and doubts of that were over, plans for initiation demanded our attention. Finally these plans were developed and our new girls, Clara Brouse, Amy Saunders and Ruth Carnahan were initiated. Many of our alumnae were present, and helped make the evening a delightful one.

We are eager to introduce our new girls to our fraternity room. We have only been in it a few weeks, and finally order is coming out of chaos. Every week some new gift is added to make the room pretty and comfortable. It is such a delight to have a fraternity room again.

Several weeks ago Gamma Rho entertained five of our girls, Ethel Jefferson, Gladys Parshall, Bertha Widdecombe, Lydia Voris and Louise Horix. We looked forward with the pleasure to meeting the Gamma Rho girls, and it is needless to say we were not disappointed in our anticipations, and we found the Allegheny girls the most delightful and cordial hostesses during our two day's visit.



BETA GAMMA—WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

This fall we have been chiefly interested in watching the work of completing our new college buildings which are to be the most beautiful and best equipped in the state. The finest of these is the main building, Kauke Hall, which is modeled after the college buildings of Oxford and Cambridge. In one wing of this we expect to have our fraternity room.

On December 11th, the anniversary of the fire, the dedication will take place, and we can look forward to it with great interest and pleasure.

Near the beginning of the term Mrs. Annatt, one of our most interested alumnae, entertained the active chapter and alumnae association at her home.

During the Ohio Y. W. C. A. Convention, which was held at Wooster in October, we had the pleasure of having with us Miss Ruth Paxson, who is the Student Secretary of the American Committee. We wish all Kappas might know Miss Paxson and might receive the help that came to us through her.

Mary Lehman, who was out of school last year, is with us again, making our number at the beginning of the year twelve.



BETA NU—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Beta Nu has four new sisters of whom she is more than proud, to introduce to all readers of the KEY: Florence Welling, Helen Malloy, Cassandra Gill and Gladys Sapp.

We are thirteen now, and although we cannot say that the "hoodoo" has had no effect, still we have not suffered any lasting ill-fortune.

One of our active girls, Mable Shride, has been very ill of typhoid fever but we rejoice to tell you that she is out of danger now.

We have also had to say goodbye to one of our most energetic and enthusiastic alumnae, who has gone to New York City as Mrs. Sellenings.

Our initiation banquet was a great success this year. Especially were we proud of the toast given by one of our freshmen and hope that it may be published so that all our sisters far and near may know what an initiate thinks of K. K. G.

Beta Nu sends greetings to all her sisters and wishes them a prosperous and happy year, and if not that, that they will believe with Mrs. Wiggs that—

" In the mud and scum of things,
Something always, always sings."



BETA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

It seems scarcely possible that the first semester is more than half over and the Thanksgiving holidays at hand. Work and pleasure combined have made the time pass all too quickly.

May we introduce to you our freshmen? They are Mabel Reid, Olive Wines and Marie Lindsley, who are all Michigan girls; Gertrude Smith from Philadelphia, and Maude Durlin from Erie,

Pa. We have also pledged Persis Martin, who spent her freshman year in Olivet, and L' Louise Lindsley, who, much to our regret, has decided to study Art in Chicago this year, instead of continuing her work in Ann Arbor. We are fortunate in having three affiliates, Blanche Enyart of Theta, Mary Probasco of Epsilon, and Ida Andrus of Iota.

A new engineering building is being erected across one corner of the the campus, which promises to be a great addition to our college grounds. Another attraction has been added to the women's gymnasium in the shape of a swimming tank, which, however, is not quite ready for use.

Our new dean, Mrs. Jordan, has proved to be a capable, energetic woman who has the interest of the girls at heart. Under her auspices the Woman's League is in a more flourishing condition than ever before. Every Friday afternoon during the first weeks of college informal receptions were held in the League rooms for the benefit of the freshmen. All the girls in the university are divided, as far as possible, into groups under leaders and their assistants. Each group meets occasionally for a social time. In this way lonely girls are brought into touch with the other students.

One of our French professors, Monsieur Francois, recently resigned his position to accept one in the east. His place has been filled by Monsieur Bagiat de Bordes, formerly a member of the faculty of Columbia University.

We thoroughly enjoyed having a number of the Beta Nu girls with us at the Ohio-Michigan football game, and only wish it were possible for more of the chapters to visit us on such occasions.

The Alpha Phi Convention held here last month was very successful. Theta chapter certainly gave her delegates an enjoyable time. We entertained two of them during Convention, Miss Harrenstein from Leland Stanford, and Miss Bolster from Northwestern—charming girls whom we were glad to know. Through them we heard of our Kappa sisters in Chicago and the far west.

We have given two large parties this fall since rushing season, besides numerous little gatherings just among ourselves.

XI—ADRIAN COLLEGE.

Once more Christmas is approaching and another school term is nearly gone. Soon examinations will begin and then comes the holiday round of pleasure. This term has passed very rapidly and very pleasantly for Xi.

Saturday evening, November 15, was a time that will be long remembered by the girls of Xi. As a result of our rushing and initiation we have one new Kappa sister whom we wish to introduce to you all, Mayme Hearson of Attica, O. Many alumnae were present at initiation, among them being Ethelyn Wilson-Metcalf, Helena, Montana, and Ethel Y. Moorehead, Steubenville, Ohio. It was one of the most pleasant and impressive ceremonies held for some time, and all enjoyed it to the utmost.

Xi wishes to all her sisters in Kappa a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



KAPPA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Kappa was happy indeed to assemble once more in the rooms as the year began and listen to the various experiences of each during the vacation.

Shortly before school began, all the Kappas in the city met at the home of Mrs. Libbie Cilley Bailey, in order that those who were to be away this year might hear something from Convention, and talk over plans for the coming year.

We lost three girls by graduation, but Frances Woodward is teaching in the city schools and is with us every week, at our meeting. We have enjoyed several meetings with Mrs. Mauck, also, and are looking forward to the time when she will be living here.

We have tried a contract with Pi Beta Phi, this year, for the first time, which has proved quite satisfactory. No pledging or rushing took place until the second Tuesday in November, and Thanksgiving Day was color day. There was much interest manifested among the students as to the outcome of our venture.

We feel that we have reason to be proud of our new girls, Edith Cold, Della McIntosh and Bertha Van Aken are wearing the blue and blue, and before this reaches you we shall have initiated Edith Cold, Fannie Northrop and Lillie Reynolds.

Idella St. John has returned to college, so that we now have an active membership of nine. It has always been Kappa's experience, the smaller the chapter the better we enjoy it and the more good we get from our associations.

We have done very little in the way of entertaining this year. At Thanksgiving time Mabella Stewart entertained Pi Beta Phi and Kappa at her home. We were very glad to meet on that occasion, Florence Burton of Beta Delta.

Christmas is almost upon us and New Year's will be past long before another letter is due. Can it be possible our college days are gliding by so swiftly? Kappa hopes that all the chapters may have as successful a year as she has had.



GAMMA PROVINCE.

DELTA—INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY.

This is written at a time when the Delta girls are busy with the rush of college work which always precedes a holiday and are looking forward to Thanksgiving as a day of respite.

We have eight new girls for whom we are thankful at this season of general thanksgiving, and each one sends her greeting to the other chapters. Gertrude Thumler, Indianapolis; Lula Scott, of Andersonville, Ind., and Grace Norwood, of Lebanon, Ind., both of whom have been attending The Western at Oxford, Ohio; Alta Reeves, Columbus, Ind.; Hazel Simmons and Ethel Simmons, of Bloomington, Ind.; Mary DeVol, New Albany, Ind.; Kate Foster, South Whitely, Ind. Good students they are and worthy the Kappa sisterhood.

Fifteen of last year's girls are back and two who have not been in for a few years. For these two we are doubly grateful, as several of our older, steady-headed girls left us last June. Always there must be a strong guiding hand. One of our active members this year, Grace Triplett, '01, is a member of the University faculty, being in the Latin department.

Our house is a source of pride to us, for by the assistance of our Bloomington alumnae, it has assumed a most home-like appearance, with its tinted walls, its rugs and infant library.

The girls are all interested in the work of the year, both University and otherwise, and send happy greetings to sister chapters.

IOTA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

All vacation the girls of Iota looked forward to September with unusual anticipation, for we were to have a new chapter house. Mrs. Black, who has a daughter in Iota, has made a beautiful home for us, where we are established with our chaperone. With this efficient aid, and with every girl back, except our seniors of last year, we began our enthusiastic rush, and the round of social life which a rush connotes. As a result we have twelve new sisters to present: Achsah Fargo, Mayme Trueblood, Ruth Pike, Hazel Bridges, Ruth Stone, Louise Wood, Martha Chambers, Estelle Ham, Jessie Conger, Edith Klein, Jessie Adair and Elizabeth Murphy.

Our University is much stronger this year, owing to the erection of the new Minshall Laboratory, the addition of several efficient professors and some generous endowments. The attendance has increased, and the year holds promise of much now that is desirable for De Pauw.

The Indiana chapters have visited one another very pleasantly this term. We were hospitably entertained by Delta at the time of the Indiana-DePauw foot ball game. In turn Beryl Showers and Ethel Simmons of Delta, Essie Hunter, Charlotte Powell, Anne Heaton and Mrs. Davidson, of Mu, have been our guests. It is needless to tell of our pleasure in the visit of our sister chapters.

Iota sends her well wishes to all in K K P.

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MU—BUTLER COLLEGE.

Happy New Year to Kappas old and new!

Acting upon suggestions from the Grand Council we have not as usual new names to present. During the fall term we entered into a contract with Pi Beta Phi. The principal object of this contract was a mutual agreement to defer spiking until December the thirteenth. Wishing to give the new plans a fair trial we have consistently refrained from too arduous rushing. The only social function attended by the new girls and active chapter was a chafing dish tea given by Mu's alumnae at the home of Mrs. Kate Hadley Buchanan, '88, in Indianapolis.

We have had delightful fraternity meetings with some of our last year's alumnae and ex-members. Another wholly Kappa affair was a theatre-party given us by Isabel Vinzant, '03, to see Kellar.

We have found the more dignified manner of becoming acquainted with new girls most encouraging and satisfactory, and in our next letter we hope to tell you of new and ardent lovers of the blue and blue.



ETA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Eta began the year with only thirteen of the old girls back. Nell Parkinson, Laura Allen, Bertha Taylor and Amy Nichols were unable to return. Martha Fay, who has been abroad since Easter, returned in October.

Our number was made complete by eleven new girls: Florence Rietow, Sheboygan, Wis.; Bernice Banning, Newport, R. I.; Barbara Munson, Viroqua, Wis.; Hazel Belt, Viroqua, Wis.; Jessie Corse, Racine, Wis.; Mary Alice Gillan, Racine, Wis.; Lenore Falk, Stoughton, Wis.; Bess Smith, Hinsdale, Ill.; Grace Monroe and Maude Monroe, Baraboo, Wis.; Jessie Johnson, Eau Claire, Wis.

Rushing, which occupied the first two weeks, was done mostly in our own house with an occasional luncheon at the homes of our town friends. Invitations came October tenth. On the next evening the annual banquet was held in our chapter house, with about ninety Kappas present.

Martha Fay entertained the chapter and its friends at a dancing party in her new home, October twenty-ninth. The party for our freshmen will be given in our chapter house on the evening of December sixth. Eight of our girls were royally entertained by Chi during the Minnesota game.

Our University is still without a president. We were all grieved to learn of the death this summer of our last president, Charles Kendall Adams, at his home in Redlands, Cal.

A project is now on foot, directed principally by the women of the faculty and the University, for a new woman's building to be used for general club purposes.

BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

We have been living in our new house for three months now and are most pleasantly situated. Our contract with the other sororities lasted but a month this year, and the rushing season was a very busy one. We have had our initiation and wish to introduce six new sisters to the other chapters—Florence Armstrong, of Chicago; Elizabeth Graff, of Champaign; Flora Hunter, of Washington, Ky.; Grace Lloyd, of Chicago; Charlotte Jackson, of Ithaca, N. Y., and Jennie Craig, of Champaign. Since the initiation Grace Lloyd has left school on account of illness, but we hope to have her with us again next semester. Ann White, of Upsilon, and Inez Pierce, of Beta Gamma, are in the library school this year and we are very glad to have them with us.

The State Y. W. C. A. convention was held here the last part of November. During the convention we entertained Miss Paxson, of Beta Zeta; Miss Sinclair, the new Grand Treasurer; Bess Bronson, of Upsilon, and Ione Vose and Elizabeth Arnold, two charming Tri Delts from Knox. An inter-sorority conference was held at our house, to which all the local and visiting fraternity girls were invited. After a little social time together, Miss Paxson talked on fraternity ideals and the kindness and respect that ought to exist among the different fraternities. Beta Lambda wishes all her Kappa sisters a most happy and prosperous new year.



UPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Upsilon has just been waiting for a chance to introduce to the Kappa world all her new Kappa sisters at Northwestern. We have more than usual this year and are proud of them all. You can't judge very well just by names, but here they are: Pauline McDermith, Edith Bradley, Carrie Marshall, Gem Craig, Lucretia Keeler, Jule Sohrbeck, Henrietta Sohrbeck, Nellie Walker, Hazel Schnaebele, Frances Northrop, Helen Peacock.

After an absence of two years Vinnie Northey is with us again. Since our last letter we have had pleasant visits—or rather calls—from Miss Jessie Tippy, of Michigan, and from Miss Henrici, of Leland Stanford.

At the Y. W. C. A. convention at Champaign, Elizabeth Bronson was most delightfully entertained by Beta Lambda.

We have had several pleasant informal gatherings lately, but owing to a new faculty rule, parties are few and far between this year. On Thanksgiving evening Edith Bradley gave us a very original kindergarten party.

This has been one of the most important years in the history of Northwestern University, for we have inaugurated our new president, Dr. James. Many well known scholars from America and from abroad came to attend the ceremony. He has given a new inspiration—a new impetus to the university, and in the short time he has been among us, he has won the love and respect of the entire student body. From Upsilon, greetings.



EPSILON—ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Epsilon started in the year with nine girls, who at once proceeded to look over the available material for pledging. In order to get acquainted with the new girls we entertained them at the home of Louie Howell. Shortly after this four girls were wearing the blue and blue. We initiated them at the home of Charlotte Probasco, October 13th, thus making Kappa's birthday theirs, too, into the mysteries of Greekdom. We are very glad to present our enthusiastic babies to you—Elizabeth Roe, Clara Naffziger, Emma Parker and Beulah Baker.

On Saturday of the same week, in the parlors of the Arnold Hotel we gave a reception to all Greeks in town and to the faculty to introduce our new Grand Treasurer. We were very glad to have with us several of the Beta Lambda girls and hope to see them more frequently than formerly, for it is certainly a great benefit as well as pleasure to meet girls from other chapters.

On the fourteenth of November we entertained the members of a new girl's society at four o'clock tea at the home of Beulah Baker.

Once more were we fortunate in meeting a sister from another chapter, Helen Mills, of Chi, who is with the "On the Quiet" company, spent Sunday in town and we got as well acquainted with her as the time permitted. But our tale is not finished till we tell you of our pledge, Carrie Leach, of whom we are proud.

We send wishes for every kind of success to our sister chapters.

DELTA PROVINCE.

CHI—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Chi sends greetings to all in Kappa Kappa Gamma. It is with great pride and pleasure that we introduce to you our five new sisters, Elizabeth Brown, who comes here to be a senior, although she was pledged to us four years ago; Elsie Koppes, Anne Jones, Polly Lawrence, and Marjorie Bullard. After a brief but very successful rushing season we retired from the fray with our five prizes, and on the sixteenth of October had our initiation at the home of Mrs. George Gillette.

On the sixth of November we gave our annual freshman party, in Saint Paul, this time. To this we invited the younger members of the men's fraternities.

Following close upon this were the festivities during the visit of Eta Chapter at the foot ball game. Eight girls came. Never have we more thoroughly enjoyed a visit from a sister chapter. The Friday night before the game, Mrs. George Partridge, an alumna, gave a ball at her home for the Kappas and Chi Psi's of Minnesota and Wisconsin. On Saturday, just before the game, we had an informal luncheon in our chapter rooms, and in the evening a farewell supper at Flora Edwards', at which the Chi and Eta "stunts" were performed.

There has been a good deal of interest this fall in the contest between President Northrop and Psi Upsilon. The president expressly forbade any rushing of high school students. In the face of this order the Psi Upsilon Fraternity rushed and pledged a number of men. The other fraternities, who had cancelled all rushing engagements on the issuing of the president's order, went to him and declared that if he did not punish the offending fraternity they could not be held, either, and would pay no further attention to any orders against rushing. Some time elapsed before the president took any action, but finally he publicly reprimanded Psi Upsilon in chapel. Soon after, however, he announced that in the future he would have nothing to do with fraternity rushing. The men all set to work at once, and the Psi U's have now eighteen men pledged, and Chi Psi six. The question of rushing has not been brought up by the girl's fraternities, and it is generally understood that we do not care to begin it.

Chi sends best wishes to all the chapters for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BETA ZETA—IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Beta Zeta is glad to have the opportunity to let all her sister chapters know the result of the first rushing season, and to introduce to them six new Kappas of whom we are justly proud: Marie Lynch, '04, Sioux City; Alice Remley, '06, Iowa City; Grace Padmore, '06, Iowa City; Mae Rex, '05, Creston; Addie Smith, '06, Duluth; Minnie and Katharine Hayes, '05, Muscatine. All six were wearing the pledge pin at the end of about ten days of hard rushing. Our first affair was, as usual with us, an informal spread. There we had a great treat in the form of a visit from Florence Seerley, '02, who returned unexpectedly and surprised us. Then we had a "Pig" Party, which was lots of fun, being something new and different. For the benefit of those who have never played "Pig," let me explain that it is a game of cards, very foolish, but great fun. The tally cards were little light blue cardboard pigs, with tails tied up with dark blue ribbons. The consolation prize for the biggist "Pig" was a china bank in the shape of a pig. Then we had a very informal dance—just Kappas and pledges—and of course we had some individual rushing, drives, spreads, etc.

But our great and chief event was the initiation, which was held the evening of our football game with Minnesota, and we were delighted to have as our guests four Chi girls, Cleo Wheeler, Helen Burbridge, Helen Clark and Elizabeth Brown. The initiation was at Mrs. Edwin Wilson's, one of our town alumnae whose home is always open to us, and was very beautiful and impressive. Immediately after the ceremony we all went down to the Burkley Imperial, where a delightful banquet was served, and toasts given and responded to. Fifty-two were present, including nearly all our town Kappas and two out-of-town alumnae who returned especially for it—Helen Clapp Taemer, '99, of Davenport, and Marion Morton, '99, Iowa Falls. We followed the plan of the Convention—those who were there knew how pretty it was—powdered our hair, rouged, and wore patches of court plaster. In spite of the result of the game, our spirits were high and our hearts filled with love and loyalty for Kappa. We copied the Convention banquet also in giving impromptu yells and toasts for our "babies," our guests from Chi, our alumnae and each other. We were all sorry when the Chi girls had to leave us the next

afternoon, and we blessed football for having given us the opportunity to have a visit from them.

We received a very cordial invitation from Beta Lambda to visit them Thanksgiving day, when Iowa plays Illinois, but we do not know yet whether any of us can go.

We hope the season has been as successful and pleasant for all chapters of Kappa as it has been for Beta Zeta.



THETA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

We are all hard at work again after what has proven one of the most successful rushing seasons we have ever known. The success of rushing was enhanced by our being in our chapter house. We were not able to do as much entertaining, though, as we would have done because of so much sorrow and sickness in the families of two of our sisters. Ella Busch lost her younger sister after a short illness of typhoid fever, and she herself is now ill with the same disease. Julia Conway also is desperately ill. She was taken sick soon after her return from Convention with typhoid fever, grew much better but has since had a relapse and is now extremely ill. Owing to her illness we have not heard her report of Convention, which we have all missed and wished for. Our sympathy has been with them both, and during their great sorrow we did not have the heart to continue our rushing as vigorously as we began it. We, however, had a delightful beginning and have added five dear girls—Madge Robertson, Rose Burns, Edith Stoner, Madeline Branham and Carrie R. Bird.

We welcome back with open arms three of our old girls, Edith De Bolt, Mary Allen and Ella Reid. And we have six new pledges, Adele Fleming, Lou Woolridge, Mildred McConathy, Gail Poor, Hallie Prentice and Emily Blair, whom we hope to initiate quite soon.

The university girls are looking forward to the opening of the girls' dormitory. It is a handsome white stone building and is to be the center house of a system of girls' cottages. It is to be completed by spring.

There have been fifteen or sixteen new members added to our faculty, making a total of about one hundred and twenty-five.

There was a mass meeting in the interest of athletics held on the campus a few nights since, in which the girls for the first

time took part. Their presence added to the interest and good behavior of the gathering.

The Fortnightly Club, a club composed of the faculty ladies, received the girls of the university at the home of Mrs. Jesse on October 30. It was thoroughly appreciated by the girls who enjoyed meeting the wives of the professors.

The Y. W. C. A. girls gave quite a unique Halloween party where ghosts walked and witches foretold the future of countless anxious maidens.

Mrs. John Davison Lawson gave a delightful afternoon reception on November the eighth, in our honor.



SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Of course since the opening of school we have all been very busy. Sigma has been especially so. Rushing was carried further than ever this year, but we feel fully repaid with our six freshmen—Elsie Fewell, Gladys Hargraves, Edith Butler, Mabel Kimball, Zoe Gliddon and Bertha Shidler.

We are settled in a chapter house for the first time this year, and are very proud of it. It may be small, especially if placed beside Eta's big home at Wisconsin, but it is very dainty and cozy and makes possible so many good times. We opened it during rushing season with several teas and house parties, and of course held our initiation there later.

Amidst all this came the wedding of Miss May Cynthia Whiting to Mr. Theodore Westerman, a true Kappa wedding, and we were all very gay until we had to say goodbye.

Football brings a very good excuse for visiting, and Sigma enjoyed a short visit from five Omega girls who came up for the Kansas-Nebraska game. It is certainly nice to catch even this fleeting glimpse of our sisters. We are rejoicing over the football success the last season, with not a score to mar our record.

As a result of the extreme rushing practiced this year, a fraternity conference is to be held on the sixth of December. All the active and alumnae fraternity people are to be present for a general discussion to devise some plan to modify rushing and its evils.

Best wishes to you all from Sigma.

OMEGA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The University of Kansas has settled down to its regular routine of work after the inaugural exercises of Dr. Frank Strong. This was the most memorable event in the history of the university. Representatives of the prominent American colleges and universities were present. The president of Dr. Strong's alma mater, Arthur T. Hadley, was the principal speaker of the day. Dr. Wheeler, of California State University, said in his toast at the banquet, for which eleven hundred covers were laid, that he had never heard such brilliancy and wit in one evening. Among those who responded to toasts were Dean Briggs, of Harvard; Dr. H. W. Wiley, chief chemist of U. S. Department of Agriculture; A. W. Small, of Chicago University.

The inauguration of Dr. Strong was the occasion for the return of many of Omega's alumnae, for whom we gave an informal chocolate at the chapter house. Among other visitors was Susan Potter, of Beta Delta, whose father was presiding regent of the exercises.

Our chapter life has been very pleasant this year centered in the chapter house at which twelve girls live. We celebrated the anniversary of the founding of our fraternity, October thirteenth, by initiating Margret Perkins, Ida Ainsworth, Grace King. After the ceremony a banquet was served to the alumnae and active girls. "The Independence of Mr. Hastings," by Caroline Duer was given and we departed for our homes, each one realizing more fully the beauty of Kappa loyalty.

It was the pleasure of six of our girls to visit Lincoln when the varsity team went to play the Nebraska University team. They returned enthusiastic with praise of Sigma girls and the delightful time which they spent.

On Thanksgiving day we will meet Theta and the Kansas City alumnae at the annual breakfast, which is given this year at the Hotel Baltimore. A larger number than usual is expected this year, and we always look forward to it with a great deal of pleasure.

BETA MU—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

We held our initiation this fall on October eleventh, and consider ourselves fortunate in being able to present to our sister chapters four new Kappas: Lee Brown, of Chicago, Illinois; Mayme Lannon, of Pueblo, Colorado; Eugenie J. Carson, of Louisville, Ky., and Irene Parks, of Salida, Colorado. For the first time we tried the flower service, using pink and white carnations, and found it a very effective addition to our ceremony. After the ceremony we had our usual banquet, and some very original toasts were given. This initiation evening, which we concluded with Kappa songs, seemed especially pleasant to us because it was the first regular autumn initiation that we have held in our chapter house.

We have enjoyed visits this fall at the chapter house from Phanie Huntington, Ivy Campbell, and June Willits, all of Denver.

All the girls in the chapter who do not intend to go home for the Thanksgiving recess are going to Denver to see the last foot ball game of the season, to be played by the University of Colorado and the Denver Athletic Club. Several of our old girls who live in Denver are planning parties and luncheons, and a fine time is anticipated.

We girls of Beta Mu wish to express our sincere thanks to all the friends who have so kindly contributed to the furnishing and beautifying of our chapter house.

Mayme McCullough, from Mu Chapter, has entered the university this year, and we are very glad to have her affiliated with us.

Our new library building is in process of construction, and will be ready for use next September. It will be a fine, large building and will house our large library elegantly.

This month has been very busy and lively in our university. On November thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth we celebrated the quarto-centennial anniversary of the founding of the University of Colorado. The program of each of the several exercises contained, beside the addresses, fine musical selections, instrumental, vocal and orchestral. We were fortunate in having with us at the final meeting, a number of delegates from other colleges and universities.

On the evening of Friday, November fourteenth, occurred the students' parade. This was a feature of especial interest both to the students and to the people of Boulder, who came in large crowds to see it. Each of the professional schools—medical, engineering, and law—had its own representation as a school. In the college department each class was separately represented. The alumni led the procession, then followed the various schools of the university in order of founding, the classes being arranged in order of seniority. Some of the floats, all of which were constructed by the students, were characteristic and artistically designed. One of those made by the engineers was a miniature of the engineering building here. The seniors dressed like cowboys and old-fashioned women, the freshmen like babies, etc., and with all the different ideas portrayed, the ensemble was splendid. After the parade we held a reception in the dear old Main, and regents, faculties, alumni, undergraduates and friends all met once again in the free, wholesome college atmosphere which all had learned to know and love. The decorations were varied and beautiful; perhaps most notable were the large white and yellow chrysanthemums, representing our colors, silver and gold. Orchestral music also added much to the pleasantness of the reception. The reception being over we went to the university gymnasium at about ten o'clock and had an informal dance, which, as we are college people, it is needless to say we enjoyed. The whole celebration of our quarto-centennial anniversary was a great success, partly in an educational way, but chiefly in that it showed the strength of our young university and demonstrated that the spirit which exists here among fellow-students and between students and faculty is the spirit which wins, the spirit which builds universities and holds them, despite obstacles, to their real fundamental ideal—progress and culture.



BETA XI—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

The present session of the University of Texas began with an increased number of students, with several additions to the faculty who reflect great honor upon the institution, with improved laboratories and accommodations, gives every indication of being the most prosperous it has ever known. The woman's building which is now being built at a cost of \$75,000 will add greatly to

the appearance of the campus when completed, as it is an attractive modern building in every detail. When it is ready for occupancy next session, it is expected that the number of women students in the university will be much larger than ever before, due to its facilities for accommodating them.

Beta Xi's prospects for a successful year are very bright indeed. Olatia Crane, a last year's senior, is again with us working for her master's degree, so our active chapter now numbers eleven. On account of the contract with $\Pi B \Phi$ not to invite any new girls until January 10th, we have held no initiation as yet, but we take great pleasure in introducing as a Kappa pledge one of the finest girls in college, Julia Ideson. We are very proud indeed to have won her, as she was for a long time opposed to women's fraternities.

Our rushing parties have consisted of a trolley ride, followed by a spread at the home of Mrs. Bray, Beta Tau, a ping pong evening at Julia Ideson's home, and an auction at Mrs. Bray's, with several informal fudge parties. A reception given by the Betas at their chapter house in honor of $\Pi B \Phi$ and $K K \Gamma$, with fraternity affairs given by Phi Delta Thetas, Sigma Chis and Kappa Alphas have made social life in university circles unusually pleasant this term.

We have been fortunate in having several Kappas visit us—Marian Rather and Lucile Wathin, whose serious illness has prevented her returning for regular work in the university, have both made us visits, while Vera Morey has been with us twice during the past three months. The two latter were in Austin for Thanksgiving, and enjoyed with us the delightful dinner Mrs. Bray gave the senior and junior Kappas.

Beta Xi is seriously considering a chapter house, and if it is at all possible, ten of the girls at least will be in the house together after Christmas, as the girls realize now much they will gain by so doing, and are very enthusiastic over the idea.

The Convention report of our delegate, and the many helpful suggestions she brought back with her, have inspired us with greater love and zeal for our fraternity,—have made us realize as never before that though we are so far away, in distant Texas, yet we have true and loyal sisters in every state, working with us in the common cause,—for Kappa.

Beta Xi sends best wishes for all in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

PI—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since the last issue of the KEY, Pi has had the good fortune and happiness of having eight girls added to her chapter roll. Our rushing season was a very busy one this year, and we were very happy that on the third of October, we could initiate eight splendid girls into the mysteries of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Let us introduce to you Emily Chickering, Edith Hatfield, Helen Greely, Mary Blossom, Anna Thacher, Edna Curtis, Louisiana Scott and Marian Morrow. After rushing, everything quieted down and very little has since broken in on the regular routine.

We welcomed our delegate, Alma Sherman, with joy, and were so interested to hear all the details about Convention, about the delegates from other chapters, and all about the happy times the girls had together. It must have been perfectly glorious to have met Kappas from far and wide, to have come in contact with fine women from all parts of our country who had the same interests at heart and who were all bound together by the same dear tie. It meant the realization on every delegate's part, of the greatness of Kappa Kappa Gamma and it also meant the strengthening of the tie that binds us all into one great unit. Our delegate inspired us with that same enthusiasm which she possessed, and it is Pi's greatest wish that it might be her privilege some time in the near future to entertain the fraternity and that Convention might be held in California.

The university's beloved benefactress, Mrs. Hearst, has decided to make Berkley her winter home. It is a great pleasure and a rare privilege to have this noble woman in our midst again—a woman who has the power of making herself beloved wherever she goes and whose deeds of kindness and generosity are almost unparalled.

The cornerstone of the great mining building, a gift of Mrs. Hearst to the university, in honor of her husband, was laid on November the eighteenth. It is the first one of the buildings of the Greater University and promises to be a very handsome and imposing structure.

Pi sends warmest greetings to all her sister chapters, and wishes them a very happy and prosperous New Year.



BETA ETA—LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY.

(No letter.)



In Memoriam.

LOUISE BRISBINE DUNN.

Readers of the KEY will be shocked to hear of the death of Louise Brisbane Dunn, Beta Epsilon, '97, on Thursday, December 18, 1902. Miss Dunn was assistant in the department of botany, Barnard College, a position which she held since graduation, and her original work in botany gave promise to a useful life in that science. At the time of her death she was chaperone for the girls in the Beta Epsilon apartments. December 17, the members of the active chapter had a "spread" and Miss Dunn was unusually jolly and in fine spirits. On the morning of December 18, she was found dead in her room. The physicians pronounced the cause physical exhaustion. She died a martyr to hard work. Kappa will remember her as the Beta Epsilon delegate to the 1896 convention, and the New York Alumnae Association delegate to the convention of 1902. Our hearts go out in deep and sincere sympathy to the Kappas at Barnard, who loved her dearly, and to the bereaved family.

LUCY ALLEN SMART.

SARAH DALEY SMITH.

Sigma mourns the death of Mrs. Sarah Daley Smith, '87, who died at her home in Belden, Nebraska, September twenty-ninth, nineteen hundred and two. She became a member of the chapter soon after its organization in 1884, and her independence and staunch loyalty to her friends made her beloved by all who knew her.

MARGARET COLE HARWOOD.


WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father, has, in His infinite wisdom, called to her heavenly home our beloved sister in Kappa Kappa Gamma, Margaret Cole Harwood; be it

Resolved, That while we bow in submission to His almighty decree, in thus adding another member to our Chapter Grand, yet we do most sincerely mourn the loss of this true and loyal Kappa, who ever was an honor to the fraternity; and be it further

Resolved, That we, the members of Epsilon Chapter, Kappa Kappa Gamma, extend to her family our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of Epsilon chapter, a copy be sent to her family and also to the KEY for publication.

BEULAH LOUISE BALSER, '04.
CLARA EMILY FORT, '03.



EDITORIAL.

Undergraduate or Alumna Officers—Which?

IN going through Sigma's archives half a dozen years ago, I chanced upon a letter from a neighboring chapter, asking support for an undergraduate for office as opposed to an alumna from another chapter. One argument advanced was that "the fraternity is for girls in college and not for old maids and married women."

This feeling may have been rather general in the earlier days of the fraternity but it is certainly not so now. If there is any tendency strongly marked to-day, it is the most desirable and necessary one of continued interest in the fraternity after graduation.

This is shown by the rapid increase in the number of alumnae associations, in the prominence given the alumnae at Convention, by the setting aside of an entire day for the discussion of matters of alumnae interest, by the fact that all of the officers are and for several terms have been, non-active, and that the last Convention repealed, as a dead letter, the clause in the Standing Rules requiring that delegates "shall be qualified to fill an office in the Grand Council."

But a tendency is not sufficient. Much serious work remains to be done by each active chapter and by the more privileged alumnae. The real work must be with the coming generations of Kappas rather than with the past generations. No amount of loyal effort will bring all of our present non-active membership into active alumnae interest and association. But comparatively small effort on the part of each chapter will, in the next thirty years, produce a body of alumnae members so well informed in fraternity history and law, so imbued with the national fraternity idea, so inspired by the living ideals of Kappa Kappa Gamma that the passing from active to alumnae membership will mean an entrance into a larger realization of the meaning of the fraternity, and an increased activity for its welfare and influence.

Such must be *the* fraternity of the future. Shall Kappa Kappa Gamma be that fraternity?

MAY C. WHITING WESTERMANN,
Grand President.

THE matter of fines is once more in evidence ; within the past few weeks four chapters have incurred fines through lack of forethought. There are certain duties which devolve on every chapter, and which should be carefully attended to. One is the use of official paper in fraternity correspondence ; it is no excuse that the supply of paper has been exhausted for it is the business of each corresponding secretary to see that this does not occur. The acceptance of a poor excuse is of no benefit to Kappa Kappa Gamma, for its influence should be to make us meet the duties of the larger life more faithfully. There we always find the penalty to be paid for wrong doing whether from carelessness or otherwise.

Convention, where each chapter is represented, lays down fixed directions both for its Council and chapters, and it becomes incumbent upon each member of K. K. G. to obey this ruling or to suffer the penalty decided on by this same body. It should be borne in mind that for every delinquent letter, every late manuscript, etc., you are responsible to the fraternity at large ; and also that every time a rule is violated and unpunished, save for unusually good reason, the Grand Council is accountable to Convention for violation of its commands. Look on both sides when you feel inclined to censure us for strict ruling ; we are only obeying our orders which you helped to give.

MARY D. GRIFFITH, *Grand Secretary.*

Pan-Hellenism.

WE have closed the door behind us on the year of 1902, a year of decided, gratifying, growth, along various lines. We are on the threshold of a new year. We are conscious of our strength, yet do not forget that we are not wholly strong—that serious questions face us, that must be met in the spirit of true love. From what sources may we confidently look for interesting developments for the next year? May one feature—not of our own fraternity life—but of inter-fraternity relations, be emphasized at this time?

What may we rightly conclude when we note the growth of Pan-Hellenism—the splendid spirit of fraternities striving for the best good of all fraternities? In some colleges Pan-Hellenic gatherings are coming to be annual occurrences. They may be

purely social in nature, but not without a broadening of sympathy and feeling in all concerned. Then, recall the Inter-fraternity Conference held in Chicago, where women deliberately and gladly met with each other to consider questions vital to all. This matter was presented in rather a new phase, last November, during the State Convention of the Y. W. C. A., held at the University of Illinois in Champaign. There were gathered several hundred women representing over twenty schools, colleges and universities in the state. Women from all but two of the national fraternities were noted among the delegates, and the presidents of the three strongest associations in the state were enthusiastic fraternity women—one a Pi Phi, one a Tri Delt—the other a Kappa. One afternoon, during the Convention, a special Interfraternity Conference was held, in the Kappa chapter house, where a large company of fraternity women from the chapters located at the University of Illinois and from among the visiting delegates, gathered. Miss Ruth Paxson, State Association Secretary of Iowa, and one of the strongest women of the Convention—a Kappa who always wears her Key—addressed the company. She spoke in a most practical and beautiful way of the evils of rushing, emphasizing the spirit that should distinguish every fraternity girl in all fraternity and non-fraternity relations. The sweet manner in which she urged upon each to be “large-hearted” deeply impressed all present. In concluding she spoke briefly of the attitude the fraternity girl should maintain towards the Association work—that of active co-operation, bringing out strongly the fact that it is here that all women meet on a common basis, with the highest aim possible,—of developing the spiritual nature.

VIRGINIA SINCLAIR, *Grand Treasurer.*

Indiscriminate Criticism.

THE first year in college is a hot bed of criticism and rightfully so. The average young woman takes her first steps alone during this first year. It is a period of transition, a period of research, of analysis, of question and doubt. Again it is a period of formation, of the building up of standards and the creation of ideals, of a careful and systematic development of self. But at the end of the first two years of college life, and too often at the end of the fourth year, the college woman views the world and

her friends with the abnormally critical eye of one unaccustomed to life and unfamiliar with its burdens, and she judges even her nearest and dearest with a severity that proves her lack of understanding.

Criticism is a power for good but it is more often a power for evil. Only she who corrects in herself that which she criticizes in another profiteth thereby. Criticism is a dangerously sharp knife. In the hands of a skillful surgeon it promises life and health, in the untrained hand it deals out death and destruction. The skillful critic cuts wide and deep for the good of the patient, and for his own glory, but the average faultfinder does a vast amount of indiscriminate slashing that scars his victim and injures himself. The one is an emblem of power, the other a symbol of weakness.

Indiscriminate criticism is one of the curses of mankind. Who are we, that in our boasted strength we deride the weakness of another? Whence came we that we are of finer clay than that other, the unfortunate one? The woman does not live, who in the presence of the most degraded of her sisters, could not truthfully say, "But for the saving grace of heredity and environment, there am I."

ELMIE WARNER, *Grand Registrar.*

Co-Education.

ON October 22d the trustees of Chicago University decided upon the segregation of the sexes during the freshman and sophomore years of their course. President James, of Northwestern University is working toward a change in the same direction. This is a movement which, on one side, concerns fraternity women more than it does any other class of women, in college or out. This side is that of the social bearing of the question. As to the effects of co-education upon the curriculum, the standard of scholarship, and what Professor Münsterberg calls the "effemination" of education, these are matters in which everyone is equally interested. But other objections are urged and it is profitable to note the close connection which fraternity women have, or may have, with this aspect of the question.

Kappa Kappa Gamma now has twenty-nine chapters, all but one of which are located in co-educational institutions. Now it

is a "self-evident truth" that fraternity women are the leaders of college society. They are organized, they are presumably "picked women," they are enthusiastic. Is there not something still they can do to set forth the essential ladylikeness of the "co-ed" (as alas! we are still called by some thoughtless critics) and to refute the arguments of those who say that social regulations are lax and decorum of a low standard in co-educational circles.

We do not admit the arguments of those who never lived, taught nor learned at a co-educational institution. Their evidence is not worth considering. They draw their deductions from observations of a few small colleges of low standard where co-education happens to be in force. As President Jordan says:

"It is true that untimely zeal of one sort or another has filled the west with a host of so-called colleges. It is true that most of these are weak and doing poor work in poor ways. It is true that most of these are co-educational. It is also true that the great majority of their students are not of college grade at all. In such schools low standards rule, both as to scholarship and as to manners. But none of these defects is derived from co-education; nor are any of these conditions made worse by it."

However, there are those who have a right to criticize and to whose judgment we cannot but listen. A writer in a periodical recently said of women at state universities:

"It is true that in spite of her freedom, a girl usually escapes without having fallen below her own standard of decorum. But her standard permits a good deal. I have met a boy and a girl on their way to take a row on the river, as late as ten o'clock in the evening, after a meeting of one of their literary societies."

Now I do not believe that that girl was a fraternity girl of tender age. And if she was, she was probably on her way to join a properly chaperoned party on the river. Personally, I have always believed that no standard is higher or more likely to be faithfully lived up to than that set by college girls themselves, pre-eminently so if set by girls of their own accord, quite apart from dormitory rules or faculty suggestion. President Jordan "thinks so, too." He says:

"Other things being equal, the young men are more earnest, better in manners and morals, and in all ways more civilized than under monastic conditions. The women do more work in a more natural way, with better perspective and with saner incentives than when isolated from the influence of society of men. There is less of silliness and folly where

man is not a novelty. In co-educational institutions of high standards frivolous conduct or scandals of any form are rarely known. *The responsibility for decorum is thrown from the school to the woman, and the woman rises to the responsibility.*"

Are Kappas in the forefront of all movements to shoulder this responsibility? I trust so.

We are also criticized for distracting American youths from their studies by encouraging by our very presence the undue increase of social functions to the detriment of other sides of college life. As one authority says :

"Very lately it is urged against co-education that its social demands cause too much strain both on young men and young women. College men and college women, being mutually attractive, there are developed too many receptions, dances and other functions in which they enjoy each other's company.

"But this is a matter easily regulated. Furthermore, at the most, the average young woman in college spends in social matters less than one-tenth the time she would spend at home. With the young man the whole matter represents the difference between high-class and low-class associates and associations. When college men stand in normal relations with college women, meeting them in society as well as in the class-room, there is distinctly less of drunkenness, rowdiness and vice than obtains under other conditions. And no harm comes to the young women through the influence she exerts."

As another writer says:

"[The women] are often spared certain highly morbid experiences familiar to the authorities of girls' colleges."

With regard to the regulation of these social meetings, I should like to call the Kappa's special attention. It has been urged over and over again in the KEY that the girls do all they can to curtail these too-numerous and too-elaborate entertainments. A movement toward simplicity and rarity of parties will establish a prestige and give the fraternity who leads in it an enviable distinction. The true lady, the legitimate leader of society, does not try to excel in the number and the expensiveness of her entertainments, but in their distinctive quality and originality. Still more should college girls limit their social functions. The faculty should expect and secure the heartiest co-operation from the leading fraternities in this matter. Let us be the first to undertake the reform.

Undoubtedly the most encouraging movement in the direction of regulating decorum and preventing excessive social "dissipa-

tion" among the students is the recent growth and success of *Self-government*.

At Barnard this has taken an extensive development, entering even the details of college life. The New York *Evening Post* says:

"It is interesting to note the yearly extension of that characteristic feature of Barnard discipline, the Self-government Committee. This committee, which holds itself responsible for the conduct of the undergraduate department, has added little by little to its duties, and now holds the reins of many points of government seemingly trivial, but important to the comfort of the students. The committee now examines the academic status of candidates for the plays which are presented at Barnard, keeps down too much distracting chatter in the halls, corridors, stairs and "silent" studies; sees that books are not taken from the reading room, administers all reproof for conduct, such as walking hatless from one to another of the university buildings; sees that lunches are eaten in the luncheon-room, and attempts to save the officers of administration from a dozen other petty annoyances."

Kappas are identified with this movement and with that carried on at Wisconsin and at Swarthmore, of which accounts are given elsewhere.

Another point which fraternity girls can refute is an objection on the score of girls being too studious or too gay—never the happy medium. The enemies of co-education alternately find us, as President Angell of Michigan says, "either too strenuous or too flippant. Unquestionably one can find institutions where the frivolous society girl is too much in evidence, whereas in others the uncomely drudge doth too much abound, and probably neither of these young persons is wholesome in excess. But it is needless to say that in every co-educational university of importance there is a group larger than either of these groups, made up of young women who are neither hopelessly flippant nor distressingly utilitarian in their educational interests."

Now, this is avowedly the exact type of a girl which we fraternities seek to develop—the well-balanced, happy, industrious but human girl who is the highest result of college culture and college society. When the grand majority of college women approximate this ideal, the fraternities will have established their claim forever to being the strongest and noblest powers in the moulding of college society. President Schurman acknowledges the power the fraternities wield in the furtherance of right aims.

and methods at Cornell. The day must come when all will recognize the futility of suspending co-education for two years, as at Chicago, and the wisdom of leaving the control of social customs and decorum in the hands of the natural leaders—the fraternity women.

An Eastern professor, lately visiting a Western state university, asked one of the seniors what he thought of co-education.

"I beg your pardon," said the student, "what [question do you mean?"

"Why, co-education," said the professor; "the education of women in colleges for men."

"O," said the student, "co-education is not a question here."

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❖ College and Fraternity Notes ❖

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CONVENTIONS.

Δ K E.—The 56th annual convention of Delta Kappa Epsilon was held in Memphis, Tennessee, November 12, 13 and 14. The sessions were at the Hotel Gayoso, as were also the grand ball of the second evening and the banquet with which the convention closed. Of the forty chapters thirty-eight were represented, about 175 members being present. Matthew C. Brush of Mass. Inst. of Technology was president of the convention and E. E. Wright, University of Virginia, '88, was toastmaster at the banquet. About the only business of public interest was the rejection of applications for chapters from Washington University, St. Louis, and the University of Texas.

Α Φ.—Alpha Phi met at Ann Arbor, October 28-31. No charters were granted to petitioners. The new officers are all from Syracuse University, following the usual plan of Alpha Phi, of electing all Grand Officers from one chapter. They are as follows: President, Genora Wilep; Vice President, Helen W. Phelps; Recording Secretary, Julia M. Mack; Corresponding Secretary, Grace J. Sawyer; Treasurer, Laura Parsons.

There were various social affairs in Ann Arbor during the convention and the banquet was held in Detroit. The next convention goes to Syracuse, in 1904.

Δ Υ.—The 68th annual convention of Delta Upsilon was held at Marietta, October 9-10. Lambda Nu, the local society from Ohio State University, petitioning for the second time, failed to secure a charter, although a seemingly promising prospect opened up before them. There are several Delta Upsilon members on the O. S. U. faculty, and an enthusiastic banquet was held in honor of Lambda Nu at Columbus last spring, by the Columbus Delta Upsilon alumni club, with the following toast list:

Hon. J. E. SATER, Marietta, '75, Toastmaster.

"The Ohio State University"—Prof. E. B. Kinkead, Marietta, '84.

"LXVIII Convention"—Prof. F. C. Clark, Michigan, '87.

"Men of Delta Upsilon"—Prof. W. A. Kellerman, Cornell, '74.

"Delta Upsilon Principles"—Prof. Mel T. Cook, DePauw, '94.

"Delta Upsilon in the Middle West"—Mr. H. A. Haring, Adelbert, '98.

"Lambda Nu—Her Future"—Mr. R. Hirsch, Lambda Nu, '01.

"The Chaperone"—Prof. W. S. Elden, Bowdoin, '89.

Evidently Δ Υ hesitates to add another fraternity to the already too-long list at O. S. U.

Phi Delta Theta has called attention to a similar condition at Wisconsin. The correspondent says :

"This fact ought to cause fraternities receiving petitions from here to be cautious, and they should investigate the situation carefully and not trust to the enthusiasm of men out of college these forty years. Every weak fraternity, while in the main lowering the standard and cheapening the distinction of fraternity membership for all, will always include some strong men in its membership and so prove a detriment to the older ones in two opposite and apparently paradoxical ways. Our sister institution of Minnesota was long the Mecca of expansionists, and a lot of weak and half dead chapters have resulted there, none of the newer fraternities being strong. The chapters of the past have been strong here, and the older fraternity community will doubtless take some measure to protect itself, such as the adoption of a Pan-Hellenic league of the ten old chapters."

(Now a line is drawn between the ten older fraternities and the six young ones, and the popular estimation puts the new ones in the same category as the neutrals.)

Δ Δ Δ.—At Tri Delta's recent convention a new chapter was installed at Wesleyan University. A month previous a chapter at Columbia had been inaugurated.

Κ Α Θ.—The following from the *Kappa Alpha Theta Journal* is of interest :

The Grand Council of Kappa Alpha Theta met in Berkeley, California, July 15th to 19th. This was the first time that a meeting of the executive body of Kappa Alpha Theta has been held between Grand Conventions, and the benefits of this meeting we hope will be felt throughout the fraternity. Many questions that will be placed before the next convention were brought up and discussed at length and the work of the convention was largely planned.

1903 GRAND CONVENTION.—The invitation of Upsilon chapter and Beta alumnae chapter that we hold our next Grand Convention with them at Minneapolis was accepted by the Council provided nothing intervenes to make it expedient to go elsewhere. The date will be July, 1903.

Δ Φ.—Delta Phi held its 75th reunion at Schenectady, N. Y., November 17th. This is a very old fraternity, having been founded at Union College as early as 1827.

Φ Δ Θ.—Phi Delta Theta's convention was held, as usual, in Thanksgiving week. This year's gathering was in New York, while the next one occurs in Atlanta, Georgia. Charters were refused to petitioners from Lawrence, Idaho, Nevada Wesleyan, Illinois Wesleyan, Arkansas and South Dakota. No new charters were granted. The following new officers were elected :

President, John E. Brown of Columbus, Ohio.

Treasurer, John H. Dewitte of Nashville, Tenn.

Secretary, Frank J. R. Mitchell of Chicago, Ill.

Reporter and Editor of *Scroll*, Royall H. Switzler of St. Louis.

Historian, A. B. McCrill of Providence, R. I.

K A Θ.—Miss Mary Ella Seaver Scott, late Grand Treasurer of Kappa Alpha Theta, died at her home, July 12th. The vacancy in office is filled by Miss Edith D. Cockins, of Columbus, Ohio. Miss Cockins is also editor of the *Journal*. A vacancy in one of the vice presidencies is filled by the appointment of Miss Grace Eagleson, also of Columbus.

Δ Γ.—Miss Palmer, of Delta Gamma, has won this year's scholarship maintained by the Students' Christian Association of Ann Arbor. Miss Clarke, of Pi Beta Phi, won the same scholarship last year. Miss Clarke's thesis was on the Juvenile Court of Chicago.

Δ T Δ.—Delta Tau Delta's recent extensions have been made in New England. During the past year they have entered Dartmouth and Wesleyan, and reorganized the chapters at Columbia and the Institute of Technology, Boston.

Α Φ and Π Β Φ.—Alpha Phi and Pi Beta Phi have both built houses at the University of California this year.

Chicago University.—Δ Κ Ε, Ψ Υ and Α Δ Φ, the tried, ancient and honorable, entered into an agreement at Chicago University not to rush for five weeks after matriculation of new students. The other fraternities did not join in the agreement.

K A Θ.—Mrs. Swain is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Dr. Joseph Swain, of the University of Indiana, has agreed to accept the presidency of Swarthmore College under certain conditions, principal among which being that the endowment of the college be raised from \$400,000 to \$1,000,000. We are happy to announce that of the required \$600,000, \$400,000 have been actually subscribed. Dr. Swain has accepted the position of president of Swarthmore College.

The \$400,000 is to be paid in by June, 1905, and during the period of three years Dr. Swain will assist in raising the balance of \$200,000, and thus bring the endowment up to \$1,000,000.—*The Swarthmore Triangle*.

Φ Κ Σ.—The chapters established by Φ Κ Σ in the last year at Charleston, Wisconsin and Vanderbilt bring the total number of chapters in the fraternity up to eighteen.

The anti-fraternity law of Arkansas is said to be a dead letter, as Κ Σ, Σ Α Ε, Κ Α, Δ Φ (local) and Χ Ω are running openly.

Φ Κ Ψ.—The second son of the Emperor of Korea is a student at Ohio Wesleyan. He has been pledged by Phi Kappa Psi.

Δ K E.—President F. P. Graves, of the University of Washington, has resigned. He will go east and do graduate work for several years. Prof. T. F. Kane, of the Latin department, will be acting president. He is a Δ K E, DePauw, '88.

Indiana.—President Swain, of Indiana, now president of Swarthmore, has been succeeded by Dr. W. L. Bryan, of the Department of Philosophy.—*The Scroll*.

Indiana.—Indiana, by the way, is a great fraternity state. Phi Kappa Psi reports three members of the legislature, one congressman and the state treasurer from its ranks. T. H. Miller, till recently editor of the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta, has resigned *Scroll* work to take a position in the legislature, while Sigma Chi has 704 members in the state (banner state of the fraternity), 8 members in the faculty of University of Indiana and, last but not least, Booth Tarkington as a congressman from Indiana. Of the election of the latter, *Harper's Weekly*, issue of November 29th, has the following to say :

"Just now he is going in for politics, having been elected a member of the Indiana legislature, but we shrewdly suspect that his chief purpose is to acquire knowledge from experience for the subsequent delight of his readers, rather than to inflict additional laws upon his countrymen. If so, well and good; if not, we must recall to his mind the sage advice once given to a shoemaker."

A T Ω.—In Alpha Tau Omega a prize essay contest has been projected by the New York chapter :

"In general terms this plan is, first: To offer a prize of \$25.00 or \$50.00 to be given in June, 1903, for a compilation of facts in the history of fraternity chapters, whether in favor of them or otherwise.

"Second. This is to be followed in 1904 by an essay under similar conditions making use of this (and other) data as a basis of deductions on the status of fraternity life in college.

"The plan is a comprehensive one, and, at the same time, eminently practicable. The efforts in the first contest are to be concentrated on the collation of facts; and the drawing of conclusions is to be left till the material for such conclusions is carefully gathered. This is quite as it should be. It will be both interesting and valuable to get at a solid basis for conclusions on fraternity development, and upon such conclusions can be based plans for future work which may combine zeal with a knowledge based on actual conditions."—*Palm*.

Φ K Ψ.—James Whitcomb Riley, upon whom Yale conferred the degree of A. B. last June, said :

"There is one significant fact, and it has its pathetic side, too, in reference to conferring this degree on me, and that is that Yale should have waited 200 years before giving it to me.

"In reference to this little poem that I am going to read, I would say that there is nothing personal in it; that it has nothing to do with this gathering, and has no meaning, specially, in it."

"Mr. Riley then read a poem entitled 'No Boy Knows, When He Goes to Sleep,' at the conclusion of which the audience broke into an enthusiastic cheer. President Hadley then said: 'We want to thank Mr. Riley for his most pleasing tribute to this occasion, but I beg to differ with him in one respect. If Mr. Riley had gone through Yale in four years, instead of 200, he would know that there is a time when a boy knows when he goes to sleep. If, in the midst of a mathematics recitation, he had been brought up suddenly with this sharp remark from the professor in charge—'Riley, go on with the demonstration from that point'—he would realize the fallacy of his position.'"

Θ N E.—Pennsylvania State correspondent of the *Record of Σ A Ξ* says:

"This dissolution (of Θ N E at Pennsylvania State), although regretted by some few, was welcomed by many. There was a decided hatred existing among the college authorities and the majority of the student body against Θ N E. At the elections this year it was almost impossible for any member of this society to secure either a class or an athletic office."

Π K A.—Pi Kappa Alpha has now grown to twenty-one chapters.

University of Washington.—The following is taken from the Catalogue of the University of Washington for 1901-1902:

"Four of the national Greek letter fraternities have established chapters in the university. There are also four local organizations, which expect to secure charters from national societies before long. Of the four fraternities possessing charters, two live in their own houses; the third lives in a rented house and will build during the summer of 1902; while the fourth is considering plans for building in the near future. Students in the school of pharmacy have also established an independent fraternity. It is expected that an avenue of fine building sites will soon be opened on the highest part of the university campus for the societies which desire to erect fraternity houses."

X Ω and Ψ Y.—Chi Omega entered California on August 12. Ψ Y installed a chapter in the same institution on August 18. Ψ Y now has 24 chapters. One of her two surviving founders, Gen. Edw. Martindale, lives at San Diego. The new chapter has 34 members. Prof. C. M. Gayley, of the university, is a Psi U.—*Scroll.*

Φ K Ψ.—Can we match this?

"More than *three hundred names* have been added to the alumni list during the past year. Two years ago 150 subscribers were dropped from the list because of being two years delinquent; last year fifty were on this account removed; this year only about a dozen are lost in this way. Perhaps a dozen more have ordered the magazine discontinued during the past year. This is a wonderful record. It does take, however, too much time, effort and expense to collect subscriptions. Nearly ten per cent. of the amount received had to be expended in sending out statements and letters. It is as easy to answer the first call as the last, and if all the alumni would realize that early replies to such communications would mean a considerable saving

to the journal without additional cost to them, they would gladly make it unnecessary to spend so much time on this phase of the management of the journal."—*The Shield*.

Ω Ψ.—This parasitic fraternity still flourishes. It now has chapters at Northwestern, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska and Wisconsin, recently established.

Φ Β Κ.—At Wisconsin, of the twenty-three elected to Phi Beta Kappa, eighteen were women. No wonder the anti-co-educationists are scared!

Φ Δ Θ.—Hugh T. Miller, until recently editor of the *Scroll*, continues his admirable reviews of the college annuals. We give below several extracts and not a few news items of interest therefrom. Mr. Miller's resignation would seem to be a serious thing for Phi Delta Theta to face, for the *Scroll* unquestionably leads all the fraternity journals to-day. It is a thoroughly dignified magazine, too full of its own vast interests and enthusiasms to quibble or get sarcastic or funny at the expense of other fraternities. It is preeminently business-like and speaks to the point. It is packed with news and reminiscences and gives much space to the careers of its honored dead and its noble founders. That the *Scroll* is able to do excellent work in fraternity history is largely due, also, to the existence of a wonderful fraternity library at Columbus, Ohio, in charge of Dr. Brown. We note, in this connection, the following:

"On his recent trip to Indiana, President Ward secured at DePauw for the fraternity library a copy of the photograph of the 1884 convention, the only one lacking to complete the collection. Bro. Ward's record, by the way, of having visited sixty-two chapters of his fraternity, is one that has probably never been equaled anywhere. Our worthy P. G. C. has made a record in every line of his work for the fraternity that is a source of great pride to us all."

From the 16th Review of College Annuals:

"A third literary society at Franklin is the Ofer Gan. 'Ofer gan,' we are told, is the Anglo-Saxon for 'overcome.' Members are chosen on the scholarship basis and are limited in number to twenty-five. Eight of the twenty-four now on the roll are members of Φ Δ Θ, and of the remaining sixteen, twelve are co-eds."

"It is claimed that a man cannot make the 'varsity crew at Harvard unless he is a member of Hasty Pudding or the Institute of 1770. In the graded crew races this month a third-rate crew won over all, none of its members having belonged to the two exclusive clubs. The winning crew had paid its own expenses and coached itself, just to prove to the students that it had not had a fair show."

"Cornell has bought sixteen acres of ground adjoining the campus, and on this plot will erect six costly new buildings at once, and eight more in the near future."

"*Old McGill* is the first of our collection from across the northern border. It is respectfully dedicated by the junior class to 'Their Royal Highnesses, the Prince and Princess of Wales.' It was printed in Montreal, and in illustrations and text compares most favorably with the best specimens from this side of the St. Lawrence. The editorial and business boards are made up from representatives of the five departments of the university, including the women's college. Much space is devoted to the history of the university and the illustrated description of its buildings. Five pages are devoted to an account of the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to McGill. The women of the Royal Victoria College get their full share of space, and there is no denying that they are a mighty good-looking lot of girls. For some reason, which we shall have Bro. Lauchland explain at New York, the women students are always called 'Donaldas.' They have a 'Delta Sigma' society, an athletic club and a basket ball team. Each class has a general organization with officers chosen from all departments, while each separate department has its own organizations."

Δ T Δ.—The first official journal of Delta Tau Delta, called the *Crescent*, was published by alumni alone, the resolution with regard to the management running: "No member [of the Publishing Committee] shall be a student at college." The *Rainbow* remarks, "It is a little odd that a fraternity but seventeen years old and governed entirely by undergraduates, should pass a resolution like the above, placing its journal almost entirely in the hands of the alumni." The first number came out in 1877. Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Theta had issued publications in 1876. Delta Tau Delta consequently claims to be the third in the field of fraternity journalism.

In 1886 Delta Tau Delta united with the "Rainbow fraternities" and the name of the journal was changed to "*The Rainbow*."

The Rainbow fraternities of the South, calling themselves The Mystic Sons of Iris, had been gradually merged into chapters of Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and the two surviving chapters of this old original order, founded as far back as 1749, were officially consolidated with Delta Tau Delta in the above mentioned year.

Chapter Houses are Taxable.

College chapter houses are not exempt from taxation in this State, unless a decision just handed down by the Appellate Division of the Fourth Department is wrong. The case decided is that of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Society of Hamilton College against the assessors of the town of Kirkland, Oneida County.

The referee to whom the case was sent decided that the chapter house of the D. K. E. society at Hamilton should be taxed. When the matter was taken into Court for confirmation of the report the Judge determined that the referee was wrong, and decided that the fraternity was exempt. The case thereupon came to the Appellate Division, which now holds that the referee was right.

Interesting as the case is to all college men, it is equally so to lawyers, as Presiding Justice Adams, who writes the opinion of the court, says it is without direct precedent in the State's jurisprudence. There are seven Greek

letter societies at Hamilton. The D. K. E. chapter was incorporated there in 1878, the objects and purposes, as stated, being "literary, and for the promotion of fine arts." It had thirty-five active members. Its chapter house on College street in the village of Clinton consists of three stories above the basement. The active members all boarded in the house, and fourteen of them lodged there under an arrangement with the janitor and his wife. One of the rooms was designated as the "Society Room," but the rest of the house was used to furnish the members with a boarding place.

The chapter contended that it was exempt from paying taxes under Sec. IV of the Tax Law, a part of which says:

"The real property of a corporation or society organized exclusively for the moral or mental improvement of men or women or for * * * educational, scientific, library or literary * * * purposes * * * or for two or more of such purposes and used exclusively for carrying out thereupon one or more of such purposes the personal property of any such corporation or association, shall be exempt from taxation."

In his opinion Justice Adams says:

"The purposes for which a corporation is organized and those for which its property is used are, for obvious reasons, quite distinct and independent matters. The two requirements must concur, for otherwise the original incorporators might, if so disposed, declare the object of their incorporation to be one which would entitle the corporate real estate to exemption from taxation within the terms of the statute, while, as a matter of fact, it was used for an entirely different purpose and one which would not entitle it to exemption. It follows, therefore, that the important and controlling question for determination relates to the use to which the relator's property was put."

The court declares that while the property might have been devoted to one or more of the purposes specified, and while it appears that the chapter house is supplied with a respectable library which enables the members to use it at times for educational, scientific and literary purposes, it does not answer the requirements of the statute unless it appears that the building was used exclusively for one or more of these purposes.

"And while it may be said that the relator is connected with Hamilton College," writes Justice Adams, "and that its chapter house is in a certain sense an adjunct thereto, yet so far as ownership, occupation and control are concerned, it is entirely independent of the college. Its primary purpose is to afford the members of the fraternity owning it with an abiding place while attending college. It is there they eat and sleep and indulge in dancing and other similar amusements. In short, it is to all intents and purposes a clubhouse, a place for rest, recreation and fraternal intercourse, rather than for the purpose for which it is claimed to have been organized, which purpose is plainly secondary and incidental. Such being the case, we do not see how, within the well-settled policy of the law, it is entitled to exemption from taxation."—*N. Y. Sun*, July 13, 1902.

Ψ Y.—Phi Kappa Psi has a little fun with the ancient and honorable fraternity of Psi Upsilon in the October *Shield*. If the Yale Psi U's honor the above mentioned article with their attention, we believe they will have to laugh in spite of themselves. And a laugh like that will do them good.

EXCHANGES.

By MARION EVANS TWISS, *Beta Nu*, '97.

Once again, the exchanges most interesting to us, and at the same time the brightest and ablest articles are those from the pens of the fraternity girls. The *Anchora* of Delta Gamma writes:

"Provincialism often shelters splendid traits and in fostering them performs her highest function. This proves her right to exist but it does not therefore make provincialism the end and aim of life. And just because the growth and strength of any part of humanity is apt to come first in some one special quality; and on that growth and strength is based all future development; we should not, on that account, be justified in claiming special virtue for that quality above all other qualities, and in stopping short there. Rather we should recognize its true value as a foundation or as a stepping-stone. So in the development of our character as a fraternity, let us be wary of self-gratulation on our scholarship, our popularity, our activity or our cosmopolitanism, and realize that having one without the others we are but children, and that if we do not go on to a larger growth we shall by and by be no better than dwarfs."

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On self government, the Wisconsin correspondent in *Kappa Alpha Theta* writes:

"Five years ago the women organized a 'Self Governing Association' with the following aims:

"To further in every way the unity of spirit of the women in the university, to increase their sense of responsibility toward each other and to be a medium by which the social standards of the university can be made and kept high.' The association has done much towards accomplishing its purpose.

"The organization has weekly meetings, at which questions pertaining to government, and the social life of the women are discussed.

"In reality, the rules of the Association are very few. The women living at Chadbourne Hall, the dormitory, have rules governing the study hours, driving, calling, etc., and the one inexorable law is, 'All women attending university parties must leave said party by twelve o'clock.' These rules are the basis upon which the fraternities draw up their code of rules. All fraternity-house rules have to be submitted to the Executive Board which after examination, hands them to the Social Committee of the Faculty for approval."

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The correspondent from Swarthmore also writes:

"A subject of great interest in 1898 was the experiment of introducing student government for the women of Swarthmore. The men scoffed at it for us and would not hear of it for themselves. Some of the women were dubious, but the majority ruled, and student government is now an established fact, the success of which speaks for itself. Not perfect by any means, yet it develops a greater sense of responsibility in the rather girlish women of our college, and does away with the surveillance irksome to both faculty and students, which must otherwise exist in a college where the students are all under the same roof. The students have entire control of the order in the

halls, and are responsible for any misconduct, appointing their own officers and reporting to them—a system similar in part to that of the student government of Bryn Mawr.

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The Woman and the Fraternity.

"The Greek letter fraternity of the modern college has two ideals for its membership; the one: what the individual should represent in herself, which has come to us directly from the Greek life; the other: the loyalty of the individual to her fraternity and its members, which is an indirect deduction from Greek life, and which has been modified by modern ideas of the loyalty of friendship.

"The myths of Mount Olympus, with the stories of historic Greece, have furnished an inexhaustible fund of inspiration for poets and artists. The Grecian goddess and the Grecian hero excelled all others in beauty, intelligence and power. These three, beauty, intelligence, power, were the ends sought for in the life of Greece. They formed her ideals, and in no state, perhaps, have they been more fully reached. The college woman is responsible to her fraternity for these same graces. It, in a sense, demands them of her, and in a sense contributes to her development of them. Beauty of character should be the college woman's chief charm, and it is only this, combined with a depth of intelligence, which makes her a power in college life, or in any world she may seek to enter. To the college woman, the fraternity home takes the place of the real home during her college life. It should consequently be only such as to contribute to every refinement of mind and manner, and to studiousness of habit.

"In the Greek world the state existed for the individual rather than the individual for the state. Because of this he gave to it and to society a loyalty that was ideal. Culture of self meant to him culture of the state and for the state. This is the second moving principle in the life of the college fraternity woman. She seeks culture not alone for its intrinsic worth, but because as her fraternity exists for her, she, through the power of her culture, and through her absolute loyalty to the culture of her sisters, exists for her fraternity, and helps to make it what it ought to be. The friendship of any truly refined woman is never coarsened by the blemish of an unjust criticism, or made false by indiscreet gossip.

"She is not only fidelity to her sisters in the fraternity but is fidelity to all other women and to society at large. Her training to see beauty only in the beautiful, to find intellectual satisfaction only in the best the world can offer and to exert that power which is the subtle influence of the conservative woman, lifts her so infinitely above the petty personalities of life that she does not even know they are about her. Her heart and her life are full of those things which are to solve for her the question,—'How am I to be the very most to myself and to those with whom I come in contact and so best work out the purpose for which I was created?'

"The college woman is always a college woman. That something, which gives the keen pleasure to the young girl during her college days, follows her into more mature life. Her college fun, in which she may not care to indulge at this time, is looked back upon with a relish very near to the first enjoyment. She is full of college spirit, and she recognizes it in those whom she meets. If she is thrown into a community where it is not, she misses it, and something is gone out of her life. It is this which causes the more dignified alumna, or the worthy patroness to so keenly enjoy the initiation or the 'cookie-shine.' But stronger than college spirit is the college fraternity spirit. That means the living up to those possibilities of what intelligent broad minded women may be to each other either as fellow students pursuing the same line of investigation and gracing the same society, or as graduates, whether giving themselves to the so-called purely intellectual life, or to the home and social world of the average woman.

—HARRIOTT CLARE PALMER."

Fraternities can broaden the sphere of their influence and develop their own capabilities if they persist in defeating the tendencies toward exclusiveness and self-sufficiency. A sort of "social convention" for this purpose is suggested by a mother in *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

"The thought was constantly with me that a convention of Kappa Alpha Theta held at some similar resort, with plenty of time given for the social life as well as the fraternal would be a great boom to the society. Young mothers would be able, as I was, to give their children an outing at the same time and place, teachers would be glad to spend there a part of their vacation. The college girls would have the encouragement of a number of their alumnae and the alumnae would be glad to strengthen old ties and form new ones.

"I would not in this ideal convention of my mind have our attention called only to the work of our own body of women. I would have equal rights presented by an enthusiast for that cause. I would have an address on social purity given by a devout lover of human kind, nor do I believe we need go outside our numbers to find women deeply interested in these and kindred movements.

"Vices are virtues gone to seed they say. Our fraternity is good we hold, but we must not let it degenerate into a faction. It should be a mellowing influence, a source of strength, a happy inspiration to us and to all our world. If we hold the universal, the womanly idea of the work of the fraternity, the pin will not be laid aside with the cap and gown, but will be worn as proudly by belle and teacher, wife and mother."

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The Active Chapter Round Table of *Alphi Phi Quarterly* suggests, very pertinently, that we are getting too complex, among other things.

She has two very sane and practical talks on this subject, both of which are too good to lose. The first is called "Simplicity."

"We hear much in these days about simple living. All are agreed that our plan of life is too complex. We must work and play on a large scale, or we cannot be happy. This spirit has a most unfortunate effect upon certain classes of individuals, and it is its influence upon the school girl to which we make objection in this article. If the eye of some teacher or of some mother shall see this, and if she accept it as a note of warning, we shall be repaid. In one of the high schools of a city we know well, there are so-called literary societies. They are really social clubs, and have in their method of work a decidedly injurious effect.

"One of the teachers who observed the situation carefully told me that all last winter the young girls of these societies—say from fourteen to seventeen years of age—went once, twice or three times a week to some large reception or dancing party which kept them up until one or two o'clock in the morning, quite unfitting them for work, besides giving them a generally abnormal view of life. These girls live in town and go to these parties with the consent of their parents, who appear to be sensible people—at least they pass for this in the community. For three or four years they follow this plan, then some of them go to college. It is this phase of the subject that afflicts the fraternity. Nothing is new to the blase high school miss. She is never really a freshman in the proper sense of the term. Her high school society

was conducted as near the fraternity plan as possible, and she at once assumes all the airs of an experienced member.

"In a certain chapter which I know, when it came time for the annual freshman party it was arranged on a very extensive scale, these experienced society high school misses demanding the most elaborate programs, with full orchestra and expensive favors. The old simplicity of the freshman party was quite lacking. It is this same influence which causes the expensive, elaborate rushing parties with which we are compelled to afflict ourselves. With calm judgment and serene attitude the blase miss observes the rushing party. It must be strictly up-to-date. It must be elaborate or it cannot interest her. She has no timidity; she is simply calculating on which society can give her the gayest time for a few days, and the one that succeeds in this will win her.

"The average social club of our high schools is not an advantage. It is a distinct disadvantage, and has in most instances an injurious effect upon its members. It has none of the aims of the college fraternity. The spirit of having a good time is its chief object, and this fosters in the members extravagant ideas along all lines. O, for a frequent glimpse of the simple, charming school girl, who does not know it all, who shows to us some timidity, some reserve, some trace of reverence."

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Simple Rushing.

"Is there such a thing as a *simple* method of rushing? That there is a *silly* method, well developed and often employed, few will deny, but the sensible, normal, unostentatious procedure which should constitute *simple* rushing is, alas, not widely known. There is one question, however, whose answer if kept well in mind, ought to help to determine for us what is 'good rushing.' What is the object of a rushing party, if it is not to get acquainted with the new girl, or girls? And of what value is a rushing party which, however imposing it may be, or however much pleasure it may give the hostesses, does not advance this end. And I am sure that we will all agree that many a 'quiet little afternoon affair' from which we expected little, has borne more real fruit in this direction than a far more expensive entertainment.

"There is, of course, such a variety of conditions surrounding chapters in the different colleges that ways and means must necessarily differ widely, and the girls who have no town homes to fall back upon are of necessity put to greater expense. But girls are girls, the world over, and probably we are all equally prone to extravagance, which might be avoided.

"Good rushing parties, like anything else worth having, do not come easily, nor manage themselves. They must cost *something*, but why should we not tax our gray matter more, and our gold less?

"Nothing goes so far as *originality* and *careful planning*, and experience has proved that where these two are combined, much needless expense is saved.

"The object of the fraternity, as of the individual hostess, is to 'give her guest a good time,' make her feel at ease, and learn to know her better, and to this end impressive Germans, drag-rides, matinee parties, luncheons, dinners, etc., serve no better—nor to Epsilon's mind, so well—as simple dancing parties, impromptu theatricals, over-night house parties, or, best of all, personal visits, made tactfully and informally, for it is in her own abode—be it her home or her room in the dormitory—that a girl shows her true self—after all."

To be simple and to be cordial—how much greater this is than to project the most elaborate fraternity schemes and functions imaginable. These are the qualities that make Kappas, Kappas

forever—long after college excitements and rushing seasons are over and past—

Isn't it strange
 How little we know
 The people we meet in this world below?
 How we pass our friends from day to day,
 And with only a nod we go our way,
 When there's so much more we each might say,
 Isn't it strange?

Isn't it strange
 How little we show
 What we really feel in this world below?
 How we hide, or pass with a merry jest
 The feelings that are true and best;
 How much we leave by a clasp of the hand
 Or a look, our friends, as best they can,
 To find what we mean, and to understand,
 Isn't it strange?

—*Elensis of Chi Omega.*

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Several exchanges have commented on the value and success of our Alumnae Day at recent Convention. The Sigma Alpha Epsilon *Record* has furnished us with a really fresh and inspiring article which we might have used on that day. We quote it herewith:

Alumni and the Fraternity.

"The true scale on which to grade the real intrinsic worth of a fraternity is the affection maintained towards it by its alumni. This we take to be the positive difference between a fraternity and any other organized body in the world, except, possibly, an old regiment with traditions; that the others are merely adventitious associations, entered into for purposes more or less selfish, whose claims cease with one's relations with them, while this is a real alliance formed for the common good, developed only by the common and self-denying labor for that good, and perpetuated by the existence of that life-spark which we may term, for want of a better name, *esprit de corps*. A man who has graduated from college has presumably 'gotten out' everything possible to be extracted from his undergraduate connections; and it is only the strict adherence to some recognized principle, quite apart from the fleeting recollection of happy hours irrevocably gone, that would make him wish to enter into new affiliations that bind him to the days of his student life. The 'recognized principle' is, of course, that the fraternity to which he is bound by ties none the less strong because they are pleasant, must at any sacrifice of himself always be advanced; and it is just in proportion as this feeling is strong or faint within a man's heart that his fraternity is a good fraternity, or one that is not so good.

"There are many ways in which alumni, individually, can show their deep regard for the fraternity that is theirs while life lasts; but we do not know how, collectively, they can do this in any more unmistakable way than by forming themselves into an association, founded upon the principles of that fraternity, inspired by its ever-astling purpose. It is for this reason that we welcome so warmly into the lists of those who have already banded together in the spirit of devotion to this fraternity, the association formed in Memphis not many weeks ago. The organization of every association is a mile-stone

in the progress of this fraternity toward the lofty heights to which our principles must ever make us aspire. Each one is a monument more lasting than bronze, bearing witness that this is a fraternity not in name only, but in very deed a brotherhood."

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Please read the next quotation through faithfully. Read it just before the chapter-letter is sent off. The italics are ours :

"It is absolutely necessary that we should realize that our magazine has no reason for being except as our official organ. It is ours to support, ours to use. If we do not appreciate it, if we do not contribute to its prosperity, it is nothing. It has no important hearing beyond our boundaries. Other fraternities who read it do so to learn what we are doing and they judge us by what they see in its pages. Does it indicate that we are doing anything worth while?

"Does it indicate that we are intelligent fraternity women with well-defined opinions on subjects of importance to the college world?" Does it indicate that we are competent to do a share of the general work which each college affords us? Does it indicate that we are truly social? Are we in touch with the alumnae of our chapter and the members of other chapters with whom we may be associated?

"Does it indicate that we give loyalty of brain and money for the strengthening of our society? Are we honest in all our obligations? Are we willing to sacrifice our own petty views for the sake of the improvement of the majority? Your answer to all these questions is found in the pages of your magazine—the Alpha Phi *Quarterly*. Read it intelligently, sympathetically, and unselfishly, and you will find the definition of your place as an Alpha Phi."

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If the honorable corresponding secretaries are out of subjects for chapter letters, let them look around at the conditions in their college and report on some of these subjects.

With regard to the recent meeting of delegates to discuss inter-fraternity rushing agreements, let them answer these questions :

1. Are the recommendations of the delegates broad enough to meet the needs of your chapter?
2. Would these or similar regulations work hardship to your chapter, and if so, how would you wish to see them modified?
3. Are the time and method of extending invitations the best that can be selected?
4. Would such lengthening of the time before invitations simply prolong the period of getting acquainted and the objectionable social features belonging to it?
5. Does the definition of "rushing" meet your approval?
6. Is there any chapter in your college which you fear would not keep the spirit as well as the letter of the regulations if adopted?

The Alpha Tau Omega *Palm* reprints from Vol. I some good old themes for the journal :

The early days of the fraternity.
 The present needs of the fraternity.
 How to work a chapter successfully.
 The exclusion of college politics from the chapter.

Regular and frequent correspondence between the chapters.

The cultivation and strict maintenance of cordial and kindly relations with other fraternities.

Prompt, unquestioning and unhesitating obedience to chapter and general officers.

Regular and punctual attendance at the meetings of the chapter.

The Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity—the good it has done and is now doing.

The proper relations between the fraternity and its alumni.

The State Alumni Association, and its true work.

Alpha Taus among their college mates.

Chapter houses.

The proper limit to a chapter's active membership.

The value of the American College Fraternity.

College anti-fraternity laws, and how to secure their repeal.

In addition to the above we shall always be glad to publish reminiscences of active fraternity life; biographical sketches of deceased members; historical sketches of chapters, especially those that have ceased to exist; recollections of our different congresses; clippings from Alpha Tau Omega scrap-books; original poems; and lastly, original articles and papers on general literary, educational, social, industrial and moral questions.

You see it is not absolutely necessary to limit chapter-letters to descriptions of the dances and fudge-parties and the sofa-pillows in your rooms. You are a part of the great college world. You are making college history.

Here too, is a question of great and often pressing interest:

What One Chapter Owes Another.

"For the majority of our chapters the rushing for the year is at an end, and the new members many of them have been admitted into the fraternity. The question now is—What next?

"Before rigorously taking up another branch of the work let us pause a moment and reflect. Has this past rushing season been all we would wish to have it? If not, it is the time now to find just wherein we would have it different, and begin plans for the coming year. How many of us, during the short four years, or less, spent as an active member, fully comprehend that just as we individually are sisters in one chapter, so the chapters are sisters in the national organization? Our we always sisterly in our relations, or do we sometimes forget to do as we would be done by? Should a case like the following arise, what stand should we as a chapter take?

"A girl enters a large university where every girl's fraternity is represented and spends a year there without an invitation to become a member of any. In her sophomore year she enters a smaller university where only four or five of the leading fraternities are represented, and is invited to join one of them. In due time the first chapter learns that Miss So and So, whom they did not consider eligible the previous year is now one of their sisters. The second year rolls by. At the opening of the third the girl, now a member of the fraternity, re-enters the first college, and claims recognition from the chapter. The chapter, knowing the girl, hesitates about accepting her transfer.

"Can we blame them for it? Does not the second chapter deserve the censure for initiating this girl without first ascertaining if there was any good reason for her not having become a fraternity girl in her freshman year? And moreover, would it not be natural to inquire of the sister chapter concerning the matter?

"This is a serious question and one that every chapter should carefully consider if they wish the fraternity to be uniform throughout the country.

If a girl falls short of the requirements of one chapter how can another chapter initiate her without acknowledging that they have a lower standard? One or two chapters with high standards cannot make a national reputation for a fraternity—each one carries its influence and either helps to raise or lower the fraternity in the eyes of the outside world.

"Let each chapter give itself an honest examination on this subject resolving, if once guilty of such an offense, never again to harm a sister chapter."

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"It has always been my impression that each chapter owes as much consideration to every other chapter as each member of a chapter owes to every sister member.

"That one chapter will carelessly initiate as a member a girl, who for the preceding year has been attending an institution at which there is a chapter of Pi Beta Phi, without making the slightest effort to learn anything of her former school life, is a matter for very serious thought.

"Twice within the last two years the members of my chapter have had the mortification of seeing girls, whom they themselves would never have received as sisters, return to their university after a year's absence wearing arrows. The chapters at which they were initiated made no inquiries as to their standing in our college life and gave us no opportunity whatever to express our opinion as to their eligibility. After due deliberation we have decided that we cannot conscientiously ask members initiated under those circumstances to affiliate with us. They are altogether uncongenial and as we should never have initiated them ourselves we feel that they cannot be thrust upon us. Will any member of Pi Beta Phi who can offer any excuse for such indiscriminate initiation of members please bring it forward. I can find none.

"It may easily be seen that, if every chapter should follow the course of the two chapters in question, we should soon have no real fraternity."

—Epsilon Circle.

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Well, a truce to serious musings and exhortations! Here are two jolly little verses to end with:

Tennessee Omega's Toast.

Here's to the old Alpha Taus and the young Alpha Taus,
And Alpha Taus yet to be,
To those who are dead and to those unborn,
To the whole Fraternity.
For we're on the path and we won't get off
Till the old world is burnt for its sin,
Then we'll go up to Heaven and start up again,
And rope the best angels in.

Ode to the Pony.

Friend of our fathers, known of old,
Steed of student of every clime,
We fain would have thy praises told,
Thy hoof prints left in sands of time,
Friend of our fathers, bear us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget.

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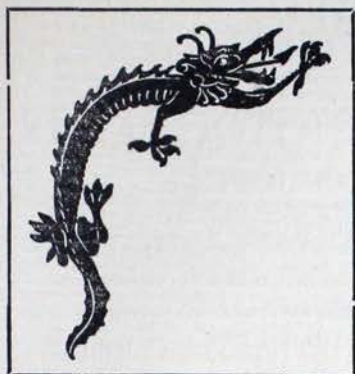
The college halls grow gray with age,
 The presidents and profs depart ;
 Few still live on, save thou and Page—
 Thou idol of the freshman's heart.
 Pride of our course, trot with us yet,
 Lest we forget, lest we forget.

The cribber bold, that puts his trust
 In printed cuff or pony's word—
 No tough exam. by him is cussed,
 No vain regret from his is heard ;
 And ages still to come, you bet,
 Will ride on thee, lest they forget.

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