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#### COLUMBIA AND CONVENTION.

OLUMBIA, Missouri, the home town of Theta chapter, is the black dot on the map toward which the eyes of all Kappadom are just now converging. Phi chapter no doubt has her well-bred curiosity about the rustic little Western town; Pi delegate whose last trip East included St. Louis, vaguely remembers that Missouri surrounds St. Louis for the most part, and so in thought she gives to the small black dot in question a slightly Eastern atmosphere; Beta Xi shivers a bit at the snowy prospect until she recalls that midsummer assures warmth to regions even further north than Missouri; Eta looks down from the top of the map, hearing already, in fancy, the soft dropping of Southern r's, and the negligent disregard of final g's. Being the center of the land (if not the Hub) as you see, we represent, as it were, all things to all men. Cheerfully we affiliate with any and all sections—we are "Eastern," "Western," "Northern." "Southern" -what you will.

Perhaps, however, if you are businesslike and have attended other conventions, your interest centers less in our location than in an assurance of accommodations for a hundred girls and innumerable alumnae visitors, besides quarters for the Grand Council, and suitable assembly halls. You want to know what we will do with you, now that we have you.

Ws are very glad, indeed, to say that Columbia is a town peculiarly fitted for entertaining conventions. Within the last two school years, the Press Association of Missouri, the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Apple Growers' Association of Missouri,

the Christian Endeavor of Missouri, the Federation of Women's Clubs of the State, and a National Convention of Ministers of the Christian Church, have all chosen Columbia as a fit place for assembling. This popularity, in itself, points to unusual practical advantages in the town.

First of all, the place contains several excellent hotels, two of which we are planning to secure for convention. These places are in easy distance of the university where we will hold our meetings. As for the university itself, the accompanying cuts will speak for it better than words. We only assure you that its auditorium will hold every Kappa in the United States, and that if one stays away, there will be a noticeably vacant seat. Yet, if a Fourth of July cracker of unusual size should chance to blow up this auditorium and the whole university plant of twenty buildings, we are not yet at our wits' end. Two female colleges, with a chapel apiece, stretch wide their arms to receive us. Two military schools, likewise, offer us inducements to consider their advantages.

Columbia is indeed a town of schools, and no less of churches. Four modern stone edifices will give us the choice of their pulpits for the customary Kappa sermon. These churches are all in the business part of town, quite near the hotels.

Counting the students within its confines, Columbia probably reaches a population of nearly ten thousand. In aspect it is a city of surprises. One moment one decides that it is distinctly rural; at another, a sweep of granitoid sidewalk, paved street and close-cropped lawn suggests the city. One finds here and there in the suburbs elegant old homes nestling so deep in trees as to be almost unsuspected from the roadway, while across the fence little cottages in neat rows, unshaded, independent, remind one that a building boom is on and is gradually devouring the fine lawns which have so long distinguished the town.

Particularly good rural roads in the vicinity of Columbia, together with the scenery that a monster chalk vein, a winding stream and innumerable oaks and elms can furnish, have already suggested to us a Kappa picnic. If any inquiring Kappa wants to know what further plans we are making for her, we forthwith assert that this is a matter concerning which we shall as yet divulge no secrets. The best things are the unexpected always, so we shall hold inviolate, except for a bare outline program of

April, those lighter exercises in which august Kappadom shall lay aside cares of state and become just a merry band of girls, but a band not strayed together by chance—bound, rather, by ties of deep and sweet significance.

If glad hearts make hospitality, hospitality in fullest measure shall be yours, for we are going to be very happy to greet our Kappa sisters here. We shall rejoice to show you our treasures—the vine-covered buildings of our university, endeared through long association; the columns—pride of our hearts—staunch and hoary friends of wisdom, eloquent of the memorable fire of 1892; Read Hall, the university's youngest daughter, our new stone dormitory for women. We shall present you to all these, and shall feel sure that a thrill of glad sympathy stirs the vines and leaves and grasses of our alma mater in the presence of our newfound sisters, come from so far away to see us.

And now, a further word. Aside from the intrinsic advantages of which Columbia can boast, there is another, one might say an accidental, advantage. If the eyes of Kappadom are upon us, the eyes of the world are no less upon St Louis—the home of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. Do you know that Columbia is just four hours away from the converging point of the eyes of the world? The world's greatest celebration of human power and achievement will draw many of us. Is it not a boon—you far outlying chapters—to visit your fraternity convention while "doing" the Exposition?

There is every reason to believe that this convention will be a red-letter celebration. It should awaken charter members, long out of the tide of active fraternity life, to a renewed sense of their widening kinship with the young women of the land. It should mean to us all a strengthening of bonds with present-day and alumnae members. We should gain from it inspiration to make our ideals real, not only during college life, but in the wider life of the world which awaits. Will you—all you Kappas—alumnae and active members, come to Columbia and help us?

LULA BELLE WOOLDRIDGE, Theta Chapter.

#### KAPPAS IN COLLEGE SETTLEMENT WORK.

A FTER a correspondence of several months duration with Kappas all over the country one conclusion is reached: That college women consider settlement work "a duty and a privilege" and a pleasure true there is no doubt. Some take it up, it seems, for a brief period and teach classes in sewing, basket weaving, rope making, cooking, kindergartening or perhaps music. Others spend more or less time in residence, and still others devote their lives after leaving college to the labor of love. But that this article may not be one of generalities, I shall quote from some of the letters which have reached me in answer to my requests and inquiries.

One letter from a New York settlement worker and an alumna of Phi chapter will speak for itself. Miss Raper, of Phi chapter, says:

"Ever since coming to live in the city a year ago last October, I have had a club of ten little girls on Monday afternoons from 3 to 5:30 at the House of the Sea and Land, at 52 Henry street. Beginning with this month I am to have two clubs, but each for a shorter period, as the children are to have industrial work with a paid teacher part of the time. We spend the first half of the period in work—either sewing, worsted work, basket making, scrapbooks—for the resident nurses to carry to sick children on their rounds, and before Christmas little gifts for them to give to their parents. Then the last hour is spent in games and a generally good time.

"The settlement is in the thickly populated Jewish quarter in the lower eastern section of the city, but the work reaches the Germans, Italians and Irish in the vicinity. Four of my girls are typical New York street children—coarse, rough, and ill-mannered—but bright as they can be, affectionate and generous. The rest come from more respectable families, and in one or two cases are remarkably sweet little characters."

An alumna of Gamma Rho, Louise E. Bolard (Allegheny College), will speak for herself. She says:

"I spent one year at Allegheny College, where I became a Kappa of Gamma Rho chapter. Then I went to Wellesley, where I graduated in '98. It was there that I became interested in the work of the College Settlement Association. I said then that if ever I had a chance I would go into settlement work for a while. The opportunity did not come until February, 1901. Then I went to the college settlement in Boston—Denison House, 93 Tyler street—as a volunteer resident for three months. While there I did whatever I could to "fill in," as all inexperienced workers must. It was a wonderful

experience to me, and so increased my interest in the work that in October, 1901, when Mrs. Mary Kingsbury Simkhovitch asked me to come to New York and be her secretary, I was eager to accept. Mrs. Simkhovitch is, by the way, so far as I know, the most prominent Kappa in the work, and I would advise you to get all the information you can from her. She was then Headworker of the Friendly Aid House, at 248 E. 34th St., and I was there with her until May, 1902.

"I spent my summer at home, and the first of October returned to New York to be with Mrs. R. Y. Fitzgerald, the Headworker of the West Side Branch of the University Settlement at 38 King St. I was there for three months, or until Mrs. Simkhovitch's new settlement, Greenwich House, at 26 Jones street, was ready to be opened. Then, in January, I went there as Assistant Headworker. I was there until the middle of June, and since then have been home on my vacation. I do not know whether I shall be able to return to the work this fall or not, because of family affairs, but my interest in the work is greater than ever and I hope some day to be able to enter it again.

"Mrs. Simkhovitch is a most interesting woman and probably the most prominent woman in social work in New York City. She has been in the work much longer than I have and hence could give you many details about the work, in case you desire them. I have confined myself to the mere facts of my own connection with settlement work. Miss Margaret Batchelder, who is a graduate of Allegheny and a Gamma Rho, was also at the West Side Branch of the University Settlement last winter, and you might add her to your list of Kappas in the work."

Of Mrs. Simkhovitch, whom Miss Bolard mentions, all Kappas will be interested to know. Her maiden name was Mary M. Kingsbury and she was married January 7, 1899, to Dr. Vladuinir G. Simkhovitch. She was educated at Newton High School; graduated at Boston University, 1900; took graduate work at Radcliffe College in economics under Prof. Ashley: went abroad on scholarship granted by Women's Industrial and Educational Union; continued economic studies under Schueller and Wagner in Berlin University, Germany, for one year, and then took a year's graduate work at Columbia University with Professors Giddings, Clark, Seligman and Robinson; headworker at College Settlement on Kingston street for one year, three years headworker at Friendly Aid House, and now in charge of Greenwich House, 26 Jones street, New York. She is a contributor of several articles on Settlement and allied work and is an officer in Consumers' League. She is especially interested in getting young women to go into settlement work. She would be very glad to see any Kappa thinking of going into any form of social work, or would be happy to answer any inquiries made in writing.

Laura A. Long tells of work in another part of our country. Her work is varied, certainly, and is as much needed in other large cities as in St. Louis, from which she writes. She says:

"I am working with the women of the Third Ward, which is our most crowded tenement district, from a sanitary standpoint. In the winter I visited their homes and succeeded in organizing a club among the women and named it 'Third Ward Improvement Club." We now have a membership of from forty to fifty. They voted to ask a fee of twenty-five cents for membership. I meet these women at the North Broadway Social Settlement every Wednesday afternoon and give them a talk or read a paper on some subject pertaining to the home and its surroundings. These are on plumbing, heating, lighting, ventilating, house-cleaning, bathing, &c.

"This summer we devoted all our time and energies to beautifying front and back yards, and as five dollar prizes were offered for the best ones, the women worked with untiring interest. We opened up vacant lots as breathing places, and these women cleaned them up while I "bossed" the work. Then we equipped them with swings and benches, and planted flowers. Free baths were opened at the Settlement for the women, and I had charge

of them on Wednesday.

"We have tackled the garbage question, and aroused such a strong sentiment on the subject that a special meeting of the Mayor and Health Board is to be called to investigate the subject. We are also working to get an ideal tenement house, and as I visit each house I am making statistics as to how many are living in a room, condition of same, &c. We are working for better tenement houses and better laws governing them. Besides this, I visit the sick in the settlement neighborhood."

A worker in Boston, a Phi woman, Mrs. Caroline Atherton, says:

"I worked at the South End House, Boston, then at 6 Rollins street, now 20 Union Park, together with Mrs. Rutan, a Kappa, doing work among the women, visiting in the tenements, and holding women's meetings, neighborhood gatherings, etc. I was actually engaged three years, non-resident worker. I am now an humble member of the Woman's Club, the outcome of all our work, that has joined the Mass. Federation of Clubs, under the name of the South End Thursday Club. Mr. Woods is our chief of staff, you know—Robert A. Woods.

"I am First Director of Roxbury House, another settlement that would have been given up three years ago if I had not tried to interest people to keep it alive. I am simply on the Council; I do not take classes."

From California—Pi chapter—we have a record worth mentioning because of the almost general interest in the work which the chapter shows:

"The following is the list of names of the girls of Pi chapter who have done settlement work, together with the date and the kind of work they did.

All the work was done in the Berkeley Settlement, founded by Mrs. Phoebe-Hearst:

- "Nan Jennings-Kleugal 1901-rope braiding, taught to children.
- "Elise Wenzelburger-Granpuer, 1901-basket making and reading.
- "Gwendolyn Matthews-McLaren, 1901-basket making and reading.
- "Alena Sherman-Chickering, 1901-basket making and reading.
- "Irene Hazard-Gerlinger, 1902-rope braiding and reading.
- "Gertrude Davidson-1902-sewing and reading.
- "Mary Blossom-1903-basket weaving and reading.
- "Anne Thacker-1903-plays and sings for children.
- "Alberta Garber Scott, Beta Nu, '89, was a charity worker in Boston for a number of years. Later she was secretary of Associate Charities of Minneapolis. She is now the wife of Rev. Alva R. Scott, pastor of 'All Souls' Unitarian Church,' Colorado Springs."

Of many others who are rendering valuable services in this work nothing will be said in this article, but that many Kappas are so engaged the writer has no doubt. Scarcely a chapter reports no worker at all, and many report several. That there is need of earnest women in this work is no question. That there may always be some who will willingly and cheerfully enter the work is the prayer of every one who knows the needs of our neighbors, and the good to be accomplished.

MARY BLAKESTON GUILD, Beta Nu, '03.

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# MINUTES OF THE SECOND INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE.

THE Second Inter-Sorority Conference met September 19, 1903, at the Columbus Safe Deposit Vaults, Chicago. The purpose of this meeting was to receive reports from the National Sororities on the five by-laws submitted to them by the first conference, and to take what additional action seemed advisable. Nine Sororities were represented, as follows:

KAPPA ALPHA THETA, Mrs. Laura B. Norton. DELTA GAMMA, Miss Blanche Garten. KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA, Miss Virginia Sinclair. CHI OMEGA, Miss May Miller. ALPHA CHI OMEGA, Miss Mabel Siller. ALPHA PHI, Miss Ruth Ferry. DELTA DELTA DELTA, Miss Alma Fick. PI BETA PHI, Miss Elizabeth Gamble. GMAMA PHI BETA, Miss Lillian Thompson.

The meeting was called to order by Miss Thompson. Mrs. Laura B. Norton was elected chairman, and Miss Thompson secretary.

Since the last conference met, all the Sororities represented, but Pi Beta Phi and Chi Omega, have had conventions. In these conventions the five by-laws formed by the last conference were discussed, and by them their delegates were instructed. The delegates from Pi Beta Phi and Chi Omega were instructed by their Grand Councils. The delegates were unanimous in their approval of annual Inter-Sorority conferences. They all deplored existing conditions in rushing and bidding, and hoped that the conference could find some remedy for them. They all disapproved of violent rushing and discountenanced "lifting" entirely. All the Sororities represented, except Gamma Phi Beta, were willing to sign an Inter-Sorority compact, soon as one could be framed which would be satisfactory to all. But the reports on the five by-laws framed by the first conference were not unanimous. The contents of these reports may be tabulated as follows:

- Alpha Phi, Delta Delta Delta and Kappa Alpha Theta voted in. Convention to accept the five by laws, provided they were accepted by all the Sororities represented in the conference.
- Delta Gamma and Pi Beta Phi took no definite action on the by-laws, but approved some Inter-Sorority compact, if one be formed flexible enough to suit local conditions in the different institutions.
- Gamma Phi Beta disapproved an Inter-Sorority compact under existing circumstances, while admitting that such a compact is ideal. Hence she took no definite action on the by-laws, but condemned "lifting."
- 4. The remaining Sororities, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Chi Omega and Alpha Chi Omega, all disapproved of by-law I (deferring bidding to the second Friday in December); by-law 2 (that all invitations be official and mailed) was declared to be already the policy of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Chi Omega; Alpha Chi Omega did not approve it; by-law 3 (that ten days be allowed the candidate in which to make her decision) was approved by Chi Omega, disapproved by Alpha Chi Omega, and not acted on by Kappa Kappa Gamma, though she suggested that the time is too long; by-law 4 (no part of initiations shall be public) and by-law 6 (transgressions shall be reported through National officers to National officers) were approved by all three Sororities.

No Inter-Sorority compact, therefore, was formed.

Each delegate presented to the conference a report, and while these are too long to give in full, some of them contain suggestions and formulate objections which the conference desires to lay before the Sororities. The secretary, therefore, selected the following from these reports:

Delta Delta Delta states that an Inter-Sorority compact will be much harder for Sororities who have to rush, for the most part, against locals. She would prefer a later pledge day than that suggested in by-law 1.

Delta Gamma urges that the alumnae be enlisted in this attempt to bring about a better understanding between Sororities. She suggests the formation of Pan-Hellenic Associations in the different colleges (such as that now existing in the University of Nebraska), in order to increase acquaintanceship, and regulate relations between Sororities.

Pi Beta Phi feels that the five by-laws do not meet local conditions in many colleges. By-law I would be hard for chapters living in houses.

Alpha Chi Omega feels that the average term in college of her members is so short (they are music pupils and their course averages two years) that a late pledge day would be hard for them. She rather doubts the advisability of making an Inter-Sorority compact, but if the other Sororities agree to one she will sign too.

Chi Omega also thinks chapters in colleges where there are chiefly locals will find a compact hard; she mentions the hardships of a late pledge for chapters living in houses, but she is willing to make some Inter-Sorority compact that shall be agreed to by all.

Kappa Alpha Theta suggests an advisory board at each college where an Inter-Sorority compact shall be in force; this body to be composed of delegates elected by the Sororities, and to deal with violations of compact.

After having heard and discussed these reports, the conference proceeded (1) to order the formation of Pan-Hellenic Associations, and (2) to embody some of the suggestions contained in the reports, and brought out by the discussion, in motions to be voted on by the chapters of the various Sororities.

#### I. PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATIONS.

1. Moved, that Pan-Hellenic Associations be formed in every institution in which two or more National Sororities exist. (Carried unanimously.)

- 2. Moved, that these Pan-Hellenic Associations consist of one alumnae and one active member from each Sorority represented in the conference. (Carried unanimously.)
- 3. Moved, that it be the purpose of these Associations to discuss and act on all matters of Inter-Sorority interest in the colleges and universities in which they exist, especially such matters as the Inter-Sorority Conference. (Carried unanimously.)
- 4. Moved, that the Secretary of the Inter-Sorority Conference be empowered to ask the Grand Secretaries of the National Sororities to notify their chapters that the chapter first established in each institution is to organize the Pan-Hellenic Association there. The chairmanship is to be held in rotation by each chapter in the order of its establishment. (Carried unanimously.)

The conference urges that these Pan-Hellenic Associations be formed as soon after Thanksgiving as possible.

5. Moved, that any chapter violating the Pan-Hellenic agreements be reported to its Grand President by the Pan-Hellenic Association to which it belongs. (Carried unanimously.)

## II. MOTIONS TO BE VOTED ON BY THE CHAPTERS.

The following by-laws are to be laid before the chapters of the nine Sororities by their Grand Councils, and voted on as soon as possible. The vote is to be forwarded before March 1st by the Grand Secretary of each Sorority to the Secretary of the Inter-Sorority Conference, Miss Lillian W. Thompson, 326 West Sixty-first Place, Chicago, and the result of the vote announced by her to the Sororities:

- Moved, that a pledge day be adopted by the National Sororities in each college where two or more of them exist.
- 2. Moved, that the pledge day in each college be fixed by the Pan-Hellenic Association existing there.
- 3. Moved, that no student be asked to join a Sorority before she has matriculated.
- 4. Moved, that matriculation be defined as the day of enrollment as a student in the university or college.

The conference desires to express its sentiments on two points: First, we still recommend a late pledge day. Second, we urge all Sorority women to co-operate actively in college organizations intended for the good of all college students, such as Christian Associations, Literary Societies and Women's Leagues. We are

often censured, and justly so, for withholding our active support from these wider movements of student life.

The next conference will be called by Delta Gamma at Chicago in September, 1904.

In closing this report the Secretary wishes to extend to all the chapters of all the Sororities interested in this forward movement a most cordial greeting from the conference. We hope that the same friendly, helpful spirit, which has made these two conferences so delightful and inspiring to the delegates, will animate you all, and prove an abundant reward for your efforts to assist us in this work.

LILLIAN THOMPSON, Gamma Phi Beta, Sec'y of the Second Inter-Sorority Conference.

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#### PAN-HELLENIC AT STANFORD.

SINCE the question of Pan-Hellenic Associations was such an important one at the recently instituted inter-fraternity conference, a brief history on the well-organized Pan-Hellenic Association of Women which has existed at Leland Stanford Jr. University since 1896 might be of some interest.

It was in January, 1896, that a large number of the fraternity women at Stanford met in order to consider the plan of founding an inter-fraternity organization, whose purpose should be the maintaining and increasing the friendly relations existing between the Greek letter sororities at Stanford. The organization had three officers, President, Secretary and Treasurer, and an Executive Committee composed of President, Secretary and Treasurer, ex officio members, and four members at large, whose duties were to take general charge of the interests of the organization and provide for entertainment and plan meetings. The name decided upon was the Pan-Hellenic Association of Women. This was the first business done by the association. A banquet at which were present forty fraternity women, representing six out of the then seven women fraternities, was the first social meeting. Other business and social meetings followed. The social meetings, taking the form sometimes of a picnic, sometimes a masquerade, sometimes a tea, made the women better acquainted.

In 1901 a Constitution drawn up by a special committee was adopted. Thus Pan-Hellenic had a better basis than ever before. Now, there are three meetings a year of the association whose special purposes are set forth in the Constitution; one to regulate the contract, one for election of officers, and the third, purely social in its nature. It has become an established custom that this third meeting be a masquerade, given at the different sorority houses in turn.

Pan-Hellenic has existed here for eight years. The very length of its life shows that it has not existed without purpose and interest. How much the intercourse with other fraternity girls means, and their friendship, Pan-Hellenic emphasizes as nothing else could. A Pan-Hellenic masquerade is something not only freshmen look forward to, but upper classmen, who know what it is. The only danger in Pan-Hellenic is that of making Pan-Hellenism so marked that the non-fraternity girl is less our friend and may have reason to criticise the "clannish" spirit of fraternity women. But that is the only danger, and the broadmindedness of each fraternity girl should easily surmount that. And this one danger is contrasted with the many benefits and pleasures of a Pan-Hellenic Association, it seems that Pan-Hellenism stands for something and has a right to live and prosper.

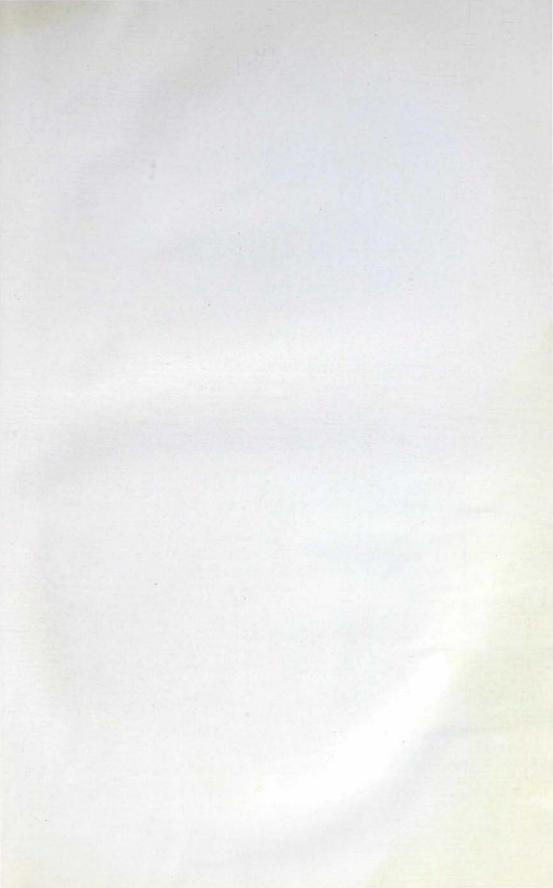
KATE L. GRIDLEY.

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#### THE HAND BOOK.

THE Kappa Kappa Gamma Record or Hand Book compiled and presented recently by Mrs. Minnie Royce Walker is a concise arrangement of data concerning active chapters, inactive chapters, alumnae associations and fraternity publications, lists of officers and prominent alumnae, a brief history of the fraternity, the signification of the various fraternity emblems and insignia and an expression of the purpose, philosophy and ideals of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The facts which the book presents are comprehensive but are not hidden in a mass of matter. Members of the fraternity will find this book instructive and interesting.





BETA DELTA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.



INTERIOR-BETA DELTA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Mrs. Walker's work is pioneer work, its limitations are recognized by no one more keenly than by the author, who calls the record a mere "sign post." The information was obtained from old records, alumnae and active members, and only by repeated and constant effort, through the unsatisfactory medium of correspondence. The information was often inadequate and, unfortunately, in some cases, incorrect; but the work is too valuable as a whole to be condemned in part. The fraternity owes Mrs. Walker a debt of gratitude for the presentation of facts in this concise and comprehensive manner.

It has been suggested that the Hand Book will prove a beginning of the Kappa Kappa Gamma history and those who recognize errors are requested to notify the author at once, that the same error may not appear in future issues.

ELMIE WARNER.

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#### THE NEW HOME OF BETA DELTA.

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THOUGH Beta Delta is justly proud of her new home we cannot, perhaps, describe it in such glowing terms as we hope it will merit in the near future. We feel that we have started anew this year, that our home is yet in its infancy, and so we take a tender pride in its great possibilities and promising outlook. Never have we owned the furnishings of our Kappa home. so that when this fall we rented a house bare and unfurnished we realized that we were undertaking a great responsibility. But now that all the furniture belongs to us, much of it the work of our own hands, and all of it made ours through the careful thought and planning of our wiser heads-now that we feel that our efforts have laid the foundation of a real home, we can turn our attention toward giving it those attractive touches which will make it homelike. However, we do not feel that the views which accompany this article do the house justice; the exterior view is very good, but the others are rather dark and do not show the prettiest features. The one in which the Kappa banner is prominent is of course our chapter room. The room on the first floor in which we take the most delight, however, is

our dining-room, which is of unusual size. No longer at initiation time need we have difficulty in the arrangements for our banquet; this fall we seated thirty five with ease at our table, while at receptions we can serve sixty; and for dancing the size of this floor is a great addition. All our floors are hard wood, and the house is lighted by electricity and heated by steam. The rooms upstairs are especially light and cheerful, and since each girl furnishes her own we have cozy times amid these surroundings which remind us of our more distant homes.

All the hard work which we have done together since we returned this fall, and the mutual pleasure in our little successes, have united us in common interests and brought us together more than ever in a happy, busy circle. Such is our interest in our our pretty home that we wish all our Kappa sisters to share our pleasure, and Beta Delta extends a hearty welcome to all who come to Ann Arbor.

LEWIS KOLLVEK.

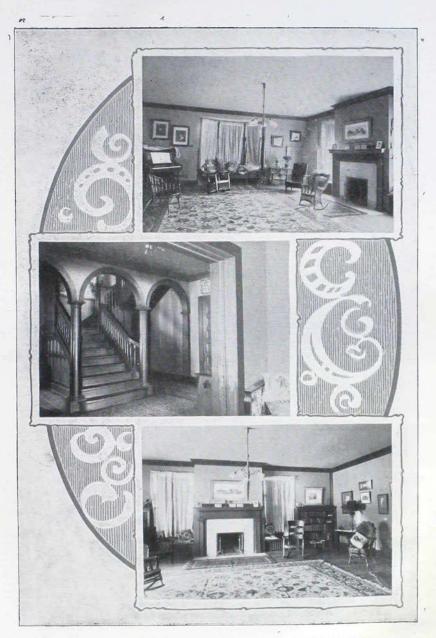
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# ETA'S MAGNIFICENT HOME. Madison, Wisconsin.

WHEN the delegate from Eta came back from the convention of 1900 and, at the annual banquet, in October, of Eta chapter, told of Zeta Eta's new chapter house, the interest and loyalty of the alumnae were aroused and they decided that before long Eta chapter, too, should have a home of her very own. When the alumnae once became interested in the plan of building a chapter house, a company was formed, plans were made and carried out with indomitable and ceaseless energy, and in the fall of 1901 Eta chapter moved into the house she is now proud to call her own.

The house is a three-story red brick building with many windows and a large, sunny veranda along one side. Just at the foot of the campus, and barely a block from Lake Mendota, the location is ideal. In spring and summer, when all Madison is at her best, the vines clamber up the trellises and porch columns and make a pretty contrast with the red brick of the building.

But it is the inside of the house I want to tell you of. First of all, the chapter room, the room we love best, and of most interest



INTERIOR-ETA CHAPTER, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.



BETA LAMBDA-UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.



INTERIOR—BETA LAMBDA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

to Kappas, is very large and with the dining-room takes up almost three-quarters of the space on the first floor. The woodwork, like the rest of the woodwork on the first floor, is weathered oak. The walls are burlapped in dark blue, the ceiling in light blue. Beneath the windows are oak window-seats and between the two large windows facing the street is the great brick fireplace with its high oak mantel. From the chapter room the broad folding doors open into the dining-room with its grey-green walls, its high oak buffet, its china cabinets and its window seats.

Then there is the tiny reception room, the hall with its large open stairway, the chaperone's room and the kitchen. On the second and third floors there are rooms for twenty-five girls. The corridors are broad and at the end of each is a small, well-lighted library.

We realize more and more every year how much the alumnae have done for us in making it possible for us to have our own house, and how much a home adds to the chapter life. When we gather about the grate fire in the half-hour just before dinner and sing our songs of Kappa, or when, after dinner, the freshmen turn back the great rug and we dance an hour before each Kappa hurries to the library or her room, we realize more than ever how much we should have lost if we had not known this constant, real, every-day Kappa life.

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#### BETA LAMBDA'S HOME.

BETA LAMBDA girls certainly enjoy life. We are very proud to show a picture of our home to our Kappa sisters, only we wish you could all see the real thing. We think we have the nicest Sorority House in town and are very proud of it. Our house is only two blocks from the campus and is situated in the midst of fraternity life. Fourteen of us live in the house and we are very happy together. The mother of one of our girls is our chaperone, and everything is as near like home as we could have it and still have it college. Our three parlors and hall are large and delightful for entertaining. We often give informals

in our home, and evenings after dinner, before we begin work, we roll up the rugs and dance awhile. In the hall we have a cozy corner full of college and fraternity banners, and in one of our parlors, which is really the chapter room, we have a beautiful upholstered seat and stein shelf. This is the second year we have lived in this house, and although we do not own it we can live in it as long as we please. Here in our chapter home we spend the happiest days of our life, and in years to come we will look back with ever pleasant memories of our college days gone by, for we never remember those Saturday mornings when it was our time to clean the room. We hope our sisters will visit us sometime, and we can make them feel how grand it is to have a chapter home.

CAROLINE L. WHITE.

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# "THE LITTLE PLACE THAT WE CALL HOME," Upsilon.

A/AY up in the "dizzy heights" of Willard Hall are two rooms of which we might say "distance lends enchantment," for no one who has been up to see our little Kappa home is content with just one visit. It is very cozy, and even if we do have "a kitchen behind a screen" we have had some wonderful "spreads" in it. We have lately decorated the rooms in a dull blue for the walls, with a deep frieze of a conventional design in the blues with a touch of yellow. The effect is very pretty. In our "dress-up" room each of the four corners is decorated in as different a way as possible from the others. We have a great big corner seat, very wide and very bouncy, just covered with pillows, and on the walls above this are pennants which all of the girls have enthusiastically collected, of the different fraternities and colleges, and where a huge KKT banner holds the foremost place. Then we have a dignified corner. In it is our piano, our statuary, piano lamp and our prettiest etchings and water-colors. You see, "variety is the spice of life," and we hold the same is true of our rooms, so in the next corner is our Japanese den, where we have all sorts of Japanese things, and what is best, another good-sized box seat, window



UPSILON'S JAPANESE DEN-NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.



ETA CHAPTER HOUSE—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.



INTERIOR-EPSILON CHAPTER, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN.

and pillows. In this little sanctum our big owl holds court, and looks gravely on all who chance to make themseves too much at home in his little kingdom. Our library occupies the fourth corner and to this we donate books, from time to time. We have had so many happy times in our little home that we would wish to share it with all of our Kappa sisters. Come and see us!

POLLY LITTLE.

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#### EPSILON'S MEETING PLACE.

EVERY Friday afternoon we Epsilon girls meet in our little chapter room on the second floor of the main college building. This building is old, and its halls and stairways are dark and dismal, but you should hear the delighted exclamations of strangers when we take them into Kappa Hall. Our hall is very small, but there is plenty of room for us all, when we are alone, and when any of our alumnae favor us with a visit we are glad to sit on the radiator, or even on the floor if need be. We have a combination lock on the door, which is a source of terror to all the freshmen, but there is great rejoicing when they, after many unsuccessful attempts, are able to open the door.

Epsilon celebrated her thirtieth anniversary the day before Thanksgiving, so you see we have had lots of time to collect things for our chapter room. Every year some of the old furniture is discarded, and we spend all our extra money getting new. Our alumnae have given us a great deal of our furniture, and it has been the custom for several years for the seniors to leave some gift for the hall.

It is not probable that Epsilon will ever have a chapter house, as the majority of our girls live here, but if there should come a time when it would be practical to have one, I know our alumnae would be very willing to help us get it.

We find our chapter room a very pleasant place to spend vacant hours, yet it must be confessed that there is not much studying done there. No matter how hard we try to keep quiet, there is always something that we just must talk about.

So many of our alumnae tell us that, for years after they are out of school, their thoughts wander back to dear old Kappa Hall on Friday afternoons, and they have a great desire to come back and be one of us again, to partake of a genuine Kappa spread, and to see if everything is as it used to be. Every Kappa receives a hearty welcome when she comes to see us in our little chapter room, and we sincerely hope that none of our sisters will come to Bloomington without letting us know about it, for we want you to see how cosy our chapter room really is.

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#### CHI'S HOME.

BY way of foreword, let me say that for the present Chi is camping, but a jolly little camp it is, to be sure. We never have more than four out-of-town girls in the chapter, so a house never has seemed quite feasible, but we have roseate dreams which we trust may sometime be realized.

For eleven years the chapter occupied two rooms in a house almost on the campus, but last fall we decided to make a change, and now we are cosily situated only two blocks from the main building. We have half of the downstairs of an eight-room house. Here it is we gather every noon for luncheon, and Saturday afternoons for a spread and general jollification.

For many years a rule existed that prohibited any but Kappas coming into the rooms, but last winter we did away with this custom and gave a series of luncheons, one for Kappa mothers and two for some of the college girls; and during rushing we found the rooms a great help, but tantalizing because we felt how much better we could entertain if we had a Kappa house.

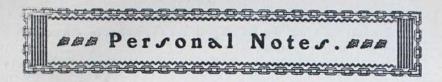
In one corner of our front room we have all the chapter pictures for fifteen years, and these are a source of much entertainment. The freshmen always demand to have the name of every girl in every picture told them, and they grow to know many of our alumnae in this way.

Sometimes four or five of the girls stay all night in the rooms —I dare not say sleep there—and they report very fine times, but somehow they always seem remarkably sleepy the morning after.

There is a chapter tradition that each year the seniors are to leave, as sort of a memorial, some piece of furniture. Last year the girls gave us a heavy, weathered-oak library table.

In conclusion, let me say that Kappas are always welcome at 327 Fifteenth avenue S. E., where some of us are almost sure to be found.

HELEN PAULINE BURBRIDGE.



#### BETA TAU.

Married: September 2, Cecil R. Colvin, ex-'05, to Dewey T. Hawley,  $A \Delta \Phi$ , Hamilton, '02, Professor of English, North Adams High School.

Born: To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Telfer, a daughter.

Grace Wright, 'oo, spent the summer traveling in Europe.

Married: September 2, Jessie A. Knapp, '02, to Charles H. Burr, '01,  $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ .

Married: Bessie Olmstead, ex-'02, to James Mack, '02. August.

#### KAPPA.

Married: Willa, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Wood, to Mr. Robert Bruce Spilman. At home, 426 Leavenworth St., Manhattan, Kansas.

Ethel Gurney, '03, is spending the winter with her grandparents in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Belle Ammerman is teaching in Hartford City, Indiana.

Miss Winifred Hill, '95, was married Thanksgiving to Mr. Duand McNabb.

#### BETA NU.

Dorothy Canfield, 'oo, is secretary of Horace Mann School, New York City.

#### BETA DELTA.

Lucy Elliott, '03, is teaching in the High School at Monroe, Michigan.

Zelpha Campbell is this year in the Rochester, Michigan, High School.

Dorothea Rouse and Frederika Hill, both of the class of '04, are teaching in the Bay City schools.

Jessie Tiffin, ex-'05, has entered the training school for nurses at Harper Hospital, in Detroit.

Bessie Trowbridge, '02, is teaching languages at Beacon, Mich.

Ruth Harrison, ex-'05, has a position as teacher of sciences in one of the Detroit schools.

Elizabeth Sundstrom, 'or, spent the summer traveling in Norway and Sweden.

Persis Martin, ex-'05, is teaching in the schools of Ovid, Mich.

Myrtelle Moore, ex-'03, who traveled in Europe last year studying medicine, after having taken three years of work in the Medical Department of the University of Michigan, has entered the Woman's College of Medicine of Philadelphia to complete her course.

May Boutell, of Detroit, is in California.

#### BETA GAMMA.

Married: Miss Gertrude Morrison to Mr. George Morrow, A Δ Φ, Θ N E, November 4, 1903, at University Memorial Chapel, Wooster, O. At home, Altoona, Pa.

Married: Daisy Thackwell to Mr. Herbert Ferris, October 15, 1903, at University Memorial Chapel, Wooster, O. At home, Southern Pines, North Carolina.

#### XI.

Harriet Rowley-Gladden, '03, now resides at Houtzdale, Penn.

Florence Reynolds, '98, Broad street, Adrian, has recently returned from a four months' sojourn in Colorado and other Western States.

Jessie M. Byers of Steubenville, Ohio, is spending the winter with Helen Fickes at Skyland, Cal.

Ida Haley-Lane, '92, now lives at 128 Bigham St., Pittsburg, Penn. Her husband, Rev. E. C. Lane, is pastor of the Mount Washington M. P. Church of that city.

Born to Prof. and Mrs. Lemoine Wells (nee Florence Wilcox, 'oo), West Lafayette, Ohio, October 30, 1903, a daughter.

Ethel Moorhead, 'or, now holds the position of assistant principal of the High School at Petersburgh, Mich.

Florence Crum is teaching instrumental music at Tiffin, O.

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#### BETA XI.

Minnie Pettey, '02, was married, November 24th, to Herbert Downs Ardrey, ∑X, of Dallas, Texas. She is Beta Xi's first bride.

Alma Jones, '03, is teaching in El Paso, Texas.

Julia Ideson, ex-'04, is chief librarian of the Houston Public Library.

Katherine Searcy is teaching in Benham, Texas, and Helen Devine, '03, in Austin this year.

#### DELTA.

Clara Davis, '03, is teaching in Bluffton, Indiana.

Martha Dorsey, '94, visited Delta in November. She is teaching in Shortridge High School, Indianapolis.

Clara Vierling, '03, is teaching in Crown Point, Indiana.

Beryl Showers was married to Dr. J. E. Holland on September 23. The couple reside in Bloomington, Ind.

Ella Brewer, '03, is Principal of the Greenwood High School, Indiana.

Mabel Rothrock, '03, is teaching in Monticello, Indiana.

Born, in August, to Mrs. Arthur L. Murray (nee Fay Sproatt, ex-'04), a girl.

Madeline Norton, '03, is teaching in Princeton, Indiana.

Lucy D. Lewis and Mr. Theo. F. Vonnegut were married November the eleventh, at the bride's home in Princeton, Ind. Mr. Vonnegut is a graduate of I. U., and a member of Phi Gamma Delta. The couple will reside at 2255 N. Pennsylvania street, Indianapolis.

Lucretia Skinner is teaching at her home, Logansport, Indiana.

Harrye Branham, '02, is teaching in northern Wisconsin.

Several Iota girls made a flying visit to Delta the last term.

Georgia Fosler is taking a course in busines college in Grand Rapids, Mich., and Kate Foster in Chicago, Ill.

#### IOTA.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clare Stephenson, a daughter, Susan Mary, October 16, 1903.

#### BETA LAMBDA.

Born: September, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Strahm (nee Cecilia McConnell), a daughter.

August 14, Emma Rhodes was married to M. F. Mikoloy. They left immediately for Beirut, Persia, where he is a missionary.

Married: September, Helen Prentiss Bennett to Mr. Albert Stevens, K S. At home, Danville, Ill.

#### UPSILON.

Miss May Capron, ex-'04, will be married to Robert Hunter of Rockford, Ill., on December 31.

Miss Ruth Woolson, '01, was married to Mr. Slye of Des Moines, Iowa, on November 19, 1903.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leadley (Sue Mackford) of Batavia, New York, a boy.

#### SIGMA.

Married, October 21, Clara Hammond, '00, to Jesse C. McNish, K  $\Sigma$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ , '03, in Lincoln, Neb. At home after November 1, at Wisnor, Neb.

Married, December 9, Theresa Selee, ex-'00, to Mr. Charles MacDonald, in Denver.

Born to Bertrand and Dorothy Griggs Buckmaster, ex-'04, a daughter.

The engagement of Kate Heddeus Sellately, an active member, to Mr. Leon Crandall of Lincoln, is announced.

Miss Elsie Fauell, '05, is studying voice in a Conservatory of Music in Chicago.

Miss Eleanor Raymond expects to spend the winter months visiting friends in New York City.

Miss Rosanna Brandt of Beatrice, ex-'00, is visiting Nell Holbrook, ex-'00, in Texas.

Miss Blanche, 'oo, and Louise Hargraves, 'o3, are spending a year of study in Europe. They are in Berlin at present, where Louise is studying piano with Godousky, and Blanche is being tutored in French and German. They have already found four Kappas in Berlin.

Miss Claire Funke, ex-'04, is attending La Salle Seminary. she is pledged to S. D.—the society founded by the girls after Kappa was taken out.

Mrs. Mabel Richards Ricketts, 'oo, entertained the active and alumnae Sigma girls at her home in October.

Mrs. Martha Burkes Harley entertained the active and alumnae chapters at her home in November.

Miss Vine Gahan ex-'oo, has announced her engagement to Authur Walsh of Lincoln.

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Emily Chickering has gone to Europe to study a year or two. She will study in Germany this winter.

Florence Mason has gone to India to be married to Mr. Palmer of Calcutta.

Irene Hazard was married on October twenty-first to Mr. Geo. Gerlinger. They will make their home at Portland, Oregon.

Mabel Donaldson has announced her engagement to Mr. George Chase. Mr. Chase is a graduate of Harvard.

Olive Hinds of Ann Arbor Beta Delta has been spending several months in Berkeley.





#### A Toast-To the Freshmen

I have something to say to you—
'Tis concerning blue and blue;
'Tis about those things
That this "frat" life brings
Which to you are strange and new.
We've given you all the key,
So unlock the mystery;
Know the little world
Where our flag's unfurled,
The flag of K K I.

Open the heavy door,
Enter dear Kappa's shrine,
Secrets not known before
You now may say, "Are mine."
Here's all the Kappa lore,
The key to Kappa's heart,
Now go on the Kappa stage
And play your little part.

There are many actors there,
There are parts both great and small,
But Kappa has been most fair
In giving good parts to all;
If your hearers prove distant and cold,
And your path is not sunshine and flowers,
Think—'tis only the outer world—
Not this good Greek world of ours.

Our world stands out alone,
From other worlds apart,
And every Kappa loves it
With all her Kappa heart.
Our sky is fairest blue and blue,
Our flowers fleur-de-lis,
At every house a welcome waits
For wearers of the key.

We spend the jolliest of days,
And if there comes a sorrow
We know of many different ways
We happiness may borrow.
We share each other's smiles and tears,
We seek the highest good,
And keep together through long years
This wondrous sisterhood.

To-night we're proud to welcome
Into our little sphere
The ones whom we have chosen
To be our sisters dear.
The strongest bonds now bring us,
Dear Freshmen, close to you,
And we are one and loyal
To grand old blue and blue.

The tie that binds is friendship,
The knots are knots of love,
'Tis woven out of faithfulness
And faithful we will prove.
That tie will ne'er be broken,
'Twill bind both you and me,
And we shall have a token—
A little golden key.

And we shall have the Kappa grip;
To friends about to part
It seems as if 'twere hand to hand—
'Tis really heart to heart;
That little grip, so simple
And yet how much it means!
No word, a sign and then the grip—
We're lifelong friends, it seems.

So here's a health to you Freshmen
And to every Kappa here,
And here's a health to Cassandra,
Our little sister dear.
Here's to our Kappa brothers,
So loyal, good and true;
Here's to our key and our flower,
Here's to the blue and blue.

Here's one more word of greeting— We're happy and words can't tell The heartfelt welcome we offer To Ruth, Hortense, Maybelle.

NELL MALLOY, Beta Nu.

The Alumnae.

In some ways it is a blessing for an active chapter that its alumnae are rather widely scattered over the country—providing that the alumnae still retain an interest in the chapter, as very

many of them do. They can learn of the desirable girls in their community and influence them to attend an institution where a Kappa chapter is located, and then inform that chapter of these new girls. Such a thing as this proves of great assistance to the active members, for in this way they know all about the new girl before they see her, and thus do away with the long and anxious period of "finding out." If all the alumnae would remember this, every chapter would be benefited and the active girls would feel that the members "out in the world" had not forgotten them.

A Plea for the Recogniton of considering freshmen; and now more than ever should this question be decided, to what extent is it right to rely on our instinctive prejudices in regard to people? When these prejudices are favorable, we hesitate very seldom. It is only when they amount to a dislike for which no valid reason can be given that they make us pause.

Hasty judgments, based on trivial occurrences, are certainly to be deplored, and should be overruled by saner after-decisions. But I think that the matter of instinctive prejudices cannot be so easily set aside. Perhaps no reason whatever can be brought forward in support of our dislike of a certain girl. We see her good qualities; we admire her abilities. But, at the same time, intimacy with her seems impossible. Should we say this feeling must not be considered because we have no reasons to vouchsafe? I think that such a course would completely ignore the true meaning of friendship. It is not with our minds that we love; it is not a correspondence of reasoning powers that binds us to our friends. It is our intangible self, that something, we know not what, within us that loves and is loved. Shall we, then, in choosing our friends pay no attention to the expression of ourself, but be governed wholly by reason?

This article is a plea for the recognition of instinctive prejudices. But I do not mean to infer that we should be influenced entirely by them. Frequently we find that our prejudices arise

from some personal habit or mannerism which is disagreeable to us. These we should try to overcome. Indeed, we should try to overcome all prejudices. It is when we have honestly tried and utterly failed that the time of most difficult decision comes. Should a girl be taken into the fraternity when we feel that we could never make her a personal friend? To do so, seems to be a mockery of the very meaning of fraternity and a perjury of the vows of friendship.

Marjorie Ferguson Brown.

Fraternity Life.

There is one phase of fraternity life which does not seem to have occurred to those who maintain that the influence of fraternities is narrowing. These people seem never to have considered the internal relations of fraternities, but only the

relations of fraternity and non-fraternity women while in college. Granting for the sake of argument—as, in fact, we are by no means willing to grant-that fraternity life tends to make the individual members exclusive and unsocial toward all not in the Greek bands, to restrict their interests and narrow their sympathies, it still remains true that the internal conditions of the fraternity are such as to broaden the lives of its members and increase their sense of responsibility. Every member of a fraternity stands in close relations to her chapter and to the alumnae and at the same time holds herself responsible for the future of her chapter. Whatever she does, she is not entirely an individual, but the representative of her fraternity, and upon her fraternity as well as upon herself will fall the criticism which her action merits. Every fraternity girl wishes to live up to the standard of those who have gone before, and to make her influence upon the future of her chapter tell in the right direction. The bond between the alumnae and the chapter is a close one, involving mutual considerations and obligations, and the effort, which should be constant on the part of each, to look at everything from the standpoint of the other, certainly broadens their sympathies and their minds. No fraternity girl can be absorbed in herself and in the present. She is bound to consider others even as herself, and must constantly bear in mind the past and the future. The alumnus must never forget that she is a fraternity woman, but also she must remember that she is no longer active, and that some things which once rested upon her now rest upon others. The members of the active chapter must remember that just because the alumnae no longer have authority they have all the stronger claim upon the courtesy and consideration of the chapter. Let them remember that where the alumnae are now they soon will be, and if the time ever comes when they feel forgotten, and that they are nothing where once they were everything, the experience will be less bitter if there is nothing with which they can reproach themselves-if they themselves have not set the example. The alumnae and the active members should always be united in their effort to make the chapter what it ought to be. Both alike should always be willing to sacrifice the personal claim to the general welfare, the present advantage to the ultimate good. We cannot help feeling that the fraternity girl who is faithful in all fraternity relations, who considers not only her present convenience and pleasure, but her obligation to the past and her responsibility for the future, will be, for that very reason. more faithful in all the relations of life, a woman of broad humanity and of a wider outlook upon life.

The narrowminded individual, like the poet, is born and not made, and while there are narrowing influences in life, those who are most susceptible to these influences are the people who came into the world lacking in dimensions. It has not yet been demonstrated that such people are especially numerous in fraternities.

After having tried an early pledge day and a late one, and having carefully weighed the advantages and disadvantages of both, it seems as if Psi. there is one advantage which must out-weigh all disadvantages in influencing us to decide on the latter course for the future. This is the maintenance of good

inter-fraternity feeling.

It seems to us that if there is one thing which, above all others, will tend to bring out the best in our own fraternity life, and the supreme good for our alma mater, it is close inter-fraternity relationship. It is neither just nor reasonable to expect a girl, when she is pledged to us, to give up her love for a girl to whom, in

her short acquaintance at college, she has been strongly attracted, and who has pledged to some one else. We come first, of course, but let the other deep feeling be there too. If, then, this friendship continues during the college year, each entering class is sure to notice and approve of it—that is, if it is not broken off, during the first few weeks, by the unwritten rules of hard rushing. We deny, in this short time, all the feeling that a year has taken to inculcate.

But if, on the other hand, we wait, say six weeks, and take the rushing mildly, by this very course of agreement the freshmen see how matters stand, and that they may have dear friends among all the girls. If we cannot walk on the campus with a girl in a sister fraternity, or entertain her in our rooms, or dance with her at our dances, during the first week or so, for fear the freshmen may be influenced, how do they know but that this feeling exists all the time?

With a late pledge day all these unpleasant features are dispensed with. We see our friends of the previous year as much as we like. The freshmen get to know us all well, and have plenty of time to choose. Then, when pledge day comes, and the freshmen have made their decision, how sweet, how infinitely sweet it is, to talk it all over with our friends in sister fraternities, and to feel ourselves all drawn closer for the good of alma mater.

M. L. S., Psi.

The Alumnae Question. The alumnae question may seem threadbare to the readers of the KEY, yet, if I am not mistaken, the question of the attitude of alumnae toward the freshmen of the chapter has not been sufficiently discussed. The freshman enters dazzled

with the idea of the mystic bonds of our sisterhood only to find some of the alumnae have not taken the trouble to remember her name, or to find that others treat her as a formal acquaintance. Then we hear alumnae complain of feeling strange in the dear old house, etc.

Every alumna should realize that she must make the first advance toward friendship with freshmen. In almost every case the freshman is shy, diffident, altogether awed into silence by the wonderful creature who has been a Kappa so long. She is timidly feeling her way along the path of fraternity life, not being sure of herself or what is expected of her.

Surely the bond of Kappa should render all preliminary formalities of social acquaintance unnecessary. Let the alumna, as the experienced Kappa, realize this. Let her quietly ignore the diffidence of the new girl, show some personal interest in her, treating her as a new-found but very welcome friend. It will not be long before the freshman will be out of her shell and the fraternity ideals strengthened.

For the alumna it is a case of angels should rush in where fools fear to tread.

Emma Moffat, Pi.

There are two kinds of Kappa meetingsbusiness and pleasure meetings. At the former. A Parthenon Night, with the aid of our beloved Roberts' Rules of Order, we try to be as businesslike as girls can be and to get through with those things necessary to keep the chapter up to the standard. Usually, when the closing service is gone through with on these days we feel justified in relaxing into friendly talk about football or clothes or something else, and so we are. But at the feasts and pleasure meetings we are prone to do too much the same thing. We feel how dear we are to each other; we old girls have learned to know what Kappa stands for, and so we take it for granted that the new girls know it too, and that we ourselves have no need to go over it in our minds and ask whether we are daily realizing the ideals of fraternity life, whether we could even state a few of them if we chose. And so we laugh and sing and discuss dances or lessons as the case may be, and have a jolly good time, as one should have at a Kappa spread. Yet how much better it would be if at each feast, between the songs and harmless gossip, we could have one good, interesting discussion of Kappa ideals and Kappa policy in general. Nothing is more helpful and at the same time delightful than those long fraternity talks that two girls find themselves unconsciously led into at times. But when there are about ten busy freshmen in the chapter and the older girls are busy too, the chances are that those talks will be few and far between for some

girls. At a meeting it is hard to say, "Now we will have a discussion." Nobody knows exactly how to start or what to say next. Theta intends to inaugurate a custom that she believes may be worth the trial of some other chapters. Call the pleasure meeting "Parthenon Night." Appoint beforehand one of the girls to read the article or articles which she considers best adapted to the needs of the chapter. After she has given her opinion, others are sure to approve or disagree. Some girl may have been most impressed by another suggestion from the Parthenon. One thought leads to another and so a real live discussion begins. Little doubts or things misunderstood are brought up by different girls and argued away by others. It sets one thinking on things worth while. The Parthenon should present to the world and to Kappas the best thoughts and feelings of the different chapters. It should not be a mere competition of literary skill. It should be the "heart of hearts" of Kappadom. And if our Parthenon is such, is it not wise to make definite use of it in keeping before us what is highest and best in fraternity life?

MAUDE BARNES, Theta.

The question was recently asked by a man high in authority in a certain college, whether College Spirit. fraternity girls always gave their college quite the loyal support they should. It is to be feared that the good professor had reason for his query; and in many cases the non-frat girl has the warmer love for her college. Of course she has nothing to divide her affections, as has the fraternity girl; but after all, the fraternity, however lovely, is secondary to the college and dependent upon it for its very existence, and so we must not let our devotion to it overshadow our college spirit. We can be all the better Kappas if we are active in college work, and we can not only strengthen our reputation and standing among outsiders, but we can also broaden and deepen our Kappahood by loyalty to our university. Let us, then, be on our guard, and let it be said, of Kappas at least, that they are truly wellbalanced, loyal fraternity and loyal college women. Phi.

Sunshine.

We all love the sunshine, and even the flowers reach out toward it. Is it not rarely that we meet anyone who loves the shadows? There are several kinds of sunshine, and the kind I love to

think of is the kind that comes from the heart. Is anyone better able to scatter heart sunshine than a loyal Kappa girl? A girl that has been enjoying the advantages of college life, been in touch with and had the true friendship of a dozen ambitious girls, ought to give the world a smile. I think nearly all Kappas are cheerful. Nearly every one I know is giving out her best to others. I give this little word about being cheerful just as a reminder to all of us. Sometimes we are having a good time among ourselves and forget to give a word of cheer and encouragement to that girl who has only a few friends. Or do we not sometimes, girls, after rushing season is over and we are our real selves again, forget to be "particularly" thoughtful? We can be of so much help, girls, and let us do it. Everybody appreciates a noble, refined girl, but nobody can help loving her if she is cheerful and always giving heart sunshine to those about her. Remember while we are holding high the true and the beautiful, to look at the bright side. "Put your troubles in the bottom of your heart, sit on the lid and smile." Try it awhile, girls; be jolly, cheerful Kappas, face the world with a smile.

GEM CRAIG, Mu.

#### [Extract from a Toast given at Xi's Anniversary Banquet.]

At the of a very ancient initiation, perhaps the first on Mystic Shrine. record, when Aeneas, with fitting rites and due solemnity, was initiated into the mysteries of the under world. "Now there is need of courage and a brave heart," said the priestess to Aeneas as they approached the dread entrance. The admonition was opportune; for the hero, Aeneas, although he had passed through many terrifying ordeals and had braved many fearful perils, now trembled with a new sense of awe as he was about to enter the domains of the dusky Proserpine.

"Now there is need of courage and a brave heart," whispered a voice to you and to me, as we stood with palpitating pulses and shaking knees before a mysterious, closed door, whose opening

should reveal to us a strange new world. We had passed safely through the perils of "rushing," had escaped the fierce onslaughts of the opposing forces, and now stood at the portals of the temple of Pallas Athene waiting the commands of the attendant priestess.

At length the door opened. We entered the temple; we stood within the inner sanctuary; we approached the mystic shrine. The sacred rites were performed, the mysteries revealed, the vows taken, the seal placed upon our lips. When lo! the "Circle of the Golden Key" was opened to admit us, and we were called "sisters."

"Sisterhood"—what does it mean? Is it merely a social organization of congenial spirits, banded together for four years, for what each can give the other of pleasure or profit and then to be forgotten? Our pledges and vows do not so instruct us. I trust the habit of loyalty to each other, to our own chapter, and to the fraternity at large, grows with each succeeding year. I hope we shall never forget the friendship which drew us together in our college days, which added much to their brightness, and which should remain with us throughout our lives. May we all "stand together, henceforth, even forever."

Anna M. Owens, '96, Sec'y Adrian Alumnae Association.

Our Chancellor, in one of his addresses before
The Fraternity the student body, spoke of the great good accominits Relation to plished in any university by the existence of
University Life fraternities. He based his opinion on the fact
that by means of them university life becomes
systematized and the leadership, not only in social affairs but in
many other things, falls upon the fraternity members.

Now, I wonder if we realize how important this responsibility is. It seems to me that the different fraternities work too much for their own interest and too little in doing their part toward strengthening the university. There is an instance of this in the election of class officers, members of the athletic board, etc., when we too often allow our loyalty to our fraternity to stand before our loyalty to our alma mater.

If the different fraternities would only be willing to work together in such matters, it would help the university by increasing the "University Spirit," because then there would be none of the petty quarrels and jealousies which exist when the student body is divided into opposing factions. Besides, it would help and broaden the fraternities themselves by bringing their members into closer and more friendly contact with each other.

We, of course, must always be loyal and true to our fraternity, but in so doing we must not forget our "University Spirit," without which university life loses half its charm. OMEGA.

The rushing season is past, initiation with its solemn charm has inseparably bound to us many girls whose lives for a period of years are in our keeping. To every active fraternity woman the old question comes once more—how shall we bring our new sisters into active touch with fraternity life, its responsibilities and pleasures?

Each girl has been shaping ideals of her future chapter life and it is for us to strengthen the correct ones and gently push aside the false. The girls must never feel "left out." Let us talk freely at these first meetings of the chapter's plans and hopes; have the new sisters feel from the first that it is their chapter, too, and they must bear their share of responsibility in keeping high the standards. Give them something definite to do, and never do it for them. The older girls will soon be gone and the younger ones must learn to carry on the chapter without them. And always, and first of all, give the new girls that sense of pride in the national organization that will increase with the years and ever be a source of gratification to each one. We have assumed no light burden in undertaking to impart to our new sisters this knowledge of the larger fraternity life, but it is a work of love and of ever increasing interest. We realize anew the breadth of policy, the beauty of standard, and the far-reaching influence of our sisterhood as we study it with our new initiates. And as the months slip away and the days of our active fraternity life come to an end, we may have that deep feeling of satisfaction in seeing our younger sisters in chapter life bearing our old burdens and indeed they have ceased to be burdens and have become pleasures.

Anna Sands, Kappa.

Visiting Kappa Neighbors. We often talk of Kappa and what it means to us, but does the full significance ever come until we have met another chapter than our own? One of our freshmen said, "Why I never realized what Kappa really meant until I visited those

Omega girls! Then I knew that Kappa was not bound up in my small chapter but was everywhere—Kappa love, Kappa ideals and Kappa songs!"

What a thrill of delight passes through a Kappa when she grasps the hand of a stranger Kappa—in that secret grip which tells of friendliness, kinship and love!

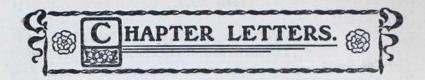
What more beautiful or inspiring than to gather about the fireside of another chapter and sing "Hail to the Colors," or some equally dear Kappa song; or hear an original Kappa song, set to some popular music, and be able to exchange the Kappa words of your chapter set to the same music.

What a big family of girls Kappa has! And are we ever sorry that a girl we see who wears the key, but whose face and name are unfamiliar to us, is a Kappa? No, Kappa has but one type and she is where Kappa is. What a host of friendships the golden key unlocks!

Girls who visit other chapters or attend conventions cannot help but imbibe Kappa spirit and go back to their own chapters so exuberant over their conquest that they unconsciously enthuse their own chapters and fill them with the greater Kappa love. No wonder the girls look up to her and say, "Oh, I wish I had as much frat spirit as you have." Let me urge every Kappa not to fail to visit other chapters as often as possible, for not till then will she really appreciate the breadth and influence of Kappa.

MABEL STEPHEN, Sigma.





#### ALPHA PROVINCE.

#### PHI-UNIVERSITY OF BOSTON.

In the college on Beacon Hill affairs are well under way, rushing is over and initiation also, and the girls are preparing to celebrate Thanksgiving with a tea for the faculty Wednesday and an informal dance Friday evening.

We have been unusually fortunate in our rushing this fall, and have ten new girls, eight of whom, Edna Blake, Louise Dyer, Genevieve Elder, Augusta Farnum, Margaret McLean, Grace Norton, Mary Reeves and Agnes Woodbridge were initiated November 7, at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Simmons Speas, in Newton Center. The other two, Evelyn Fisher and Josephine Martin, will be initiated next year.

Boston University is still without a president, but we sincerely hope one may be chosen soon. In the meantime Dean Huntington performs the duties of president in addition to his already arduous task.

We have two brides this year, Eva Phillips Boyd, '03, who was married in September, and Elsie Bullen Sheldon, '02, whose wedding came November 4.

Best wishes from Phi for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year to Kappas all!

#### BETA EPSILON-BARNARD COLLEGE.

By this time the affairs of Beta Epsilon are in working order for the year. Soon after college opened we initiated a new member, Margerie Ferguson Brown, a sophomore who entered Barnard this year, and now a Kappa of whom we are very proud. The "rushing" at college this year has been intensified by the addition of two new chapters, Rho chapter of Delta Delta, and Mu chapter of Alpha Phi. This makes six national fraternities at Barnard, and since pledge day does not come until February, our rushing season is a long and busy one.

Helen Walker, of Beta Iota, has also joined our number this winter. We are very glad to have her with us in the apartment.

On November 30th we were fortunate in having Miss Paxson of Beta Zeta with us. Miss Paxson won the hearts of the Barnard students at Silver Bay last summer, and she received a warm greeting on her visit to the college.

The usual round of work and pleasure is making the weeks pass quickly with all of us. We are thoroughly enjoying our fraternity life in the same apartment that we had last winter, and there is always a welcome there for Kappas from other chapters.

EMILIE J. HUTCHINSON.

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#### PSI-CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Twelve girls made up our chapter at the opening of the college year, four living in the town and the remaining leight at Sage. The first interest of the year—rushing—was on new lines on account of a six weeks' contract which we had with two of the other three women's fraternities here. Although everything we had hoped in the way of limiting rushing was not accomplished, the experiment may be regarded as a success, especially in that there was so much more leisure than heretofore for the enjoyment of our old friends and for the many college activities.

In October we gave a tea for Miss Nye, the new Junior Warden of Sage. Miss Nye, Wellesley, ex-'90, has been in Ithaca for years as instructor at the Conservatory of Music. We are most fortunate in having her at Sage this year, where she fills the place left vacant by the resignation of Miss Watson.

Our new girls pledged are three—Alice Dubreuil, 'o6, Martha Dodson and Amy Rhodes. Shortly after pledge day we gave a dance at the home of Gladys Miller.

Winter has come so quickly that we are already forgetting football in the enjoyment of fine skating, which came before Thanksgiving, unusually early even for our cold hills.

Since our last letter the university has lost, by death, Dean Thurston, one of our ablest and best men, who has built up Sibley College to its present high standing.

The Hon. Andrew D. White, first president of the university, and for years ambassador to Berlin, has reopened his former home on the campus, which he is to make his permanent residence.

# BETA TAU-SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Thanksgiving recess is over and Beta Tau girls are now looking forward to Christmas. This fall has passed quickly and pleasantly for us all. We held our initiation on the afternoon of Friday, October 16th, and our annual initiation banquet in the evening. Many of our alumnae were present. It was a source of great joy to see around our banquet table the eight new Kappas whom we pledged last spring, and who are Bertha Angel, Jessie Carpenter, Gwladys Erskine, Mabel Johnson, Clara Steinbecker, Ella Wallace, Ida Allis and Cora Williams.

Syracuse University has been honored with two conventions this fall. Delta Kappa Epsilon held its national convention here from November 10 to 13. Phi Delta Theta's province convention also met here during the Thanksgiving recess.

The Junior Prom takes place December 17, and promises to be one of the most successful functions of the year.

To-night the Y. W. C. A. of the university give a reception in honor of Miss Ruth Paxson, State Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., who we are all fortunate in having as a guest.

FAITH J. COON.

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#### BETA ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

This year six Kappas are back at college and Beta Alpha is eight, because much to their delight, Ida Hill and Ellen Euston, who are to be in the city this year, have decided to stay in the active chapter. So, although we miss the girls who are not back, our circle is not so small as it might have been.

Early in the year we gave a tea at the home of Ida Hill to all the girls in college, and if our guests enjoyed themselves half so well as we did, it must have been a success. Excepting for this tea, we of Beta Alpha have been rushing very quietly, and at present we have pledged two girls, Alice McKelden and Anna Heick, whom we introduce to Kappas through the Key. We have asked two other girls, and we hope that before the Key reaches each of you, that these may be pledged, and, indeed, initiation over.

Several of us have been out at Swarthmore this fall, and we all feel quite well acquainted with Beta Iota since Freda Craig is there, although we still miss her in Beta Alpha. We have had many pleasant evenings in our room, too, and as we are there every Friday evening we are only too glad to see old friends or new at 217 De Kalb square. The day after Thanksgiving we entertained Miss Wheeler and Miss Brown of Chi, and also several of our alumnae. We only wish that more of the Kappas who pass through Philadelphia would come to see us.

On December the fourth we were invited to the alumnae tea, and we know from experience that we will have a pleasant time there.

After initiation is over we must settle down to the hard work of the term, for mid year's seem to come so soon after Christmas.

Beta Alpha sends best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

C. EDNA BRAMBLE.

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#### BETA IOTA-SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Beta Iota sends greeting to all in Kappa Kappa Gamma. It is hard to realize that over two months have passed since work began and that the first semester is more than half gone and the Thanksgiving holidays near at hand.

On looking back over this period, although we have all been very busy and happy, there is not much that would be of real interest to relate. To some extent this is due to the inter-sorority contract by which we are prohibited from rushing in all forms, and also from pledging girls before March first. Thanks to the contract, things have gone along so smoothly this year, that we hope we have solved the difficult question of rushing at Swarthmore, and trust that this pledge may meet the conditions in the future.

We have had several informal social gatherings and on October 13th a theater party to celebrate the founding of the fraternity. We are also expecting a visit from Cleo Wheeler of Chi. As several of us have already met her at convention, we are old friends and hope to see her quite frequently, as she is to be in Philadelphia for the winter.

For the past two months our interests have been centered on football—the daily practice and the several games, the season closing with the annual Haverford game on November 21st. At Swarthmore this is one of the greatest days of the year. Many of our alumnae come back and together we drive across the country to Haverford. From the moment we were settled in our coaches, each fraternity having a coach decked out with flags and ribbons, until the game was over, the day was one of intense enthusiasm and excitement. The game stood 16 to 6 in Swarthmore's favor, and you may imagine how the victory was celebrated.

Beta Iota sends best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

AGNES H. SIBBALD.

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#### GAMMA RHO-ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

This term we have had a three months' contract that no girl was to be bid until after a three months' matriculation. So far, the contract has been a success and we hope it will come to be an established rule in Allegheny College.

Early in the term we gave a trolley party out to Ponce de Leon Springs. First we rode all over the town in open cars and then went to the springs and had supper. The affair was a great success and the new girls were enthusiastic in their expressions of thanks.

Our term party is to be given the second week in December and will be held at the home of one of our town girls.

The engagement has just been announced of Miss Florence Appleby to Mr. Henry Gregory Parkhurst, of Ithaca, N. Y.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas, formerly Norma Cutter, died November 8, leaving behind a baby girl. She was loved by all her fraternity sisters for her sweet disposition and loyalty.

November 25th Miss Ethel G. Gaston of Meadville was united in marriage to Mr. Glenwood Hawkins. Their home will be in Brooklyn, N. Y.

HARRIET HAMPSON.

#### BETA PROVINCE.

#### LAMBDA-BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

Our last letter to the KEV was written while the pleasures of the summer vacation were still pulsing realities, and the first bright days of college and the glad meeting of old friends and classmates was still a part of the future. Now the college year and the college work are well started on their way, the new girls have come to college and been duly rushed, and "the die is cast;" and now probably all our chapters are rejoicing in the strong and lovable new girls that they have added to the roll of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Lambda wishes to introduce to their future Kappa sisters five new girls, Ruth Slabaugh, Julia Allen, Blanche Mallison, Frances Whittington and Blanche Olin.

This year has been a pleasant and profitable one for us so far. At the first fraternity meeting after college opened we missed several familiar faces, and the thought of their absence brought to us the realization of the responsibility that had fallen upon our shoulders and the desire and determination to do credit to the work of past years and to our fraternity. One of the deeds that we should like to emulate was the winning of the highest rank in the scholarship of the senior class, by Louise Horix, who graduated in June.

The rushing season this year was a particularly strenuous one, and the parties and various other affairs followed thick and fast on each other. One of our pleasantest parties was the one given us by our alumnae, at the home of Mrs. Ackers; the evening was delightfully spent in playing French euchre.

Asking day was the thirty-first of October, and since that time we have rested somewhat from our labors and quietly planned for the initiation of our new members. By way of introduction to fraternity life we invited our new girls and some of our alumnae down to the fraternity room one afternoon and there spent a delightful time, closing the afternoon's pleasure by a regulation Kappa spread.

Our college faculty has been changed somewhat this year, as two new members have come into its circle, Professor Morrison, who takes the chair of mathematics, vacated by the resignation of Professor Egbert, and Miss Ray, who follows Miss Carruthers as professor of oratory and instructor in physical culture. Also one of our graduates of last year, Ethel Jefferson, takes her place in the faculty of the academy, as assistant in chemistry and instructor in mathematics.

In a short time the Christmas holidays will be with us and Lambda wishes all her Kappa sisters the pleasures of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

CHARLOTTE OLIN.

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#### BETA GAMMA-WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

To all Kappas a New Year's greeting! Beta Gamma sends best wishes for a most prosperous and happy year to all her sisters.

We have four new Kappas to introduce to you, three of whom were initiated last commencement time, Catherine Vance, Margaret Taggart and Mary McKinley, all of the class of 'o6, and one who has but lately joined the "Circle of the Golden Key," Helen Felger, 'o6.

Our chapter has had the pleasure of attending two Kappa weddings in our college chapel this fall. Our only senior of last year, Gertrude Morrison, was married on November fourth, to Mr. George Morrow, A  $\Delta$   $\Phi$ ,  $\Theta$  N E, and Daisy Thachwell, another Beta Gamma girl, to Mr. Herbert Ferris, October fifteenth.

We have been using our new hall to great advantage this fall, for we have not only had our weekly Friday evening meetings in it, but have given several informal parties, besides one large reception for our "brides."

JESSIE MAE VOGT.

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#### BETA NU-OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since the writing of our letter for the October KEY a great deal has happened to Beta Nu. Our rushing was over a few days after college opened, and our three new girls, Ruth Sherman, Maybelle Cornell and Hortense Brown, were initiated in October. We have ten old girls back, so there are thirteen in the active chapter, but we hope to show that this number is not necessarily unlucky.

This year has been successful for O. S. U., as we have a larger registration than ever before, and it will not be long until we shall have two thousand students.

One new feature at the university is the organization of a girls' glee club. This club expects to give a concert in February, and we are all anxiously awaiting its first appearance.

When this letter is published we shall all be starting on the year of 1904, and Beta Nu sends best wishes to all her sister chapters for a most prosperous and happy year.

EDNA PRATT.

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#### XI-ADRIAN COLLEGE.

This new college year has already brought an unusual store of pleasures. September thirtieth we held our rushing party at the home of Prof. Cornelius, where one of our alumnae, Miss Owens, lives. The evening was very pleasantly spent in becoming acquainted with the new girls and strengthening the ties with our alumnae.

We were very fortunate in having with us for a few days one of our Grand Council, Miss Virginia Sinclair. One evening an informal reception was given in her honor; besides our own alumnae, we entertained the active and alumnae members of Delta Delta Delta, the lady members of the faculty, and the girls of South Hall.

A few weeks ago another of our Grand Council, Miss Elmie Warner, spent a day with us; the evening she was here we invited our alumnae members to meet her, and with us to gain from her, greater knowledge of our fraternity.

Both Miss Warner's and Miss Sinclair's visits helped us greatly, and made us feel proud to be of the sisterhood of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

At present two new girls, Mabel Young, Adrian, Mich., and Josephine Hall, Richmond, Ohio, are wearing the double blue, and we are glad that we shall soon see them wearing the Golden Key.

SARAH B. EVERHART.

#### BETA DELTA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Two months of college work are over and we have settled down to steady work, after the gaieties attendant upon the opening weeks of university work and upon rushing.

It seems good to have with us again Susan Porter and Jessie Bane, who were at home last year. And we are very happy to have five new sisters—Corwinne Sutherland and Louise Wicks of Detroit, Ethel Trask of Bay City, Sallie Smart of Hancock, Mich., and Inez Bedell of Jackson, Ohio. That they have the proper spirit was proved when, just before initiation on Oct. 31st, the following invitation was sent to each girl in the chapter:

"'Tis something novel, something new
The Freshmen girls invite you to.
So do not wait for a second call
But assemble at nine in the dining hall
On Thursday eve, two nights before
The Freshmen will be seen no more."

The entertainment proved to be a delicious Hallowe'en spread, served in a very novel way.

Our annual house party was given November 19th, and on the following afternoon the house was opened to our friends with our fall reception.

Ten of the "old girls" have made us visits this year, and you all know how much it means to have them with us, even for a short time.

We are proud to say that the attendance at the university this year is larger than a year ago at this time, and it is expected that the total enrollment for the year will exceed that of any previous years. The new Engineering building, which is nearing completion, and the improved facilities for work in that department, have called many new students.

The university, and especially the engineering department, has suffered a great loss in the recent death of Professor Charles E. Greene, who had been Professor of Civil Engineering since 1872, and dean of the department since its organization in 1895.

Only the day before Prof. Greene's death, occurred that of Dr. Taft, who from his long connection with the Dental College, as dean, endeared himself to hundreds of students.

It is always a pleasure to hear the presidents of other universities, so we were glad when a few weeks ago we heard Chi's president—Prof. Northrup—lecture on "King Lear"; and we are looking forward to having President Eliot, of Harvard, here soon.

Mrs. Jordan, the woman's dean, gave a series of receptions to the university women early in the fall, and urged them to select a committee from each class to stir up class spirit. These "spirits" committees, as they are called, are planning great things and we expect very gratifying results.

Could we neglect to say a word about athletics when Michigan has just proven herself the champion of the West in football? Although we girls must confine ourselves to the very tame (when compared with football) game of basket ball and to gym. stunts, yet we are most enthusiastic spectators at the games where our brothers win glory for our alma mater.

Beta Delta sends best New Year's greetings to all her sisters, and extends a most cordial invitation to all who may be in the vicinity of Ann Arbor to visit her in her new home, at 836 Tappan street.

Sophie St. Clair.

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#### KAPPA-HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

The members of Kappa chapter had a very pleasant party at the beginning of the term for some of the new girls. It was held in the pretty attic room of Mrs. Mauck's new home. The room was decorated with foliage and late flowers, and pumpkins contained the refreshments. We were especially fortunate to have Miss Sinclair with us at the time.

As our contract with Pi Beta Phi ended last week, we were kept very busy for awhile. We feel grateful to Miss Warner for the sympathetic help which she gave us during her brief visit. During this time Miss Mary McCallum, from Xi, visited us, and members of Kappa feel the better for knowing her.

We feel gratified at the result of our rushing week, for we are about to pledge some beautiful girls who will doubtless be of great value to our chapter life. We hope to introduce them to the readers of the KEY in the next number.

We take a great interest in our newly formed Alumnae Association, of whose interest in us we have already had the proof.

ANNA SANDS.

#### GAMMA PROVINCE.

#### DELTA-INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Greeting to all the chapters!

First of all, it might be well to tell you the names of our new fall members, so that if you ever meet them you cannot say that you have never been introduced. So here they are to make their bow to you and tell you how glad they are to be within the Kappa circle:

Mary Beck, Nell Reinhard and Sallie Duncan, of Bloomington, Ind.; Mary Baker and Grey Davis, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Nell Baldwin, of Greenfield, Ind.; Jeff Reeves, of Columbus, Ind.; Warda Stevens, of Salem, Ind.; Edith Brazelton, of Princeton, Ind.

Are not freshmen always a joy to the older members? They are so open-eyed and wonderstruck at everything, and make so many funny comments about the workings of the fraternity. They are of such an inquiring turn of mind, and yet their seeking after knowledge does not destroy the awe with which they first greet fraternity life.

We are all interested in the pictures and accounts of the chapter houses, and Delta would like to say something now about hers that she forgot to say in the October Key: She is very proud of the fact that she owns all of her furniture. Some of it was presented to her by large-hearted alumnae and active members and the rest has been purchased from her own treasury. But it might be whispered just at this point that she would like to own more than she does at present.

Since the last letter, two of Delta's maidens have become matrons—Beryl Showers marrying Dr. J. E. Holland and Lucy Lewis becoming Mrs. Theodore F. Vounegest. The former couple reside in Bloomington and the latter in Indianapolis.

Several girls who have formerly been active members of this chapter visited us this last term and we were glad to have them with us. It is pleasant to see the older faces once more in our circle.

ALICE DEVOL.

#### IOTA-DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter was written to the KEY, Iota chapter has added to her members seven new girls. Louise McCrea, Alma Wyant, Anne Shackelford, Mary Harding, Marie Pilkenton, Sarah Randal and Katherine Burlingame have been initiated and Greta Wynant is pledged. Nineteen of our girls returned at the first of the year, but Jessie Conger, 'o6, was compelled to leave school on account of ill health.

On Hallowe'en we entertained with a minstrel at the home of Mrs. Donner, one of our alumnae. Several out-of-town guests were present, among them three Kappas from Delta chapter—Grace Norwood, Nelle Baldwin and Ethel Simmons.

This year we are very much strengthened by the active interest of the Kappa Alumnae Club here in Greencastle. Once a month they meet with us in our regular fraternity meetings, giving us advice and broadening our ideas of Kappahood.

LUCIA HURST.

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#### MU-BUTLER COLLEGE.

The most interesting part of the fall term was November fourteen, when our contract terminated and we were privileged to send our invitations to the favorable new girls. At six o'clock of this day we had a banquet at the Columbia Club, at which there were forty-five Kappas to whom we introduced our eight newly pledged girls—Eunice Darnall, Lebanon; Mary Campbell and Mable Tracy, Anderson; Hazel Springer, Elizabethtown; Edna Huggins and Lena Diggs, Indianapolis; Blanche Elliott, Columbus, and Elizabeth Whitesides, Greenwood. They are to be initiated November thirty.

On October 28th occurred the wedding of Hazel Kirke Reeves and John Calderhead Scott. It was truly a fraternity wedding, the six bridesmaids and bride being Kappas and six ushers and groom Sigma Nus.

But amid all this gayety we feel most keenly the loss brought to us by the death of one of Mu's most faithful members, Mrs. Rollin F. Kautz, who died of typhoid fever November 26th, at her home in Indianapolis. She was always actively interested in her chapter, and to know her was to love her.

ESSIE HUNTER.

#### ETA-UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

We have commenced this year with a chapter of twenty-five. Our freshmen are Juliet Cougshall, Amy Allen, Marion Bell, Anne McGurdy, Althea Rogers, Arlisle Mead, Rosamond Parish, Helen Munsen, Helen Fay, Edith Swenson, Alice Swenson, and Laura Elliot, a pledgling whom we have not yet initiated.

The rushing season was very short and our rushing was done almost entirely at our own house. We held our initiation October fifteenth and sixteenth.

One of the pleasantest events of the year was our annual banquet, which was held October tenth. At its close, I think every Kappa present realized more than ever what the sisterhood of Kappa really means.

November the thirteenth we gave our annual freshmen party at our chapter house. Two of our pledged girls, Ellery Clark and Mabel Fitzgerald, of Eau Claire, were with us at that time.

Before this KEY appears, the new year will be here. Eta sends her best wishes for a Happy New Year to all Kappas.

MINNIE M. RIESS.

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#### BETA LAMBDA-UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Fourteen girls of Beta Lambda returned to the University of Illinois this fall, full of energy and determination to win the best for Kappa. The rushing season lasted four weeks as usual, and as a result of our efforts during that time Beta Lambda is happy to introduce six new sisters who were initiated October 26, and are now proudly wearing the key. They are: Louise Howell, of Beloit, Wis.; Ada Kelley, of Keokuk, Iowa; Althea Marsh, of Lacon, Ill.; Nina Stoddard, of Oak Park; Louise Hanna, of Oak Park, and May Scott, of Hyde Park.

We are glad to have with us this year Elizabeth McClure, of Epsilon, who has been affiliated and is living in the house.

On the evening of pledge day, October 13, we celebrated Kappa's birthday. Many town Kappas were present. Kappa songs were sung, refreshments served and toasts given. Miss Sharp and Miss Simpson both responded.

We have enjoyed a few pleasant social events. During the rushing season Mrs. Fay, one of our town Kappas, gave us a

breakfast. Two of our patronesses, Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Swanell, have entertained us in their homes.

We have had short visits from two of the Epsilon girls. At the time of the Northwestern-Illinois game we were glad to entertain several of our Upsilon sisters. Four of our old girls have been back for short visits, and Caroline Langworthy, who graduated last year, is with us at present.

Thanksgiving is near at hand, and several who live near have invited those who are far from home to spend the holiday with them, and we are all anticipating a delightful time.

ANNA D. WHITE.

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#### UPSILON-NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Upsilon is very glad to introduce to the readers of the KEY its seven new members, Anna Planck, Hazel Seerley, Florence Speck, Ella Bradley, Edna Terry, Elsie Vanderpool and Frances Bowdle, of whom we are all proud.

This fall we have enjoyed visits from Myrtle Strickler, May Fletcher and May Capron, who are not back with us this year, and from Frances Rawlins of 'or; also from our Grand Secretary, Miss Virginia Sinclair, and her deputy, Miss Jones.

Four of our girls attended the Illinois vs. Northwestern football game at Champaign, where they were most delightfully entertained by the Beta Lambda girls in their new chapter house. We had heard much about their new home from Florence Armstrong, whose visits to us we have enjoyed so much. It is the hope of Upsilon to have a chapter house some day; but as it is, we must content ourselves with life in the halls. We were so sorry that some of the Eta girls could not be with us at the time of the Wisconsin vs. Northwestern football game.

An Alumnae Association has been formed here recently, and we hope to come into closer contact with them in the future.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year, Upsilon sends greetings to her Kappa sisters.

Julia Sohrbeck.

#### EPSILON-ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Epsilon started out the year with ten active members, but we are very glad of the fact that we now number fifteen. On the twenty-third of October, at the home of Emma Parker, we initiated Julia Holder, Mae Ayers, Maude Ayers, Irene Seibel and Grace McWhirter into the mysteries of Kappa. The event was made more enjoyable by the presence of our Grand Treasurer, who, after the initiation, when we were all gathered in one room, gave us a very interesting talk on the policy of our fraternity.

Friday evening, November the twentieth, we gave a reception to the faculty and our school friends, at the home of Beulah Baker. With the exception of a few spreads, this is the only social affair we have given this year.

November the twenty-fifth was Epsilon's birthday, and the Kappa Club sent a handsome couch up to our hall. The alumnae always remember us on our birthday with a present for the hall.

We are glad to learn that so many Alumnae Associations are being formed, because we know by experience that a great deal is added to the chapter life by the presence of an Alumnae Association.

Epsilon sends greetings to all her sister chapters, and hopes that when her sisters read this they will have returned to their school work from a happy Christmas vacation.

BESSIE CASH.

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#### DELTA PROVINCE.

# CHI-UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

To all in Kappa Kappa Gamma, greeting!

Now that vacation has come, bringing with it a lull in the hurry and excitement of college life, we have time to take a retrospective glance at our various interests of the last three months.

By common consent at Minnesota the week of registration and the first week of college work are devoted almost exclusively to rushing. Although we had only nine active girls, and not all of them were in town, we had practically finished our rushing in ten days. The six girls whom we pledged are Bonnie Blakeley, Harriet Brearley, Hazel Brown, Helen Hill, Isabelle Hills and Mary Morgan. Mrs. Selover very kindly offered her home to us for initiation, and there, on the evening of October 2, these six girls were made members of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

To celebrate the founding of the fraternity, our alumnae always entertain the active chapter at a tea on October 13. This year it was given at the home of Mrs. Washburn, who has recently returned to Minneapolis to live.

Every fall the active chapter entertains at a small and very informal dancing party to introduce our freshmen. This year we were fortunate enough to give it at Harriet Armstrong's home in St. Paul.

All summer we had been anticipating a visit from Beta Zeta at the time of the Iowa-Minnesota football game, and also many of us had planned to go to Madison for the Wisconsin game, but you know what the best laid plains of mice and men are said to do, and ours proved no exception.

Our new athletic grounds, "Greater Northrup Field," was dedicated early this fall, and is said to be the finest field in the West.

Helen Clarke has been elected by the girls of the junior class to serve two years on the Governing Board of the Woman's League.

Chi sends a hearty welcome to those sisters who have so recently donned the key.

HELEN PAULINE BURBRIDGE.

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#### BETA ZETA-IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

The opening school year found the girls of Beta Zeta once more at the university, in the whirl of the rushing season. To the joy of being together again was added the pleasure of a visit from Gladys Whitley, '03, of Webster City, who remained with us during all the festivities. There were spreads, boating parties, a dance, and long drives in the beautiful autumn afternoons. The social season has been unusually gay, and Beta Zeta has had her liberal share of the pleasures.

On October 31st we initiated our two pledges, Florence Berry and Pauline Crause, at the home of Mrs. Cannon, one of our alumnae. The ritual was unusually beautiful and impressive, and afterwards there was a delightful spread. We were very glad to have a visitor from Upsilon, Miss Northey, '03.

Our resident alumnae have formed an alumnae association with a membership of twenty-two. Our alumnae are a source of great strength to us, and we feel sure that they will be one of the strong associations of Kappa alumnae.

Beta Zeta sends best wishes to all sister chapters.

MARIE LYNCH.

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### THETA-MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY.

So many interesting things have happened at Theta this fall that one is bewildered to choose among them. The rushing parties and initiations are always matters of importance at this time, and yet in view of events further reaching in their influence, we have decided to give but passing mention to these affairs and tell our sisters of convention and of Read Hall.

The significance of the rushing season—the raison d'etre for reception, porch tea, fudge party and girl dance, is all told in the report of twelve new converts to Kappa. It seemed to us in the thick of the gaiety that never before had so many desirable girls looked upon co-education and found it good. There is a reason for this, and when you know what Read Hall stands for you will know the reason. Whatever prejudice yet lingers in the minds of Missouri fathers and mothers against co-education must vanish when this ideal girls' home has been seen and appreciated. It is because Read Hall is to mean so much to Missouri women, to university girls and to Kappa, that we are telling you of it.

The architecture of the building is stately Tudor; its masonry, broken ashlar. Inside there are all modern conveniencies. The burlaps, pictures, hangings, furniture, rugs and bric-a-brac were chosen by the Dean of the Hall and the head of the University Art Department, in an interesting St. Louis trip in August. No more interesting place can be imagined than the big reception hall with its soft, old rose walls and shining hardwood floor where the girls are welcome every evening for half an hour after dinner to dance and stroll. The bedrooms are cozy and cheerful, many of them being in suits. The presiding genius who makes the place home—Miss Elizabeth Lewis—is a Wellesley woman, whom not even an added Ph. D. from Chicago University has robbed of a big heart. Do you doubt that such an attractive institution for Missouri girls will draw some who had otherwise chosen an

eastern college? University growth along these lines is Theta's growth, and Theta's growth is yours.

Then there is the other opportunity, for which we are indebted to the Grand Council and our sister chapters-convention. Theta is anticipating this event with pleasure and pride-and, to speak the truth, some misgiving! For will not the august, the magisterial Grand Council be quartered in our very midst? Will not the delegates from Phi and from Pi meet over the chocolate cups to tell each other with an uplifted eyebrow, a significant nod, just how Theta stands in the estimation of each? We are beginning already to hold special convention meetings to discuss the business and the pleasure of that all-important assembly. The marshal-elect is wearing her new honors with that mingled pride and humility which an old convention delegate can so becomingly assume. As for the fortunate maiden among us to whom destiny shall allot the honor of the '04 delegateship—she is yet a plain, simple upper classman. Nobody is quite sure as to her identity. She is tending the sheep to-day-to-morrow the annointing!

It is plain that the combination of national and local influences makes this a crucial year with Theta. If the happy auspices of its opening are portentous of what is to follow we may hail the new era as a sort of golden age. A bigger chapter than ever before is ours this year. How we wish every Kappa in the land could have been present on a certain night in early autumn, when our twelve pledges, a veritable wreath of rosebuds, stood, with locked arms, before our proud old eyes. In fancy, spirits of all the past and all the future Kappas were crowding near. These new sisters were symbols of what had been and what would be again-they were links in the lengthening chain of friendship which should stretch ever further into a future more and more golden. Does anybody dream that Read Hall and convention could crowd out the names of those pledges?-these wearers of the key they are to-day! If each Kappa in this land will turn her eyes toward Theta and make her best bow, we will introduce you in turn to our wreath of rosebuds, for they all have practical American names as you see: Clara Shelton, Laura McGowan, Ruth Fitzgerald, Marguerite Sneed, Margaret Murta, Laura Klein, Alice Johnston, Cornelia Ellison, Louise McCarthy, Fifille Willis, Elizabeth Robinson and Mamie Claire Walker.

LEOTA DOCKERY.

#### SIGMA-UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

On the evening of September 18th nine girls—composing the active chapter of Sigma—met in the dear old chapter house to discuss the plans for rushing week, for rushing with us comes the first week of college. We plunged whole-heartedly into the rushing and came out with seven pledges—every one a worthy and loyal Kappa. Sigma is proud indeed to introduce Edith Evans, Adele Lathrop, Mabel Christe, Jeannette Heinheimer, Jeannette Burlingame and Eunice de Steigeur. Before the chapters receive this number of the KEY two other pledges will be wearing the golden key—Winifred Kelley and Minnie Gardner.

Sigma has been especially fortunate this year in being brought very close together; for once a month the active and alumnae chapters meet together, either at the chapter house or at the house of some alumna. It is usually a social meeting, but often weighty affairs are brought up for discussion and the younger girls reap great benefit from the wise counsel of the older heads.

Our Pan-Hellenic association has not had its open meeting yet, but there is talk among the fraternity girls of giving a masque ball sometime in January—the money to be given for the Temple Fund. This fund is the \$33,000 to be raised by the university in order to obtain Rockefeller's gift of \$66,000. Our Pan-Hellenic association is organized solely to hold the sororities together, to promote good fellowship. There are no restrictions or rules placed upon the fraternities. Both the faculty and the students of the university seem to have taken up philanthropic work.

For the benefit of the College Settlement the faculty gave a "Carnival." They dubbed it "Faculty Foolishness," which was a very appropriate name—a fierce football game, some hammer throwing, a wheelbarrow race, trained horse exhibit, were some of its features. A most enjoyable afternoon spent in laughing at the faculty's pranks was reported by all who attended.

People enjoyed themselves, too, at the "County Fair," given in the armory by the Y. W. C. A. girls, on last Saturday night. Many of the Kappa girls were in evidence at the booths, and impersonated "rube" characters, etc., in the side shows and in the fair at large. The crowd reluctantly withdrew when the lights were turned low at 12 o'clock.

Sigma must consider herself most fortunate in her visits with her Kappa sisters. This fall adds another to the long list of pleasurable visits. Seven Sigma girls, from a pledge to an alumna, went down to Kansas for the football game, but more especially to visit the Omega girls. No more hospitable and cordial hostesses could be found than Theta. Sigma gazed longingly at Theta's beautiful house, and especially at its culinary department, and hopes to "do likewise" soon. Sigma also received a most cordial invitation to visit Beta Zeta at the time of the Nebraska-Iowa game, but was unable to accept it.

Speaking of football, no one is prouder of her team—who have not lost a game in two years—nor of its coach, Mr. Booth, a Princeton quarterback, to whose training their success is largely due. Our success has been unrivalled and Nebraska hopes to keep her glorious record in the future years.

Sigma sends greetings to all the chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Zoe L. Glidden.

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#### BETA MU-COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Allow Beta Mu to introduce to you eight new, enthusiastic and loyal Kappas—Rose Affolter, Elizabeth Babcock, Laura Williams, Grace Pollard, Grace Woodward, Edna Paddock, Ruth Wise and Vera Lewis.

During the first semester of this year we have been busy and happy. We have been entertained several times and have been able to give a number of dancing parties in our own house.

Again the University of Colorado holds the State championship in football. On November fourteenth, on the day of the University of Colorado and Colorado College football game, we were delighted to have with us three Kappas—Miss Fickes, from Chi, and Miss Broad and Mrs. Ewing, from Beta Delta.

After the Christmas holidays we hope to be able to use our new Library Building, and the engineers are watching with eagerness for the completion of the new wing of the Engineering Building.

The death of Dr. Allen was a great shock and the cause of much sorrow to the girls of Beta Mu. We have lost him as a warm, kind friend; and Mrs. Allen, who is one of our number, will probably not be with us soon again. She is now at her old home in Canada.

HARRIETT V. ALLEN.

#### BETA XI-UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Beta Xi sends best wishes for the new year, and hopes that other chapters have had as enjoyable a three months—despite the hard work—as she. We are most enthusiastic over our chapter house and our life in it. It is a new venture here, and we are having all the joys, as well as the struggles, of pioneers. With nine girls in the house and two town members, our active chapter feels itself quite strong; and it needs both strength and staying power, for the three months rushing season has been prolonged to the sixteenth of January.

Thanksgiving witnessed quite a reunion of Beta Xi—five of the old girls came back to see us and spent a week in the house, and it was with the deepest regret that we saw them go. We hope to see still more of them this month, for we expect many of the alumnae down for initiation; and in the next Key we shall introduce to our sisters some new Kappas.

MARY V. RICE.

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#### OMEGA-KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY.

I wonder if all the chapters have been as busy as Omega has this year. It is hard for us to believe that the first term of school is more than half over. It seems such a little while ago that we were all coming back, and having such a jolly time being together again after the summer vacation.

During the first week after our return we gave a morning card party and that afternoon pledged four girls of whom we are very proud, and a few days later we were fortunate enough to pledge two others. On October the ninth we gave a dancing party in honor of our new girls, and the next week we held initiation at our house. After the initiation our alumnae gave us a most enjoyable banquet.

A couple of weeks before Thanksgiving, when the Nebraska football team came down here to play Kansas, eight of the Sigma girls came down for the game and visited us. We did have the best time. It was so nice to meet them and be with them, although it was only for a short time. One of the girls said that she had never before realized how much Kappa meant until we all gathered together around the piano and sang Kappa songs.

Omega sends her love and best wishes to all chapters.

#### PI-UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Since the beginning of the term we of Pi chapter have been very fortunate and happy in bringing to our chapter four new girls whom we feel sure every Kappa would be proud to have as her sisters. Let us introduce to you Helen Knowlton, Micaela de la Cuesta, Anne Tucker and Louise Menefee.

After the initiation there came more excitement in the form of a wedding. Irene Hazard, one of our seniors, announced her engagement at the beginning of the term and was married on the twenty-first of October to Mr. George Gerlinger, of Portland, Oregon. The wedding was in Berkeley and the reception was at the Kappa house, so that it was doubly interesting and exciting.

Another wedding of Pi chapter will be that of Florence Mason, who has gone away off to Calcutta to be married.

Last week we welcomed back one of our number, Sadie Alexander, who has been spending six months in the Hawaiian Islands.

We have elected our delegate who will represent us next year at the convention. Marion Morrow is the girl chosen, and we hope that she will be able to bring back to us many new ideas by which we may benefit.

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

VARINA MORROW.

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# BETA ETA-LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY.

Thanksgiving seems an especially suitable season to be introducing to the Kappa world our four fine freshmen, Jessica Wilson, Elizabeth Evans, Hazel Burge and Claudine Colton. Our Pan-Hellenic rushing contract was but four weeks long this year, and in consequence the days were crowded with rushing affairs. Several small dances and dinners, a tally-ho ride to San Jose with a dinner and dance at "The Vendome," and our usual formal dance when we served supper on the third floor of our house which, this time, we turned into a Japanese garden of palms, greens, lanterns, cozy-corners, etc., constituted the more formal part of our rushing. Initiation, with two of the Pi girls to help us welcome the freshmen into Kappahood, ended the season for the year.

We have been very fortunate in learning much of our Eastern chapters from our two affiliates, Elizabeth Voris, of Lambda, and Anne Fraser, of Beta Lambda. The enthusiasm that they bring, together with that of Hazel Hobson, a Beta Eta girl this year affiliated with Pi, makes us realize more than ever the loyalty that exists between and within each chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Several enjoyable visits from the Berkeley girls have only served to increase this feeling and to make us wish to know better the Kappas of every chapter.

The athletic season has well begun, Stanford winning from the University of California in the Freshman game and tieing by a score of 6 to 6 in the 'Varsity game. One of the most interesting events of the season has been the presentation of the two English dramas, "Everyman" and "Twelfth Night," by the Ben Greet Company. The old morality, "Everyman," so entirely different from any kind of modern drama, made an impression upon the university audience that will not soon be forgotten.

With greetings to every chapter for the new year,

ZOE LARKINS.





# In Memoriam.

#### ANNA CHARLOTTE GIDDINGS.

WHEREAS, We desire to express our deepest sympathy to the bereaved

relatives and friends of Anna Charlotte Giddings; be it

Resolved, That to the family and friends in their great affliction the members of Beta Tau Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma extend their deepest

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, THE

KEY, and the college paper.

BESSIE J. SCOTT, MARGARET J. GREEN. DAYSEY B. BEST.

#### ANNA C. GIDDINGS.

WHEREAS, In the providence of God, our sister, Anna C. Giddings, has

been taken from us; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Syracuse Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma sustain a deep and personal loss of a valued friend and loved sister; also be it

Resolved, That our members shall wear their badges draped in mourning

for a period of thirty days; also be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, and to THE KEY.

HARRIET BLAKESLEE WALLACE, EMMA SMITH WARNER, GRACE FRANC WIGHT.

#### HARRIET IDEN KAUTZ.

A memorial meeting was held by the Indianapolis Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae for Mrs. Harriet Iden Kautz at which the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his all-seeing wisdom to remove from our midst our much beloved and loyal sister, Harriet Iden Kautz; and

Whereas, The intimate relations long held by our sister with the members of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae Club, render it proper that

we should place on record our appreciation of her services as a Kappa. Resolved, That in the death of our sister, Harriet Iden Kautz, this fraternity and club loses a sister who was always active and zealous in her

work as a Kappa; a devoted wife; a loving mother; a noble woman, who endeared herself to all by her many good works; and

Resolved, That this club tender its heartfelt sympathy to the family and

relations in their present sorrow; and

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the club; also, that a copy be sent to the bereaved family, and one to THE KEY.

MAUD HUNTINGTON DANACH, AGNES NOBLE PRAIGG, MARGARET GRIFFIN PANY.





# In Memoriam.

#### NORMA CULTER THOMAS.

Mrs. J. H. Thomas, formerly Norma Culter, died November 9th, 1893, at her home in Brooklyn, New York. She was a member of Gamma Rho, and her death will be deeply regretted by her fraternity sisters who loved her for sweet disposition and loyalty.

#### LOUISE EMLAW.

Beta Delta mourns the death of a loyal and active alumna, Louise Emlaw, of Grand Haven, Michigan. She was a devoted Kappa and a faithful friend, who kept in close touch with the chapter and was very dear to every one of us. Her enthusiasm and sunny nature were an inspiration, and our loss is deeply felt.

SOPHIE ST. CLAIR.

#### SARAH HELEN KING.

From the circle of Xi s alumnae has been taken one of the rarest and lovliest spirits it has ever been the privilege of Xi chapter to claim. Sarah Helen King lived a life beautiful in itself and beautiful in its service for others.

Since 1891 she had been connected with the Michigan State Industrial Home for Girls, located at Adrian, first as a teacher, then as manager of Palmer and Alger cottages, respectively, then, since 1898, as assistant superintendent of the institution. She was not only a very capable leader and manager, she was recognized as the most lovable character in the home. The many hundred girls under her care, from year to year, some of whom had been wayward, friendless and hopeless, she patiently, tenderly led into an appreciation of the best and most beautiful things in life.

To her fraternity sisters, Helen King seemed to be a perfect embodiment of the Kappa ideal. Ever since her initiation she has been an inspiration to her chapter; and ever near and dear to her have been the welfare and pro-

gress of Kappa Kappa Gamma,

MARY J. McCollum, Cor. Sec. of Xi Chapter.

As the autumn leaves were ripening into their most gorgeous colors and falling back upon the bosom of mother earth to make room for another evidence of the power of God in the future to bring beauty of ashes from what seems to us lifeless twigs; as the birds were singing their farewell anthems and selecting their companions for a journey to the more congenial atmosphere of a sunny southland; as all nature's bounty was being gathered into storehouses in its most perfect state of ripeness, so, in late autumn, came the change to one of the gentlest and most indulgent daughters, to one of the most thoughtful and tender sisters, to one of the most queenly women, to one of the choicest and truest friends, to a most capable laborer, to a hand maid of God, Sarah Helen King, an alumna of Xi chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

FLORENCE REVNOLDS, '98, Pres. Adrian Alumnae Association.



# M EDITORIAL. M

#### Literary Kappas.

THREE members of Beta Epsilon Alumnae Association have come into prominence in a literary way recently. Alice Duer Miller is the author of "Calderon's Prisoner," published by Scribners. Two novellettes are included in this volume, the title story and "Cyril Vane's Wife." The first tells the adventures of a young lady who finds herself transported into a situation almost medieval, the scene shifting from Central America to Newport. Both are good love stories.

"The Laws of Imitation," by Gabriel Tarde, published by Henry Holt, has been translated by Mrs. Elsie Clewes Parsons. Mrs. Parsons was the first woman appointed school inspector in New York City.

Dorothy Canfield, at one time a student at Nebraska, an alumna of Ohio State and initiated in Beta Nu, now a graduate student of Columbia and a member of Beta Epsilon, has written several articles for *Collier's*, some for *Harper's Bazaar* and for the *Outlook*. Those of us who know her ability expect this to be the beginning of a famous literary career. We are all proud to call these women Kappas.

#### The Kappa Handbook.

The appearance of the "Handbook" again places Kappa before the Greek world as a pioneer. Ours was the first woman's journal; we printed the first song book and the first catalogue. A very creditable little volume it is, too—this suggestion of a history. The editor, Minnie Royse Walker, is a DePauw alumna, a member of N. Y. A. A., and a tireless worker for her fraternity. The limitations of the book are recognized by her in the preface. When one considers the inadequate, inaccurate response to inquiry that comes from the chapters, he realizes how hard Mrs. Walker's task has been. Kappa is under obligation to the author and through the Key wishes to express her gratitude. A review appears elsewhere in these pages.

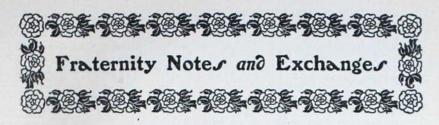
#### The Next Convention.

200 Kappas! Yes, that is the number that will attend convention at Columbia, Mo., next August. Theta chapter and St. Louis A. A. have urged us to hold the meeting there. The exposition will insure cheap rates to St. Louis from all sections in the country. We want the best convention on record—best in numbers, enthusiasm, and good accomplished for the fraternity. Alumnae and active members, make your plans now to attend.

# Young Kappas.

A Kappa baby party! Why not? A great many alumnae are married and the second generation is growing larger all the time, why should alumnae associations not devote one meeting a year to the Kappa babies? Since rattles and rubber dolls are so constantly in the hands of the editor and schemes of baby amusement are busying her mind she naturally thinks of the entertainment of all Kappa babies. A party for these little ones would be a delight to the mothers and would give other Kappas a chance to figure in the rearing of the second generation.





# FRATERNITY NOTES.

#### CONVENTIONS.

Δ Y.—Delta Upsilon gathered her delegates in sixty-ninth Annual Convention in New York City, November 11th, 12th and 13th. The convention was unique as to management, for the alumni undertook entire charge of the running and financiering of the convention and no undergraduate chapter bore the heavy burdens of playing host, alone.

The alumni were very much in evidence in discussion too. Chapter reports were reduced to one-minute speeches and the time thus gained was devoted to conferences on two important

topics, with alumni as leaders in the discussion.

B @ II.—At Beta Theta Pi Convention in August at Put-in-Bay, Willis O. Robb, Ohio Wesleyan, '79, of New York, was elected president, while Calvin Hanna, lately president, was made a trustee. Mr. Hanna's very witty and entertaining account of the convention appears in the current number of the Beta Theta Pi. Certain Beta Nu girls of Kappa Kappa Gamma remember Mr. Hanna as a severely classical Latin professor, early in the 1890's, and to them this bright, even "slangy," narrative will read with special interest and some surprise.

Beta Theta Pi granted a charter to Purdue University by unanimous vote. Editorial comment by Mr. Baird upon this new move toward extension is given in the Exchange Department of

this issue of the KEY.

The convention virtually accepted the invitation of the St. Louis chapter for 1904 convention.

 $\Phi$  K  $\Psi$ .—Managers of the *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi have, in four years, turned over \$1,052.88 to the fraternity, "nearly one-third of which was the result of last year's business." Of special interest to readers of the Kev is the following statement, showing that a grand increase in alumni supporters is worth obtaining even at the cost of "temporary financial sacrifice":

"Last year 502 new subscribers were secured, the movement being carried on at some immediate financial sacrifice. The net increase in number of *Shield* subscribers will doubtless aggregate well along toward four hundred. This means much, not only to the journal, but to the fraternity.

"The support given to the *Shield* is of such a character that it affords ample warrant for a theory entertained by the editor of the journal, namely, that Phi Kappa Psi leads all other college fraternities in the matter of active alumni interest."

Alpha Tau Omega Palm says:

"A dormitory for women, costing \$84,000 without furnishings, has been completed at the University of Texas, and was made ready for occupancy by September 22. Mrs. Neil Carothers, formerly librarian of the University of Arkansas, was elected lady manager thereof. She will have two administrative assistants."

A  $\Xi$   $\Delta$ .—Alpha Xi Delta, a local sorority at Lombard University, Galesburg, Ill., has entered upon a policy of extension. Calling itself the A, it has established a B chapter at Iowa Wesleyan, a  $\Delta$  at Bethany, and an E at the University of South Dakota.

This is the first national fraternity to enter South Dakota. Several attempts have been made to secure fraternity charters at the University of North Dakota, but without success. Although the president is a member of Psi Upsilon and the *fratres in facultate* include a Phi Kappa Psi, a "Deke" and a Delta Tau Delta, the university is hardly large enough as yet to furnish good fraternity material, much less sorority. The University of South Dakota is a still smaller institution.

The following concerning the Rhodes scholars in this country is from *Harper's Weekly*:

"The trustees of the will of Cecil Rhodes have announced that the first election of Rhodes scholars in this country will be held between February and May next year, and the appointees will commence their residence in October, 1904. In each State and Territory a committee of college officers will make one appointment from the candidates between nineteen and twenty-five years old, who qualify by passing the prescribed examinations. These examinations—which are not competitive—are based on requirements for 'responsions'—the entrance examinations for Oxford—and are tests in arithmetic, algebra or geometry, Greek and Latin grammar, Latin prose composition, and Greek and Latin authors. Scholars must have reached the end of their second year in some recognized degree-granting university or college. This last requirement does not fit in particularly well with the other, as sophomores in good standing in our colleges have usually forgotten enough of what they knew when they entered college to make the repassing of an entrance examination a matter of some difficulty."

The Scroll has the following:

"An almost perfect reproduction of the classic Dionysian Theater at Epidaurus, in Greece, has been presented to the University of California by William R. Hearst. The structure was dedicated on September 24, in the presence of 2,000 students and a great throng of men and women of political, collegiate and social distinction. Addresses were made by President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Mr. Hearst and Mr. Ben Weed, a graduate of the university, and a performance of Aristophanes' 'Birds' was given by the students.'

# Beta Theta Pi says of the Kirksville Pan-Hellenic banquet:

"A Pan-Hellenic banquet was held at Kirksville, Mo., on April 17. At that place there is located the American School of Osteopathy, and the partakers were principally those connected with that institution. Representatives of sixteen fraternities were present. The affair took place at the Atlas Club.

"Each person wore his fraternity colors, and as each speaker arose he

was greeted by his college yell, given by those present.

"Dr. Charles Hazzard,  $\Phi$  B K,  $\Delta$  T of the A. S. O. faculty, acted as toast-master, introducing each speaker in such a happy vein as to make the occasion one long to be remembered by those gathered about the banquet table,

"The speakers were representatives from  $X \Phi$ ,  $\Sigma X$ ,  $\Phi B K$ ,  $A T \Omega$ ,  $\Sigma N$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ ,  $\Pi B \Theta$  (Miss Mathison),  $K \Sigma$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ , K A,  $\Sigma A E$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$  and  $K K \Gamma$  (Miss Dockery)."

# EXCHANGES.

In view of our Grand officers' recent visiting trips, the following notes from a similar excursion by two Delta Upsilons will be interesting.

The trip, in this case, was an unofficial one and grew out of the newly adopted "equalization scheme" of paying delegates' expenses; for the two California delegates were the ones to undertake it.

The notes also illustrate what was said in the KEY editorial for July, as to varying conditions for chapter-housing East and West.

"Proceeding eastward we found every chapter living under its own peculiar conditions. A state of affairs that seemed inexplicable before, appears now to be perfectly natural. It seems quite the proper thing that Marietta and Lafayette should not be living in a house, but rent rooms. Rutgers and Amherst can live in chapter houses, but local conditions make it advisable to board at the university dining room with the other fraternities in college. Swarthmore can scarcely think of anything but living in the college dormitory. Being in a small college, their influence would be lost were they to move away from this center of college activity. The Brown chapter is in much the same position as Swarthmore, but the university is larger and there are signs of steps being taken in the house-building line. Technology, Columbia and Chicago face an immense problem in house-building on account of the excessive valuation of real estate in the big cities. At the time of our visit, the Michigan boys were signing contracts for their magnificent new chapter house, and I dare say that by this time they are proud of the finished structure."

At Rutgers, a tablet was set up in the fraternity house, giving all college honors.

"Not only were honors of Delta Upsilon given, but also those of other fraternities and the 'neutrals,' or non-fraternity men. A column is added to the table giving the percentage of honors gained by each, and I suppose it goes without saying, that Delta Upsilon has an immense lead over all the others. I learned more about the Rutgers chapter by reading that table for a few minutes than any man could have told me in hours; and what is more,

the table is absolutely fair and impartial to the other fraternities, and I could quickly make comparisons for myself. Rutgers has a most enviable record, and she shows it in a well-knit and enthusiastic chapter."

The zealous travelers returned to the Pacific Coast brimful of news and enthusiasm.

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Two Phi Kappa Psi men, officers on official visits this time, recount their experiences in the October Shield.

Says Secretary Monnette:

"A more delightful summer's recreation and beneficial travel can scarcely be planned. Not least important was the search at each stopping point for resident Phi Psis, and in each place the search was a successful one. More than one were found and compelled to listen to recital of recent events in the fraternity and to renew their active interest in more positive manner, no matter its degree at that time. These meetings were the more enjoyable part of the trip and everywhere the most cordial welcome was extended to the visitor and official."

# Says President Fell:

"The alumni officers of the fraternity have always felt the desirability of closer association with the local chapters, and have endeavored in every way to come in touch with the undergraduates wherever possible. While this, owing to the isolation of many of our chapters, has been almost impossible, the officers have at some sacrifice of their time endeavored to reach as many as possible. It is very unfortunate that many undergraduates never have an opportunity to meet the officers of their fraternity, and their opinion of these officers is based on the report of their delegates to the various conventions. Naturally, this is an uncertain method of understanding each other, and we have felt that, whenever possible, an undergraduate could better understand the general government of his fraternity by personal contact and his questions be more readily answered at a personal interview than is possible to do in correspondence."

#### And he concludes:

"If our visit has brought back one lost alumnus to the fold, or encouraged the undergraduates to renewed energy and devotion to our old fraternity, we shall feel well repaid for the effort. In this hustling workaday world there are few things to which we can cling that do not smack of commercialism. Our college traditions, which are mainly our fraternity traditions, are one of the shaded nooks back to which we may retreat, and I hope that every alumni brother will be encouraged to take up and keep up this happy connection. The Phi Psis of to-day and the Phi Psis of fifty years ago are made of the same stuff; they worship the same ideals; they pledge themselves to the same mistress, and it behooves us all to put our shoulder to the wheel and push ever upward and onward in the struggle to keep our good fraternity where it belongs—at the top—the greatest Greek letter fraternity."

This sort of "enthusiasm" is a good thing, sisters, and visiting, officially or unofficially, is the *only* way to arouse it in all its glory. The year of the World's Fair at St. Louis is a good time to begin to plan all sorts of fraternity meetings, and we sincerely believe that an increase in the exchange of visits between individual Kappas, chapters and provinces will result in more real,

abiding, glorious benefit to Kappa and to Kappas than all the "round robins" or official correspondence we could require or inspire.

In fact, it is always good for sisters to take sweet counsel together. Witness the following from the Arrow:

"'Can I spend a contented summer at home?' is the question the fraternity girl asks herself at the close of the college year. If she is fortunate enough to afford a summer trip, well and good. But so many college girls in order to afford fraternity life must spend as little as possible during vacations. And so it does become a question which each must answer for herself, how to stay at home contentedly, and make an ordinarily dull summer a happy one.

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"Probably her home friends have grown away from her, during her absence, or (as so often happens) they are afraid of a 'mystic Greek.' If so, the girl's home-coming is something that she well may dread.

"Such had been the case, for several successive summers, with the fraternity girls who live in Kokomo, Ind. Their interests seemed all centered in the next college year, and their friends seemed only the ones they had left for the summer. But one more thoughtful than the rest (a Pi Phi!) struck the spark that lit the flame of sympathy between all the fraternity girls of the town, and a Greek club was organized this summer, which has proven more than satisfactory. Three Pi Phis, three Alpha Phis, one Kappa, two Thetas and one Alpha Chi Omega made up the jolly crowd. And when two Tri-Deltas, who had been enjoying lake breezes for a month, came home, a mock initiation was made ready, and they, too, entered heartily into the

spirit of the club.

"Of course each girl had been taught to honor her own fraternity above all others; so it was agreed from the first that only such fraternity questions as would be of common interest should be discussed in the meetings. And so girls of different fraternities, even from the same college, met together, learned to love one another, and have gone back with broader minds, and will be more loyal than ever to their own organizations. For while the comradeship enjoyed during the summer filled each with a respect not heretofore known for the other fraternities represented, it also had the other good result of binding each girl more closely to her own dear sisterhood."

This also, from the *Arrow*, which may be construed to read, "Little sisters, love one another," if we allow it to apply to alumnae in cities like New York or Chicago, where a meeting of alumnae is a veritable "journey into a far country," and requires much enthusiasm in order to be undertaken at all:

"To those who left behind college and chapter life in June, a most cordial invitation is extended to be one of us in deed as well as in name. It should be the natural step for every Pi Phi to take upon leaving college. There is a great opportunity in the Association for work and enough can easily be found to convince one that active fraternity life is not all crowded into the four short college years. Keep up your interest from year to year—never letting it flag for a moment. Look around you and find something for you to do, or write some one for work to be given you to do."

And as an argument for inter-chapter visiting:

"It is a grave mistake to suppose that the strength of a fraternity lies in the compelling power of its central organization. The business of the National Council is executive and administrative merely. The real strength of a fraternity is in the strength of its individual chapters, in their adaptation each to its own environment. The central authority is strongest when it leaves to each chapter the greatest liberty to grow, "We are most of us apt to think that uniformity is the same thing as unity or that the latter implies the former. We forget that while uniformity is sometimes a useful means to an end, unity is an end in itself. In the old many-chaptered fraternity, to enforce uniformity between chapter and chapter would frequently be sadly to weaken unity."

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The prize of \$50.00 offered by the New York Alumni Association of Alpha Tau Omega for the best essay on "The Influences of the College Fraternity," was won by Fletcher B. Wagner, a member of Delta Upsilon, from Stanford University. Mr. Wagner won the inter-collegiate debate between his alma mater and University of California, and in 1902 won the Carnot medal, which is considered the highest debating honor on the Pacific Coast. He is now in the Harvard Law School.

The judges were ex-President Grover Cleveland, President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, of the University of California, and Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews, of the University of Nebraska.

The essay is a fine "rushing" argument, and concludes as follows:

"As this paragraph is written, the writer looks from the summit of a peak in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. A trail, blazed by many a traveler marks and makes easy an ascent through forest and snow. College life is a climb. A freshman may find rocks, ravines and underbrush. He may waste steps alone. Fraternity life is a blazed trail, leading him to one peak or to another. Men who preceded him have chosen their path; indicated their standard, provided help along the way. Moreover, a congenial number follows with him. Whatever destination they seek will be reached more surely, more pleasantly. The fraternity hastens evolutions, for good or for bad. It makes work and culture easier, or it can make dissipation and decay more rapid. An institution with such power should be nurtured. Its capacity for good should be developed. The chapter house at college should be studied as well as Hull House of the slums. It is a permanent and efficient factor in college life, which cannot be supplied by the haphazard of the dormitory and lunch-counter.

"The college fraternity is American. It tends to produce an aristocratic socialist. A man can learn through fraternity life the equality of equals, and the welfare of the majority as well as the value of an energetic and

favored minority."

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Phi Delta Theta, with its sixty-eight chapters, speaks for conservatism in extension, and with these sentiments most Kappas will agree, no doubt:

"And we firmly believe it to be to the fraternity's welfare to grant a new charter only when the chapters themselves enthusiastically favor it; when in truth, the chapters really want the new chapter, after a full investigation of the application. Admission on any other basis will not add strength, however promising the institution or applicants, but, on the contrary, will sap our vitality. When we admit a new chapter, we are not merely admitting new members; we are adding new brothers. And we cannot acquire true

brothers hurriedly or otherwise than warmly. We must remember that sixtyeight chapters is a large list, and that it cannot readily be moved. To add to it any new chapters other than those it itself enthusiastically wants and asks for, is surely to weaken the bond which binds them."

Beta Theta Pi, on the other hand, with its sixty-six chapters (including the new one at Purdue), is advocating extension.

Says Editor Baird:

"We are glad to see a more liberal spirit growing with respect to the granting of new charters. It would readily appear that, after the ultrarestrictive policy of the past ten years, the liberals and conservatives have
met on common ground. No application for a charter is now likely to be
rejected by a certain wing of the fraternity, merely because no new chapters
are desired. None is likely to be urged because extension everywhere is
desired. As heretofore, the petitioners must prove their case; the institution
must be reputable, with an adequate attendance, an endowment sufficient to
secure permanence and a good reputation for scholarship; and the petitioners must be worthy and congenial. If groups of petitioners meet these
requirements and are content to comply with the somewhat vigorous procedure prescribed by our laws, they need not despair of the outcome."

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The following interesting news items are gleaned from the Beta Theta Pi:

" $\Psi$  T was guilty of not over-honorable conduct during the campaign of last year at the University of Minnesota, and its attitude this year will be watched with interest. It appears that there was a rule at the university that none of the fraternities should rush the high school students until a certain fixed date in the fall term. This was for the benefit of the students and, in a measure, of the fraternities. The rule was complied with until the fall of 1902, when it was discovered that  $\Psi$  T had broken it by arranging for a rushing party. The president of the university deemed it his duty to announce to the students that this chapter had broken his rule and had also broken its compact with the other fraternities, and he thereupon stated that the regulations upon the subject would be abolished, as their force depended altogether upon the honor of the fraternities and it was not fair to hold other chapters by such rules when one chapter sought an unfair advantage by disregarding them."

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"Another interesting experiment which the University of Chicago is now considering is that of building chapter houses for the various fraternities. There are at present twelve undergraduate fraternities at the university,  $\Delta \Delta \Phi$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$ ,  $X \Psi$ ,  $\Delta K E$ ,  $\Delta T \Delta$ ,  $\Delta \Upsilon$ ,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ ,  $\Phi K \Psi$ ,  $\Psi \Upsilon$ ,  $\Sigma X$  and  $\Sigma A E$ . All of these occupy rented houses except  $\Phi K \Psi$ , which owns its property. The university has experienced the difficulty which attends all city universities, where many students live at home. It has been hard to get large numbers of students together easily and to infuse the proper degree of college spirit into them. At the same time, it is only fair to say that the 'Chicago spirit' has developed in a surprising manner. Beginning with October, there will be opened a group of magnificent buildings to be devoted especially to student life. These consist of a commons, or large dining hall, where four hundred may be seated at the table at once; the University Tower, about which it is expected many traditions will form; a Student Club House, modeled somewhat after Houston Hall, of the University of Pennsylvania; and an Assembly Hall, in which will be every facility for the holding

of meetings of various kinds. Across the street from this group of buildings the university owns a strip of land, and it has suggested to the fraternities the possibility of erecting chapter houses here, thus bringing the two hundred and fifty-odd fraternity men into the immediate vicinity of the buildings which are designed as the center of student life—a location even more strategic because the new gymnasium and the athletic field are on the opposite corner. The proposition of the university raises some very interesting points regarding the relationship between the authorities of the institution and the college fraternities. It is not at all surprising that when a delegation of representatives of the various fraternities met to consider it, over one hundred questions were asked by different ones. These questions involved so many phases that it has been decided to have a commission appointed, consisting of two representatives of each fraternity, an alumnus and an undergraduate, together with a small group from the faculty, representing the university. This commission is to hold regular meetings and is to try to work out a solution which may be best for both parties. Fraternity men everywhere will watch the action of this commission with great interest."

The following, from the Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, speaks for itself:

"In a case submitted by New York Gamma, Brother Pegram decides that a chapter not only has the power to discipline a member who neglects the first purpose of his college life, namely, his work as a student, but that it should, as a last resort, go even to the extent of casting a chronic idler out

of the fold. In reaching this conclusion Brother Pegram says:
"'The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity is a fraternity which has always maintained the highest standard of scholastic and moral excellence. To conserve this reputation every undergraduate thereof must maintain the same standard for himself, else the fraternity will suffer because of his misconduct. The solemn obligations taken by every initiate imperatively demand the mainte-nance of this standard and at least this much is due to every man's self-

respect.

"Therefore, if any member fall short of this standard and, after repeated the conduct, he should be summarily fraternal admonitions, fail to amend his conduct, he should be summarily dealt with. It is recognized that the unwonted freedom of college life after the narrower restrictions of home and school life, often lead the young collegian into paths which are dangerous, and it is the duty of the members of his chapter when such lapses become noticeable, to point out his error and endeavor to turn his wayward footsteps in the proper direction. Such efforts are usually met with complete success, and result in making the errant brother a better member for the fraternity, a better student for the college and a better citizen for the nation.'

