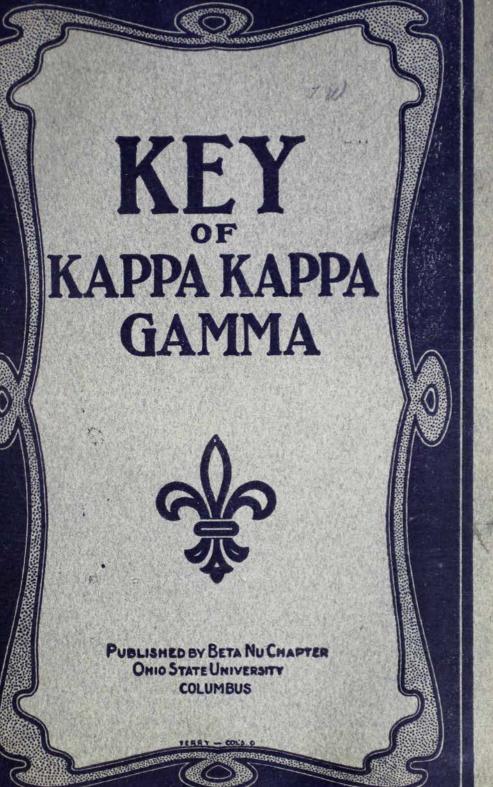
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#### KAPPA,

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You ask which frat is far the best,
Kappa, 'tis Kappa,
The frat that's known o'er east and west,
Kappa, 'tis Kappa,
From where we read of Winkle's love,
To where the Rockies proudly soar,
Oh! dear it is forever more,
Kappa, our Kappa.

You ask which frat I love the most,
Kappa, dear Kappa,
The frat of which I always boast,
Kappa, 'tis Kappa,
The frat that's strong with maidens fair,
With faces sweet and smiles so rare,
Oh, unto it none can compare,
Kappa, our Kappa.

Go read the history of her past,
Kappa, of Kappa,
And you will see her strength will last,
Kappa, dear Kappa.
Forever will our golden key,
Join with the beauteous fleur-de-lis,
And honor bring to Kappa Kappa Gamma,
Kappa, our Kappa.

-Beta Zeta.

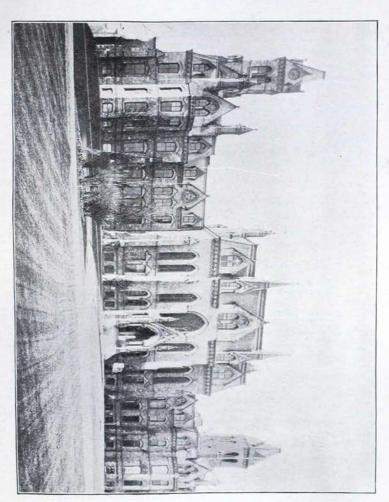
#### UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

NE of the strongest of the few cords which bind these later days to colonial times is the continuous life of a half dozen American colleges or universities, as they have ultimately become. One was founded in the seventeenth century, one in the earliest years of the eighteenth, and three—Pennsylvania, Princeton and Columbia—in the middle years of the eighteenth century. It was the day of small things, and the institution at Philadelphia, like the others, had quite as much of the school as the college about it. Yet its curriculum was carefully worked out; its first provost, Dr. William Smith, was an able and eminent man; its trustees, Benjamin Franklin and others, were well known and influential, and students came from other provinces and from the West Indies as well as from Pennsylvania. During the quarter century preceding the revolution the foundations of the medical school, as an adjunct of the college, were laid.

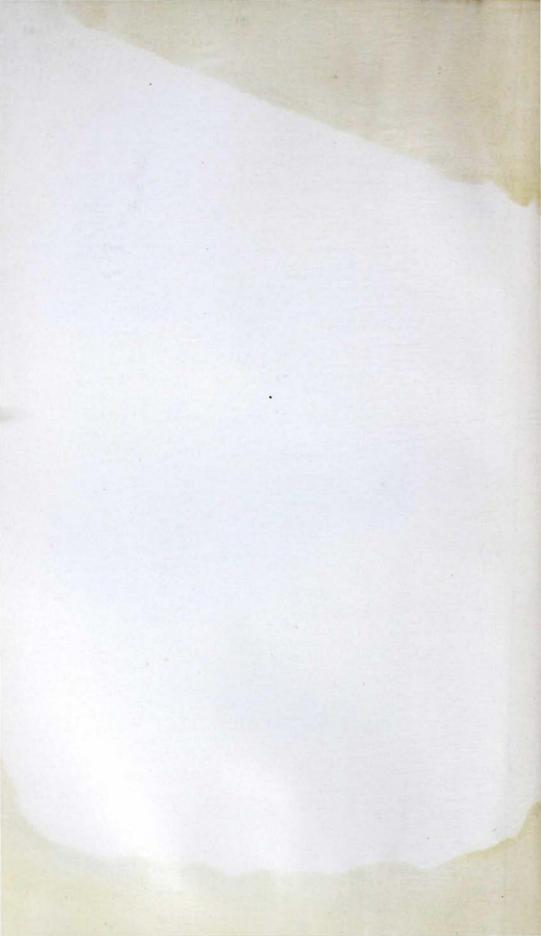
With the revolution, however, came troublesome days for the college. The gathering patriot troops used the college yard and buildings for temporary barracks, the attention of the students was diverted by more stirring interests, and finally the British troops came to occupy the city. As a result the college building was closed for more than a year and a half, as far as its legitimate uses were concerned, though it served various purposes in the meantime, including that of the meeting place of congress for several days in July, 1778.

The years following the revolution and the early part of the succeeding century were not a period conducive to the prosperity of a non-sectarian institute of higher education in a community as much devoted to material interests as was Pennsylvania. The medical department, however, which appealed to the tangible professional interests, grew and flourished, and soon became by far the best known medical school in America.

Nevertheless there was life in the college, or department of arts, as it was then called. The old building at Fourth and Arch streets had become too contracted and too badly situated for further usefulness. On Ninth street, between Market and



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Chestnut, there was a large and handsome building erected as a dwelling place for the president of the United States, when it was expected that Philadelphia would remain the national capital. In 1802 this building was secured for the college. Alterations and additions were made from time to time till in 1829 it was torn down and two buildings were put up on the same site, one for the department of arts and one for the medical school.

In 1825 the college course was raised from three to four years, entrance requirements made more rigorous, and then a rule was made that students should not be admitted under fourteen years of age.

With the middle of the century the blood began to run somewhat more briskly through the veins of the university. The law department, after a long intermission, was refounded in 1850, a number of scientific courses in the college were established soon afterward, and additional members were added to the faculty.

A few years later, in 1872, a great break with the past was made by the removal from the center of the city to West Philadelphia, and this also coincided with the administration of a new provost, Dr. Stille.

In West Philadelphia the university had elbow room, and it began promptly to take advantage of its opportunity for expansion. In the years immediately succeeding was erected the original group of four buildings, college hall, medical hall, the medical laboratory and university hospital. All these were of green serpentine. Between 1880 and 1890 several more buildings were erected, among these the library, the biological and the veterinary. Between 1890 and 1900 the additions to the university group of buildings were the observatory, the dormitories, the Harrison laboratory of chemistry, the museums, dental hall and the law school. This last year the hall of physics.

But after all these buildings are only the shell of the university. It is the history of the life within them which is important. During the same decades—'70 to '80, from 80 to '90, and from '90 to 1900—a number of new departments of study were established, the scientific courses, the courses in biology, in finance and economy, in architecture, in dentistry, in music, in veterinary medicine and the graduate school, in addition to corresponding extensions of the old departments, the college and the medical and law departments. Similarly the number of students

had risen from less than a thousand to nearly three thousand, and the number of instructors from less than fifty to more than two hundred and fifty.

In the last years of onward marching and to the present day the university has been guided by Provost Charles Curtis Harrison, L.L. D.

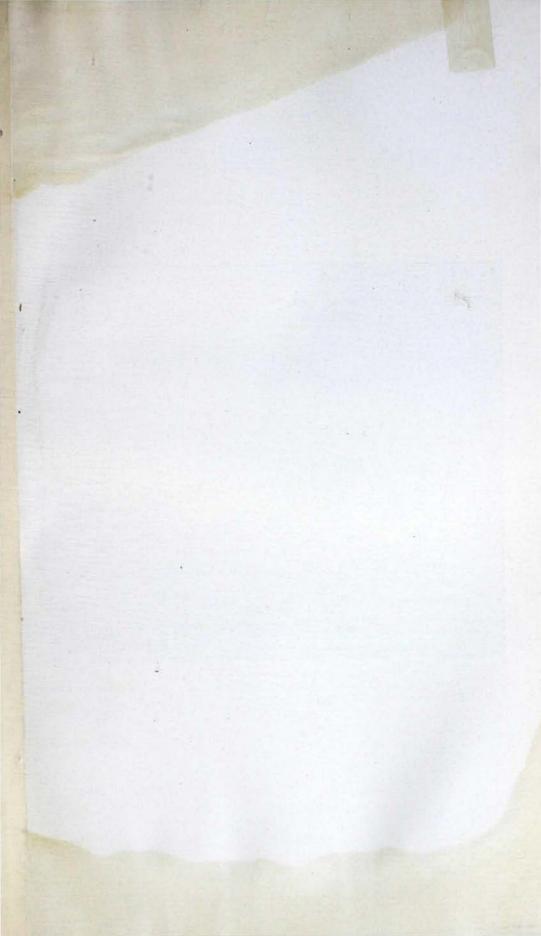
In closing it would only be fitting to speak of the changes in methods of teaching and studying which have occurred from decade to decade; also the great change in the social life of the students, but space forbids. We must content ourselves with this brief history, and say in conclusion that the University of Pennsylvania started in the front ranks of American colleges and has ever maintained that position.

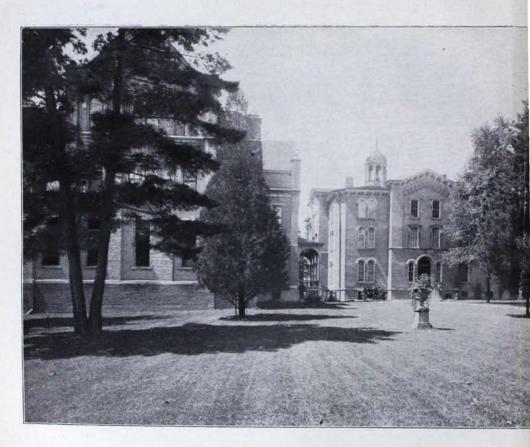
SARAH PLEIS MILLER, Beta Alpha.

#### ADRIAN COLLEGE.

A MONG the many colleges of this broad land in which a higher and more extended education is given to both men and women is Adrian College, which is governed by the Methodist Protestant Church. The college is situated in the western part of the pretty little city of Adrian. A broad campus extends for some distance in front of the five buildings which constitute the college. When Adrian College was first organized, March 22, 1859, there were but two buildings. The first president under whose administration the college was established was Rev. Mahan. Under his wise management the college prospered, and now has a very widespread influence. Adrian College has the great honor and distinction of being one of the first colleges of the land to introduce co-education and to give women an equal place in educational opportunity with man.

The music department of Adrian College is especially strong, and the best opportunities are given to those wishing to graduate in music, both vocal and instrumental. Public recitals are given each term to which the public is invited, and thus the progress of the students becomes known to others besides themselves. The

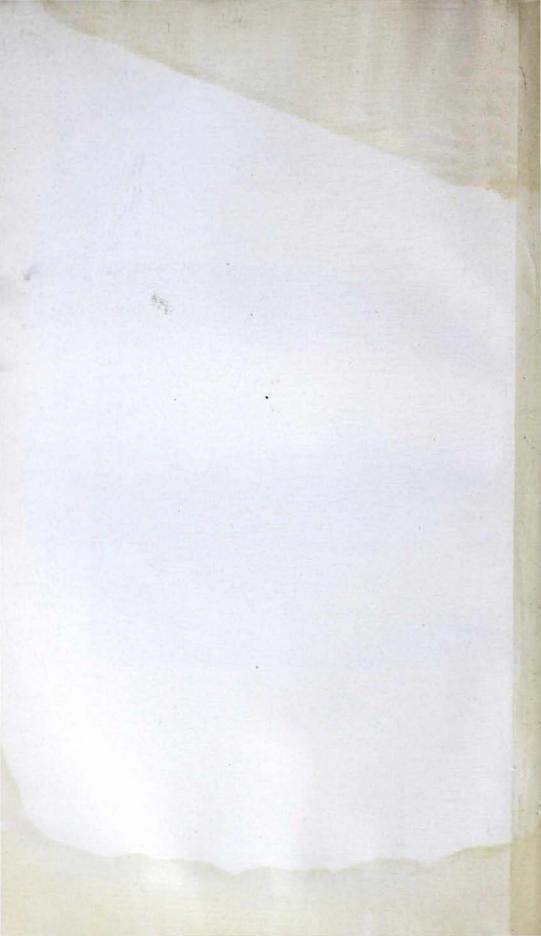




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pedagogical department is another especially important feature of our college, which has furnished some of the best teachers of the land. A course of study in pedegogy entitles a graduate to a state certificate from the state superintendent of public instruction of Michigan.

During commencement week of each year there is a contest between the three literary societies, which increases the rivalry that exists between them. A prize consisting of books is given to the one who is the best orator of the three societies, and a similar prize is given to the best essayist of Star and Lambda Phi. The society rooms are very tastefully arranged, and many evenings of pleasure and profit are spent by the members.

A semi-monthly paper is published by the three literary societies, the *Adrian College World*. In this the endeavor is made to give the best productions of the college, and also little local happenings, which interest all. *The World* tries to keep track of the alumni of our college and give older graduates a knowledge of the whereabouts of their friends and classmates.

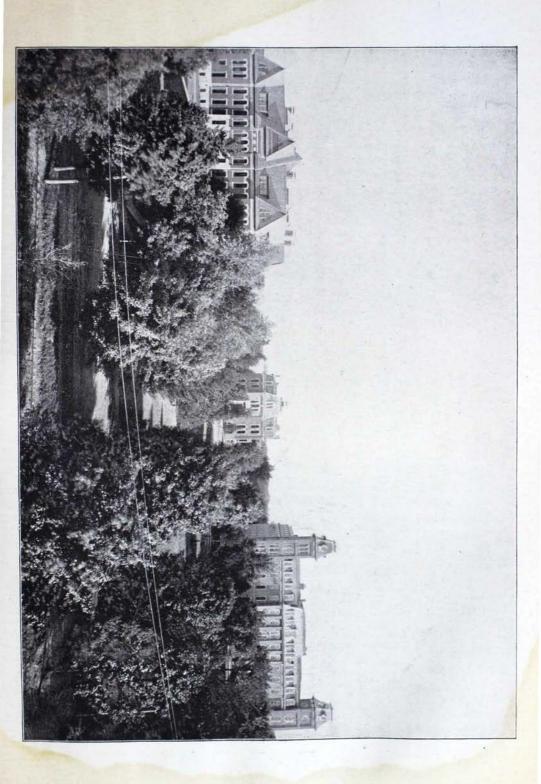
Four fraternities make the life of our college very pleasant, our own Xi chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma; Gamma chapter of Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Tau Omega, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Fraternity life is thus made of more importance and a great rivalry exists.

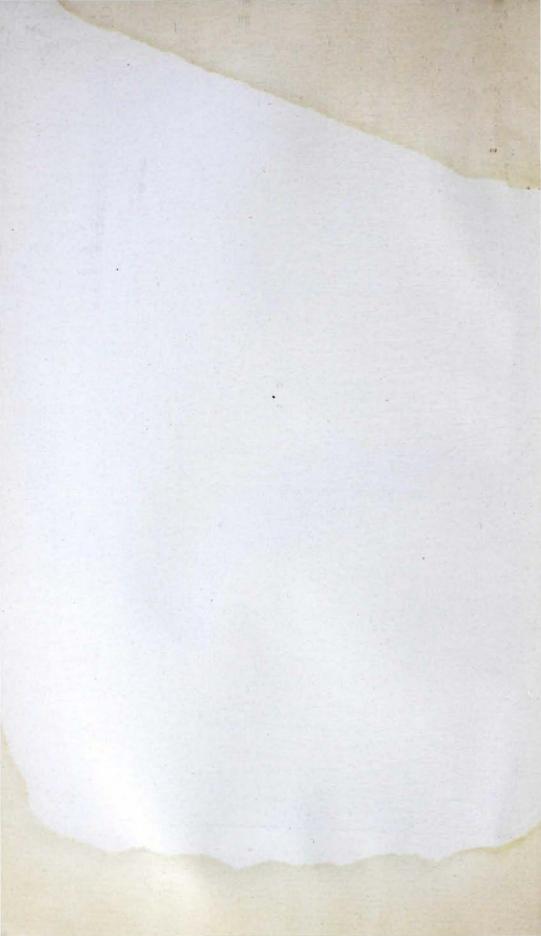
There are three courses of study in the college proper, leading to degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Philosophy, which aim to give as thorough a knowledge as possible of these lines of work. In connection with the college proper is the preparatory school, which gives to students a complete academic course. This is especially for those who wish to enter mercantile life. Among the students of Adrian, which average from 175 to 200 each year, many graduate who become great powers in the world. Adrian College, our alma mater, is proud of her past, and hopes to be prouder of those who shall leave her classic halls in future years.

#### UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

THE state of Illinois has long had an enviable reputation for the progressive spirit that has characterized its citizens, and that has made of it one of the most prosperous states of the Union. In one respect, however, Illinois fell behind some of her less fortunate sisters, for neighboring states recognized earlier the need of higher education by establishing colleges and universities. It was not until 1862 that the University of Illinois was established by laws of Congress, and not until 1867 that state laws were passed providing for its organization. The congressional land grant of 480,000 acres was sold as scrip and the proceeds invested in interest bearing bonds, except 25,000 acres located in Nebraska and Minnesota. Several counties competed to secure the location of the university, and Champaign County, by the donation of \$450,000 in buildings, lands and farms, was successful in obtaining it. The new school was opened to students, March 11, 1868, with a president, then known as regent, and three members of the faculty. In the summer term seventy-seven students were registered. The univerity was first known as the Illinois Industrial University, a name which was not changed until July, 1885. At first, work on the farms and gardens or buildings was compulsory, but this regulation obtained for only a year. Chemical and botanical laboratory work started almost with the founding of the university, and in January, 1870, shop instruction—the first shop instruction given in any American university-began.

As the years passed the school expanded and prospered and college after college was added to it. There are now in Urbana, Colleges of Engineering, Science, Literature and Arts, Law and Agriculture and the State Library School. In 1896 the Chicago School of Pharmacy became the School of Pharmacy of the University of Illinois, and in the following year the College of Physicians and Surgeons, also of Chicago, became allied with the university. The student body, from seventy-seven, has grown to nearly three thousand, and the faculty, from four, to three hundred and thirty-five.





In 1894 Dr. A. S. Draper became head of the faculty under the new title of president. The institution is governed by a board of trustees, eleven in number; nine of the trustees are elected at the general state election, and two, the governor of the state and the superintendent of public instruction, are ex-officio. The university has received very generous support from the state, during the course of its history nearly \$3,000,000 having been granted to it. In 1901 an appropriation of over \$900,000 was made, the largest ever made at one time by a state legislature to the state college.

The buildings are scattered about on a rectangular strip of ground occupying about 210 acres. Through this strip runs an avenue which is bordered by stately elms. The campus itself is very beautiful, and the students, who take great pride in it, aid very materially in maintaining its good condition. When the structures which are now in process of erection are completed, there will be over a dozen buildings on the campus—University Hall, the Library Building, Natural History Hall, Agricultural Building, Astronomical Observatory, Chemical Laboratory, Engineering Hall, Armory, Wood Shops, Gymnasium, Metal Shops, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Laboratory, Central Heating Station, Law School, two greenhouses and a number of barns and dwellings. The Agricultural Building consists of four separate structures built around an open court and connected by corridors. The entire building contains 113 rooms, with a total floor space of nearly two acres. The Library Building, a handsome stone structure, has a tower 132 feet high. The library contains 46,000 volumes and 4,500 pamphlets, and the reading room contains 544 periodicals, while the natural history, agricultural and pedagogical libraries contain about 12,000 additional volumes.

The engineering and architectural equipments are excellent and these courses are especially strong.

Women were admitted to the university in 1870, and in that year twenty-four entered. There are now about 350 in attendance, 171 new girls entering this fall. As a rule the girls register either in the College of Literature and Arts or of Science, or in the Library School. Household Science was added to the curriculum two years ago, and many girls avail themselves of the opportunity of adding this to their courses. The Department of

Library Science has attracted many girls to the university. As two years of college work are required for admission to the Library School, many who have taken their freshman and sophomore work in other universities are found on its rolls, in fact there are representations in it from colleges scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

Kappa Alpha Theta, which was the first woman's fraternity to be represented here, organized a chapter in October, 1895, and was followed in the same month by Pi Beta Phi. Besides these and the Kappa Kappa Gamma Chapter, there are two other women's chapters, one of Alpha Chi Omega, a musical fraternity, and Chi Omega. Aside from the honorary, technical and class fraternities, seven men's fraternities have chapters in the university, and a local chapter is applying for a charter from Beta Theta Pi.

There are several literary and political societies in the university, and quite flourishing Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, the latter organizations owning a very pleasant home. Both faculty and student body take a lively interest in athletics, an interest which is at present being well rewarded.

ALICE O. ENSIGN, Beta Lambda.



### Alumnae > Department

#### New York Alumnae Association.

Our association has already had two meetings, but owing to various reasons they have not been so well attended as we have desired. The homes of our members are so widely scattered over Greater New York and the outlying districts that it is difficult to find a meeting place that is convenient for even a small number. In order that we may have as central a location as possible, the next meeting, in January, will probably be held at the Women's University Club House, 13 East Twenty-fourth street, New York. This club house is a new venture. College alumnae in New York have felt the need of such a place for some time, and last spring plans were set on foot which resulted in renting and furnishing this attractive meeting place. Rooms have been engaged for special occasions by various college alumnae associations and by women's fraternities. The success of the undertaking seems practically ensured, as there is a membership list of several hundred.

As in previous years our work will be principally discussion of matters of general fraternity interest, rather than of a literary or artistic character.

We also hope to give another Kappa luncheon, as most of us found last year's so enjoyable.

ALICE G. BRICKELMAIER, Secretary.

#### Cleveland Alumnae Association.

Tuesday afternoon, November 26th, at the apartments of Mrs. Guy Morrison Walker, deputy of the Grand President, a Cleveland alumnae association was formed. The following officers were elected: Mrs. N. O. Paulin,  $X_t$ , president; Mrs. H. Hughes Johnson, B  $\Gamma$ , secretary; Miss Mary Warner,  $\Gamma$  P, treasurer. Seven chapters were represented at the first meeting, and the association will consist of from fifteen to twenty-five members. Great enthusiasm has been shown. The association was formed through the combined efforts of Mrs. Walker and Miss Ethel Jefferson, the deputy of the Grand Registrar.

#### Boston Alumnae Association.

The Boston Alumnae Association of K K I has reorganized in the hope of establishing a chapter which shall be a real part of the fraternity. It has planned to have seven meetings during the year, four of which shall be devoted to the interests of the fraternity and the business of the association, and three meetings to social intercourse.

The members of the association have felt that to be loyal to the fraternity and to keep the vows which they took at their initiation they must continue their interest and knowledge of the changes which each year brings to the fraternity.

The association will receive the publications of the fraternity and hopes to send a delegate to the next convention.

At the first business meeting Miss Bertha Richmond was chosen president and Mrs. Emily Bright Burnham vice-president. At the first social meeting the active chapter was entertained.

M. L. CHAMBERLAIN, Secretary.

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#### Detroit Alumnae.

Since its organization last March the Detroit Alumnae Association has held several pleasant meetings. One that was especially enjoyed occurred last June, just before the general summer exodus. A ride of half an hour by electric car along the lake brought us to a charming resort. Here after a brief business meeting a delicious fish dinner was served, and the moonlight ride back completed a delightful jaunt.

Our meetings have as yet been almost entirely social in character. It has been felt that the purposes of the association would be better served by an informal interchange of ideas among the members than by observance of a rigid program. Since we number among our members representatives from several chapters, comparison of experiences and methods cannot be without interest and value.

Several of the June graduates have joined us. We welcome them most gladly, both for themselves and for the fresh enthusiasm they bring from their more recent contact with active chapter interests.

LULU B. SOUTHMAYD, Secretary.

#### Canton Alumnae Association.

The winter opens with the St. Lawrence Alumnae Association more enthusiastic than ever. We have decided to hold regular meetings once a month, which will be of both a literary and social character. A committee has been appointed to plan some special line of study.

The people of Canton are rejoicing over the offer of \$30,000 by Andrew Carnegie for a public library.

Mrs. L. P. Hale, the new president of our association, is indefatigable in her efforts to make the meetings successful and to keep up the interest of the individual members.

Wishing all associations as enjoyable meetings as our own, we close.

Lura Conkey, Secretary.

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#### Chicago Alumnae Association.

A note from headquarters calls for "your plans for the coming year," and ye scribe is therefore commanded by an alumna or two to write to tell the dear sisters our plans. I believe I can appreciate how the poor Israelites felt when they had to make "bricks without straw," for to be thoroughly frank-honest, in fact-we acknowledge that we have no plans for the coming year. I feel sure that this will cause a shudder of virtuous indignation, but girls, we poor Chicagoans live "on the gallop." Our tout ensemble is composed of busy school teachers, busier bookkeepers, stenographers, and thrice busy "mothers." We live miles and miles from each other—one lives seventeen miles north of the heart of the city, another as many miles south. Do you wonder then that we do not plan programs and lay out work for ourselves? Once each month we meet-a few faithful onesat a modest little tea room down town, where we assemble always in one certain corner and eat our luncheon together. Ye business women have an hour, ye mothers sometimes more, but oftener less time than that; ye schoolmarms out on their weekly task of "blowing in" their salary, can possibly spare two hours of their precious holiday. So we just come, eat our luncheon and visit. We hear from this one who has visited here, from that one who met a Kappa from there; we get a report of the convention from one fortunate enough to attend. We have heart to heart talks about the last football scores (for we are intensely

interested in all our alma maters). Last time we heard about their summer across the ocean from Louise Merrill, Beta Nu, and Zaidee Mitchell, Kappa. The "feast of reason and flow of soul" is always there.

Once a year we have a banquet at one of the really smart hostelries and then we may really count on more than the faithful few.

We read our Keys, each one looking eagerly for the chapter letter of her own particular chapter. And, by the way, dear younger sisters in active chapters, if you knew how many eager alumnae's eyes sought out your letters every quarter there would never be an issue of The Key which did not contain a news letter from every single one of our twenty-eight active chapters.

All Chicago alumnae join in wishing our sisters a prosperous and helpful year, and we hope there isn't another chapter which will need to confess they are simply "eaters."

IDA BONNELL OSTOTT, Secretary.

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#### Denver Alumnae Association.

Our Denver Alumnae Association had the pleasure of entertaining several visiting Kappas in August. Miss Mary E. Pennington, Grand Treasurer, who was in Denver at that time attending the Scientific Association, was guest of honor at a tea given by Mrs. Albert Sechrist on August 29th.

On the 30th our alumnae association gave a coaching party in honor of the visiting Kappas. The parties on both occasions included Miss Mary E. Pennington, Mrs. Frank Russell, of Cambridge, Mass.; Miss McCullough, Columbus, Ohio; Miss Powell, Indianapolis; Miss Edith DeLong, Boulder; Misses Hargreaves, Lincoln; Mrs. A. Sechrist, Mrs. N. O. McClees, Mrs. E. C. Healy, Misses Blanche and Blendena Emmons, Misses Alice Maitland, Gertrude Wood, Carrie Orton, Katherine Todd, Monta Boyer and Alice Grace.

Our plan for this year's work is an imaginary journey through Europe. Different members have been assigned the pleasant duty of acting as guides throughout the various stages of the journey, and together we will tour France, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Switzerland and Italy, and will extend the trip as occasion may permit.

GERTRUDE F. WOOD, Secretary.

#### Kansas City Alumnae Association.

A most enjoyable Thanksgiving breakfast was given in November by Kappas of Missouri University, Kansas University and the Kansas City Alumnae Association.

Between the courses of the banquet much enthusiasm was displayed in college yells, chapter yells and gay and serious fraternity songs.

Miss L. Agnes Peters, Theta, president of the Kansas City Alumnae and toast mistress of the occasion, delivered a witty and entertaining address of welcome. Responses were made by Miss Montgomery on behalf of Theta, and Miss Armsby, of Omega. Mrs. H. T. Stephens, Xi, responded to the toast, "Kappa Unity." Another toast, "The Rushing Season," was given by Miss Wilson, of Omega, in a most delightful manner, which displayed evidences of recent experience. All agreed that this third annual affair was the most delightful of all.

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#### Bloomington, Illinois, Kappa Club.

A neat pamphlet program has come to THE KEY office, showing the plan of study before the Bloomington Kappas. "Italy, from 476 to 1796, is the subject to be considered. The club was organized December, 1895, and has twenty members.

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#### Minnesota Alumnae Association.

On November 8th the active and alumnae members of Chi of Kappa Kappa Gamma held a dancing party at the home of Mrs. Partridge, one of Chi's charter members. This was the first affair of the kind (undertaken by both the active and alumnae Kappas) we had ever tried, and it proved to be a great success.

Two of our regular quarterly meetings have been held this fall, and although there was not much business to transact, we all enjoyed seeing one another again.

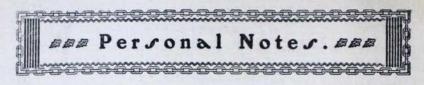
MABEL PERRIN STONE, Secretary.

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#### Beta Iota Alumnae Association.

The last regular meeting was held October 14th, at the home of Mrs. Charles Hodge, West Philadelphia. Business occupied the greater part of the afternoon, after which a purely social chat was thoroughly enjoyed. With the beginning of the new year we hope to have more definite plans for our meetings.

MARY G. BALL, Secretary.



#### BETA ALPHA.

Sarah P. Miller is a teacher in the Philadelphia High School for Girls, having been recently appointed in the department of biology.

Annie B. Sargent is teacher of physical geography in the Altoona High School.

Other members of Beta Alpha are also teaching. Mary H. Howell at present is in the school at Kennett Square, Pa., and Ethel Hayes in Miss Gorden's school of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edward Potter (Bertha Yocum) is very happy with little twin daughters that arrived about four weeks ago.

#### BETA IOTA.

The engagement of Anna Katharine Himes, 'oo, to Mr. Robert Early Manley has been announced.

Edith Kenderdine, ex-'97, was married on October 16th to Mr. James Andrews.

The engagement of Grace A. Blakelee, ex-'oo, has been announced to Mr. Sprague Rockwood, of Chicago.

Katharine Pfeiffer, 'oo, gave a Kappa luncheon in honor of Ethel Thompson, 'oo, and Anna Himes, 'oo, on November 29th, 1901.

#### CANTON (N. Y.) ALUMNAE.

Another Kappa baby appeared at the home of Mrs. Florence Lee Whitman on the night of the June alumnae banquet.

Jessie Stearns, '98, took the degree of Master of Arts at commencement. A few days later Miss Stearns was united in marriage with George R. Hardie, professor of Latin in the university.

Helen Clemence, '98, and Arthur Floyd Griffiths were married in July and are living in Worcester, Mass.

Charlotte Kimball, '94, has received an appointment as head of a college settlement at Louisville, Ky.

#### KAPPA.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fredd Rial Miller, of New Orleans, La., on October 8th, a baby girl.

Mabelle Stewart is attending the University of Michigan.

Sarah Putnam, 'or, has been attending the Library school of the University of Illinois.

Cora Bailey Dimmers, '99, entertained the alumnae Kappas at tea on November 9th.

#### BETA DELTA.

Margaret Layton, '00, and Dr. William G. Law, '93, married October 3rd, 1901.

Helen Dunham, 'o1, is teaching in the science department at Delray, Mich.

Laura Wrinkle and William Schuyler were married November 7th, 1901.

Zilpha Campbell, 'or, is assistant principal of High School at Birmingham, Mich.

Lisa Sundstrom, 'or, is teaching in the science department at Trenton, Mich.

Olive Hynes, ex-'03, is teaching in the Public Schools at Quincy, Ill.

#### IOTA.

The engagement of Ethel Vivian Maxim to Joseph a Greenstreet, of Newcastle, Ind., has been announced.

Born, October 7th, a son, to Daniel M. Bechtel and Matilda Bowman Bechtel, 'oo.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Larimore announce the engagement of their daughter Gertrude to MacIlvar H. Lichter.

#### CHI.

Katharine Kennedy is teaching in Eau Claire, Wis.

May Everts is teaching in the English department at the Iowa State University at Iowa City.

Helen Mills, 'or, is studying at the Sargent School in New York City.

#### SIGMA.

At Chautauqua, New York, May Colson, Music, '98, was married to Mr. William Knowles.

At her home in Lincoln, August 14th, Florence MacLean Winger, U. of N., '95, M. A., '98, was married to Mr. William Chandler Bagley,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ , Cornell, Ph. D.

At her home in Lincoln, August 21st, Anna Broady, '97, was married to David Avery Haggard,  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ .

On October 1, at Harrisburg, Pa., Edna Fay Wetzel, ex-'01, was married to Lester C. Mudge,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ .

On October 9th, at her home in Fairbury, Neb., Cora Caldwell Cropsey, '98, was married to Mr. Benjamin Wilson McLucas.

Blanche Emmons is this year a junior at Wellesley, and is obtaining honors for herself on the junior basket ball team.

Miss Nellie Holdbrook, of Waco, Tex., visited her sisters during the first month of school.

#### EPSILON.

Early in June, Francis Walker was united in marriage to Mr. Gray, of Sedalia, Mo.

On October 29th, Margaret Cole was married to Harry B. Harwood. Bloomington will be their home.





College Duties. The fraternity girl, during her freshman year, is perhaps subject to more contending influences than are those who have passed that initiative stage of college life. She is pulled hither and thither during rushing season. The gaity prevalent at that time continues during the year and unless she be a girl of great determination—particularly if she be fond of society—social life may take precedence of her college work.

At this time the older sister must be ever vigilant. It is her duty to present the subjects—college work and college play—in their true proportions. She well knows the disastrous effects of all absorbing gaiety upon the student's life, and by her own example as well as by her kindly advice should forestall such effects.

The college fraternity, it must be remembered, is an outgrowth of the college. Its being is not for the purpose of superseding college work, but for the help and advancement of its members in that work. Far remote from the desires of those deeply interested in the fraternity is it that anyone of its members should neglect her college duties in her zeal for her fraternity or in the pursuit of those pleasures opened to her through the medium of the fraternity.

Omega.

Fraternity Not the Sole Interest.

There is so much fraternity work to take the attention of the fraternity girl that she is very apt to slight outside work. Her life in her chapter is so complete that she does not feel able to devote much time to work which is not directly connected with her fraternity. She does not realize the importance of taking an active part in college organizations formed for the amusement or improvement of all college women. If she stops to think she will see what an advantage it is to belong to these organizations.

One charge brought against the fraternity girl by the independent girl is that she takes no interest in anything outside of her chapter and her college studies. The girl who is active in outside work frees herself from this charge and also from that of being exclusive and of caring only for those interests which center around her fraternity life.

Church work, too, is often neglected. A girl may have taken a great interest in her church at home. Still when her college career begins there is a great temptation to neglect church societies and entertainments. Fraternity cannot take the place of church—and church life aids in the development of that high character which every girl should strive to attain.

Ideal fraternity life broadens rather than narrows one's interests. The fraternity girl who leaves college with narrow ideas and feelings, who feels no interest in what does not pertain to her chapter life, who is selfish and exclusive, has not attained the ideal of womanhood and has failed to get the benefits which fraternity life should give her.

Z. R. N., Beta Delta.

Out of justice to our fraternity and to ourPublication of selves, it is well for us occasionally to remind
Secrets. ourselves of the duties and the obligations as
well as the privileges which come with our membership in the fraternity. We must lay stress upon the fact that
Kappa Kappa Gamma is a secret organization. Its affairs are
shared in common by the many women who, scattered over the
entire country, wear the Key. To them all we owe a duty to
respect what is sacred to them as well as to ourselves. The
secrets of our fraternity are not ours alone, to do with as we
individually desire. They are entrusted to us by the fraternity
to be guarded with even greater care than we would guard a
secret of our own; and as we violate that trust we disregard the
wishes of the many others who are sharers in this blessing of ours.

With this in mind, we should consider carefully the articles which are sent to The Key, in order that they may contain nothing which another member might object to seeing in print. Essentially, nothing should be published in The Key which is not meant for the general public.

MAY MERRILL, Beta Epsilon.

Shall the freshmen be expected to do the errands and the many things which come up in Freshman Work. connection with fraternity good times? Where the chapter is so fortunate as to have a house, much of this work is avoided, or its performance is regulated by house rules. But where there is no chapter house or even room, there must be endless running about, for the rooms of the girls are probably scattered over a large dormitory. If it is a dance or any entertainment, pillows and other decorations have to be collected, and what is much harder, returned the next day; if there is a spread after chapter meeting, dishes must be borrowed. washed and returned. There are innumerable errands and little things always to be done. How many chapters of Kappa place this drudgery upon the freshman? Psi.

During a girl's last year of fraternity life she

Loyalty—What comes to many conclusions concerning that life,

it Really is. as it is and as it should be. She has learned that

if a fraternity is to be of any real value, if it is
to be a strong and abiding influence for higher things, its members must make it so; she has learned that, after all, the value
of a fraternity lies not in its motto, not in its temporary success or
failure, not even in its pleasant associations, but rather in its
spirit, a spirit which is shown in the attitude of its members, not
only towards one another but also towards the fraternity at large
and the world outside.

First of all, a fraternity should stand for loyalty. This, unfortunately, too often resolves itself into an animosity, more or less bitter, towards those fraternities which seem to interfere with the progress of one's own. This animosity grows in the individual with each struggle, each triumph, until the feeling becomes a general one. If the members who make up a fraternity do not live up to its highest ideals, if they allow it to narrow rather than widen their opinions and ideas, they fail in loyalty to it. No fraternity, however good and noble its motives, can be an inspiration unless its members make it so, and no member adds one jot to the fulfillment of these higher ideals by allowing herself to be influenced by petty jealousies or to become solicitous for the misfortune of other fraternities. What hurts the individual mars

the fraternity. Whatever we do which makes us less womanly, less generous, less tolerant of opposing opinions therefore, makes the fraternity less helpful and of less enobling influence.

Loyalty to our fraternity means, that as individuals we faithfully and unswervingly try to eliminate from our words and even our thoughts all that is ungenerous, narrow or ignoble; it means also that as a fraternity, we raise our own standards to a higher level and advance our own ideals without criticising or censuring those of others.

Eta.

Alumnae associations in the different provinces is an excellent one and we sincerely hope will receive the hearty support of all "old Kappas" who are so situated that they can lend a helping hand.

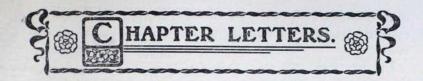
The associations will be of much benefit to their members, and they certainly can help the active chapter, if they are located in a college town. They can, by being in touch with all fraternity matters, give advice to the active chapter, they can aid socially and perhaps financially. The association will be a means of bringing the alumnae together for social gatherings and will tend to increase fraternity spirit and add impetus to the active chapter.

The old adage, "In union there is strength," applies so well here, for we all know how much an organized body can do for the individual and for the fraternity. This union will interest those whose fraternity spirit is ebbing, due to long separation from their alma mater and the "girls," will bring those of different chapters together, will create in them a desire to know more of the workings of the fraternity, to take its magazine, and to attend its conventions.

We as active Kappas are anticipating much from the association being formed here in Akron. Already the alumnae are planning to entertain the active chapter, to become acquainted with our new girls, and to be one with us in spirit and in deed. We have four chapters represented by alumnae, and are confident much good will come from the common interests, hopes and aspirations, and many helpful suggestions from the members.

Success to the alumnae associations! Within this new year may each province have established a number of such organizations.

ADA STARKWEATHER, Lambda.



#### ALPHA PROVINCE.

PHI-UNIVERSITY OF BOSTON.

Three months of busy college life finds Kappas in Boston happy and prosperous.

Our force of thirteen, with which we began the year, has been strengthened materially and otherwise since our initiation on November sixteenth. At that time four new girls joined our number under very favorable auspices. Ruth Jennison, '04; Mary Nelson, Minnie Stewart and Helen Wright, all freshmen, are now full-fledged Kappas, much to their own as well as our satisfaction.

Beside our own alumnae, we had the pleasure of having with us Jessie Marvin, Gamma Rho, and Blanche Emmons, Sigma, who are now studying at Wellesley College.

One fact only cast a gloom of sorrow upon the occasion—the sudden death only a week before of one of our most devoted and beloved members, Marian Shaw, initiated in nineteen hundred.

The Boston Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma delightfully entertained the active girls at the chapter rooms on Friday, November twenty-ninth, adding another to the list of enjoyable occasions in which the entire chapter participates.

#### BETA EPSILON-BARNARD COLLEGE.

Beta Epsilon began the year with an initiation early in the fall, at which Mary Harriman, a special student, exchanged the pledge pin which she had worn since last February, for the Key. To our regret Natalie Henderson, who was pledged at the same time, did not return to college this year.

Barnard has lately received a gift for an endowment fund from William G. Rockefeller. He has given \$200,000 on the condition that an equal amount shall be subscribed during the winter by other friends. Such generosity is greatly appreciated by all

those connected with the college, since our rapid growth necessitates a proportionate increase in all departments of the college work.

In November there was formed at Barnard an athletic association, which consists of the basket ball club with its teams, and the tennis club. Both of these organizations are in a remarkably flourishing condition, considering the obstacles attending city athletics. A Kappa senior, Mary Budd, is the president of the Association.

Gamma Phi Beta has just established here a chapter of ten charter members. This has caused perhaps the greatest excitement this winter in our fraternity world. Being the fourth fraternity in a college of less than three hundred and fifty students it will increase the interest attending pledge day.

This chapter considers itself most fortunate in living in a large city like New York, which is a center of attraction for people from all parts of the country. For, because of our situation we meet so many of our friends from other chapters. Since college opened we have had visits from Mrs. Alice Warner Lord, Grace Trask, Avery Trask, Helen Mills and Elsie Stone, all from Chi; also from Elizabeth Rhodes, Psi; Harriet Curtiss, Beta Tau, and Ellen Yost, Beta Nu.

#### PSI-CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The rushing season is over, we have had our initiation and wepresent to all our Kappa sisters five initiates of whom Psi is justly proud. Their names are Harriet Coffin, Mabel Scott, Elizabeth Worts, Nora Blatch and Blanche Seelye.

The first three are medics, so now Psi boasts of five, shall we say "embryo" doctors? Apropos of these, perhaps in honor of them, the new Hall of Anatomy is rapidly being finished on our campus. Work in it will commence in the second term. The building is large and imposing, built to harmonize with the Library and Law School, near which it is situated.

The equipment will be the finest that can be procured, so that at last the Ithaca part of our medical college will have a building worthy its rank. Stimson Hall will be its name, in honor of Dr. Stimson, Professor of Surgery in the Cornell Medical College in New York City.

### BETA TAU-SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The very first thing of all, I want to introduce you to our new Kappas, Mildred Griffith, '04, and Alice Colvin, Ruth Works, Blanche Allen, Cecile Colvin, Clara Mac Farlane, Julia Hillis, Daysey Best and Margaret Green, all of the class of '05. We are very proud of our new sisters.

Our initiation was held on the afternoon of October 13th, the anniversary of the founding of Beta Tau Chapter, with the initiatory banquet in the evening. Many of our alumnae were present. Forty-nine, all told, were seated around the banquet table. Mrs. Colson, of Ithaca, was with us for a couple of days at initiation time. We enjoyed her visit very much. Through her and the reports brought by the sisters who were in Buffalo, Kappa day, we have become better than ever before acquainted with our sister chapters.

None of our fraternities joined with Gamma Phi Beta in deferring pledging until the second semester of college, so by the present time it is possible for our chief interest to be directed toward the regular college work. Delta Gamma and Phi Gamma Delta, both of which were established here last year, have each begun the college year in a house of its own.

Our principal interest as a college has been centered in our foot ball team. It has won an unusual number of victories for us this year. The papers rank us as the fifth American college in foot ball.

May all the Kappas have a merry Christmas and the very happiest New Year possible.

### BETA IOTA-SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Thanksgiving vacation has come and gone. It is an eventful time at Swarthmore, for our big foot ball game of the season is played in the latter part of November and it brings back the alumnae by the score to college. We had a coaching party to the game, which was played about twelve miles from here, and as the score was a tie, Swarthmore held a big celebration over the fact that night.

Katherine Pfeiffer gave a luncheon in honor of some of the alumnae who were visiting.

In October the chapter attended the wedding of Edith Kenderdine in Germantown, and now we have one more charming little home near us to visit.

Our seniors have been very busy with Shakspeare evening, which is given annually before the Christmas vacation.

We are a small chapter of seven this year, but a very happy one. We regret that we will have no new Kappas to introduce to you till next spring, but we are gradually growing accustomed to the long pledge day.

Best wishes to all the chapters.

BETA ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

When the university opened this fall the first important change noted was the new Physical Laboratory. Last year it was announced that a special endowment would make possible a building devoted exclusively to physics. So during the summer the Foulke-Long Institute, just across the campus, was remodeled into the new Morgan Laboratory and provided with a complete modern equipment for undergraduate and graduate work in physics.

This change incidentally brought about another, for the Psychological Department at once took possession of the old physical laboratories and lecture rooms, thus leaving space at Biological Hall for three new research laboratories, besides giving the psychologists additional room which they sorely needed.

Great progress has been made by the University Field Club, a student organization devoted particularly to the interests of those in the biological courses. The membership has increased this year and a most attractive program has been arranged for the winter. This club has the hearty co-operation of the professors and instructors in biology, and in every way gives an added stimulus to the student's work.

Mr. Henry Brown Evans, teacher of mathematics and assistant director of the Flower Astronomical Observatory, has recently left the university to accept a position under the government in the Astronomical Observatory at Washington. The university suffers a great loss in Mr. Evans' resignation.

The American Chemical Society is to hold its session at the university this year on December 30th and 31st.

It has been a most successful college year for us—to begin with, the freshman class was larger than ever before, and after the "freshman tea" and the usual round of festivities which marks the beginning of a term we have asked, initiated and now introduce to you four new Kappas, Edna Bramble, Emma Burk, Lucy Manter and Josephine Reed. The initiation was particularly enjoyable this year, and we had the pleasure of having with us Miss Pennington, our Grand Treasurer, Miss Griffith, our Grand Treasurer's Deputy, and Miss Gendell, another one of our alumnae. The toasts at the dinner, which followed, were: "The Welcome" (Miss Geisler), "The New Members" (Miss Manter), "The Alumnae" (Miss Griffith), "The Future of Beta Alpha" (Miss Jacobs), and all four brought out so naturally the manysidedness of chapter life. And with the "blue and blue" pennants which we carried home as souvenirs of this happy evening, there was also the inspiration to make the future of Beta Alpha all that Miss Griffith and Miss Jacobs in their sweet, helpful words pointed out as a possibility.

Occasions like this involve the best of human ethics in their courtesy, good-will and friendship; and we feel richer far, than the philosophers of old, for we have found *love's* alchemy that can change the base metal of dull, worthless living into gold—pure, beautiful and eternal. With all the inspiration and warmth of feeling from an initiation just past we come together at the close of the year to send our letter to The Key. Even while the old year "nineteen one" is drawing to a close we are thinking of the new, and for that new year with all its bright, golden possibilities, Beta Alpha sends you, dear Kappas, her best wishes for joy and success.

### GAMMA RHO-ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The year has opened very auspiciously both for Allegheny and for Gamma Rho.

We were delighted to learn that a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa is to be established here. The Newton Observatory is finished, and the work on the new chapel and library buildings is progressing nicely. A few changes have been made in the faculty. Dr. Bynum succeeds Dr. Thomas as head of the Modern Language Department. Dr. Reese, as instructor of biology, succeeds Prof.

Smallwood, who has been granted a year's leave of absence. Our foot ball team has won and lost, but the last games were decided victories.

Among the new students this year we were delighted to find one who wore a little Kappa pledge pin. We initiated her at our first fraternity meeting. Eva Hart had attended Buchtel College, and there Lambda pledged her.

There was no inter-fraternity contract this year, consequently the rushing was fast and furious. But Gamma Rho feels amply repaid for the labors in the possession of five new Kappas, Oramell Cole, Eleanor Hall, Lee Snook, Ethel Gaston and Grace McCluer.

We send love and best wishes for a happy New Year to all Kappas, old and new.

### BETA PROVINCE.

LAMBDA-BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

The seventeenth of September saw the gathering together of the Lambda girls, after the weeks of the summer vacation. We were nine happy, hopeful girls, yet we missed the helpful presence of three of our girls of last year. Our two seniors of 1901, Maud Herndon and Anna Durling, are both teaching. Miss Herndon is instructor in oratory at Buchtel and Miss Durling is teaching at her home in Wadsworth, Ohio. Lydia Voris is attending Kindergarten Training School in Louisville, Kentucky.

During rushing season we gave several enjoyable parties, and now we wish to introduce to you three charming new girls, Naomi Waters, Edith Auble and Elizabeth Voris. These were initiated into Kappa Kappa Gamma on November twenty-third. We were glad to have with us at our initiation service Miss Eva Hart of Gamma Rho. Miss Hart was one of our pledged girls of a year ago, and it was with much pleasure that we learned of her having been received into Kappa sisterhood by Gamma Rho.

The college lecture course this year promises to be interesting and instructive. Dr. F. W. Gunsaulaus, Hon. John H. Littlefield of New York, Prof. Graham Taylor of Chicago, President Shurman of Cornell and Prof. Henry Van Dyke of Princeton will lecture for us during the year.

Most of the college girls are interested in the Woman's Athletic Association. This autumn the Association equipped a nice tennis court on the college campus, and here the girls spent many happy hours. Now that the time for playing tennis is past we spend two evenings a week in the gymnasium with our instructor in physical culture, Miss Richards.

The State Oratorical Association will meet at Buchtel this year in February. Buchtel is looking forward to its coming with much enthusiasm and hopes that many visitors may be here then.

Lambda sends best wishes to her sister chapters with the hope that the winter months will bring pleasure and profit and that the New Year will dawn with the promise of hopes realized and ideals attained.

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### BETA GAMMA-WOOSTER UNIVERSITY.

For Beta Gamma this has been a term of waiting, without the usual excitement of hard rushing which once attended the beginning of the year. We have only one addition to introduce to you as yet, but we are glad to let all the Kappas know that Marie Turner has joined our ranks. We are learning to appreciate the benefits of taking rushing slowly—at least we are making a beginning in that direction.

For one thing there is more time to be interested in the college and all that concerns its welfare. It is with the greatest pride that we watch our new chapel growing before our eyes, and we can never pass without stopping to admire and speculate upon some new beauty in its structure. Those of us whose school days are numbered, wonder if we shall recognize our old campus when we come back in future years, for the buildings are growing up one by one to change its appearance for the better.

Some new ground has lately been added to the campus, and as part of it is to be devoted to athletic grounds, the boys are rejoicing.

All of us, even the most studious, are looking forward with the greatest pleasure to the day when we can go home for a three week's vacation instead of the usual ten days. Not liking the idea of starting back on New Years, we arose en masse and presented a petition to the faculty. Our petitioners were fortunate enough to succeed in making the faculty laugh and so our wish was granted. It would have been too hard to leave home on New Years, wouldn't it?

In the last few weeks our Wooster alumnae have organized an association which bids fair to be a great help to us as well as a pleasure to them.

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### BETA NU-OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Beta Nu sends greetings to her Kappa sisters and wishes them all success for this year.

When we came back from our vacation this fall, we immediately began planning for our rushing parties. Our chapter was small when college opened but we have strengthened it now by the addition of seven new girls. We take great pleasure and pride in introducing to the Kappa world Ethel Bryce, Mary Welling, Katherine Vogel, Ethel Woodbury, Florence Sackett, Florence Covert and Mabel Shride.

We have had the hearty co-operation of our alumnae this year and we can not begin to tell you what a help it has been to us. We sincerely hope that the other chapters are as fortunate as we in having our alumnae always with us.

As the anniversary of the founding of the fraternity came on Sunday and the thirteenth anniversary of the founding of our chapter came on Saturday, we decided to have our banquet, which always follows initiation, on Saturday night. More alumnae were present on this occasion than ever before and we all went away that night stronger in Kappa love.

The next great event was the coming of eleven of Beta Delta's girls to visit us. Perhaps the other chapters do not know that Michigan and Ohio State universities have been playing foot-ball against each other for the last two years. These contests between the foot-ball teams give us a chance to visit back and forth and we avail ourselves of the opportunity with great eagerness. We can't begin to tell you the things we talked over in those few hours but we can say that, for our part, it was probably the happiest day we will have this year. We only wish that more of the chapters could visit us so that we might see as well as hear about our sisters in the various chapters.

### BETA DELTA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Another college year is well on its way and Beta Delta is enthusiastic over its great good fortune.

First of all—our new chapter house has proved to be even more pleasant than we had anticipated, and under the chaperonage of Miss Hinsdale, a daughter of late Professor Hinsdale so well known in all universities for his scholarship, we have the promise of a very helpful year.

Three of our girls graduated last year, a fourth is teaching, so there were twelve of us to begin the year. We all came back early, and by the time college opened were settled in our new fraternity home ready for the rushing season. Parties, luncheons, and drives followed, and when the season ended we were well satisfied with the results. Let us introduce Florence E. Burton, Elma Bailey, Lucy Elliott, Ruth E. Harrison, Mary Hedden, Myrtle Moore and Cora Taber—seven loyal new Kappas of whom we well feel proud.

We are also glad to have Mabelle Stewart and Rose McDough, two affiliates from Kappa chapter with us, so now we have an active chapter of twenty-one girls, and a week ago we pinned our pledge ribbons on another splendid freshman, Jessie Tippie, who will be initiated next semester.

The event of greatest importance following initiation was the O. S. U.-Michigan foot-ball game. We greatly enjoyed having the Beta Nu girls with us when O. S. U. played here last year and had been anxiously looking forward to the return game when we might have the opportunity of visiting them. So on November ninth, twelve of us chaperoned by two Kappa mothers—Mrs. Emlaw and Mrs. Bailey—accepted Beta Nu's kind invitation to spend the day with them.

But need we try to describe how delightfully they entertained us or how we enjoyed the day and especially the tea given by our Editor-in-chief, Mrs. Smart?

Suffice it is to say that we feel fortunate indeed to have these opportunities of thus becoming better acquainted with one of the other chapters, when we learn to realize—more than ever—how much Kappa means.

But a word of our college in general. The constantly increasing number of students in the medical department has rendered

a new building necessary and the first story is already completed. The corner-stone was laid October fifteenth and we will have a fine new building ready for use in the fall of 1902.

Athletic enthusiasm at the U. of M. is at the highest, for besides having a team whose goal line was uncrossed it is also a team which rolled up five hundred and one points against its opponents, a record never equaled and one that gives us ample claim to the championship of the West.

Only a few months until Convention! They will pass quickly and Beta Delta is looking forward to that time hoping to welcome many Kappas to Ann Arbor.

### XI-ADRIAN COLLEGE.

Another school year is passing by and by the time Xi hears from her sister Kappas again, Christmas will have come and gone and a new year be begun. This term has been one of hard work, but still Xi has had a great deal of pleasure and enjoyment. Many little spreads have been given in the different rooms of the girls.

Saturday, October 26th, Xi's girls and some of the college boys went on a hickory nutting expedition. Lunch was eaten in the woods and a very pleasant time was passed. Two weeks from that day this same crowd of boys and girls spent a very pleasant evening at the home of Harriet Rowley, in honor of her birthday.

Xi has four new sisters to introduce to K K  $\Gamma$ , one active sister, Mary McCollum, and three pledglings, Myrtle McCollum, Olive Nerr and Ivah McIntyre, all of whom expect to become active next year. They are all dear girls and are Kappas in ever sense of the word.

Xi sends greetings and wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

### KAPPA-HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

When Kappa met for the first time this fall in the chapter rooms we numbered but five, and although we lost but two girls last June, they were two whom we miss very keenly. Mrs. Eva Doyle Taylor, however, still lives on the "Hill," and attends nearly all the meetings. But no one can ever fill the place which Sarah Putnam occupied in the hearts of every one of the girls who were active with her. No one but a Kappa knew the strength and depth of purpose which the quiet girl possessed.

More important to the outside observer than the changes in our chapter are several changes in the college and faculty. On the resignation of Dr. Mosher, Mr. Gurney, former Professor of Pedagogy and Belles Letters, was elected to the President's chair. The new science professor, Mr. Grove, of Franklin College, Pa., is giving the best of satisfaction, as does also Mr. Harry Myers, principal of the preparatory department, formerly traveling secretary of the United Society of Free Baptist Young People. Mr. Maynard, of Chicago University, ably fills the chair of History and Economics. The work in the Vocal Music Department, under the direction of Mr. Edmunds, of Edinburgh, Scotland, is the best the college has had for several years. Mr. Taylor is teaching the Hebrew in the college in the absence of Professor Waterman in Oxford, England.

The freshman class being larger than for a few years past, and the greater college and class spirit exhibited are very good signs of the upward trend of affairs. Altogether the outlook for Hillsdale was never brighter.

The first few weeks, as usual, were full of excitement and interest. On the first Saturday night of the term the Kappas entertained the new girls at the home of Miss Mabelle Stewart. Chafing dish and fudge parties followed. On the evening of September twenty-eighth, the blue and blue were pinned on Dora Jenkins and Luella Beers. On the following Wednesday, October second, we held our initiation. The autumn leaves were then in their prime and our rooms looked beautiful when trimmed with them. Anna Sands, Jessie Bailey and Florence Fox, who had each been pledged one year, and Mettie Avery were initiated. Then two weeks later we pledged Lulu Van Wort. They are already strong and loyal Kappas and we feel sure they will prove of the best quality.

Delta Tau Delta called on the Kappas one evening in the chapter rooms and later entertained in their hall at a "railroad party." Both occasions were very enjoyable ones.

The festivities of the college in general have not been very numerous, but highly successful. In the latter part of October a ghost dance was given, in which the college men participated. A large body of students witnessed the dance, and it was voted a great success. It is proposed to have a similar function every year.

It is the wish of Kappa that every chapter may enjoy the happiness and prosperity that have been her lot.

### GAMMA PROVINCE.

### DELTA-INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY.

What interesting letters we shall receive from all the chapters this month, with that most entertaining of subjects—new girls—to discuss! Not only new girls, but changes—changes in our associates and in our college.

First then, to make known our new girls to all of you. They are, Lila Burnett, Columbus; Ruby Bollenbacher, Bloomington; Ella Brewer, Greenwood; Ina Clawson, Ethel Richards, Richmond; Leona Turner, South Bend; Mabel Wadsworth, Washington, seven in all—all Indiana girls, and each a loyal Kappa.

We had no serious conflicts with any of the other sororities this year. There were a great many new girls in college, more in fact than there have been for several years. Very little rushing was done by anyone, but after several small parties the spiking was done, and we are all well satisfied with the results. Our greatest hindrance was that our new chapter house was not completed as we hoped it would be, but even that did not prove much of a drawback.

We girls of the University were made very happy during the summer by the news that we were to have a dean of women. That has been a long felt want among us and we all speculated a great deal as to what this new officer would do. We are all well satisfied and find that Dr. Breed has come among us for our great good and not in any way to lessen our privileges.

Another benefit which the girls are to receive in the near future is a woman's building. This is to be begun next spring and is to cost about thirty thousand dollars, all of which is to be raised by the women interested in the institution. It is to include rest rooms, a gymnasium and whatever else will make for the comfort and benefit of the co-eds.

Then too, our college is being enlarged this fall by a handsome new science hall. The building, when completed, will be larger than any of the others and a very handsome stone structure.

There is this fall a marked increase in the number of students and in every way the strength of our institution is increasing.

So much of this term has already passsed that we are all looking forward eagerly to our Christmas holidays. Did any of you sister chapters ever have a Christmas box and each put something into it for the fraternity? It is ever so much fun and helps the chapter wonderfully.

Merry Christmas then, to all, and a happy and prosperous New Year.

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### IOTA-DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

This college year opened with bright hopes for our university. The new Minshall laboratory was nearing completion, the outlook for athletics was very flattering, and both the quality and quantity of new students was quite up to our expectations.

Our "spike" was short, but effective. From the number of charming young women who entered the university, we have initiated ten into Kappa Kappa Gamma. With the thirteen old girls, we have at present an enrollment of twenty-three.

Our new girls are Neva Pilkenton, Lulu Baer, Bessie Baer, Maud Fargo, Helen Black, Elsie Naylor, Nona Burkett, Edna Place, Nellie Switzer and Ethelyn Halstead. They are passing through the bitter-sweet experience of their freshman year, and are finding with each new day a new beauty and inspiration in Kappa bonds.

Ethel Chaffee, who graduated last year, is far away "across the billowy sea," studying in Germany, but she is still near to us in heart, as her interesting letters testify.

There have been several important changes in our faculty this year. The unexpected death of Dr. Baker, Professor of Chemistry, brought sadness to the hearts of all who had known and loved him. His place is ably filled by Dr. Blanchard. Professor Brumbaugh has succeeded Professor Walker in the department of Rhetoric and Oratory. Professor Chez is now director of athletics and coach of the foot ball team, the position held formerly by Professor McIntyre. Miss Newlin has succeeded

Mrs. Mansfield, as preceptress of Woman's Hall, and Professor May, Principal of the Academy, has been succeeded by Professor Lowden.

The efficient training of Coach Chez has made our foot ball team a source of much pride to us. Each day of this beautiful fall has seen our boys out on the "gridiron" working hard to give DePauw a record to be proud of in the athletic world. Their efforts have been gloriously rewarded, for they have lost but one game this year. Thanksgiving we play Indiana University for the state championship. Success to us!

Iota hopes that all her sister chapters have had the success which has so encouraged her. But how could it be otherwise, for how could Kappa fail?

# MU—BUTLER COLLEGE.

In our last letter to you we said that we expected to have a happy and prosperous year, and if we continue as we have begun, our anticipations will certainly have been realized. The first of the year we were glad to welcome into our active chapter one of Delta's girls, Helen Davis, of Indianapolis. And after a three weeks' Pan-Hellenic contract we asked and pledged five new girls, whom we initiated three weeks later. Allow us to introduce Hazel Reeves, of Columbus; Anna Heaton, Jeffersonville; Sara Campbell, Anderson, and Sadie Kraus and Isabel Vinzant, of Indianapolis. We cannot tell you how advantageous we believe that an inter-fraternity contract is. Last year our contract was for six weeks, but no matter for what length of time, many confusing questions both to the new girl and to ourselves may be explained during that period. Questions which if passed over in the hurry of rushing and asking might result in a most unpleasant manner.

There have been but two changes in Butler's faculty this year, Professor Percy Burnett coming from the University of Chicago to be at the head of the Department of Romance Languages, and Miss Cornelia Allen as English instructor in the Preparatory School. Professor Burnett takes Professor Edgar Abbott's place, which was left vacant by the latter's sudden death last August.

Every student at Butler and every friend of the college is interested just now in the progress of the Bona Thompson Memorial

Library. Bona Thompson was a Mu girl of '97. After graduating she studied at Wellesley and then traveled in Europe, returning home with typhoid fever, which ended in her death. Her mother and father offered, or rather presented to the college a beautiful piece of ground joining the college campus and sixty thousand dollars for a library. The ground was dedicated last commencement day, but only lately have the plans for the building been accepted. Mr. T. C. Steele, the artist, is now painting her portrait to be placed in the library.

For the last few years athletics at Butler have been in a most discouraging and unenthusiastic condition, but this year with an energetic physical director and foot ball coach from Dartmouth, and the support of the professional schools of the University of Indianapolis, our foot ball team has been a decided success, being scored against but twice.

Since we Mu girls have set a rather high standard to be reached in grades this term we have found very little time to be "in society," and when we have entertained it has been most informally. Not long ago we had a jolly time entertaining "Kappa men" at a mid-day spread.

In closing we wish to urge any of you who should happen sometime in Indianapolis, to come out and see us. We believe that such visits, though they may be for only a few minutes, tend to fasten that broader fraternity spirit, which never can be realized in the chapter alone.

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### ETA-UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

We have commenced this year with a chapter of twenty-seven members, an unusually large one for us. Our freshmen are: Helen Case, Alma Peterson, Julia Rindlaub, Laura Allen, Litta Fuller, Minnelein Reiss, Agnes Walsh, Bertha Tayler, Martha Fay, Lois Maine and Mary Surnson.

Our fall rushing was done entirely at our new house, which we so thoroughly enjoy. It is large enough to accommodate nearly all of us, is most modernly equipped, and is in every way what it was meant to be, an ideal fraternity home. We are especially fortunate in our chaperon, Mrs. Caeson, a woman whom it is a delight and honor to have with us.

The most pleasant event this year was the visit of the Chi girls at the time of the Minnesota-Wisconsin foot ball game. Thirteen, some of them alumnae, were here and we so enjoyed every one of them that we all regretted they could not stay and be Etas.

Our alumnae and friends have done a great many thoughtful and gracious things for us, and our year thus far has been an extremely happy one.

### BETA LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Beta Lambda has spent two happy months in her new chapter house, and already the new home has been the scene of many typical Kappa gatherings. On the evening of October thirteenth, representatives of eight different chapters gathered from the university community and the two towns to celebrate Kappa's birthday. And when we suffered our one defeat in foot ball this season, the bitterness of the occasion was offset by our pleasure in meeting several of our Northwestern sisters who came down for the game and carried back with them, not only the heavy end of the score, but our hearty friendship and good wishes. For the Thanksgiving game we hope to repeat that pleasure by entertaining some of our sisters from Chi.

We are very proud of our two youngest Kappas just initiated, Caroline White and Helen Stookey. Under the inter-fraternity contract no invitations are to be given to new girls until Thanksgiving, so our rushing reason has been somewhat prolonged.

Beta Lambda wishes a happy and prosperous New Year to all Kappas.

### UPSILON-NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The seventeen Upsilon girls have left behind them an unusually happy semester. The names of those who united with us early in October are: Lenice Oettiker, Zada Miller, Jeannette Porter, May Capron, Polly Little and Elizabeth Bucknam. We were glad to affiliate with us this year Edna Howell, of Sigma. There are two pledges who will have been initiated by the time this letter appears, Daisy Girton and Dora Downs.

In November we were twice hostesses, once receiving all the women of the college at the home of Miss Elizabeth Raymond, and giving also an informal dance at Rogers' Park. Both events were successful in their aim to give ourselves and our guests a royal, good time.

At the time of the Northwestern-Illinois foot ball game five of our chapter were cordially received by the Beta Lambdas.

We were somewhat slow in getting such an improvement for our rooms, no doubt, but we certainly do enjoy our new piano. Our weekly meetings, varied often by supper in the rooms, are going to be "golden thoughts" for the future. This year we are going to have a Christmas tree, to encourage subscriptions to the fraternity rooms.

### EPSILON-ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Epsilon sends greeting to sister chapters, hoping all have prospects as bright as hers for the coming year. This fall has been a very quiet one for us, but we hope before our next letter is sent to The Key we will have added to our roll several names.

On the evening of October 5th, we entertained a number of the new girls in college at the home of Virginia Sinclair, in Normal.

Miss Grace Manning, of Iota Chapter, is teaching in the Bloomington High School this year. Epsilon hopes to make her stay in our city as pleasant as possible.

November 25th was Epsilon's twenty-eighth anniversary, and although we did not entertain on that day, a number of the Kappa Club visited us at our meeting just previous. We were also very fortunate in receiving many remembrances.

Epsilon was grieved to learn of the death of two of her alumnae—Mrs. Anna Fullenwider Gray, whose death occurred early in June in Texas, and Mrs. Mary Cowen Kelso, who passed away in October.

### DELTA PROVINCE.

### CHI-UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The last three months of college life with Chi seem to have been unusually eventful ones. First, after our fall rushing season, came that gladdest of all Kappa reunions, our initiation, when our seven pledged girls became loyal members of the fraternity. That night saw only the beginning of our good times. Just two weeks afterwards twenty-one Sigma girls—among them our grand secretary—came to visit us, on the day of the Nebraska-Minnesota football game. In two more weeks the Iowa-Minnesota game brought us four girls from Beta Zeta; and then at the time of the Wisconsin-Minnesota game eleven girls from Chi went down to visit Eta, and were royally entertained in the new chapter house. Such an exchange of Kappa visits rarely falls to the lot of one of our western chapters within a year, and Chi feels herself very fortunate to have come so closely in touch with three sister chapters.

On the evening of November 8th Chi chapter, active and alumna, entertained with a large reception and cotillion at the home of Mrs. George H. Partridge.

Since that time fraternity life has settled into a quieter channel. The girls' college interests outside the chapter are divided chiefly between the Dramatic club and the Women's league; but within the chapter the fact that rushing has been prohibited by the president for the rest of the year leaves us free to enjoy our fraternity life to the utmost.

We are becoming more justly proud of our university day by day. Three new buildings are well under way upon our campus, and the enrollment this year has greatly increased.

Minnesota has suffered a great loss this fall in the death of Governor John S. Pillsbury, the best friend and the most liberal benefactor the university ever had. Governor Pillsbury was called the father of the university, and his name has been more closely associated with its progress than that of any other one man. His death has been keenly felt in the college, and indeed in the entire community.

Chi sends heartiest good wishes to every other chapter.

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### BETA ZETA-IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Beta Zeta sends her sister chapters Kappa love.

Our term has been the usual busy round of the new year's beginning, which we returned to, seventeen strong, full of Kappa hopes and courage.

The football games have had their usual interest, and then we have been getting settled in our new collegiate building, which is

very elegant and convenient, being the best school building in the state. The most attractive feature of it to us girls is the ladies' drawing-room, which is large and beautifully furnished, and makes a delightful place where the girls can study and meet between classes. The dean of women, in behalf of the university, gave a reception to dedicate this room, and among those helping her receive were several Kappas.

Then our new Kappa halls have been such a constant source of pleasure to us. Our alumnae were most kind and furnished them very artistically. The rooms are large and are exceedingly well adapted for the purpose, and have been found very delightful for Kappa birthday gatherings and such "doings."

Several of our alumnae have been with us at different times during the term, adding much to the Kappa interest.

Among the functions we held during the ever anxious rushing season was a reception to our town alumnae and some of the new girls, which passed off most pleasantly. Then a delightful drag ride and picnic at "Edgewater," one of the private boat houses on the river, proved great fun.

Eula De Voll, one of our "old girls," entertained us most charmingly, too.

A meeting of the three girls' fraternities represented at the university was held at the Kappa rooms a short time ago in the interests of college settlement work. Ruth Paxson, a '99 Beta Zeta girl, who is now state secretary of Y. W. C. A., was there, and talked to us about the work and pleasure being made for the three fraternities to support a mission class for some time.

At the time of the Iowa-Minnesota football game at Minneapolis our Chi sisters extended to us a most cordial invitation to visit them and four of the girls enjoyed their hospitality to the utmost, coming home to sing the praises of their royal good time for evermore.

But now let me tell you the most important news of all, the names of our three dear "babies," Alice Clapp, of the class of '05; Joanna Strange, who assists in the university library, and Alice Aukeney, fellow in chemistry, and a graduate of Wells College, New York. Of course they are every one as "sweet as can be," and are most loyal wearers of the blue.

We are doubly fortunate, too, this year in having Miss Mary Everetts, of Chi chapter, with us as an active member. She is assistant professor to the chair of public speaking in the university.

May all Kappas have as pleasant and prosperous a year as Beta Zeta is having.

### SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

With the first lull in university work—the Thanksgiving recess—Sigma sits down and looks back with great satisfaction upon these first busy weeks of school.

The academic year opened with fifteen girls in the active chapter. By common consent registration week is rushing week, and Sigma did her share with dinners, luncheons, chafing dish suppers, a dance, and last and best, a vaudeville. Our mothers took exception to the name, but call it what you will, it was a grand success. The Grecian court in the home of Mabel Richards was tranformed into a German garden, lighted by Japanese lanterns and decorated with palms. Our guests, our alumnae and our mothers were seated at small tables, where they were served throughout the performance by dainty German maidens to pretzels and lemonade, in steins. The program included all our conventional "stunts," made more elaborate for the occasion. Our energies were chiefly expended upon Bangs' farce, "A Proposal Under Difficulties," and a reproduction of the clever song and dance from the opera "Floradora," "Tell Me Pretty Maiden," which was given by a double quartette.

When we turned from play to school work our number had been increased by six—Elizabeth Cunningham, whose sister Nancy we pledged last year, and Olive States, of Lincoln; Ruth Wilson, Edith Locke and Mabel Stephen, of Omaha, and Edith Shedd, of Ashland, whom we initiated at the home of Laura Houtz on the 17th of October. Since then May Jeary, of Lincoln, whom we asked last year has been pledged, and before the Key reaches its readers will have been initiated.

The greatest event of the year in university life comes in connection with the Nebraska-Minnesota football game. Western enterprise showed itself in the competition on the railroads, for the fare was reduced from the regular twenty-one dollar rate to three dollars for the round trip, and nearly forty-five hundred Nebraskans, students and others, went to Minneapolis. Twenty

of Sigma's girls, including Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Harley as chaperones, through the efforts of Mrs. Hargreaves, who accompanied us, had a special car, which we shared with Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta. We left Lincoln Friday evening, October 11th, hoping to reach Minneapolis at seven o'clock the next morning, in time to see something of the university, but the many sections were late, and we only had time for lunch in Chi's pretty chapter room before the game.

Although Nebraska was beaten, the score being 19 to 0, the game was such a good one that we felt no humiliation, and even our disappointment was largely forgotten in the pleasure of meeting all of Chi's girls. You may remember that three girls from Chi visited us last Thanksgiving, when we played Minnesota for the first time.

After the game we were all taken to the home of Miss Elizabeth Williams, where a lovely dinner was served. In the evening many of Chi's alumnae came, and such a delightful time as we had! Only fraternity girls can appreciate it. University enthusiasm ran high and rivalry in college yells was keen, but all was harmonious when the dear old Kappa call and Kappa songs were started.

We left Minneapolis the morning of the 13th, the fraternity's birthday. Conditions for celebrating the event were unfavorable, for we were nearly worn out and crawled home at the rate of twenty miles an hour.

While so many of us were in Minneapolis, about twenty-five of the girls left behind consoled themselves with a theater party, afterward spending the night with Charlotte and Margaret Whedon. They insist that it was as good as going to Minnesota, but those of us who went cannot agree, for they missed the hospitality of Chi.

Shortly before Hallowe'en much whispering among the freshmen warned us that something was about to happen. Our curiosity was almost too much for us, but at last we were rewarded by the following invitation:

Come on, all ye Kappa Gammas, Seniors great and Juniors, too, And ye "bossy" little Sophies, For we've got it in for you; For the green and verdant freshies Whom you treat so awfully mean Have prepared for you a party! Coming off on Hallowe'en.

Blanche Hargreaves' Home, 8 P. M.

The invitations were beautifully printed by hand and adorned with all sorts of gruesome figures. It was a genuine Hallowe'en party, with fortune telling, apple snapping and marshmellow roasting.

Once more Sigma was favored with the opportunity to meet girls from another chapter. This time they were Maude Montgomery, Caroline Stoner and Blanche Enyart from Theta, who came to Lincoln November 9th to play on the Missouri girls' basket ball team. The day was one of defeat for Missouri and rejoicing for Nebraska, for at Omaha in football the score assumed the enormous proportions of 50 to 0, and in the evening Nebraska girls won in basket ball with a score of 31 to 4.

Enthusiasm in athletics has never been so great in Nebraska as this fall. With the exception of Minnesota and Wisconsin we have won every game. With the forty-two hundred dollars which was brought home from Minnesota as our share of the proceeds the athletic field has been put in such shape as to make it second to none in the west, except in size. The most visible improvement is the new twelve hundred dollar grandstand, which seats thirteen hundred people.

This letter is so athletic that you would be justified in thinking that the University of Nebraska has ceased to be an educational institution. Such is not the case, however. Unfortunately there is no marked material progress to report. Not only have we no new buildings and no prospect for any for at least another year, but the Governor's veto for the ninety thousand dollars appropriation has caused a slight decrease in our enrollment this year, because an emergency fund is being accumulated by fees paid by all students. This is the first time in the history of the university that Nebraska students have had to pay more than the five dollars matriculation fee and laboratory fees.

To all chapters Sigma sends greeting.

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### OMEGA-UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Omega began rushing at the beginning of the year and was favored with unusual success. She can scarcely realize that her number has been increased by twelve bright and enthusiastic girls—Eva Hirst, Pearle Trickett, Maree Darrough, of Kansas City, Kas.; Vivian Springer, of Argonia; Winifred Hammond,

Olathe; Gretchen Elmore, Nortonville; Eva Mitchell, Hiawatha; Nancy Smith, Staffon Spring, Conn.; May Kanaga, Edith Levan, Hortense Street, Lawrence. We are also fortunate enough to have profited by Iota's losing Maude Spinning, who has been transferred to our chapter.

Initiation was held on the 6th of October at the home of Edith House. After the ceremony, which seemed more beautiful and impressive than usual, a banquet was served for which forty-five covers were laid. We were glad to have with us several of our out-of-town alumnae, who responded to toasts.

To introduce our new girls an informal barn dance was given. Old fashioned ideas were carried out in every particular, making it an occasion of merriment and thorough enjoyment.

Omega has instituted a "Kettledrum," to be held the third evening in each month at the chapter house. This brings the girls closer together, and only those who are Kappas can realize what good times are had. Latent dramatic talent is brought forth in the farces which are given.

At the Kansas-Texas football game we had a coaching party and made merry by yelling "Rock Chalk, Jay Hawk, K. S. U.," and waving pennants of light and dark blue.

Our annual Thanksgiving breakfast in Kansas City will be attended by seventeen girls. This is always an enjoyable occasion and is anticipated with enthusiasm.

The new museum is being built with remarkable rapidity, and no doubt, before we are aware of it, it will be completed. This will be the fulfillment of a long felt need of the university.

Several professors and assistants have been added to our faculty to meet the demand of the increase of students.

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### PI-UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

As a result of our rushing this term Pi has three new girls to introduce to the Kappa world. We are proud of our freshmen and wish that you all might know Myrtle Sims, of Berkeley; Alice Treanor, of San Francisco, and Bertha Holmes, of Riverside. During the rushing season we made a visit to Stanford and were entertained by the girls of Beta Eta in genuine Kappa fashion. These visits to Stanford always make us feel that Kappa is something great and far-reaching, for the hospitality

and greetings from the Beta Eta girls are genuine, and we appreciate the privilege of having another chapter of Kappa within reach. The Stanford girls later made us a visit, and we enjoyed that as much.

Our intercollegiate football game was played two weeks ago, and our dear old Berkeley carried off the honors. The struggle with Stanford was a hard fought one, but we are proud of the 2-o score in our favor.

Our President, Benjamin Ide Wheeler, has been in the east, at the bi-centennial anniversary of Yale, and he has returned to us with honors from that university. Yale conferred the degree of doctor of law upon several distinguished men and our president was among the number. We glory in his honors.

Mrs. Hearst is again giving pleasure to Berkeley. She has invited the students to hear some of the most noted singers of the Grau opera company, now in San Francisco. There are to be three recitals given in Hearst hall, and among those whom we will hear are Walter Damrosch, David Bispham, Antonio Scotti, Schumann-Heink and Suzanne Adams. Such musical feasts are certainly very great opportunities, and the Berkeley students appreciate Mrs. Hearst's generosity.

We have elected our delegate for the Ann Arbor convention, and Alma Sherman is the fortunate girl who will represent Pinext August. We wish you all to know her and are glad of this opportunity to send her as our representative.

Pi sends greetings to all Kappas and especially welcomes the freshmen who read the KEY for the first time this January.

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### BETA ETA-LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Beta Eta sends to all her sister chapters wishes for a prosperous new year.

College began the fourth of September, and by the unexpected return of Anita Perrin and May Kimble we opened our house with eleven active members. The first six weeks were busy but successful ones for us, as after the most violent rushing season Stanford has seen we pledged five girls. One of our most enjoyable rushing affairs was a trip to the Berkeley Kappa house, where our girls and several freshmen were royally entertained.

Our initiation, held on the first of November, was made unusually impressive by the presence of Mabel Holtzclau, the founder of Beta Eta, two charter members and four other alumnae. The five new Kappas to be introduced to Kappahood are Sara McLaughlin, Zoe Larkins, Mercedes de Luna, Hazel Hobson and Carrie Sappington.

We have been fortunate this winter in seeing a number of girls from Pi, and in having so many of our alumnae with us.





# In Memoriam.

### MARIAN BLAKE SHAW.

Marian Blake Shaw, initiated by Phi Chapter in 1900, died November eighth, nineteen hundred and one, at her home in Swampscott, Mass.

#### FLORENCE LESLIE KYTE.

WHEREAS, Almighty God in his infinite wisdom has taken from us our sister in the bonds of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Florence Leslie Kyte, and

WHEREAS, Beta Epsilon Chapter feels that her life was truly in harmony with the highest fraternity ideals, and that through her death it has sustained an irreparable loss; be it

Resolved, that the earnest and heartfelt sympathy of the chapter be extended to her family in their bereavement; and be it

Resolved, that these resolutions be incorporated in the minutes of the chapter, and a copy sent to her family.

EVELYN OSBORNE, '00, ELIZABETH ALLEN, '02, Beta Epsilon.

#### HARRIET REMINCTON LAIRD.

Eta has been called upon to mourn the death of an honored member, Harriet Remington Laird, '88, which occurred in her home at Madison, August, nineteen hundred and one. Mrs. Laird took an unusually active interest in all chapter affairs, and was personally acquainted with each member. By her death the chapter has lost one of its most beloved alumnae, a woman who by her integrity and charming personality had endeared herself not only to her Kappa sisters, but to the community at large.

### BELLA JONES.

Omega is mourning the loss of one of her alumnae, Bella Jones, of Minneapolis, Kansas.



# M EDITORIAL. M

### To New Readers.

To THOSE who read THE KEY for the first time this January the editor wishes to say a few words. The fraternity most joyfully welcomes you and offers you a feast of good things. You will find that Kappa does not exist primarily for fudge parties and other good times, but rather she has her raison d' etre because of her subtle influence that helps to make of each of you a stronger, more useful, more unselfish, more womanly woman than you would have been without the indwelling of her ennobling motto. You will gain from Kappa just as much as you give her of your true, best self. It is perfectly and universally true that we get out of anything just what we put into it. The higher up the mountain you climb the clearer and broader is your vision, and the more brilliant and varied are the hues of the landscape before you. This is exactly the case in fraternity life. If you give to it zeal, labor, scholarship, loyalty and love you will be repaid an hundred fold. Your sorrows will be halved and your joys doubled, and you will say at the end of four years that it truly has been worth while.

To Kappas everywhere, new and old, The Key hopes for the Merriest Christmas and the Happiest New Year.

### Alumnae.

Two points in the last Grand President's report show that the question, "How to interest the alumnae," is still open for discussion.

The majority of the alumnae upon graduation go away from the college home, many to small towns where they may be the only fraternity persons. Alumnae have innumerable new interests forced upon them in their home town. No one understands or appreciates the little key. In three years all her chapter mates have left college, and thus she is soon out of touch with her chapter and fraternity. She knows nothing of what her chapter or fraternity is doing. It is only natural that a loss of interest should follow this loss of knowledge.

The organization of alumnae associations will in some degree relieve this situation, but in many cases it may seem impossible to establish associations such as are found in the larger cities.

However there is a way each alumna may be brought in contact with her chapter and the fraternity. Beta Delta's plan as set forth in the July Key might be adapted to every chapter to the profit of alumnae, chapter and fraternity.

Every chapter has days when alumnae especially come together. It may be at the anniversary or the commencement reunion. Such day could be the annual meeting of the alumnae association of that chapter. The membership should include every initiate of the chapter. There should be an annual fee sufficient at least to cover postage expenses. A committee, working with one member from the active chapter, should prepare and send out an annual letter to each member. This letter should include news of the college and fraternity at large, as well as of the chapter and its members. Thus the alumnae would be kept informed and retain their interest. Officers might be elected at the annual meeting or by a popular vote sent by the secretary to each member.

Beta Delta, through her Detroit alumnae, has used this plan very beneficially to themselves. Why would it not be profitable and feasible for others?

### Chapter Letters.

A MARKED improvement in the chapter letters is evident in this issue. The chapters all seem to be working for the prize key, and it is to be hoped that this improvement will be permanent. In a number of instances two or more in a chapter prepared the letter for the KEY, and the chapter chose the best of these for publication. Let this literary competition continue and none of us need be ashamed of the chapter letters.

### A Chair of Etiquette.

THE editor was much interested in the chapter on "Social Life" in Lida Rose McCabe's little book on "The American Girl at College." Miss McCabe asserts that the college woman is often a failure in society. She is frequently a poor conversationalist, has little spontaneity and almost no small talk. The author

then quotes from some distinguished "master of arts of a famous seat of learning," whose name for evident reasons is withheld. What he says is so well said, and agrees so closely with some of our own experiences and convictions that we shall give it entire:

"I attended a breakfast of the class of 1877, and I have not been able yet to divest myself of the appalling heaviness of the affair. Why is it that college women have such poor conversational ability, so little spontaneity—'touch and go'—those seeming inherent qualities of the typical American met in general society? Does higher education cripple the natural or fail to develop the latent social graces?"

It is not difficult to understand why college women are frequently dull companions. Their lives are more or less strenuous; a higher education cannot be gained without work. Nevertheless it is a pity that the process of storing away facts should be conducive to the development of "long faces" and social indifference. Too often women in college do not take time to make themselves agreeable; later when they have received their coveted degrees they do not know how to be.

Fraternity girls are seldom "digs," but they are not always as entertaining and cultured as they might be. Undoubtedly a fraternity exerts an influence in rounding the characters of its members. Would it not be a good thing if this influence were a more conscious and systematic effort toward reform? Each chapter could perhaps constitute a sort of chair of etiquette with definite aims and methods. Then if the above mentioned "master of arts" should ever be entertained by a group of Kappas he would, let us hope, make an exception to his disparaging remarks on college women by affirming that he had met some who had been improved in every way by their college training.

In summing up the relations of the active chapter to the general fraternity a correspondent writes:

"The local officers should see to it that the work of the chapter is done in accordance with the fraternity requirements, that the financial obligations are promptly met, that all correspondence is punctually attended to, and that the local records are fully and carefully kept."

We wish that all chapter officers might feel the obligations herein set forth!!

## M College and Fraternity Notes M

By Marion Evans Twiss, Beta Nu, '97.

#### CONVENTIONS.

Θ Δ X.—The fifty-fourth annual convention of Theta Delta Chi will be held in New York City, February 20 and 21, 1902.

\$\times X.\$—At the twenty-fifth annual convention of Sigma Chi, in August, 168 members, representing 59 chapters and 10 alumni clubs, were present. The convention roll in 1857, their first meeting, showed two men from two chapters. The new president is Dr. Robert Farham, of Washington, D. C., a wearer of the white cross for 37 years and the father of two \$\times X\$ sons. A salary of \$100 per year was voted to the Grand Historian, and retiring Grand Counsel Nate presented the fraternity with the only complete set of the publications of Sigma Chi in existence, a collection which he has gathered during his 11 years of service as Grand Counsel. The New York alumni chapter will have charge of this valuable gift.

Δ Y.—Delta Upsilon met in sixty-seventh convention at Providence, R. I., with the Brown University chapter, October 24th, 25th and 26th. A permanent fraternity fund of over one thousand dollars has been raised and is to be added to, under certain conditions, by G. F. Andrews, the donor of the original "nest egg."

 $\Delta$  K E.—The fifty-fifth convention of Delta Kappa Epsilon was held on December 11th, 12th and 13th, 1901, at Washington, D. C. The petitioners from Leland Stanford, Jr., University secured a favorable hearing, and they will not be the only ones to go away rejoicing at their good fortune, for the convention was one of remarkable completeness and brilliancy, not soon to be forgotten by any "Deke" lucky enough to attend. President Roosevelt and Secretary Long are members of  $\Delta$  K E, and joined in the royal welcome extended by the alumni association of Washington; while in point of numbers the attendance surpassed all others, every chapter being represented, undergraduate delegates numbering 98. Howard B. Harrington, of Columbia, was elected president. The next convention goes to Memphis.

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N.—Sigma Nu entered Cornell University December 7th. Not only that, but they entered a chapter house at once, which starts them off with less handicap than one might expect in a college fostering 21 men's fraternities.

Δ T Δ.—Delta Tau Delta installed a chapter at Dartmouth College, October 7th, 1901.

A Pan-Hellenic club is in process of formation at Omaha under the direction of Brother Chase and Mr. Lucien Stephens, an enthusiastic Beta Theta Pi of Asbury, Ind. The enrollment has reached over 100 names of the Greeks from all parts of the United States who happen to be sojourning in Omaha, and this fall it is probable that a good society will be organized.

-Sigma Chi Quarterly.

Φ K Ψ.—The prize of \$250 offered by the *Century Magazine* for the best essay written by a graduate of an American college or university (within one year after graduation) was won by J. E. Routh, Jr., a member of Phi Kappa Psi, Maryland, '01.

 $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ .—Last Thanksgiving eve marked the thirteenth anniversary of the founding of Delta Delta Delta, and was appropriately observed by the fraternity.

KA @.—Kappa Alpha Theta, in recent convention, adopted a new plan for encouraging closer acquaintance and uniformity among neighboring chapters in a district. The editor states that "during the next two years the innovation of a traveling officer, instead of a convention, will be tried. We await the result with interest." This action (as we understand it) suspends province conventions entirely for the next two years.

KA.—Kappa Alpha established a chapter at Trinity College, North Carolina, on October 18, 1901. This college is the property of the Methodist Episcopal Conference, and has chapters of AT $\Omega$  and K $\Sigma$  within its walls. X $\Phi$  (Southern)  $\Phi$   $\Delta$   $\Theta$  and  $\Phi$   $\Gamma$   $\Delta$  lived there for a short time, but "folded their tents" some time since.

XΩ.—Chi Omega has amended her constitution so as to allow no more honorary members. The editor of the *Eleusis* was made a member of the Supreme Governing Council. Both these actions are decidedly in line with the policy of the older and larger sororities, and are but indications that our youngest sister in Pan Hellas is altogether deserving of recognition as a national fraternity, and a progressive one at that. The next convention goes to St. Louis in 1903.

ΘΔΧ.—Theta Delta Chi has crossed the border and entered McGill University at Montreal. Five of the great eastern fraternities are already there, but there are 1,200 students to draw from. The installation took place October 4th, under British and American flags. The first toast responded to was "The King," in silence, standing, and the next to the President of the United States, followed by the singing of "America," which the Canadian brothers knew quite as well as the Yankees.

Profs. Shaler and Goldwin Smith think it is only a matter of time till Canada and the United States are one. Why not leave it to the fraternities?

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The faculty of the University of Arkansas did nothing at the opening of the college year to enforce the antidiluvian enactment of their state legislature, and the hopes of the Greeks were high. "But," says Kappa Alpha's corresponding secretary, "a few days ago the faculty broke into the serenity of our existence by passing, in compliance with the act of the legislature, a resolution requiring that no student should attend the meetings of a fraternity or in any way affiliate with them, under penalty of suspension for one year. This goes inlo effect October 19th."

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Φ K Ψ.—Phi Kappa Psi entered Vanderbilt University October 7, 1901. Their entrance into another southern college is especially interesting in the light of their civil war record, which is so remarkable that we insert *The Shield's* account almost in full:

"It may be said without fear of successful contradiction that Phi Kappa Psi contributed a larger portion of her membership to the contending armies of the civil war than any other college society, and the record made by the fraternity in that greatest conflict of modern times is nothing short of remarkable. At the beginning of the civil war the fraternity had not closed the first decade of its existence. The membership of Phi Kappa Psi numbered not much in excess of 850. And yet the catalogue shows that 544 Phi Psis fought in the Union and Confederate armies. The records of a number of the southern chapters, several of which were exterminated by the civil war, are exceedingly incomplete, and it is safe to say that if all omissions were supplied the roll of honor would number nearly seven hundred names.

"Of the 544 Phi Psis whose war records are sketched in the 1894 catalogue, 294 served in the Confederate and 254 in the Union ranks—a fact of which some so-called Southern fraternities may well take notice. Two hundred and ninety-two of these men were commissioned officers, including three major-generals—two Union and one Confederate—two brigadier-generals, ten colonels, sixteen lieutenant-colonels, thirty majors, ninety-four captains, eighty-six lieutenants, thirty-one surgeons, fifteen chaplains, two paymasters and three naval officers. More than one hundred Phi Psis were

killed in battle.

"Some remarkable facts bearing on the unanimity with which members of our Southern chapters entered the Confederate army are disclosed by a study of the catalogue. Ten chapters of the fraternity were suspended during the war, and several of them were never revived. Mississippi Beta's fifteen members volunteered to a man, and every Phi Psi initiated at Mississippi College was killed, wounded or captured during the war. Not only was the chapter, but all traces of its members wiped out by the war. Virginia Alpha contributed to the war many more soldiers than any other chapter, 101 in all, including those who entered the univer-

sity after peace had been declared.

"Several chapters were divided by the great conflict. The Mason and Dixon line ran through their membership. The mother chapter of Phi Kappa Psi, at Washington and Jefferson, sent thirty-five men into the Union armies and twelve men into the Confederate. From Dickinson College twelve Phi Psis joined the Federal forces and six the Confederate. An illustration of the unanimity of the South is found in the fact that no chapter located in a state which united its fortunes with the Confederacy contributed a single soldier to the Union army."

An interesting bit of contrasting history from another fraternity record is presented by that unique union of northern and southern members of Sigma Chi in their famous Constantine chapter, inaugurated and loyally maintained throughout the war.

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B @ II.—Beta Theta Pi shows a brave record in athletics—three of the four members of Cornell's never-defeated relay team being Betas, as are the captains of both the football and the baseball team of Chicago, while at the Stadium at Buffalo, in the half-mile race, a Beta from Michigan beat by six inches a Beta from Cornell.

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### FRATERNITY MEMORIALS.

Sigma Chi is planning for a celebration of the semi-centennial

of the fraternity, to take place June 28th, 1903.

The presentation is proposed of an appropriate memorial to Miami University, in commemoration of the founding of the fraternity there.

Beta Theta Pi erected a tablet at Miami some time since, while Phi Gamma Delta is now proposing a memorial chapter house at Washington and Jefferson College, the birthplace of that fraternity.

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School teachers were not the only ones whose souls demanded a bond on the way to the Philippines.  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ ,  $B \Theta \Pi$  and  $A T \Omega$  formed chapters on the "Thomas," numbering seven, ten and seven members respectively.

Harper's Bazaar for October contains a short sketch on "Woman's Fraternities," by P. F. Piper,  $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ . The following of interest appears:

"In 1882 the society [KKI] printed the first number of The Golden Key, the official organ, an excellent magazine, well written, well edited and of unusual interst, as it was the first effort of women in the field of Hellenic journalism."

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In the *Educational Review* for October appears a paper by Elizabeth D. Hanscom, *Phi*, '87 and '93, on ''The Ethical Purpose of a Woman's College,' which is especially interesting as presenting the views of a co-educational graduate, now professor at Smith College, that most conservative of women's colleges.

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The Yale bi-centennial is epitomized in a fascinating article in the *Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly* for December, by Prof. Green.

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Columbia, Williams and the University of Wisconsin are all waiting for presidents. Prof. Butler, proposed for Columbia, at one time offered the following interesting tests of true scholarship, which ought to commend themselves to every fraternity man and woman:

- 1. Correction and precision in the use of the mother-tongue.
- 2. Those refined and gentle manners which are the expression of fixed habits of thought and action.
- 3. The power and habit of reflection.
- 4. The power of intellectual growth.
- 5. Efficiency—the power to do.

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The chapters of Sigma Chi are adopting the plan of electing one local alumnus to active membership. This plan has worked in various other fraternities as "associate membership," and is generally successful.

### W EXCHANGES. W

By Marion Evans Twiss, Beta Nu, '97.

"To love the little platoon we belong to in society is the germ of all public affections." This is college friendship in its most characteristic form; for here there is no necessary relation of one to one, no demand for community of goods or of tastes, no insistence upon similarity of birth or of training. Those who love after this fashion are for the moment wise, and the philosopher may declare them friends as confidently as he asserts them just.—Mary A. Jordan.

Our esteemed contemporaries of the Greek press, every once in awhile, explain, with some detail and not a little self-deprecation, their reasons for having an Exchange department. Some do not clip exchanges at all. This is the beginning of a new volume of The Key. Perhaps it behooves us to declare our articles of faith in the scissors and the paste. But after all, sisters, it is for vou to say. An ounce of inspiration gained is worth ten pounds of reviewing and culling, so if you are getting half the help herein offered we will gladly go on with what seems to us a very "good work."

As the Caduceus says, "the editorial brain of no one man can originate or capably discuss every one of the manifold problems that confront the Greek-letter fraternities of to-day. As the objects of all these fraternities are practically the same, and their raison d'etre being less ideal and more material, it follows that the same conditions confront all, the same requisites to growth are necessary to all, and the views of the corps of trained fraternity writers in like manner may beneficially influence all."

First, what do we think of the following from the Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly? To those who have the interests of The Key close at heart, who actually realize that our little periodical alone represents us to the whole Greek world, this declaration makes a strong appeal:

"The management of every fraternity journal has expended much serious thought on the best methods for securing alumni subscribers. With some, it may be a question of personal profit,

but we wish it distinctly understood right at the start that the present management of the Phi Gamma Delta will make no profit, let the receipts be what they may, for it is their intention to expend them entirely upon the magazine. The direct object, therefore, of seeking to enlarge our alumni subscription list is to enable the management of this journal to make it of greater credit to the fraternity of which it is representative, and toward this end it is their intention to bend every energy. \* \* \* It may be your aversion to sending us your check is due to a feeling that the value received is far from adequate. Quite possible. But we have this to say, the editor of the Phi Gamma Delta, as likewise no doubt the editor of every other Greek-letter magazine, is endeavoring to do his level best with the support afforded him. With a few more paid subscribers on the books this journal might be made vastly more creditable. In short, our alumnus, we want your subscription, not to buy provisions for the editorial household, but to enable us to edit and publish a better, more readable, more comprehensive, more artistic and altogether more satisfactory magazine for the fraternity of Phi Gamma Delta, and incidentally to keep you posted as to the doings of the fraternity and keep alive and warm your interest in its behalf. May we have your support right now when we need it?

The following was writ for the newly-initiated, but, like all good fraternity doctrines, it will apply to every stage in the great Experience of Friendship:

"You have all along been told that the college life of a fraternity girl is the ideal one, and that not to be a fraternity girl is to deprive one's college life of much of its enjoyment and pleasure. Consequently your anticipations were high, and you expect to realize the benefits of fraternity life immediately; you will doubtless be disappointed if they do not come to you as soon as you are initiated. At this time it would be wise to remember the old saying, 'Rome was not built in a day,' and also to know that the influence which the fraternity is to exert upon your college life is gradual, but persistent. Wait, wait! Do not expect it all at once. It will come in time, and so gently and quietly that you may not at first be conscious of it. Its coming is unostentatious and unheralded, and yet none the less powerful and helpful.

"It is this subtle and intangible influence of fraternity life—I can think of no word so expressive as 'influence,' hence its frequent repetition—which makes it so difficult to explain to outsiders what her fraternity means to a college girl. You can not estimate the advantages of your fraternity life in dollars and cents; you can not measure it by inches and feet. The fraternity

can not wholly change your disposition and temperament, but, with your consent, it can and will bring out the best that is in you. What Browning says about life in general is equally applicable to fraternity life: 'I count life just a stuff to try the soul's strength on, educe the man.'"—Arrow of Pi Beta Phi.

The Arrow, by the way, continues to distance all sorority journals. It is eminently wise and sensible. One contributor, however, offers so heretical and disturbing a proposition that we hasten to disagree. She says:

"Often most, if not all, of the fraternities are rushing the same girl, and this makes it difficult both for the girl and the fraternity. There are always lovely girls, a few at least in each chapter, to whom the new girl becomes attached, and when the time comes for a decision it is often very hard for her to choose, because she knows that this must mean her giving up some to retain others. She generally puts off the decision, thinking that it will become easier, but in every case I have observed it only grew harder. This evil has grown greater both in extent and in its bad effect on the girls every year. The question is: How may it be avoided? The only way I can think of is to pledge the girls before coming to college, if it is possible to bring them into contact with the fraternity girls. In that case there need be no strain or hard rushing. Can anyone suggest some other remedy?"

Alas! this remedy were worse than none. When it becomes necessary to transfer the evils of rushing to high schools, Heaven defend us! The choice of a fraternity is, or should be, the crystallization of a sympathy and understanding already felt by the freshman. One of the best and hardest rushed Kappas we ever initiated said, on announcing her choice, "Hard to choose? Why, when I came to look around at those who were dearest to me, I found they were every one Kappas!" And yet that girl had many friends in the other girls fraternities—many more indeed than did a classmate, one of the dilatory waverers, who, by the way, never decided. Our suggestion for a remedy would be—Choose the girls that have enough strength of mind to choose for themselves.

The following from the Sigma Chi Quarterly is suggestive:

<sup>&</sup>quot;For many years the Grand Triumvirs have felt that they should be in closer relations with the chapters in matters of expulsion, and the action of the recent Grand Chapter with reference to this question solves a problem which has been troublesome for some time. In the future all trials for expulsion

must be presided over by the praetor of the province in which the chapter is located, who shall report the results of his findings to the Grand Triumvirs. It is believed that this will be the means of settling many questions which come up in chapters and avoid many embarrassments which in the past have resulted from hasty actions."

An equally good suggestion comes from Kappa Alpha. We recommend it to prospective delegates to convention.

### ELECTING OFFICERS.

"In electing general officers the only thing that can rightly be considered is the welfare of the order. As officers of experience are more useful than raw and inexperienced officers, they ought to be invariably re-elected, so long as loyal and efficient. To abandon our good old custom of re-electing is to open the door to politics—destroy all good feeling. This thing 'politics' comes under so many guises that it deceives sometimes even the elect. A good brother will say, 'My state deserves recognition and we must have one general officer at the next convention.' Here he is bringing in the politician's idea of rotation in office as more important than the order's welfare. Another good brother will say: 'My chapter has paid dues promptly many years and has never had a K. C.; we will run so and so for K. C.'

"This is the only safe principle to go upon-virtual perma-

nency of tenure during good behavior."

Of course this is only one side of the question. The hardworked grand officers themselves could doubtless give us the other side.

Kappa Alpha Quarterly presents a song, the words of which are frankly copied, with some slight changes, from the Song-Book of K K Γ. The acknowledgment of their debt appears in the note, "with apologies to Kappa Kappa Gamma," and we are glad to see that the fraternal sentiment fits the crimson and the gold quite as well as it has so beautifully served the blue and blue.

It is a good thing to get ideas on friendship occasionally from sources outside the fraternity, *nicht wahr?* We haven't a monopoly on the commodity in our journals after all. President Hadley in *Success* for September says:

"A boy who thinks he can acquire general culture by flitting from book to book, as a butterfly goes from one flower to another, taking only that which attracts his attention and dropping it as soon as he is tired of it, is simply engaged in intellectual dissipation. Real culture means hard work, to understand forms of expression, whether in science or in literature, in painting or in music. A merely careless observer fails to make any progress toward genuine culture. The chief reason why Greek is retained in so many of our college courses is that it makes a boy see the necessity for this close study, and prevents him from deluding himself into a belief that he is broadening his mind, when he is

really only acquiring habits of intellectual shiftlessness.

"It is an equally grave mistake to regard friendship as a mere amusement. An acquaintance which is sought for the pleasure of the moment counts for nothing in a boy's character, or in the future life of a man. The friendships that really count are those which are wrought out through sympathy in hard work for a common purpose. Whatever enlists men in loyalty to a cause outside of themselves enables them to come to a closer knowledge of one another, and to serve one another in ways undreamed of by a mere pleasure-seeker. Whether it be in study or in athletics, in social organization or in religious activity, this spirit of self-devotion is essential for him who would realize the value of this side of college life. In default of such a spirit it becomes a mere dissipation, as bad as that of the man who seeks a short cut to technical skill or to intellectual culture."

The italics are our own, but if there exists anywhere a better creed for any fraternity we have yet to hear of it.

Here are some more good thoughts by a "layman," taken at random from a piquant and suggestive article by Miss Mary Jordon, professor in Smith College. The article can be found entire in Harper's Bazaar for December. The title should be altered, however, from "College Friendships" to "Friendships in Women's Colleges," for many of the absurdities hinted at, such "crushes" and violent "fads," could not exist a week in a good, healthy "co-ed" institution.

"Is the college friendship in no way different from friendship in the open? Are the relations of the home and the school simply transferred and continued, with only such modifications as geog-

raphy may impose?

"There are two considerations which stand in the way of this simple and easy disposition of the matter. First is the fact that the secularization and popularization of the college is not complete. There is a stubborn superiority of ideal in the intellectual life, a refinement of motive that persists, and that makes what can perhaps no longer be called the still air of delightful studies—nevertheless a world by itself. Second is the consideration,

often lost sight of, that the limited period of college training, its resulting organization and system, exercise a definite and peculiar influence upon the social emotions. What the bank holiday or Continental travel is to the close-mouthed Englishman in removing prudent neighborhood reserve, and cautious conversational restraint, the conventional four years of college life are to the persistent, practical, preoccupied moulder of his own and other people's fortunes, broadly known as the Yankee. For a lovely, safely limited period, in a sort of heavenly hyphen, and innocent, unworthy parenthesis, he may indulge his imagination, encourage the romantic side of his nature, adventure expensively and try dangerous experiments. Framed in a four years, the perspective of policy may be aerial instead of pecuniary, and the principles of personal economy may be lifted from the level of a dismal science to flights of a fairy godmother's crutch and wand. \* \* \*

"There are always likely to be more women of heart, even in college, than consecrated scholars. But what of the women of heart for whom this service is unsuccessfully performed, and whose attempts to be women of head result in the misfits and distortions to which critics point with glee? Beggars all—but none the worse, perhaps, for having tried to be heirs of the ages. They would doubtless have been failures anywhere. Their overstrained theory and practice must simply be counted out of any view of college friendship, as it would in propriety be counted

out of any other. \* \* \*

"The college friendship fetches a wide diameter. At one limit stands the commercial traveler, at the other the saint. Its fruits are no less extensive. For they are the rewards of benefits received as well as of character perfected. And what constitutes their peculiarly collegiate character is due to the limited term in which they play their parts, and to the closeness of the scrutiny they receive.

"But whatever the form or circumstance, in whatever apparel they come, friends are messengers of the mighty gods, and who-

ever is without one may indeed 'quit the stage.'

The following from Delta Upsilon is exceedingly plain and homely advice, but it is also exceedingly to the point:

"It may seem a matter of secondary importance to look after historical data, but it is indeed vital that a complete and accurate record of each chapter member shall be kept, be he graduate or undergraduate. Brother Dodge reports that he has had clear sailing in his work for those chapters where the chapter historian has done his work faithfully year after year; but he has found an awful tangle in a few cases, where individual records had been allowed to go by default. In many cases it becomes utterly

impossible to trace some of our graduate members if our chapter historians fail to keep track of them year by year. This following up of graduate members is of great advantage in many ways; it keeps the records up to date, it strengthens the bond between alumni and undergraduates, it gives birth to a deeper fraternal knowledge and insight, it yields the sweetest and most potent of chapter traditions, and its value is as great to the graduate as it is to the active chapter member."

This bit of poetry was read at the dedication of a very beautiful chapter house, recently occupied by the Bowdoin chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon:

> "Forever stand, ye walls, and be ye now Forever and forever dedicate To Wisdom of the clear and lofty brow, Prompting her sons to deeds supremely great;

"To Honor, standing with his spotless shield, Warder against the ribald crew of shame; To Truth, whose treasures alone can yield Enduring riches and undying fame;

"To Love, white-robed, sincere, immaculate,
Mother of Graces, Queen of Joy and Song.
Well may her sacred presence guard our gate
And keep our bonds forever close and strong."

New England "Dekes" furnish the college world with not a little good literary material, by the way. We are in receipt of a volume of college stories called "Tales of Bowdoin," edited by a member of  $\Delta$  KE, which are about as entertaining and clever and true to college life as any we have ever read—and we read 'em all!

Convention is near at hand. Here is an extract from a report of a late convention which presents a rather novel idea as to the value of "letting well enough alone." It is from the Kappa Alpha Quarterly.

"No one can deny that the delegates had a fine time, even if they did not do any work. Certain measures are necessarily to be brought up at conventions, but the order is so thoroughly conservative that very little law making or law changing goes a long way. In other words, to use the slang expression, the fraternity does not believe in monkeying with the trolley very much. Of all conventions that the order has ever held the recent one at Richmond did the least business. That is a good omen for the order. It means that the men who compose the fraternity are satisfied with the laws they have at present. One or two rather revolutionary suggestions were made, but I do not believe that they met with any support."

And now we must omit all other quotations in favor of a very able and complete article on Fraternity Examinations, offered in the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*, an article every word of which we expect will be read, and the suggestions in which we sincerely hope will be thoughtfully worked out by the committee on examinations in Kappa Kappa Gamma and by the several chapters as best may be suited to their special needs and ideals.

#### FRATERNITY EXAMINATIONS.

By HARRISON S. SMALLEY, Michigan, '00.

If Delta Upsilon were a loosely-strung aggregation of college social clubs, without some loftier aim than the mere gratification of the whims of its members in their lighter moods, without a history full of the records of constant endeavor, without an influence that reaches far beyond the walls of the chapter house, and without a significance that can never be lost from the lives of its members—if Delta Upsilon were merely this, the proposition that an initiate be subjected to the ordeal of an examination on fraternity matters would be truly ridiculous.

But it is our special pride that Delta Upsilon is much more than such a confederation of clubs. It is a unity, a body with functions peculiar to the whole and to each integral part. In accordance with this principle the fraternity aims to extend through the chapters to each of its members the encouragement and the inspiration to make the most of himself by the development of all that is best in him. Thus the initiate enters an order of international dimensions whose ideas are in no small measure to become his own, and also a chapter which is to imprint on him its character, and is to receive in return the impress of his own. Moreover, it is an order which is to demand no small share of his best thought and energy for a matter of years, and his loyalty throughout his life.

But this is not all. It must not be forgotten that the fraternity is a member of the circle of Greek-letter societies. Whatever may be the faults of the fraternity system, we are glad to believe that its virtues far outweigh them, and that it has a useful as well as a prominent part to play in American college life. And in this work the members of Delta Upsilon do and should join

heartily with their fellow Greeks.

When, therefore, the young initiate looks about him he finds himself encircled by three zones—the narrow sphere of chapter life, the wider sphere of his fraternity, and the still wider sphere of the Greek-letter world. And if he fails to understand the purpose and the meaning of it all, what wonder? It becomes the duty of his fellows to enlighten him. Here, then, the idea of a fraternity examination finds its place. It should mean nothing more nor less than a judiciously arranged course of study and instruction so designed as to assist the initiate to take his place intelligently, sympathetically and enthusiastically in his new environment. He must learn something of what it means to be a Greek, and something of what it means to be a Delta U., not only in the life of the fraternity, but in the life of his college and of the world.

Of course he can learn this by experience, and much of it he can learn in no other way. Nevertheless, no inconsiderable portion of it may be acquired by intelligent study, and if so, the effort should be made. It is possible to find at least four ways in which a carefully prepared plan of study would help to place the

new member in a position of advantage.

I. It would put him in possession of a certain modicum of information which every member of the fraternity ought to have. For everyday purposes it is not necessary for him to have a thousand facts on the tip of his tongue, but a limited number is necessary. A few dates, a few historical facts, a few names, some knowledge of fraternity organization and of the various chapters, and, finally, a number of general ideas—all this must be the equipment of every one who hopes to do his part in the fraternity without embarrassment.

2. Beyond this minimum of information there are many matters of merely occasional importance. It is not necessary that a member should burden his mind with all or many of these. But one thing is certain—he should know where to go to find out about them. It is true in the fraternity, as it is in the world at large, that usually the knowledge of where, more than the knowledge of what, is the mark of a competent man. A series of examinations would make the initiate familiar with all the sources of fraternity information and would teach him how to

use them.

3. In his study for the examinations the new member could not fail to learn something of the magnitude of the Greek-letter society system, something of its spirit, something of his relations to it and of the relations of the various orders to each other. He would begin to judge his fellow Greeks more upon their merits; to see in their true light the excellencies and the failings of his own and other fraternities. He would learn that no fraternity excels in all particulars, and that each has its own special claims to distinction. He would begin to appreciate how much each

order has to learn from its rivals. He would be more charitable and less bigoted in his views of fraternities, and on that account would be a better Delta U., a better Greek, and a better man.

4. Finally, and chiefly, the examinations would impress upon him much of the spirit of Delta Upsilon. They would awaken his sympathy and arouse his enthusiasm. They would teach him that the fraternity is not a mere convenience for which he pays so much a month; that the chapter house is not a mere rallying point for purposes of pastime. He would learn that the fraternity is an institution in which he must invest time, thought and energy, as well as money, but with the assurance of a generous return. He would begin to realize that his chapter does not make the bounds of his fraternity life; that all Delta U's, as well as his immediate associates, are equally his brothers; that the fraternity is really, as has been said, a "larger chapter." He would begin to take an intelligent pride in his fraternity-the starting point of a useful career. And, if the plan were in general operation, it would produce ever-increasing uniformity and homogeneity throughout the fraternity, for the various chapters would tend more and more to conform to a common type.

Now, it will at once appear that to devise a scheme of examinations capable of satisfying the ambitious demands set forth above would be a matter of no small difficulty. One would be inclined to approach the task with much diffidence, if at all. It is not, therefore, the purpose of this article to attempt to suggest more than a few tentative ideas, much less to outline a plan which might advantageously be adopted by all the fraternity. Probably it would be best for each chapter to work out ideas agreeable to itself by experiment for a number of years, with frequent comparison of results. What is offered below is the result of the experience of the Michigan chapter—an experience more extensive, perhaps, than that of most of our chapters.

Among the most important things which should be borne in mind in arranging their work for the new members may be men-

tioned these:

 The whole field of study should be divided in a logical manner, and one important division assigned for each examination. The advantages of system and order in study are as dis-

tinct here as anywhere.

2. Not only should the materials (in the shape of books, pamphlets, etc.) be put within the reach of the students, but specific references to pages or chapters should be given for each subject. Thus the students will miss nothing, and will be helped in making their work systematic.

3. The members of the examination committee should hold themselves ready to render cheerful assistance to their younger brothers. Much that is not clear can be elucidated in a few words, and a new meaning can be given to a printed page by a few pertinent remarks.

4. Before the series of examinations is concluded the initiates should be asked to express their views of the plan, and should be encouraged to criticise freely. A good class will contribute many valuable ideas which can be utilized by succeeding committees.

5. Every examination may advantageously contain a few "thought questions," to answer which the student must exercise some degree of ingenuity in handling his knowledge of fraternity matters.

6. The examinations should, if possible, be harder than an initiate might reasonably be expected to pass—this to impress the class with the idea of the vastness of the subject, an idea which it is quite important for a member of the fraternity to have. On the other hand, the examinations should not be made so hard as to be discouraging.

7. Much of the matter regarding the principles, aims and ideals of the fraternity, as well as the local policy of the chapter, may most advantageously be treated in conferences with the class, where all questions may be thoroughly discussed.

8. An examination in the nature of a review of the whole field

may be found useful at the conclusion of the series.

I am informed that in certain other fraternities the work of examination is uniform throughout the chapters, and is under the direction of a general "educational committee." In certain cases all of the members, as well as the initiates, take the tests, and sometimes the chapters have periodical drills in certain subjects. At these times they discuss matters of interest and especially articles and items from their own and other fraternity publications. All of these ideas are worthy the serious consideration of Delta Upsilon.

The experience of the Michigan chapter has led its committee to arrange six examinations, given, usually, at intervals of one week, as soon after the annual initiation as possible. Due announcement of the examination is made in advance, and reference lists and other information are posted on the bulletin board in the chapter house. The order of examinations is as follows:

I. Chapters and Alumni Clubs.

II. The Greek Letter Society System.

III. Fraternity History.

IV. Noted Alumni and Fraternity Songs.

V. Constitution and By-Laws.VI. Chapter History and Policy.

Of course a working knowledge of the Greek alphabet is presupposed and required. The songs upon which the class is examined are usually five or six in number and are chosen from those most popular with the chapter. In order to expedite the work on "noted alumni," the committee posts a list of the names of about forty such persons and the class proceeds to "look them up" in the quinquennials and elsewhere. Most of the matter on chapter history is, of course, not in published form, and it is usual for one of the members of the committee to deliver an informal lecture on the subject, the class being held for the substance of it. The examinations are written, but it has been found that good results may be sucured by making the first an oral quiz.

Below will be found a list of the most important references used by the Michigan chapter, and a set of questions chosen from those actually given in the examinations. They are offered as suggestions merely, and simply to illustrate one way in which the general ideas expressed in this article may be actually worked out. The questions on chapter history and policy are omitted, as they

would be entirely different for each chapter.

### REFERENCES.

I. Chapters and Alumni Clubs:

Any recent number of the Delta Upsilon Quarterly.

II. The Greek Letter Society System :

(a) Baird's "College Fraternities."

(b) For fraternities represented at the University of Michigan:

1. The Michigan Book.

2. The 1900 "Michiganensian."

III. Fraternity History:

(a) Quinquennial of 1884, pp. 1-38, 96-106, and 320; also historical sketches of each chapter.

(b) Quinquennial of 1891, pp. ix-xiii.

(c) Decennial Supplement of 1897, pp. vii-viii; and ix-xv.(d) The "History" in any Delta Upsilon Annual.

(e) Baird's "College Fraternities."

(f) For convention records:

1. Quinquennial of 1884, pp. 39-96.

2. Quinquennial of 1891, pp. xxx-xxxv.

3. Decennial Supplement of 1897, pp. xvi-xx.

(g) For fraternity bibliography:

Quinquennial of 1884, pp. 107-123.
 Quinquennial of 1891, pp. xxxvi-xlvii.

3. Decennial Supplement of 1897, pp. xxii-xxxi.

(h) For "inactive chapters":

Quinquennial of 1884, pp. 314, 418, 493, 521 and 555.

(i) For "honorary members":Quinquennial of 1891, pp. 557-564.

IV. Noted Alumni:

See Delta Upsilon catalogues for names given in list.

V. Fraternity Songs:

Delta Upsilon Song Book.

VI. Constitution and By-Laws.

#### EXAMINATIONS.

### CHAPTERS AND ALUMNI CLUBS.

Name all of the chapters of Delta Upilon in the order of their establishment, indicating in each case whether the institution is a college or university, and in what city and state it is located.

### THE GREEK LETTER SOCIETY SYSTEM.

- A. To what causes may we attribute the origin of fraternities?
- B. 1. Name three fraternities with large chapter rolls. 2. Name three fraternities with small chapter rolls.
- What are the advantages and the disadvantages of a large chapter roll and of a small chapter roll?
- D. I. Mention a typical Eastern, a typical Western and a typical Southern fraternity.
  - 2. Give the basis of the classification of fraternities into Eastern, Western and Southern.
  - 3. Locate Delta Upsilon in that classification.
- E. What fraternities were established before Delta Upsilon?
- F. I. When was the first fraternity established? 2. When was the first sorority established?
- Name the following in the order of their establishment at the University of Michigan:
  - 5. Dental fraternities. Literary fraternities.
  - 6. Homeopathic fraternities. 2. Law fraternities.
  - Medical fraternities. Literary sororities.
  - 4. Pharmacy fraternities. 8. Professional sororities.
- H. Mention three prominent fraternities not represented by chapters at the University of Michigan.

#### III. FRATERNITY HISTORY.

- A. Give a chronological outline of Delta Upsilon history, mentioning at least twelve important dates.
  - B. Give a logical outline of Delta Upsilon history.
- C. Describe the conditions which brought Delta Upsilon into existence and the establishment of the original chapters.
  - D. Discuss development of fraternity organization up to 1864.
- E. Discuss in detail the development of the policy in regard to secrecy.
  - F. Outline the general development of the constitution.
  - G. Discuss "honorary members." H. Discuss "inactive chapters."

  - Describe the development of the motto and of the badge.
    Write an account of the development of the fraternity's
- aims and ideals.
- K. Of the earlier members of the fraternity a large proportion are "Reverends." What explanation can you suggest?
- L. What, in your opinion, are at present Delta Upsilon's chief sources of strength, and of weakness?

### IV. NOTED ALUMNI AND FRATERNITY SONGS.

A. What claims to distinction have Powers, Voorhees, Nott, Stearns, Blair and Tripp?

B. Tell all you know about four other prominent members of

Delta Upsilon.

- C. Name five Delta U.'s prominent as college presidents, four as statesmen, two as jurists, two as authors, two as clergymen, two as business men, five as college professors, and one as a diplomat.
- D. Name four prominent honorary members. E. Write the words of five fraternity songs.

### V. CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

A. How many constitutions has Delta Upsilon had? Give the years in which they were adopted.

B. What have been the provisions of each constitution in

regard to secrecy?

C. Trace the unification of the fraternity in constitutional provisions.

D. How may the constitution be amended?

E. What methods besides amendment of the constitution have been employed to change the constitutional aspects of the fraternity? Give an example.

F. What is the constitutional status of alumni clubs?

G. How may new chapters be admitted?

- H. What are the functions of the fraternity officers? Of the convention officers?
- I. Describe the financial relations of the chapters to the fraternity.

J. How may an alumnus be expelled?

K. What constitutional provision is there regarding the majority necessary to elect new members?

L. How may the by-laws of this chapter be amended?

M. Describe in detail the provisions of the by-laws in regard to

the policy committee.

N. How are the chapter finances managed? In answering this question discuss the budget, the chapter tax, and financial officers. Why is no mention of interest made in the budget? Why is there no allowance for rushing expenses in the budget?

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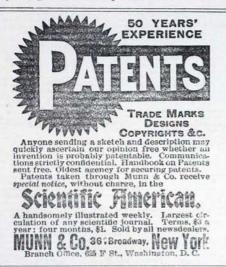
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