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DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER AND HER CHILDREN

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OUR WORK AT MEUDON

DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER

The clothes that we sent have arrived in France. A brown-eyed French baby wore our coat and hat to his baptism; others are in Kappa hair ribbons, Kappa shoes, and Kappa frocks. Read Mrs. Fisher's interesting description of these photographs that she sent us.

Most of these photographs were taken in the yard of my house at Bellevue, where the people came to tell their stories, be examined medically, have clothes given to them, make appointments for going to the dentist (by arrangement made by the Kappa doctor), make appointments for the Kappa visiting nurse, etc., etc.

1. One of the new Kappa families, six children. The mother is in the center, the American Red Cross doctor who gives her services to the Kappa Committee on her right, and two American friends who have been helping in the work leaning over to see the new baby. All these children were in rags, literally, when the Kappas took them in hand. Everything they have on, even to their underclothes and hair ribbons and shoes was sent by Kappas, came off a well-fed, well-dressed American child to go straight on the back of a very needy little French "brother." The family now,



as you see, is neat and self-respecting and the mother beams with new courage.

2. A group of Kappa families, the grown-ups in the back and the children in front.



Most of these women happen to be refugees from around St. Quentin, who are working in the war-factories near Meudon. The two girls at the ends are the American friends who have been carrying on the work during my absence in the

South. All of these children are dressed in Kappa clothes and shoes, and most of the women have Kappa underclothing on.

3. The Kappa doctor, Dr. Moorehouse, who has taken such an interest in the work and has given so much time to it. She is attached to the Red Cross work in Paris, but the Red Cross "loans" her to the Kappa Committee for medical inspection and advice to the Kappa families. She is the tall one, in the uniform. The other one, in the Red Cross nurse uniform, is the Kappa visiting and attendant nurse, who immediately on receipt of the big check from the Kappas, was set to work and has done an immense lot of good.



4. A Kappa Committee baby is baptized. This is taken in front of the church at Meudon, where a new baby in one of "our" families has just been baptized. One of the American friends

who has been carrying on the work was godmother, and has the honor of holding the baby, who is dressed in Kappa clothes. Somebody sent a pretty little white silk baby cloak and hood, which were the ornaments of the great occasion. The priest and the acolytes stand back together with the other children and other members of the family. The baby is just as lovely as he looks in the photograph, a big,



brown-eyed darling, who did not cry when he got his holy-water wetting, and did every honor to his beautiful American clothes. The other children are all in Kappa clothes too. And what do you think! We were heart-broken. When we all got to the church, the *mother* was not there. The aunt was, and we inquired anxiously about the mother. Was she sick? Was anybody sick? After much hesitation ("our" families hate to talk about their difficulties) the aunt said the mother couldn't come because she had no hat, and women are not allowed in church without something on their heads. She (the aunt) couldn't loan her own hat, because she is a war-widow in deep mourning, and the mother didn't want to wear a long mourning-veil hat to her baby's christening. We were so sorry we hadn't known, somehow of course we could have arranged a hat for her! But it was too late then, the priest was waiting, and the ceremony had to go on. This is a little detail, but so characteristic of the kind of people the Kappas are helping.



5. A snap-shot Dr. Moorehouse took of me, noting down some needs of the six-children family.

6. A very speckled photograph, taken under the trees, which shows me holding up an American undershirt and explaining to a group of refugee women about the queernesses of American



underwear! French women, you know, can't conceive of civilized women who don't wear chemises, first, last, and all the time! We get around this by giving them material to make their own chemises (bought out of Kappa money, of course) and

they wear those first, and the American underwear over them, as sort of over-garments, so to speak! They are always delighted with the warmth of American underclothes, *if* and provided that they can wear chemises first! It makes the precious woolen undergarments last a much longer time, too, which is a good thing under the circumstances when every thread of things woolen is worth its weight in gold over here.

COVER YOUR COUGH!

THE BIG CHECK ARRIVED

DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER

In August we sent abroad the \$2,000 that we saved by giving up convention. This is what Mrs. Fisher said about it.

Villa Desiree,
September 28, 1918,
Guethary,
Basses-Pyrenees.

Dear Mrs. Mullin:

I have been trying to find time to write you adequately about the tremendously good news that the Kappas have decided to give that money to the Meudon work; but I am desperately busy, trying to wind up and settle the Red Cross work I have undertaken here, so that I can go at once back to Meudon and settle there, to supervise at first hand the work there, and to organize it on a really permanent basis. For as soon as your letter came, I decided that I would better bend everything to that end, leave the work here in the hands of the people I have put in charge, and go north to undertake this Kappa work with all my energy.

I will write the letter for THE KEY, and am sending herewith some recent photographs of the Kappa families there, so that THE KEY can choose which ones it wishes for reproduction. I am going to try to get a photograph of the Mayor of Meudon, also, who is coöperating with us heartily. I have numbered the photographs and have added on a separate slip the explanations that might go with each one. I add a recent photograph of myself with my children, just on general principles, although it is one which I am afraid my publishers are already using and so won't be very new. Don't, of course, use it, unless you think best. I am only trying to put all sorts of material in your hands, and let you choose which will most interest the readers of THE KEY. Bless them! Bless them!

I was recently three or four days in Meudon, going there at once on receipt of your letter to make arrangements for my stay

there, and saw a lot of the Kappa families, and felt burningly, more than I can say, both a sort of anguish of pity for the poor, valiant people, and a sort of anguish of thankfulness to the Kappas for what they are doing! This sounds rather emotional, I know, but the situation *is* emotional! The latest big "sending" of clothes from the Kappas was simply splendid, such solid, substantial, *nice* things, and such *warm* things, and such a lot of them!

But I mustn't begin on that, or I shall never finish. I'll save that for the letter for THE KEY, which I shall try to send to you by the middle of October, no later. My life is very, very full just now, with much sickness all around me, the dreadful Spanish grippe, and mighty few doctors and no nurses, let alone all the administrative difficulties of getting the work for the delicate children settled here, so that I can leave it. But I expect to be north by the eleventh of this month almost certainly, unless something very unexpected comes off.

I haven't even said at all to you anything of the emotion I felt at getting your letter and the big check, the biggest one I ever held in my hand in francs! It was a very, very happy moment, and there have been few *happy* moments in my life since I came to France. I want to start something there that will continue at least three years on Kappa funds and thereafter be taken over by the commune as a permanent community activity. We'll see!

A thousand thanks, and all good wishes for your new work,

Cordially yours,
DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER.

COVER YOUR SNEEZE!

A LETTER FROM FRANCE

CLARE HARRIS, *Upsilon*

Clare Harris now wears a chevron on her sleeve, for she has been nursing in France for more than six months. One cold early morning—at 3 o'clock—she was on duty in her hospital at Limoges, waiting for one thousand wounded men from the battle. While she waited she wrote this letter to us all. Three cheers for Nurse Harris!

28 October 1918.

3 A. M.

Dear Kappa Sisters:

As you see, the hour is late and the world is sleeping, except our boys at the front and a few of us back here in our cold barracks—at least, so it seems when on night duty and everything is so still and dark and cold. But there is a peculiar fascination about our post in the stillness of the night—the little street and on each side the line of dark barracks with a single gleam of light at the door; the guards at all the post entrances, sometimes calling out “Corporal of the Guard, Post No. 1, or 2 or 3,” when there is something the guard can’t manage alone; the change of guard every four hours, the O. D. or Officer of the Day, who is one of our medical officers (they take turns, acting from four P. M. to four P. M.) and he makes rounds with the corporal of the guard to see that everything is all right. Everything is interesting, and then sometimes, of course, heartbreaking things happen, like the death of my poor lad, Larsen, the other night of pneumonia, after he had made such a staunch and hard fight for life and we had tried to keep him alive by feeding him oxygen continuously. Usually, however, the boys get well so fast and are so happy and cheerful all the time that our work is made lighter and very wonderfully happy. When our poor boys do die there is a military funeral, the flag is at half mast, and they are buried in a dear little cemetery outside of town a little way. We have a dear old chaplain, the man who was at Presbyterian Hospital when I was in training.

The boys in the wards are all talking of home, mother, and wife, and they can imagine their feet under the home dining table, while they eat the grandest things. I hear them planning, and it really is awfully funny the things mother is going to make for them. They are always hungry. The other night a colored boy who is on a strict kind of diet asked me to make him some fried potatoes at three A. M.

Tonight we are expecting a convoy of 1,100 patients in town to be divided among the three hospitals. The train was expected at eleven P. M., but it has not come in yet. The ward surgeon was just in to tell me that he was going to bed and to call him if I had any serious cases arrive. I have fifteen vacancies among the ninety beds in this ward and nine empty beds in my other ward, so I expect to be busy. I have two very good orderlies, so we get along well.

Our leaves have been called off for the present emergency. They thought for a while this week they would have to take away our beds, as they did those of the medical officers and the corps, but so far they have not done so. If it happens, we shall gladly sleep on straw for the cause we are in. As the boys say, "It is an awful war, but it's the only one we have, so we'll make the best of it and be good sports." They *are* good sports, and so I guess I can be too. And the fighting surely can't go on much longer. You know what Pershing said, "Heaven, Hell, or Hoboken Christmas."

If you could see me, you would laugh. I am wearing my heavy woolen underwear, and I have on three sweaters, Lieutenant Burke's mole skin, sheep-lined coat, and Lieutenant Hood's knitted helmet, because the nights are bitter cold and we still have no heat. They call me "fat," and I surely do have on everything I own, which has the happy result of keeping me perfectly warm and comfortable. Many of the girls are sick, one with pneumonia, but no one need ever worry about me. I have no pride when it comes to my health, and I'll put on three more suits of underwear rather than get sick. And oh, you dear woolly stockings!

At twelve thirty we go to supper over in the general kitchen which is busy all night. They no sooner get through with the day cooking than the night shift comes on and starts to cook.

Our meals are splendid and we are getting fat. We have been in France now almost six months, and Uncle Sam has never failed to take good care of us. We never suffer for the lack of anything.

We do not wish to come home until the war is over, but we do often think bright thoughts of mother, father, sisters, and all we love. Sometimes in the midst of a duty a dear Kappa song will come to my mind or a Kappa sister I have known and loved, and it all helps, you know, to have thoughts of happy days so bright and near. I am proud to be wearing a Kappa key, especially so after having been in Paris and talked with Mme. Fischbacher of the wonderful relief work you are doing here in Bellevue-Meudon. I was in Paris, temporarily detached from the unit to work in Red Cross Military Hospital #2. One day Mme. Fischbacher came to my hotel and asked me to come out to her home, so on my first free afternoon my roommate and I went to see the dear, good, loving French woman whose heart is so surely with those poor bereaved French babies you are helping. It is a splendid work. And I am proud of my fraternity. It was a wonderful experience to be in Paris at the time I was there. I loved it all, even the air raids and the bombarding by big Bertha in the daytime.

With the best of Christmas wishes to you all,

CLARE HARRIS, A. N. C.,
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JULIETTE HOLLENBACK MEMORIAL

In the October KEY we read of Mrs. Hollenback's gift of \$5,000 to the Students' Aid Fund of Kappa Kappa Gamma in memory of Juliette Hollenback, her daughter. To those of us who have known Juliette as undergraduate Kappa, as alumna member, and as Grand Council officer, during all the years of her loyal and active life in the fraternity, this announcement comes as a beautiful and touching tribute. Kappa Kappa Gamma as an organization sustained an irreparable loss in the death of Juliette Hollenback. In her quiet, unassuming way she combined all those qualities of character which the ideals of our fraternity portray to us.

As I look back upon my college and fraternity life, and indeed, upon the experiences of subsequent years, I am more and more convinced that we are, to a great extent, the composite of the personalities with which we have come in contact. I like to think of the people who have influenced my ideals of life and my interpretation of it. And in that connection I shall always be grateful for the friendship of Juliette Hollenback. By her beautiful qualities of character and her fine traits of mind, she has written her name on the hearts and lives of all with whom she came in contact. Many lives have been enriched through the influence of her friendship.

And now that Kappa can count her name no longer on the list of active members, I like to think that this scholarship, so generously endowed by her mother, may be not only a memorial to those of us who have loved her, but that through it, some spiritual influence from her noble and unselfish character may be conveyed to the many splendid, worthwhile girls who will in future years be given the privilege of a broader opportunity and thus better equipped for service. This practical helpfulness to future Kappas is the most fitting memorial that could be established in her honor, and it is with hearts full of tender memories and grateful appreciation, that we acknowledge this gift from her mother. May the name and the influence of Juliette Hollenback be thus perpetuated among those things which are good and beautiful in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

FLORENCE BURTON ROTH.

In behalf of the Fraternity and of the Grand Council, the chairman of the Students' Aid Fund of Kappa Kappa Gamma gratefully acknowledges and announces the following gift: Amelia Beard Hollenback, in memory of her daughter, Juliette Genève Hollenback, B Σ 1902, \$5,000.

MRS. HOLLENBACK'S LETTER

Glen Summit Springs, Pa.
September 27, 1918.

Mrs. P. R. Kolbe,
Grand President Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Dear Mrs. Kolbe:

In memory of my daughter, Juliette Genève Hollenback, I am sending to you through the Franklin Trust Co., 166 Montague Street, Brooklyn, New York, \$5000 Delaware & Hudson Co., 1st and Refunding Mortgage 4% bonds, due 1943, for the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity Students' Aid Fund.

I should like this part of the fund to keep its identity as the Juliette Genève Hollenback Memorial, and that in using it, you ask that preference be given to students of Adelphi College, Brooklyn, though, never, when there is greater need of it elsewhere. I realize perfectly that the Students' Aid Fund is not an invested fund, of which only interest is used. I know that it is a cash fund, of which the principal itself is used. I, therefore, do not wish to bar the fraternity from immediately selling these bonds, if they wish to obtain the use of the entire amount in that way. But in the present abnormal state of the market, as the bonds would have to be sold at much less than their normal value, I would suggest that it would be wiser for the present if they could be held until they could be sold to better advantage, and only the interest upon them used.

With assurance of my hearty interest in your organization,

Very truly yours,

AMELIA BEARD HOLLENBACK.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

A KAPPA HEROINE

Eloise Eagleton, Beta Theta, enlisted in the service of the country and went to Camp MacArthur as a nurse. In two weeks she contracted influenza and died. It was just as truly giving her life for her country as a death on the battlefield. She is a golden star on Kappa's honor roll.

Base Hospital,
Camp MacArthur, Texas,
October 11, 1918.

I don't know where to start to tell you about all this new and wonderful experience I am having. We student nurses, and there are to be fifty of us by the end of the week, are in a big place we call the students' home. Often it is called Ward 3. We have rooms partitioned off with beaver board running up a little higher than our heads, so you can imagine how open it all is. Nannie and I are rooming together. We are sleeping on the porch, our beds being just outside our window.

A number of us are college women. I know of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Texas women graduates in camp. There are something like 140 nurses here and about thirty of those are sick with the influenza. Our school doesn't begin for a number of weeks but they sent for us to help out in this epidemic. We are put on the wards to make beds; bathe and rub patients; get them things they need such as water and grape juice; fill ice bags, and numerous other things like this. I have made a number of beds, straightened beds, given drinks of water, rubbed backs with alcohol; I forget what else.

The two women who have charge of us are wonderful. The first two or three days I worked in the surgical supply room, doing what I have done for months at home.

Corps boys do all the unpleasant things. I have thought of some of the university corps men and wondered what they were doing. There is a corps boy, a corporal, in our ward who is in charge with the nurse. He is the best boss you ever heard, not to us, but to the men. He just lands on them. The nurses call all these corps boys by their last name, never Mr. That is not

hospital etiquette. Nurses can go only with officers. They cannot walk with a soldier while on duty but the atmosphere in this respect is very pleasant.

I have no more time, but love to you all.

Sincerely,

ELOISE.

POST BELLUM

To L. S. H.

May I have strength, now that the war is done,
As life again assumes a calmer pace,
And by those precious lives our peace is won,
To face with courage my great loneliness.
And may I learn without a bitter thought
To watch so many others marching home,
Who, side by side with him, went forth and fought
In order that this day of peace might come.
This is my chance to carry on and be
Worthy of what he gave. There's work to do
And I will strive, no matter what the pain,
To do my share. For I must help to see
His vision of a better world come true
So that the sacrifice was not in vain.

MARGARET LOLA GOLDSMITH,
Beta Lambda 1917.



MARIE SELLERS, Beta Iota

KAPPAS KNOWN TO FAME

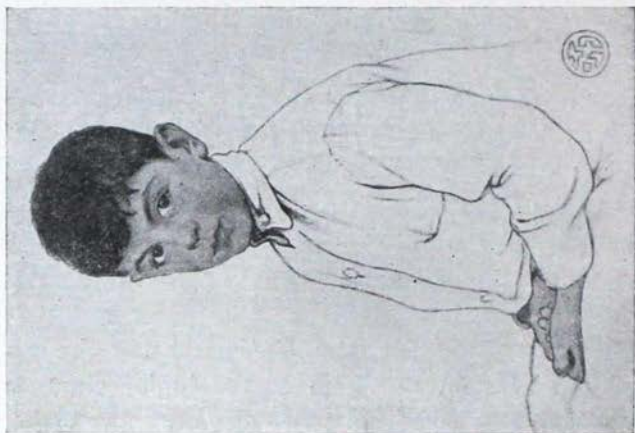
LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor*MARIE SELLERS, *Beta '10**Editor*

Marie Sellers, of Beta Iota Chapter, Kappa Kappa Gamma, was born in West Chester, Pennsylvania, June 10, 1890. In 1906 she graduated from the Friends' Graded School, West Chester, and in June, 1910, she graduated from Swarthmore College.

While at Swarthmore she was prominent in athletics and dramatics, in both her junior and senior years conducting a children's dancing class in Swarthmore village. She was a member of the *Halcyon* and *Phoenix* staffs, the *Halcyon* being the yearbook issued each year by the members of the junior class, and the *Phoenix*, the college weekly. She was also on the Athletic Council and the Student Government Board of the college, president of Somerville Literary Society, secretary of her class in the last semester of her senior year, and she took a leading part in the senior play given at commencement.

The year following graduation she spent in Dayton, Ohio, where she was in charge of all athletic work, dancing, and public speaking, at Miss Howe's and Miss Marots' School. From there, in 1911, she went to the Curtis Publishing Company in Philadelphia, and that summer helped to get out the first number of the *Country Gentleman*, after it had been bought by the Curtis Publishing Company. During her first few months with the "Curtis" her work ranged from that of office boy to copy editor and make-up man, in the early life of the magazine when the editorial staff was being assembled. Early in 1912 a household department was introduced, and she was made associate editor in charge of all the material for women in the magazine.

This position she held until February, 1918, when she went to Washington as assistant in extension work with women, in the Department of Agriculture, to help organize the department home demonstration work in the thirty-three northern and western states. Her publicity work in connection with this government position led to her being transferred in July to the office of the



SKETCHES BY ETHEL NEWCOMB FARNSWORTH

Secretary of Agriculture, to handle all articles and news material of interest to women in the Office of Information.

While in Washington Marie Sellers took the leading parts in two educational moving pictures produced by the Dairy Division. In one she was "Mrs. Brown," who learns the use and economy of cottage cheese; and in the other "Bertha," a country girl and home economics graduate, who helps a young farmer neighbor with the development of his model dairy.

On October 1 Marie Sellers left Washington to go to New York to become household editor of the *Pictorial Review*.

ELLA C. LEVIS, *Beta Iota '07*.

ETHEL NEWCOMB FARNSWORTH, *Chi '96*

Artist

Let us imagine in order to create a "comfortable" atmosphere that some young Kappa is asking me if I can tell her anything of her sister in Kappa and of mine in Kappa and in Chi, Ethel Newcomb Farnsworth.

If you should come to Minneapolis you could see three initials, E. N. F., on some lovely sketches of children, sketches in crayon which are in the homes of these same children. In her own home in a sequestered family sitting-room at the back of the house, with a lovely view of green outside and of the distant city beyond, you would find yourself studying the portrait of a man, clear cut, with much decision in it, and here again you find E. N. F. in the corner and this is the artist's father.

And in a downtown studio on the third floor of a building called the Handicraft Building, in a corner room at the top of the stairway, you may even find the lady herself but she won't always notice you. Not long ago I found her, but I did not stop for tea. There are business hours in studios and she observes them. Having climbed the two flights of stairs with the pleasant consciousness that my bona fide errand across the hall from her did not at all preclude the possibility of a little visit in her studio, I paused at her open door but her back was turned. She had on a long apron, very becoming, and was extremely engrossed sitting at a table where, I learned later, a Christmas card was being evolved. I studied the sketches on the walls, a sprightly Puck, a cover for a midsummer number of a magazine—she did not see me—the wistful fat face of a little lad. She had told me the

story, a lad of ten whom she always fed before she painted because she found him saving all he earned for the family bread and butter. She did not see me, and I did not stay for tea.

Ethel Farnsworth has studied wherever and whenever she has had the chance because she has always had the impulse—in college, a little while in Dresden and a little while in Paris in a post-college tour, and always ever since as often as other duties will let her take the time, in New York. Last winter she filled the position which came to her unsought of instructor in illustration at the Minneapolis Art Institute and this winter she is to hold the same position and to do some lecturing there besides.

To be possessed of the art instinct leads to many possibilities for civic service, and there are few possibilities for real service of any kind that Ethel Farnsworth lets slip, from searching the slums to staging a municipal Christmas or planning a pageant. There is no need to speak of Ethel Farnsworth's art technically. It speaks for itself.

MARY TUTTLE BREWER, *Chi '95.*

KAPPAS IN BOOK AND MAGAZINE

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor*

BOOKS

Home Fires in France by Dorothy Canfield, Beta Nu and Beta Epsilon '99. Henry Holt and Company, New York.

The September, 1918, *Bookman* says:

"When General Pershing got to France, he was glad to find Dorothy Canfield there. She had been a favorite pupil of his in mathematics at the Kansas War College when she was a girl of fifteen, and now was there ahead of him with her husband, Mr. Fisher, who had been training American ambulanciers while his wife had been rendering most valuable help to Miss Winifred Holt, daughter of her publisher, Mr. Henry Holt, in her work for "Men Blinded in Battle." General Pershing has now accepted the dedication of Dorothy Canfield's *Home Fires in France*, which Prof. W. L. Phelps of Yale calls "the finest work of fiction—if fiction it can be called—produced from an American by the war." He has also joined Miss Holt's "Committee for Men Blinded in Battle," the pioneer American work of this kind abroad."

MAGAZINES

That the Blind May See by Dorothy Canfield, Beta Nu and Beta Upsilon '99, in the October number of *Pictorial Review*. A true short story of the war.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

BLACK LIST

Late chapter letters: *Beta Lambda, Psi, Beta Rho, Beta Eta, Beta Psi, Gamma Beta, Upsilon, Beta Omicron, Beta Omega Beta Nu, Beta Mu, Omega, Beta Pi.*

Not correctly signed: *Gamma Gamma, Sigma.*

KAPPAS MUST STAY MOBILIZED

This number of THE KEY goes to press at a great moment of the world's history. The boastful, hating, arrogant autocracy of Germany is beaten, and has sued for peace. The end of the fighting has come. Soon the peace terms will be signed at Versailles, and the war will be over.

How we have changed since the common cause of war has called us all to the colors! We have learned new ideals of service and usefulness. We must never go back to the past. Our fraternity has undertaken to aid a stricken little village in France. Our work must go on for several years at least at Bellevue-Meudon. Dorothy Canfield Fisher showed us a way to help the people behind the line that saved the world. Until she tells us that we are no longer needed there we must continue our contributions of clothing and money. The signing of peace brings no immediate relief to the civilians. Their industries will have to be built up, their crops planted, before they can have enough clothing and food again from their own factories and fields.

May we never go back to our old life. The Army of Usefulness must not be demobilized.

NO "FOURTH MEALS" AT CHAPTER-HOUSES

The big after-the-war question is Food. The United States has to send 20,000,000 tons of food abroad before next summer in order to prevent actual starvation in Europe. Canada and the United States are called upon to feed the world. They have the great wheatfields, and the cattle ranches, and the big open spaces

for cultivation. The European countries have devastated fields and crowded villages and cities.

Now we have the ships. We can fill these ships and still have enough for ourselves if we save the food in all our homes. For several years we shall have to eat less. Three meals a day are enough for anyone. Mr. Herbert Hoover, who is to us not only the American Food Administrator, but a Kappa brother, the husband of Lou Henry Hoover of Beta Eta Chapter, advises against "fourth meals." This means the afternoon tea and the late supper.

College girls can be an example of patriotism in starting the vogue of "eatless" parties. If you want to have guests who must be fed, invite them to breakfast, luncheon, or supper. Then no food will be wasted, because they would have eaten somewhere else anyway. But if guests come in the evening, see if you can be so scintillating that they will not notice the absence of food in their entertainment.

If you have banquets or club luncheons, have them at the regular meal times, and serve only a few simple courses.

OUR WORK AT BELLEVUE-MEUDON

A letter that Dorothy Canfield Fisher wrote for this number of *THE KEY* never came. It may have been lost by the over-worked postoffice clerks in Washington, or it may have gone down to the bottom of the sea due to a last gasp of an undersea pirate, a submarine. Whatever happened, it is *THE KEY*'s loss not to be able to print the letter from Mrs. Fisher that she wrote just for us, to tell us what she had been able to do with our contribution of \$2,000 which we saved by giving up convention. We are fortunate, however, to be able to print a letter that she wrote to the Editor, and descriptions of some photographs taken of our friends at Bellevue-Meudon.

Do not stop making clothes and sending money to France for our work there. Bundles of clothing and drafts should be mailed to Madame Marguerite Fishbacher, 4 Rue Oberg, Bellevue-Meudon, France. Rules about sending clothing abroad change so often, that we cannot tell you exactly how to mail it. We advise you to consult your local postoffices every time you mail anything. When we sent the draft for \$2,000 in August we consulted with the head of the Foreign Relief Department of the Red Cross, and

were advised to get a draft from a bank, and mail it in a letter to Mrs. Fisher. We sent a duplicate draft and letter because there was the danger of submarines at that time.

The War Trade Board at Washington gives licenses for sending second-hand clothing to France. If your postoffice will not accept clothing for France, write to the War Trade Board at Washington and ask for blanks X and X-15. Fill out these blanks and return them to the War Trade Board. The license will be sent to you. If you have any difficulties, May Fenet, a Texas Kappa who is in Room 410, War Trade Board, may be able to advise you.

COUNCIL SESSION

The members of the Grand Council met at Cleveland, Ohio, November 19 to 22. All were present except the Editor of *THE KEY*, who is employed in war work at Washington. Della Lawrence, her deputy, a Beta Xi Kappa, went in the Editor's place. She is also doing government work in Washington, but she was able to get a few days' vacation, as she had worked steadily for more than six months. Miss Lawrence is secretary to Colonel Thomas of the British Army, who has been associated with the ordnance branch of our Army since he was relieved from active service on account of wounds.

Plans for changing war work to peace work were discussed at Council session. The minutes will be in the February *KEY*, or distributed in separate pamphlet form.

KAPPA HOUSE AT WASHINGTON

The house at 1413 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, which was described in the October *KEY* is still open to Kappas who would like to come to Washington to do government work. Most of the departments will be maintained for a long time, as there is plenty of work to be done. Offices that are closing send the clerks to other offices, if they have made good.

The Kappas who lived at the house during the epidemic of influenza showed what it meant to be a good Kappa. These fine girls had to nurse two sisters who were seriously ill, as they could not get a nurse. They divided up their hours, and someone was at the bedside of the sick girls every minute during the dangerous period. The Kappas went without sleep, worked all day, and all pulled together in a really most thrilling way.

PARTHENON

Have you ever thought of the wonderful meaning that has crept into this little word in the last four years? In those happy, care-free days before the war, we laughingly referred to it, and now in these days when Patriotism, Duty, and Sacrifice mean so much to the world at large, we feel that the whole spirit of the age is summed up in the one word "Service." It has been the keynote of the Allies' Policy, and our armies, from the officer in command to the privates awaiting their orders, have been organized with this object in view—to serve humanity. And behind the Army organization, we have had our governments reorganized on war bases. In every branch and calling of life, we find specialists devoting their talents and energy to the same cause. Even the women, who could not go forth to the front, have been called upon to serve by giving up their loved ones and their time, so that the war might be brought to a successful close.

And now, when the spirit of Peace is upon the earth, and the long looked for day has come, we must not fall down. As university women, our opportunities for service are going to be greater, not less. We must show that we are ready to aid in the dawning period of social reconstruction. And as our motto, we must adopt "Be preparing," in order that we may fulfill the duties which we may be called upon to undertake.

Kappa has always demanded certain scholarship requirements of her members. But now when the necessity for trained minds is greater than ever before, should we not each make an extra effort to acquire the highest possible scholarship? In our chapter we have adopted a system of compulsory study, which has helped materially toward this end. And although our success depends on the effort of the individual, we all realized that "In unity there is strength" and thereby we benefit through the helpful sympathy and understanding of our Kappa sisters and the inspiration of our fraternity ideals.

KATHLEEN GUNDY, *Beta Psi*.

The bugles are sounding, the bells are ringing, the whistles are blowing, and all kinds of jubilant noises are being made. As the

men of the S. A. T. C. march past on their way to breakfast, they are singing *Little 'Liza Jane*, strangest of all hymns of victory! Touring cars and big trucks, full of excited girls and decorated with flags, speed by. We are only a small college town, but we are doing our best to celebrate the great news that came this morning: "The war is over." How thrilling it must be now, we think, in Washington or in New York; and yet in no city of the United States can the joy be so great as in the capitals of our Allies, above all, in Paris. In England and Canada and France they have paid the price in full, they have gained something more than victory. They have learned a new patriotism, a new unselfishness, a new democracy. To some in this country whose men will not come home again the cost of victorious peace may seem very great; but, after all, we were only beginning to suffer and thereby to learn. Now that the suffering has ended so unexpectedly soon, will the learning stop? Most of us this year, seeing the men around us all in uniform, deprived of their old freedom and ease, subject to military discipline, had resolved to enlist in somewhat like manner in the great cause, to give up some of our own leisure and enjoyment, to discipline ourselves. Now the outside pressure, which was being transformed into a stimulus and an inspiration, has been removed. The English and French and our own neighbors to the north of us have acquired such habits of service and sacrifice in four long years of war that they must feel the glorious effects for many years to come. How about ourselves? Must we relax? Must we slip back into the old ways? Or shall we, remembering "the sacred dead who went and who return not," "here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain," but that they shall leave behind them in our hearts.

" . . . some more noble permanence: light across the sea,
Which haunts the soul and will not let it be,
Still beaconing from the heights of undegenerate years."

IRENE P. McKEEHAN, *Beta Mu*.

Isn't the war bringing great changes? Here we are, we who usually are back at college by September 16, starting in again now after a six months' vacation! And not only that! But we have our S. A. T. C., our S. N. T. C., and our S. A. T. K. in our midst—the Student Army

**The Present
Crisis**

The New Thrill

Training Corps, the Student Navy Training Corps, and the Sewing, Addressing Envelopes, Typewriting, and Knitting—the war work for the girls.

It is very evident already that not only the men are to benefit from this new program. We girls can't help but feel the thrill of it. It does not take a prophet to see that this year more real, deep, earnest work is going to be done than ever before. We have got to do the things that count and are worth while, and we are going to do it! The word "slacker" is gaining a new significance and a "college slacker" is a thing to be avoided as the plague.

It is absolutely impossible for us to realize how momentous and important this year of 1918 is. But although we cannot fully realize it, still we can catch glimpses of its greatness. These glimpses must be our inspiration. As individuals our part in it all is small, almost microscopic, but as our human relationships increase, so does our importance increase. We can follow it up from the single Kappa girl to the chapter, then on through the province to our whole great national organization. But we must not stop there, our fraternity is only a part of this great nation of ours. Each one of us, each chapter, is a vital part in its enormous machinery. And even the slightest knowledge of mechanics can show us the importance of the littlest nut and bolt and screw. While we are not egotistical enough to believe that what we as individuals do can make or mar the whole machine of democracy, still we do know that only as we do our work well can the great machine run perfectly.

So we see that ours is an important part in this year's work, and that "it's up to us." The men in the S. A. T. C. are supervised in their work. If they do well they are sent to an officers' training corps, perhaps, and if poorly, they must take their chances in the draft. We girls are under no such compulsion. Can't we do the best we can, not because we have to, but because we want to?

OLIVE PUTNAM KIRSCHNER, *Phi*.

There are many women now who long ardently for overseas work. For good reasons—lack of health, family obligations, or other conditions—they cannot go. Sometimes the desire for ser-

Don't Fret If You Can't Go

vice becomes so burning that they feel like slackers because they are not over there. They know that their education, training, and talents are such that they would be eminently fitted to be nurse's aides, to qualify as canteen workers, or to act as telephone operators, to mention just a few of the ways of service. The call to college women seems all the more insistent because they are so wonderfully trained to do all these things efficiently. The charm of a great adventure and the desire to take part in the greatest, though most horrible, game that has ever been played has a lure that is almost irresistible. The wish to help our dearly beloved, kindly, shrewd, able Uncle Sam makes us feel very mean and small not to go. But those capable women who really cannot do so should not waste their time in mourning. They should not listen tragically to the little inner voice which tells them that they should go, even though they know of insurmountable reasons for staying behind. In a woman this little voice is sometimes not conscience, it is simply hysteria. Of all times to control one's nerves by common sense, the present is the greatest. Examine yourself, get a discerning friend to help you analyze your reasons for going or staying, if you can reach no conclusion yourself. If then you find that your right place is here, put aside your wishes, try to be content, do at home what you can to take the place of what you might have done in France. There are many troubled people around us now, a sane balance must be maintained, and your own cheerful acquiescence may help others to maintain their sense of proportion in a very frantic world.

MARGARET D. LEIPER, *Beta Iota*.

The last day of the Liberty Loan Drive was a busy one at the University of Illinois. It happened to be a rainy Saturday, but no one minded. Raincoats were donned, umbrellas put up, and

Liberty Loan Drive at Illinois

nearly every girl sallied forth to buy for herself a "very own" Liberty Bond. Fraternities vied with each other to see who could buy the most. Theta and Kappa led with a hundred per cent memberships. Every girl in college tried to buy at least one bond.

If you should happen upon our campus tomorrow morning, almost every busy little coed that you chanced to meet would be wearing a Liberty Bond button pinned most conspicuously on

her coat. And each one is so proud of that tiny blue button because nearly everyone is working for her Liberty Bond money. No employer in the twin cities dare complain of the scarcity of labor. All available jobs are filled.

Some of the girls are doing clerical work; some are tutoring; others are helping in one of the confectionery stores near the campus; while one girl, the envy of everyone, has a real "sure enough" contract for landscape gardening. The girls are happier and busier than ever before. That spirit of labor and sacrifice so characteristic of their pioneer grandmothers is cropping out in many of them. Some are experiencing for the first time the joys of work, and are discovering what it really means to be doing their best.

DAISY MOORE MARTIN, *Beta Lambda*.

Like all other things the fraternity house and the life within have changed greatly in the last two years. Especially is this true of the fraternity house in the cantonment town. Formerly it

**The Fraternity in
the Cantonment
Town**

was a home, endeared to its members by associations of college days, but its privileges were limited largely to members and friends of the fraternity. Now its scope is broader, reaching to nonfraternity people as those whom we most commonly connect with the fraternity living-room. To the fraternity man, sent fresh from his college life to the camp, it means a link connecting him to the old life. It brings back memories of the good old times he had in his own fraternity home. It brings back the ideals and standards of "his own bunch" and he goes back to the camp with new vim and vigor. To the nonfraternity man, what does it mean? This is what it meant to one man. As he stood in the reception hall watching the group gathered around the fireplace he said, "You have no idea of what this means to us out at camp, just this taste of home life. The hospitality and congeniality go straight to one's heart. It gives to us who are not fraternity people such a different idea of what fraternity life is." To me that last sentence seems to be the keynote to what the fraternities in the cantonment towns are doing. In helping others they broaden themselves and prove the true worth and meaning of a fraternity life, which should be more potent than the mere outward symbols.

Not your key, oh Kappa,
 Not your fleur de lis
 These are only symbols
 Of what you mean to me;
 There is something deeper
 Than the flower or key;
 You have taught the meaning of fraternity.

ELIZABETH COTTON, *Gamma Alpha*.

Today there are intensified old visions and new visions which have been brought to us by the great world conflict. We have thrilled at the call sent forth by the Belgian king to his small but truly heroic country, and then we have sorrowed at their living death under German rule. We have awaited with Paris word from the Marne and have rejoiced with her at every success. We shouted with joy when the American Marines saved the day and started the Hun back on that long trip to Berlin. We now feel that those first visions are about to be realized, but let us not forsake those visions yet. The boys over there have not failed us. Dare we face them, if we should fail now?

There is much to do here at home if that vision of world Democracy is to be complete, and where is there a better place to start than on the college campus? Every line of class distinction has been torn down in the Army, and if we are to live up to the new standards set by the boys, we must do the same thing in our college life. The fraternity must lead the way because its members have been considered the most undemocratic. As Kappas' vision for this year let us set this task before us. First of all we must live up more fully than ever before to Kappa vows and standards. In other words, we must make Kappa 100%. To do this we must be self-sacrificing. In order to put ourselves forth as leaders we must set aside all selfish aims, must work to gain the confidence and trust of all girls in the university. It is absolutely necessary that we form an alliance with all and work together. Snobbishness has no place in the Army, and it must have no place in civil life, especially on the college campus. A true Kappa would not stoop so low, but there are those who do not realize its evil. Therefore, this year let us prove that we are worthy of existence by increase of efficiency in speaking, acting,

and serving together. Let each one of us vow to stand by the blue and blue as the boys in khaki have stood by the colors of our nation.

FRANCES E. YERKES, *Beta Delta*.

In looking through the May KEY, the article in the Parthenon entitled "Actions, Not Thoughts Show Ideals" caught my eye. Surely this could apply to no other as it does to the woman I have come to think of as an "Ideal Kappa"—Dorothy Canfield Fisher of Beta Nu. During her college years her personality and influence were strongly felt by all her friends, and it is these two qualities that have so helped her in her wonderful work abroad. Her husband, Dr. Fisher, went abroad more than a year before our country entered the war, and Dorothy Canfield, not willing to remain inactive at home, went with him as his assistant. When she arrived, however, she found that her help was needed much more to aid the poor starving women and children of France. She did some work in Paris first and then found Madame Marguerite Fishbacher who was also starting relief work in the towns and villages around the great French capital. As her work increased, Mrs. Fisher moved nearer and nearer the front, until at times she was in great danger.

Her enthusiastic letters to our chapter and alumnae have created so much interest that the alumnae are now bending all their efforts toward sending help to our courageous worker "overseas." Mrs. Fisher, who will always be known as Dorothy Canfield to those who knew her in college, is very modest, and will take but little credit for the work that she is doing, but we who are trying to do our bit at home cannot praise her enough. She stands for and *lives* all that Kappa means to us—unselfishness, worth-while-ness, and all that is good and true. The Kappas in Beta Nu Chapter are more than proud to have her name on their roll and will always think of her as an "Ideal Kappa" in every sense of the word.

KATHARINE TAYLOR, *Beta Nu*.

About a year ago I read those intimate letters of Coningsby Dawson under this title and realized as never before the true

meaning underlying the great army phrase, "There's no 'To Glory' about what we're doing out here; there's no flash of **Carry On** swords or splendour of uniforms. There are only tired men determined to carry on. The war will be won by tired men who could never again pass an insurance test, a mob of broken counter-jumpers, ragged ex-plumbers, and quite unheroic persons." And it occurred to me then as now that we women in America, girls at college, are not "carrying on" as the men in the field; as they would have us "carry on." Those men are giving their best, that life might become safe again.

Yet what about the women? What is the motive behind nine-tenths of the girls who are doing war work? Isn't it the natty uniform, or the high salary government positions pay, or even the fear of becoming bored while the men are away? Last summer I worked on a farm. It was something new, something different. I enjoyed it. And perhaps my service helped to make the nation's wheat crop larger; but I am forced to confess that the desire to make the nation's wheat crop larger was not the stimulus which prompted me to do farm work. Sixty other girls were doing the same thing. Surely much more earnest would have been our effort had some thought of the ultimate good we were doing entered our minds.

If we could only forget ourselves and our heroics and do this work without consideration of the "To Glory" connected with it, if we would only "carry on" because it is the right thing to do, how much more our service would mean. "We 'carry on'," writes Lieutenant Dawson, "because if we don't, we shall let other men down, and put their lives in danger. And there's more than that—we all want to live up to the standard that prompted us to come." Let the women raise their standard and there will be no question of their "carrying on."

MARION BUTTS, *Beta Alpha*.

CHAPTER LETTERS

No letter received from:

Beta Iota, Swarthmore College
Beta Beta, St. Lawrence University
Lambda, Municipal University of Akron
Mu, Butler College
Beta Delta, University of Michigan
Xi, Adrian
Kappa, Hillsdale College

Chi, University of Minnesota
Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan
Beta Zeta, University of Iowa
Theta, University of Missouri
Beta Xi, University of Texas
Beta Kappa, University of Idaho
Pi, University of California

ALPHA PROVINCE

STARTING LATE BUT WITH VIM

Phi, Boston University

When I last wrote, we were expecting to start work September 18, but a combination of delays, caused by the S. A. T. C. and the Spanish influenza, postponed our opening until last week, over a month.

But we are starting in with a bang and a rush. For the first time in the history of our university, assignments for work were sent out before college opened. Then, too, the pace set by the S. A. T. C. and the S. N. T. C. is a fast one and we girls can't lag behind.

Of course, it is absolutely impossible in the short space of one crammed week to get much of an idea of the freshmen. But our general notion is that they are a mighty fine class.

If November 1 did not rush on so fast, I might be able to tell you loads more about Phi and her plans. But it is too early for that now.

We are sorry to lose Rita Wynd, '20. She has transferred to Oberlin. Betty Estabrooks, '21, is not back. The pull of patriotic nursing was too strong, and she is now a student nurse training at Springfield, Massachusetts. The chapter extends its most heartfelt sympathy to Katherine Kendall in the death of her fiancé.

We miss our seniors mightily. Elsie Woodland, Marjorie Colton, and Julia Holteen are teaching, while Bea Woodman is studying at Mrs. Prince's School of Salesmanship.

And now for the work. We can certainly congratulate ourselves that we are alive this year, and here's the wish that we can make it the very biggest we've ever had.

OLIVE PUTNAM KIRSCHNER.

MILITARY TRAINING FOR GIRLS

Beta Sigma, Adelphi College

Beta Sigma Chapter is as busy in college work and war work as ever. Military training has been added to our list, and we all have hopes of becoming officers.

At present we are carrying on a linen drive at college for the benefit of the Red Cross. Every day the pile of napkins and handkerchiefs for the wounded men increases. However, will all the special war work our girls are able to continue their work in all college activities. Since our last letter to THE KEY, Gladys Vorsanger, '20, has become a member of Round Table, the honorary literary society, and Edna Davison, '19, has been elected treasurer of the senior class. Emily Mount, '21, has been elected college cheer leader.

If you were in the vicinity of Adelphi when some one mentioned house party to Kappas you would hear wild shouts of joy. To say that our September house party was a success is entirely too mild. It is enough to say that when the party was over we all sang

"College life is mighty fine
But give us house party every time."

Rosalie Geer, now a member of the alumnae, but still most active in the affairs of the chapter, announced that we should meet at her home to rehearse a clever little stunt she had planned to be given at our second party to the freshmen. No sooner had we arrived than questions were asked in regard to the stunt. Shortly a basket of roses was passed among the guests, who on receiving one found the cards announcing the engagement of Rosalie Geer to Lieut. William Hamilton Sands, Jr., of Richmond, Virginia, who is now with his regiment on the western front. We cannot deny that this was a clever device on the part of our little friend, but we wonder just how far it would go in regard to entertaining the freshmen if we adopted the stunt proposed.

EMILY A. MOUNT.

GIRLS ENTERTAIN S. A. T. C.

Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania, like nearly all other universities this year, has assumed a military air, with its S. A. T. C. and its U. S. N. U. Classes are filled with men in uniform; mustering, drilling, and marching may always be seen somewhere on the campus. But with all the great number of men and women, Pennsylvania has been rather quiet and serious. Everyone is working hard, and so far there has not been much time for play, although we are looking forward to some within a week or two.

Saturday nights, beginning November 9, are to be devoted to various sorts of entertainments for the S. A. T. C. and U. S. N. U. men, and these entertainments are to be taken over in part by the girls under the direction of the faculty. So you see we have many happy evenings ahead of us.

Beta Alpha is having its first party of the season on November 9. This year, owing to the fact that we are on a three instead of a two-term basis, the season has been shortened, and the women's fraternities are having only two instead of three parties each. Our first tea, at which we entertained the women students of the university, was held in the chapter-room on October 11, and proved successful and most enjoyable.

Beta Alpha hopes to announce in the very near future the affiliation with the chapter of Margaret Sample, from Northwestern University.

MARION McMASTER.

BETA PROVINCE

CORNELL FIFTY YEARS OLD

Psi, Cornell University

Just fifty years ago, Cornell University was founded, "where anyone could find instruction in any subject." Elaborate plans including a big pageant were made for an impressive semi-centennial week this fall, but everything was given up on account of the war. All we shall have is the unveiling of a statue of Ezra Cornell with appropriate ceremonies.

The death of Andrew D. White, Cornell's first president, has greatly saddened the university community. The world has lost one of its first educators, and Cornell, one of its best friends.

No sooner had classes begun than the influenza epidemic broke out. The girls' gymnasium and three floors of the annex at Sage College were turned into infirmary wards and the girls volunteered for regular shifts as nurses. Three Kappas were among the volunteers. Since only four from our house were unfortunate enough to have the "flu," we pride ourselves on the fact that we know how to take care of ourselves.

For the first time in twenty-five years, Cornell students are left without *The Cornell Daily Sun*. But, because the editors went to war and general conditions were so bad, *The Sun* has been discontinued. *The Cornell Era* and *The Cornell Review* have followed suit. *The Widow* has put out one copy, and a second and last is to be published shortly. The girls have felt the need of a paper so much that they are establishing a system of daily bulletins, one to go to each dormitory and outside house. The Cornell Dramatic Club is planning to do work on a small scale.

The S. A. T. C., popularly known as "Stick Around Till Christmas," is now taken as a matter of course, although one does hate to have one's aesthetic sense hurt by the misfit of issue uniforms.

We are fortunate in having one of the little French girls here on a scholarship, registered in our university as a student in mechanical engineering.

Dr. Georgia White, who was formerly dean at Michigan Agricultural College, has come to us as adviser of women. The girls admire her very much, and are endeavoring to help her in her work in every way possible.

Our new house is very satisfactory; it was formerly the Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity house. Miss Winifred Kirk, a 1915 Kappa, is here studying medicine, and has undertaken the task of chaperoning our twenty-two girls. We have three Kappas from other chapters in Cornell this year—Mirah Shrum from Delta, Doris Martin from Beta Beta, and Rita Parker from Beta Tau. We bought two Liberty Bonds with the money in the sinking fund.

Everyone came back this fall with stories of where, when, and how she worked. Apparently Psi was duly represented on farms, in schools, and in offices, particularly in Washington.

Elizabeth Reigart, '19, was elected to Mortar Board, the senior honorary society. She is also president of the Athletic Association. Elizabeth Churchyard, '19, is a member of Sedowa, a senior honorary society in domestic economy. Haidee Carll, '20, is on the mobilization committee, and Helen Bateman, '21, is class president.

Psi boasts of a baby but regrets that it will never be a Kappa, for it is a boy born to Elizabeth Banks Nix, '14, on September 26.

We wish all the chapters success with their pledges. Best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

HELEN M. BATEMAN.

INFLUENZA DELAYED THE OPENING OF COLLEGE

Beta Tau, Syracuse

Our college opened in a very unusual manner this fall. We were all back early eager to meet the new girls and also for college to commence. We had hardly attended classes when college was compelled to close on account of the influenza epidemic. Nevertheless we did have the opportunity to pledge eight very promising freshmen of whom we are very proud.

Our house was temporarily turned into an emergency hospital. Nine of the girls contracted the disease, leaving the rest to act as nurses.

We have a branch of the Students' Army Training Corps at Syracuse. It did appear queer to us at first to have our men in the khaki, but now we are quite used to it. Nearly all the men's fraternity houses and some of the girls' dormitories were taken over by the government as barracks for the men. Never before has the war seemed so real to us as it does now as we see our men drilling and preparing themselves for service across the sea.

During the summer vacation, Mabel Cooley, '18, married Ensign Henry Baumgardener, Phi Gamma Delta. Bertha Phelps, pledge of the class of '20, married Leon Coon, Sigma Phi Epsilon. Althea Kimberly has announced her engagement to Lieut. Ernest C. Rautenburg.

Saturday, October 26, opened our football season. Our team played the Naval Transport team coached by the famous Charley Brickley of Harvard. It was an exciting game, the score being 13 to 0 in favor of Syracuse. Before it commenced the members of the S. A. T. C. marched in front of the grandstand to be reviewed by the chancellor and the visiting officers.

We have not forgotten our duty to our country. Beta Tau hooverizes, knits, and is very much interested in Red Cross. Of course, the epidemic has kept us away from the Red Cross rooms at present, but we will make up for this lost time.

All fraternity and dormitory dances have been eliminated for this year. We feel that to promote the spirit of patriotism it was the right action to take. Every two weeks we are to hold large dances in our men's gym-

nasium, strictly for college women, members of the S. A. T. C., and Naval Unit.

ELIZABETH GENEVIEVE COOK.

CANADIAN NEWS

Beta Psi, University of Toronto

Greetings to all Kappas everywhere! We are wondering if you are still in the unsettled condition that we are in? It seems that we have not yet begun our year, and confusion abounds on all sides. Work has hardly been thought of, and consequently it is almost impossible to collect one's thoughts to write a letter.

Our minds and maybe the systems of some of us are still occupied with the outbreak of influenza, which occurred in our midst. We had been here for barely two weeks when the announcement was made that it was inadvisable to go to lectures. Less than a week later the university closed. For two weeks those of us who could helped the doctors and nurses. A course of two days' lectures was given to us, and armed with this little knowledge, we set out as "Sisters of Service" to do our best. The work was neither light nor pleasant, but since it lasted for only two weeks, none of us suffered from it.

It was surely wonderful to meet our Kappa sisters again! Our first meeting held at Dorothy's was a good beginning for the year. Splendid resolutions were made and Beta Psi should (and will) figure most prominently in patriotic work. We have promised to devote one afternoon a week at least to sewing or preparing sphagnum moss for the compresses. Our compulsory thirty hours of study for each week were put in force again. Of course we sang till we could sing no more and had all the old time thrills, our hearts full of love and loyalty to Beta Psi and Kappa Kappa Gamma.

A surprise was in store for most of us this year. A new residence for the freshettes has been opened. It is a beautiful old home on Bloor Street, and with its large rooms and halls lends itself most admirably for this purpose. It is going to be harder for us to know the freshies this year on this account, for we shall see them only occasionally.

This lapse of time has caused much confusion with regard to the sports. Marge is busy now making a hurried schedule for the tennis tournament. You see she is the tennis captain of the college, and has her name engraved on a beautiful silver cup for being the best tennis player in the university. We are proud of her. Haven't we a just cause? Basketball and swimming have started too, and we hope to make our name in both.

During the summer we were delighted to hear of Helen Scott's marriage to Jack Allen who has returned from France where he nobly did his bit. We are all proud to add another Kappa baby to those we already love, and although he lives far off in distant China, where his mother, Josephine Dickson, has lived for four years, we hope to see him in the near future.

Very soon we can see visions of another initiation but you shall hear more of that later. We are planning a hike for this Saturday, a long walk to the country, and of course we hope the weather will be fine. We have invited several freshettes and others we hope will be Kappas some day.

Are Christmas greetings out of place just here?

MARY DEEVES.

GAMMA PROVINCE

"SINGS"

Gamma Rho, Allegheny

Back again in the most exciting and thrilling college year ever known! That's why it's so hard to settle down for an hour or so and concentrate on this KEY letter. There are the regular duties thrust upon the college women of war time. There is no need of citing them. You, too, know them well.

Like many other colleges, Allegheny has been turned into a Students' Army Training Corps. The fraternity houses have been turned into barracks and the former freshman's dormitory has become a mess hall. Three times a day we hear the bugle call and the "tramp, tramp, tramp" of America's future soldiers. There is a fine spirit among them and you can tell by their faces that they mean work.

As intermission for their strenuous military life, we are experiencing some very different forms of amusement and gaiety. Several nights a week we gather in the chapel to see movies of Europe or to have "sings," at which the men practice their marching songs and the girls cheer. Once in a while when the privilege is given we entertain them with a much weaker vocal production. The rumor is about that every Saturday night the gymnasium is to be open to the men and women of the college for military parties. If that is true, we see some good times ahead.

Undoubtedly you have experienced the same epidemic of Spanish influenza as we have here. Our college town has had many cases. So many cases sprang up that it became necessary to evacuate our fraternity rooms on fourth floor and to change them into wards for the sick. More than fifty girls contracted the disease and three of our maids deserted us, preferring the infirmary to our company. There was no aid obtainable, so we girls like "Good Samaritans" grasped the opportunity to do our bit and helped in every way we could, even serving in the dining-room and washing dishes in the dormitory kitchen.

We feel fortunate this year in having Miss Pitman, a graduate of the Florence Noyes' School of Expression, as physical director. Just at present we are busily engaged dying gowns for aesthetic dancing, which is to be taught instead of gymnasium. Miss Edith Rowley, our former and present librarian, is serving us as dean in the absence of Miss Spaulding who is recuperating from a nervous breakdown.

Gamma Rho returned twenty girls this year from the twenty-two she had last year. Irene Putnam, '21, is teaching at Deckeis Run and Ruth Mumaw is convalescing from a severe illness. Helen Thoburn, '20, has returned to us after spending last year at Lake Erie College for Women.

Our 1917 Kappas are true enough "school marms" this year: Marion Miller at Butler, Pennsylvania, Esther Emery at Akron, Ohio, and Helen Easterwood at Cochran, Pennsylvania.

Louise Irvin, ex-'16, leaves soon for nurses' training camp and will be subject to call into service after the completion of the course.

Eleanor Gill, ex-'17, is doing secretarial work in New York City this winter. Elizabeth Best, '16, is also in New York holding a responsible position in social settlement work.

Gail Richmond, '07, has just sailed for France and will be in the Nurses' Aid Corps.

A great sorrow came to Gamma Rho this month when we learned of the sudden death of Alva Putney, ex-'17. The active girls, of course, knew Alva very little personally, but through her kind acts to everyone she was known to all. She was teaching in Kane, Pennsylvania, when she contracted Spanish influenza and died after a few days' illness.

Already a few honors, have come to us. Claire Gates, Gladys Raymond, Frances Green, and Marguerite Diefenderfer have been elected to Le Petit Salon. Cecil Edwards has been elected vice-president and Lucile Richards secretary of the club. Claire Gates has been elected secretary of the senior class.

Christmas will come and go before another KEY, so Gamma Rho wishes you the best of Yuletides and the most prosperous of New Years. The great war cloud still hangs over us and I'm hoping that before many more KEYS that the world will be at peace. Wouldn't that be a wonderful Christmas gift to the world?

MARGUERITE DIEFENDERER.

KAPPA HOSTESS HOUSE

Beta Upsilon, West Virginia

Beta Upsilon began the college year with nineteen girls: Margaret Rogers, Maude Harper, Elizabeth Goucher, Mary Williams, Isabel Kimmel, Dorothy Kimmel, Effie Anderson, Mary Summers, Margaret Moore, Clara Drake, Cora Harris, Lucy Shuttlesworth, Helen Tarr, Josephine Fast, Francis Stealey, Anagrace Lochran, Jean Billingslea, Virginia Shaw, and Virginia Brown.

College was closed from October 5 to November 4 on account of the influenza. The usual festivities at the first of the year were entirely abandoned.

This year we were serving meals at the house. We were rich enough to buy a whole new set of dishes, silverware, and table linen. The alumnae gave us a kitchen shower and we received everything from skillets to an ice cream mold.

Beta Upsilon is planning to do a great deal of Red Cross work this year. Some of the girls are doing home service work in the capacity of influenza nurses. The need for nurses is very great for in some of the homes the entire family is stricken and no trained nurses can be obtained.

We are going to offer our home as a hostess house until one can be built or some arrangement can be made for the mothers to meet their sons in a comfortable place. There are about 1,200 boys taking training here. They include the S. A. T. C. boys and the Vocational men.

We have our same housemother, Mrs. Winsheimer, with us this year.

Marguerite Baker, a freshman last year, is attending Smith College this year.

MAUDE HARPER.

HAVE BORROWED A CHAPTER-HOUSE

Beta Nu, Ohio State University

Beta Nu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma has a house! A handsome, beautifully furnished house has been presented us by Phi Gamma Delta. Not "for keeps," of course, but until the boys return from the camps and from overseas.

Perhaps to girls from other chapters this would not mean so much, but for years and years we have longed for a house, and when we have gone a-visiting the girls who do boast of houses, we have looked upon them with envious eyes, little dreaming that a modern Phi Gam A "lad" din would rub his lamp and say, "Here, girls, is a house. Take it and live in it!" War has its compensations after all.

The Phi Gams were the first fraternity to be so generous. Two others have followed their example, but as yet no other fraternity girls have taken houses. The fact that there are so few out-of-town fraternity girls at Ohio State explains this.

College has been closed for five weeks because of the epidemic of influenza, and the unlooked-for vacation has been spent in adding the so-called feminine touches to the fraternity house, gathering in our winter supplies, and helping in the hospitals which have been so crowded.

In the excitement over our house, we have forgotten to tell about our eleven new pledges. Seven of the girls, Anita Seeds, Dorothy Rittel, Elizabeth Guerin, Helen Mull, Marjorie Stanley, Virginia Wallin, Alma Dickey, and Margaret Barker are town girls. Rowena Myers and Nola Dysle are from Marietta, and Pauline Murphy is from Greenfield.

We have added another war bride to our list. On October 20, Abbie Rogers, '20, married William Siebald Wilmer, '19, Beta Theta Pi. It was a surprise, for we believed she was to be one of the "after-the-war" brides.

Having had only three weeks of college before it closed, there is not so much news as there would be otherwise. Minnette Fritts was appointed grand chairman of the war work on the campus, and was made a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. Lana White, '20, Elizabeth Clayter, '21, and Anita Seeds, '22, were appointed sub-chairmen on the war work committee.

College reopens November 12, and all of the girls will be active in helping raise money during the United War Work Campaign. The Woman's Panhellenic banquet will be given as soon as the ban on public meetings is lifted. Our pledges will help entertain with a "stunt."

Beta Nu wishes that this may be the happiest Christmas for all Kappas everywhere, in rejoicing that this long, long war is nearing an end.

MINNETTE FRITTS.

NO GIRL SLACKERS HERE

Beta Rho, University of Cincinnati

Two months of the first college semester have gone and only two weeks have been spent in college. We were just beginning to become accustomed to the strange conditions which are surrounding us this year when, out of a clear sky, came the order to close the university. It probably isn't necessary to say that the Spanish influenza was the cause.

This terrible disease seems to have gripped the whole country, but Beta Rho has escaped most wonderfully, only one of its members having been attacked, and now she is on the road to recovery.

The accustomed two parties allowed by Panhellenic and all our meetings have had to be indefinitely postponed. It has been hard to become acquainted with the freshmen this year although there are a great many attractive girls entering the university. Ordinarily we would pledge during the Thanksgiving holidays but we cannot say when we will be able to introduce to the Kappa family our new pledges.

The university has taken on quite a military aspect this year and most of the men students have been inducted into the Students' Army Training Corps. We can hardly recognize our old campus because it seems as if barracks have sprung up over night. It is a truly military camp, from the Y. M. C. A. hut to the reviews for which everyone turns out. A little platform in front of the Y. M. C. A. hut, built among the trees, has been the scene of some notable speeches. The day before the quarantine fell the S. A. T. C. men and 500 Motor Transport Corps men were assembled to hear Signaler Skeyhill, the young Australian who has seen action on five fronts. When it was found that the girls were staying for the first Y. W. C. A. party of the year, an invitation was extended to them to hear this wonderful man. Being the poet laureate of the English army, he told us of the poetic and humorous, not the grim side of war. We all went away feeling that we had experienced some bits of the war through which he had gone.

We are all going to be busy this year, and the war activity committee is seeing that there are no slackers. Each girl in the university is required to give at least several hours a week to some form of war work. Beta Rho is trying to do her share by giving hours in the Red Cross room, buying Liberty Bonds and Thrift Stamps.

Our chapter is small this year and that makes the return of Clara Heins Cornell who was married to William Frank Cornell, Sigma Alpha Epsilon,

last year, doubly welcome. Her husband is in training now at Camp Sherman. In February, Esther Saurer Norris will be back to finish her course which she dropped when she was married to Lieut. Thomas Norris who is in France.

Beta Rho sends best wishes to Kappas everywhere.

MARION MARTIN.

DELTA PROVINCE

MOSTLY VACATION UP TO NOVEMBER

Iota, De Pauw University

One week of college followed by three weeks of vacation comprises up to date the De Pauw history of 1918-19.

One hundred and fifty cases of influenza, principally among the men, brought college to a speedy close. We were fortunate, however, in that none of the cases proved fatal. Prospects now seem good that work will be resumed November 4.

The first week was "get acquainted" week, taken up mainly with parties given by the various women's associations. Open season claimed the second week. However, closing orders came before any parties had been held and the season was brought to an abrupt but victorious end for Iota.

Fourteen freshmen make up our list of pledges. They are Alice Watts, Washington, D. C.; Jane Ramey, Washington, D. C.; Janet Jones, London, Ohio; Gladys Carson, Spartanburg, S. C.; Julia Cornwall, Greencastle; Gladys Trick, Indianapolis; Esther Anderson, Rushville; Grace Liebrock, Warsaw; Marjory Thomas, Rushville; Margaret Bicknell, Greencastle; Dorothy Catlins, Warsaw; Gertrude Clapper, West Lafayette; Alice Wilson, Wabash; and Margaret Greenlee, Kenwood, Ohio.

MARY ANN SCHOLL.

FRESHMAN MEETINGS

Delta, University of Indiana

Everyone wants to know about the freshmen first thing so I might as well begin with them. We have fifteen, a goodly number to be sure, but we just had to have every single one of them. They are Mary Louise Teter, Margaret O'Harrow, and Margaret Telfer, all of Bloomington; Mary Jessup of Camby; Mary Helen Peckinpaugh and Jeanette Brill of Evansville; Helen Barnes of Seymour; Susan Canfield, Los Angeles, Cal.; Miriam Burkitt, Chicago, Ill.; Louise Culbertson, Indianapolis; Irene Hebel, Auburn; Martha Grey Craig, Linton; Ione Butler, Kokomo; Willa Robbins, Greensburg; and Ruth Andrews, Peru. We formally pledged them Monday night, October 7, so that when the university was unexpectedly closed that Thursday on account of the influenza, we sent them home with pledge pins instead of the perishable blue ribbons to wear for the weeks of vacation to follow.

But before vacation was forced upon us we had fraternity matters well started. We are going to have freshman meetings every Monday night

until initiation the same as we did last year. A different senior takes charge of each meeting and does her best both to teach the freshmen how to conduct a meeting and to instill Kappa ideals into them. These meetings also serve as a means of bringing town pledges to the house oftener than they might otherwise come.

We are also using the plan, started last year, of having a government committee of about five girls to correct and control the freshmen. But from all appearances at present the committee isn't going to be very busy this year.

We are indebted to the Butler Kappas again this year for sending us two of their girls, Louise Neal and Helen Doles. They already have a distinct place in our chapter.

We hope that by the time the next KEY letter is due the influenza will no longer be with us and that the university and our Kappa chapter will both be flourishing again.

CAROL HOFFMAN.

SAVING NUT SHELLS FOR GAS MASKS

Beta Chi, University of Kentucky

We had hoped to have much news for this letter, to introduce some new pledges, to tell of the many activities of our Kappas in university life, but we had hardly begun work and formulated our plans for the year when the university was closed due to the dreaded influenza and we were scurried home.

Two Kappas came home with me, and with my two sisters, we have formed a corps of workers ready for anything. We spent our first Sunday making hundreds of "flu" masks for an emergency Red Cross call and have spent three afternoons a week in making surgical dressings. We have also helped in the collecting and shipping of delicacies to our sick boys in the nearby camps. Oh, we have sent hundreds of dozens of fresh eggs and more than 200 dressed chickens from our small community. But the thing we enjoy most is gathering nuts. Nearly every day we gather large basketsful. We are planning to sell the kernels for the United War Fund and are saving the shells for gas masks.

We have not been able to keep in close touch with the other girls but I am sure they are doing as much to be of service at this critical time.

Soon now we will return to the university and just in time for the War Fund Campaign in which we will all take an active part. This year a Kappa is student chairman.

We will have lots of news for our next letter and our regular correspondent will be well and able to tell it much more interestingly.

Best wishes to all Kappas from those of Beta Chi.

MILDRED COLLINS.

ZETA PROVINCE

STRICTLY A MILITARY COLLEGE

Eta, University of Wisconsin

Another busy and prosperous week is over, and again Eta wishes to state modestly that she has had real Kappa luck and presents to you her fourteen splendid sisters-to-be: Elizabeth Snider, Davenport, Iowa; Eleanor Sheldon, Madison, Wis.; Caryl Parkinson, Madison, Wis.; Gladys Schmidt, Superior, Wis.; Julia Watson, Duluth, Minn.; Ruby Britts, Duluth, Minn.; Dorothy Seaton, Canton, Ill.; Josephine Bliss, Janesville, Wis.; Margaret Pope, Chicago, Ill.; Irene Townsend, Des Moines, Iowa; Agnes Iverson, Stoughton, Wis.; Helen Kahn, Galveston, Tex.; Clara Hoover, Oak Park, Ill.; Agnes Smith, Muncie, Ind.

This year a new plan was tried at Wisconsin, namely the written invitation system for freshmen. Though the system was far from perfect, it seems to have met with much approval and satisfaction on the part of the sorority girls and it will probably be used next year. In spite of the fact that the university is mainly a military institution this year, many most desirable girls have come to college.

Because of the fact that the university has been made into an S. A. T. C., the girls have had to give up and go without many things. The three most important girls' buildings, the gymnasium, Barnard and Chadbourne Halls, have been turned into barracks for the S. A. T. C. students. The girls who were deprived of their rooms in these halls are living in the empty fraternity houses. The university is strictly a military institution this year, and khaki is the predominating color.

Because of the influenza epidemic, the whole university has been quarantined. All social life has stopped, and all large classes and lectures have been discontinued. Many of our sisters were sick with the influenza. One case in the active chapter proved fatal. Eta Chapter is mourning the loss of one of its dearest and most promising young sisters, Mary Bloodgood, who was stricken with the disease the second week of college and died after a week's illness.

Because of the quarantine, we have been unable to hold any chapter meetings, and therefore have been unable to make any definite plans for the year. We have a small chapter this year, only twenty-three active girls, but never before have we had such a unified chapter. The smallness of our chapter is due to the fact that so many of our girls have gone into war work.

In the next number of THE KEY I hope I will be able to tell you more of interest about our chapter.

ENGAGEMENTS

Marion Clancy to V. Atherton.

MARRIAGES

Ingaboard Iverson to Lew Williams.

Constance Noyes to Miles Robertson.

Winifred Wallace to Williston Davis.

MARY PARKINSON.

DO GOOD WORK ON CAMPUS

Upsilon, Northwestern University

Although it is in some respects quite annoying to resume our studies after the summer vacation, there is compensation in seeing all of one's friends again, but, of course, the nicest thing is the resuming of our close Kappa friendships.

On account of the difficulties involved in organizing the S. A. T. C. Northwestern was a week late in opening, but when it did open, it opened with a flourish. We now have fifteen wonderful freshmen. They are Marjorie Ames, Marion Anderson, Virginia Buchanan, Marion Crane, Dorothy Edwards, Frances Emerson, Ethel Eycleshymer, Mary Grier, Hope Haldeman, Laura Kelsey, Elizabeth Kroesen, Gertrude Scoles, Helen Shepherd, Louise Thompson, and Ruth Van Benschoten. Our pledges are just as choice as they are numerous and it is a fact that they almost equal in number the entire chapter, as many of our girls have dropped out in order to take up some sort of war work or just plain "jobs."

Those of us who are left are holding up Kappa's reputation by their prominent positions on the campus, for Millett Davis is president of the Woman's Athletic Association, and Martha Kelsey is student chairman of the War Council, to say nothing of many less important positions. There are Red Cross rooms on the campus, but the few hours during which the rooms are open do not satisfy the zeal of the Kappas. Every Tuesday evening a large number of us go down to the Red Cross headquarters, where there is a table reserved for us, and make surgical dressings all evening, for we are nothing if not patriotic.

It is with a feeling of real loss that Upsilon Chapter announces the death of Elsa Farnham of the class of 1917 as a result of influenza which developed into pneumonia. Elsa had gone to Pittsburgh to take a course in the Carnegie Institute of Technology where she had received a graduate's fellowship in the Department of Retail Salesmanship, and at the time of her death was visiting her sister, Irene Farnham Conrad, Upsilon '13. Elsa had many of those qualities which we consider the attributes of the ideal Kappa and Upsilon Chapter will ever hold in high esteem the memory of her, as, indeed, will all those to whom she has endeared herself.

Several of the active Kappas were very sick with influenza a few weeks ago, but it is hard to keep a good thing down and we are now all in the best of health and hope that this letter will find every other Kappa in a similar state.

NANCY KNIGHT.

"HOUSE PARTY IN OUR OWN HOUSE"

Beta Lambda, University of Illinois

The fall started with a successful house party held in our own house. We say our own house, because so many of the fraternities have had to give up their houses this fall to the Government to be used by the S. A. T. C. men, and we appreciate the fact that luck left us here.

We have thirteen of the finest freshmen on the campus: Justine Pritchard, Indianapolis, Ind.; Josephine Abott, Chicago, Ill.; Charlene Daniels, Los Angeles, Cal.; Ada Pfitzenmeyer, Le Roy, Ill.; Mary Jane Cleveland, Plymouth, Ind.; Agnes Woodward, Oden, Ill.; Harriett Rutherford, Oakland, Ill.; Dorothy Kiefer, Peoria, Ill.; Meryle Pratt, Chicago, Ill.; Gertrude Snell, Oak Park, Ill.; Marion Bradt, De Kalb, Ill.; Pauline Knipp, Urbana, Ill.; Gladys Frazier, Evanston, Ill.

During the latter part of last year, the following girls announced their engagements: Margaret Davenport, Elizabeth Armstrong, Jean Mason, Pauline Weber, Helen Ludlow, and Lois Evans. This summer, Lois Evans was married to Lieut. Bolton Mallory, Helen Ludlow to Archibald Messenger, Jeannette Fairfield to Lieut. Benjamin Fisher, and Dorothy Haupt to Herbert Somers. Lois Evans would have been our Woman's League president for this year, and also president of the National Federation of Woman's Self-government Association of the Middle West.

We are proud to announce the arrival of a son, Lewis Burnham Rock, Jr., to Agnes Fairfield Rock. Captain Rock is now in overseas service.

RUTH CALDERWOOD.

ETA PROVINCE

CLEVER AND AMUSING PLEDGES

Gamma Alpha, Kansas Agricultural College

Gamma Alpha lives in the shadow of a great cantonment. Her life, her duties, and her pleasures are all regulated and controlled by the conditions resulting from this proximity to camp life. Her responsibility in this world war is so evident that the chapter proceeds with the various occupations necessary in war time, without being actively conscious that it is war work. It seems to be just the task at hand.

During October, college was closed for three weeks on account of the influenza epidemic. The break in the year was a loss incomparably small when we knew, day by day, of the loss of life at the cantonment and at the college among our own S. A. T. C. boys.

A few of us stayed during the quarantine, and a long three weeks it seemed. We went back to our work with an added vim and a stronger feeling of sisterhood because we had been through this period together. This was a tie that made our pledges a part of us.

Our pledges are girls of whom we are justly proud. Shortly after pledge day the pledges came to dinner dressed in regalia that would have been a delight to the soul of any "cullud chile." Bright colors vied with one another for prominence, and the spirit of the evening—well it can't be described in a manner that will do it justice—but we are truly proud of the originality displayed.

Our pledges are Norine Weddle, Adelaide Lutz, Irene Seery, Alfreda Honeywell, Ruth Dalton, Leah Duff, Florence Riner, Josephine MacLeod, and Grace Merillat, all of whom line up to the traditions of Kappa freshmen.

ELIZABETH COTTON.

MOTOR CORPS BUSY DURING EPIDEMIC

Sigma, University of Nebraska

Everyone is now settling down to the usual routine and there is routine more than ever this year, for with all the boys living in barracks and living under Government regulations, things are quite different from former years. But conditions are all so different that no one seems to have much time to miss the one-time favorite social functions. Everyone is quite too busy.

Our freshmen have been showing the true spirit by giving their time to the Commercial Club, helping in the Liberty Loan and War Savings campaign.

The first week of college the house seemed nothing more than a hospital for "flu" victims and everyone seemed to have his turn. Suddenly, one day, everyone found herself well but with no college to go to. For a week and a half the University of Nebraska has been closed and rumor says it may be closed until November. However, the great number of men training here and the fact that so many have succumbed to the "flu" has furnished sufficient work for Motor Corps girls. Lenore Burkett, who has been made first lieutenant, and Lulu Mitchell have been busy carrying nurses to and from the campus and doing any other tasks to help bring relief to the soldiers.

Other girls have been busy using their spare time working at the Democratic Headquarters and find this a good way to earn money for War Stamps or Liberty Bonds.

Still another way Sigma found to show her patriotism was opening the chapter-house again during Fair week for roomers. It proved to be an excellent money-making scheme, for we had the house filled to overflowing and now have \$70 to invest in a Liberty Bond and War Savings Stamps. There seems to be no end to the work everyone can do to help with war activities.

Sigma was quite proud of the fact that Adelaide Elam, a junior, was made a member of Silver Serpent, the junior honorary society. Adelaide has been busy since college opened with her work as reporter for the *Lincoln Daily Star*, as well as her society column in the *Nebraska Rag*, our college daily.

With our present prospects, everything bids fair for a most successful year. Sigma sends greetings to all.

DOROTHY PETTIS.

MENDING ROOM IN HOSTESS HOUSE

Omega, University of Kansas

Omega Chapter has started a very successful year. We returned seventeen girls beside affiliating Wanda Ross of Beta Theta Chapter. In addition to our fraternity life we have the influence of a wonderful woman, Mrs. L. R. Edwards, our new housemother, who is creating an ideal home life for us. She was the Beta housemother for eight years. All fraternity

houses have been closed in Lawrence because the S. A. T. C. men have to live in the barracks.

We have fifteen new pledges: Leone Forney, Abilene, Kan.; Marval Rullman, St. Joseph, Mo.; Martha Thompson, Dorothy Ensminger, Kansas City, Mo.; Caroline Wallbridge, Russell; Alice Docking, Margaret Hill, Alberta Mack, Lawrence, Kan.; Marjorie Fulton, Doris Rosser, Topeka, Kan.; Bernice Mickel, Marshalltown, Iowa; Julia Mount, Pueblo, Colo.; Josephine Renz, Kansas City, Mo.; and Mary Buchner, Millville, Ark. Initiation for Jean Thompson was held at the beginning of the semester.

The University of Kansas was closed for four weeks by the state closing order on account of the influenza epidemic and most of the girls went home, so we have really had one week of college. We were fortunate in not having any serious cases although three or four of our girls had slight attacks. The Kappas had charge of one floor in the S. A. T. C. hospital, and donned their nurses' uniforms. Nell De Hart, Esther Moore, Bess Ainsworth, Hester Jackson, and Helen Cook entertained in the convalescent hospital under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A.

In the latest United War Work Campaign, we contributed \$135. Although the sugar portions are enlarged we still observe four desertless dinners. Edna Burch started a mending and pressing room in the Hostess House for S. A. T. C. men and is head of its management. It is quite a popular place.

As Bill says all this that I have been telling about is "technikle" and you probably wouldn't understand. We are not hinting for any Christmas presents for ourselves, but we hope Santa will be good to all of us.

MYRA McLAUGHLIN.

TWO ENGAGEMENTS ANNOUNCED

Beta Mu, University of Colorado

At last we can see the time when things will commence again, this time with an added brightness. The quarantine is to be removed Monday. The war will soon end. With these two great events in view, the girls of Beta Mu overlook the few inconveniences they have had to suffer along with the rest of the nation during the month when the influenza raged so unmercifully. College was closed on the seventh of October and is to open on the eleventh of November. We have indeed been fortunate as only three of our girls have had the far-famed "flu" and they have all recovered with no ill effects. Two of them were pledges. And this brings me to the most important event in the year so far.

Pledge day witnessed the adding of seventeen wonderful girls to our numbers. A regular landslide it was and the best part of it is that all of them are girls who will be true to Kappa's ideals when it comes time for them to be initiated into her rites.

Most of the active chapter last year returned but we miss those who did not. Six graduated last year—Winifred White, Mary Red, Alice Martin McIntyre, Katherine Knisell, Georgie Belle Musser, and Catherine

Richards. We were sorry to lose Helen Maud White, Helen Van Zant, Betty McGowen, and Dorcas Work. They are preparing themselves for war work. Lucai Patton is helping out the critical teachers' situation by instructing the pupils in the Kiefer, Oklahoma, High School. Francis Harris is at Wells College this year.

Ann Fahnestock has announced her engagement to Richard Pate, Jr., Phi Gamma Delta and lieutenant in the U. S. Army; and Grace Sowter has announced hers to William C. Kneale, Phi Kappa Psi, also lieutenant in the army. We are fortunate in having both of them still in our ranks.

Beta Mu hopes the rest of the year may run peacefully so that all her sister chapters and she may imbibe knowledge which will help them in future years.

MARY ELIZABETH SWOFFORD.

THETA PROVINCE

ALL HOUSES TAKEN FOR BARRACKS

Beta Theta, University of Oklahoma

Beta Theta girls returned this fall all enthusiastic over the coming year. We had only one worry and that was the question of a home if the Government should want our present one. However, it was not such a great worry after all, since our house really was too small for the Government to use for S. A. T. C. men. Of course, now you can understand why we say we were glad to be located in a small house. All the other sororities, with the exception of one, had to give up their houses for barracks. And the worst part of it was, none of the sororities dreamed of giving them up until after arriving and being settled for the year. All fraternity houses, of course, were taken.

This change has already made quite a contract in the college spirit of this year and that of only a year past. The boys are kept together in barracks, consequently the girls have become more closely united in the bonds of friendship than ever before. The girls of Beta Theta have had several real "getting together" parties.

We now have fourteen pledges: Mary Mulvey, Oklahoma City; Wilna Holland, Madill; Lillian Smith, Sapulpa; Helen Darrough, Vinita; Georgia West, Guthrie; Alberta Herold, Oklahoma City; Wilma Aspin, Tulsa; Maurine Frantz and Frances Goltry, Enid; Marian Severance, Ruth Goodman, and Mildred Goodman, Durant; Margaret Underwood, Denver, Colo.; Esther Nash, Antlers; and Mrs. R. W. Skinner, Miami. These with the fifteen active girls make up our happy family.

On October 17 we initiated Maurine Frantz of Enid, as she had advanced standing and expects to leave about January 1 to enter Red Cross work.

The first death from Beta Theta Chapter was that of Eloise Eagleton, M.A., '18. She died October 19, 1918, at Camp MacArthur, Waco, Texas, where she attended the Army School for Nursing.

MADALINE COLBERT.

HOUSE CLEANING DURING QUARANTINE

Gamma Beta, University of New Mexico

Due to strict quarantine on account of Spanish influenza, Gamma Beta has been very quiet for the past month. We have had no classes, and consequently no meetings, parties, nor pledges. However, we are earnestly hoping that the quarantine will soon be lifted and all regular activities be resumed.

Gamma Beta is extremely happy in having a house this year, and needless to say, we are enjoying it immensely. Our quarantine vacation has been spent largely in painting floors, hanging curtains, and making the old Sigma Chi house into a home for our girls. The result has been very satisfactory, and we take pride in having "Kappa Kappa Gamma" adorning the front door.

We have three new war work recruits to report in Lillian Spickard, Lois Davis, and "Jimmie" Standley, who is at Camp Cody, Deming, New Mexico, nursing sick soldiers, victims of the "flu."

FRANCES BEAR.

TWO FRATERNITIES IN ONE HOUSE

Beta Omicron, Tulane University

Beta Omicron packed up her troubles, and prepared to move into new quarters in the new buildings of which the college has just taken possession when she was brought to a sudden halt. This was due to the fact that there had been no provision made for fraternity rooms, and the only available space had been requisitioned as barracks for the Motor Corps. It was suggested that Beta Omicron be billeted in a house bordering on the campus, but college Headquarters thought it best to quarter all fraternities in one Panhellenic house. After a called Panhellenic meeting the individual fraternities were to discuss the question of an allied house, when all forces were attacked by influenza. As a consequence the town students were separated from the dormitory students, for the college was placed under quarantine. It is expected that college will soon open, and it is hoped that Beta Omicron will secure some sort of a home, even though it be merely a pup tent, for we Kappas all agree that

"Be it ever so humble,
There is no place like home."

KATHARINE LUZENBERG.

IOTA PROVINCE

A KAPPA IN FACULTY

Beta Phi, University of Montana

After a brief session of two weeks the State University of Montana closed for an indefinite period in order to prevent the spread of the Spanish influenza. Many of the students have gone to their homes and Beta Phi's chapter-house is closed. However, the members are ready to "mobilize" for the year's work again, as soon as the call is given. At present there are

350 men belonging to the Student Army Training Corps stationed at the university barracks.

As a patriotic measure the local Panhellenic members decided to shorten the two weeks of entertaining to one and to buy War Savings Stamps with the remainder of the fifteen dollars allotted to each fraternity. On Sunday, October 6, pledging was held at the chapter-house. Allie Keith and Perle Bawden of Butte, Eunice Whiteside, Kalispell, Dorothea Strain and Theresia Auerbach, Great Falls, Ann Wilson and Kathlyn Broadwater, Havre, Beryle Burfening, Bynum, and Grace Buford and Beatrice Deschamps, Missoula, are wearing the Sigma in Delta.

The members of Beta Phi were saddened October 17 by the news of the death of Jessie Railsback, '18, at her home at Billings, Montana.

Miss Camille Leyda of Sigma Chapter, '16, has just arrived at the university to serve as instructor of physical education for women, and Beta Phi Chapter is pleased to have such a charming Kappa as a member of the faculty of our university.

Beta Phi announces its regular meetings every Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house at 401 McLeod Avenue, Missoula, Montana.

The members of Beta Phi Chapter send to all the Kappas their best wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

FLORENCE DIXON.

SENIORS HOLD RESPONSIBLE POSITIONS

Beta Pi, University of Washington

As soon as we were nicely registered for the first quarter's work, word came from the authorities that the university was to close on account of the Spanish influenza which had suddenly spread to the Northwest.

Coming this way right in the middle of the two weeks planned for the entertainment of freshman girls, the fraternities were thrown into confusion over the problem of pledging, and had to rise to the occasion by making totally different plans. As a result, the Panhellenic Association decided to do away with all informal gatherings, and pledge immediately, this being to the best advantage of the freshmen. Beta Pi was fortunate under the unusual circumstances to pin the blue and blue on a group of interesting and representative girls: Jane Johnson, Edith Lee, Clara Bartlett, Aryness Joy, Elizabeth McCullough, Ernestine McDonald, Lois Rogers, Edna McCreary, Ruth Watkins, Inez Watkins, and Madeline Burgess.

Two of our seniors did not return to their studies this fall, as they are filling responsible positions for the time being. Marie Leghorn is the club editor on the *Seattle Times*, and Virginia King is employed in some secret branch of government work.

Beta Pi girls have been scattered during this quarantine which has lasted now for five weeks. Most of those living outside of Seattle have gone home, and those in the city have been engaged in all kinds of war work. When the "flu" ban is taken off we will be thankful to return to normal life, and to remove the white gauze masks from our faces. Then too, we are anxious to get back to college and learn what the university has

in store for the girls, as the activities have been disarranged by the organization of the Student Army Training Corps. But we are confident that there is still an important place for us on the campus, and that we can do much to keep up the old traditions and academic standing until the boys are free to return to the usual studies, and to take up their share again in college activities.

Beta Pi sends greetings to you all, and best wishes for this important year's work.

DOROTHY THOMAS.

SIXTEEN PLEDGES

Beta Omega, University of Oregon

Beta Omega proudly presents sixteen pledges, all girls of unusual charm, whom we wish every Kappa might meet. They are Alice Evans, Mary Evans, Phebe Gage, Eleanor Spall, Emma Garbade, Hazel Young, and Doris Pittenger, all of Portland; Brownell Frasier and Janet Frasier, Eugene; Lois Barnett, Frances Tate, and Norma Medler, Wasco; Helen Huntington, The Dalles; Anna Mae Chipping, Hood River; Mildred Apperson, McMinnville; and Leila Marsh, Decorah, Iowa. Just to show that they are starting out well, they carried off for Kappa the two offices for women in the freshman class. Phebe Gage was chosen vice-president of the class and Alice Evans, secretary. The freshman class in the university is the largest in the history of the college, numbering over 500 students.

We came back this year to a truly changed campus. We have found more pronounced even than last year a spirit of seriousness, of desire to aid in every way, a spirit almost of tenseness. The military note is predominant. The university has nearly 600 men in the unit of the Students' Army Training Corps, fifty of them being in the naval unit of the corps. We have also Oregon state officers' training camps, which prepare men in a month's intensive course, to enter central officers' training schools. The maximum for enrollment in these camps is 300 men and applications for admission are filed months in advance. Col. John Leader, late of the Sixteenth Royal Irish Rifles, is commandant.

We are entering now with enthusiasm into plans of organization for the United War Work drive. The university expects to oversubscribe her quota of \$6,600. A regulation army Y. M. C. A. hut, just like those on the war fronts, is now being built on the campus and the university Y. W. C. A. is awaiting plans from national headquarters regarding the establishment of a hostess house.

Beyond the strictly military activities, there has been little campus life at the university this year, for a ban has been placed upon meetings of every kind, owing to the influenza epidemic. The epidemic is now on the wane, and normal college activities will probably be resumed in two weeks, say the health authorities. The university has conducted classes every day, but with no meetings possible, everything as far as college life is concerned has been suspended.

Sixteen of last year's Kappas returned this year, but two, because of illness, have had to stop college for this term. We expect them back in January, however, together with several others of last year's girls.

Beta Omega has many plans for war work this year, and as soon as the "ban" is lifted, every girl will start at once with her war program. Each girl will give five hours a week to Red Cross, as well as assisting in house plans for aiding in helping to push the Allies to victory.

Kappas all, we wish you the best of success for this coming year.

DOROTHY DUNIWAY.

FLOWER SALE FOR RED CROSS

Gamma Gamma, Whitman College

Now that the first glad excitement of seeing everyone is over, we are beginning to learn what some of the girls have been doing during the summer, and to plan what we shall all do during the coming year. When the announcements were made on Convocation night, we were delighted that Neva Martin, Hazel Fisher, Marjorie Wray, and Mildred Smith had won undergraduate honors for last year. Of course, we have great ambitions for the future, but at present the Spanish influenza quarantine has halted all of our activities except the attending of classes. We have plenty of time these days to improve our scholarship; nevertheless we're all hoping that we shall not be kept in more than two weeks.

We are proud of the summer work of our Walla Walla Kappas. They held a flower sale during Fair week and succeeded in raising \$400 which they gave to the local Red Cross. Carrie Reynolds, whose avocation is flower-gardening, donated the flowers, and the rest of the Kappas, with the assistance of our patronesses, made them up into attractive corsage bouquets. The girls who sold the flowers wore white uniforms. The Kappa booth proved to be most popular and Gamma Gamma Chapter gained many new friends.

Whitman has an S. A. T. C. this year. The formal induction was held October 2. There will be 250 men here to take training—more than ever before.

There seems to be a greater number of girls here this year, too, than there were last year. During the first two weeks we fraternity girls are not wearing our pins "in a visible place," as the Panhellenic rule declares, but as members of the Y. W. C. A. we are trying to make the new girls feel at home. The cabinet has entertained them at dinner, and the Association plans to give parties of various kinds for them. We hope to know them a little better in this way.

MILDRED KERSHAW.

KAPPA PROVINCE

FIRE AT CHAPTER-HOUSE

Beta Eta, Stanford University

It's six weeks now that we twelve Kappas of Beta Eta have been back on the Stanford "Farm"—six weeks only, but replete with enough excitement to fill six months.

To start at the beginning, early in September before college opened our house was badly damaged by fire, damage so disastrous that not even by the time we returned had the repairs been made. For six weeks we have shuffled through shavings, avoided fresh paint, and worst of all been beset by a force of workmen who always arrived in the middle of the mad scramble for eight o'clocks.

Beta Eta pledged nine freshmen: Marie Louise Sterling, Marion Gibbs, Doris Crane, Mildred Findley, Evelyn Johnston, Virginia Turner, Helen Barry, Anna Judge, and June Stephens.

The Spanish influenza reached us here at Stanford early in the epidemic. We were the first house to be attacked. In fact nine of the twelve girls in the house were in the hospital at the same time. However, we have every reason to be thankful for none were serious cases. There have been several hundred cases in the university, resulting in nine fatalities.

The influenza situation at Camp Fremont was very serious, the lack of nurses complicating the danger for the men. A number of Stanford girls have volunteered their services as nurse's aides, and have helped stem the epidemic.

While student activities are necessarily greatly curtailed this year since Stanford is primarily a military institution with an S. A. T. C., a Naval Unit, and a Marine Corps, Kappas have been active in what organizations have been perpetuated.

Dorothy Hanna, a senior, is member of Women's Council and Conference, the women's governing bodies of Stanford. She has also been elected vice-president of the senior class and in her spare moments is instructing in gymnasium. Doris Ford, another senior, has sent her lieutenant husband to France and is back in college and living in the house with us.

We have another physical training* star in Mary Therkelsen, who is teaching tennis.

Mary Dargent, a junior, is very busy just now working on the drive for funds for the Lane Clinic, the Stanford clinic among the poor in San Francisco.

Dorothy Driscoll, another junior, is managing editor of the *Daily Palo Alto*, woman representative on the Student Council, and will edit the *Quad*, the Stanford yearbook, this year.

Many of the girls, especially the freshmen, who had planned to go out for college activities are still convalescents from influenza and will have to postpone their entrance into college life until after Christmas.

The two big interests at Stanford just at present are the athletic season planned by the S. A. T. C., especially the football game with our old rival, the University of California, and the campaign for the United War Workers' Fund.

DOROTHY DRISCOLL.

WASHINGTON, D. C., NEWS

The Kappas entertained their many friends on Thanksgiving night with a dance at the house. Twenty couples enjoyed a delightful evening. Mrs. Gardner Ruggles, our housemother, chaperoned.

Election of officers was held at the regular meeting of the Kappa Club. Gladys Hanna, Beta Eta, succeeded Margaret Goldsmith, Beta Lambda, as president; Beulah Smith, Beta Delta, follows Della Lawrence, Beta Xi, as corresponding secretary; and Louise Ennis, Beta Mu is the new secretary and treasurer in place of Edith McGrew, Beta Zeta.

Margaret Milne, Beta Tau, has left Washington and is probably in France with the Overseas Theater League.

Eloise Newlands, Beta Pi, is now Mrs. Pullen, having married in the latter part of the summer. Her husband is on duty in France at the present time and she is continuing her war work in the Ordnance Department.

The girls voted to hold open house two Saturday nights out of the month. They have proved very successful and give the girls an excellent opportunity to know each other's friends. After ten o'clock the rugs are thrown back and all enjoy dancing.

The house will remain open until next April at least. Under the able direction of Mrs. Ruggles and Letta Brock we are making a success of the house both as a home and a financial proposition. Mrs. Ruggles came to us from the Kappa House in Austin, Texas, and she has proved that even with crowded conditions Washington can be made homelike and pleasant. She and Letta Brock have been untiring in their efforts to make the girls happy while they are here.

Due to the fact that Katherine Mullin could not leave her work in the Publicity Department of the Food Administration, she sent Della Lawrence as her substitute to the council session held for four days of November in Cleveland, Ohio. The session was both a success and a pleasure in the mind of the substitute. Mrs. Kolbe's report will tell you of all the interesting work that was planned.

The Kappas who have recently come to the house are Martha Prewitt, Beta Chi, Katherine Goss and Lena Sands, Upsilon.

Very few of the girls will leave before the spring although some have been transferred into other work due to the fact that so many of the departments are being dissolved. Five of the girls will be away for the Christmas holidays and the rest are planning to have lots of fun here.

The Kappa Club has decided to entertain the wounded soldiers who are at Walter Reid Hospital. The girls expect to hear some exciting tales of the war.

DELLA LAWRENCE.

THE ALUMNAE

SARAH B. HARRIS, *Alumnae Editor*

THE DOROTHY CANFIELD SOAP AND DRUG FUND

The soap and drug fund for devastated France, which soon assumed for itself the name of the "Dorothy Canfield Soap and Drug Fund," had its origin in some passages in a personal letter, sent early in 1918, to a Nebraska friend. The passages were as follows:

* * * When the Germans moved out of the devastated regions in France they took every single thing from the pharmacies. There isn't a bottle of the simplest drug left there. And somehow (something is bound to be forgotten) this is a detail which has not been looked after. There isn't any adequate supply (any supply at all in fact) of such indispensable things as cod liver oil, quinine, glycerine, vaseline, castor oil, etc., and oh, there isn't ANY SOAP. If people in Nebraska wanted to help in a most undramatic manner, but in a way which would benefit the lives of the people *at once*, they couldn't do any better, it seems to me, than to get a supply of these things and get the *Trait d'Union Franco-Americain*, or some other responsible authority, to distribute them. I have asked my doctor to give me a list of what poor people most use in such ways here in France. I want to get a list from a French doctor who works among the poorer classes so that you won't make the mistake of sending American remedies which they'd be afraid to touch. Anything with grease or oil in it is terribly expensive. That is why soap is so dear and so hard to get. The Germans took away of course every scrap of that * * * and you've no idea how hard it is to live without soap. Personally I think it would be most picturesque and interesting for Nebraska to send soap to the devastated regions—all the more interesting because unusual. It might be a state specialty * * * and so much needed!

Mrs. Fisher's letter was quoted in several newspapers, and soon the "Overseas Relief" Committee of the National League for Woman's Service in Nebraska interested itself in establishing the suggested fund, as one of its lines of relief work. No "drive" was ever conducted in its behalf, nor "buttons" sold, nor funds formally solicited; but the need was kept before the public in various ways, and contributions began to come in very generously. Nebraskans remembered Dorothy Canfield as the daughter of James H. Canfield, who was chancellor of the University of Nebraska, 1891-1895; and their love for her and their confidence in her assured success for her appeal from the start. Various

groups of college girls, including, of course, the Nebraska chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, made contributions, and so did women's clubs and church societies; and funds came in from many other sources. The ladies of the small city of Beaver Crossing, for example, sent 500 bars of soap. These were sold at auction in Lincoln, in order to save the time and expense of transportation to New York City. The first half dozen bars brought five and ten dollars apiece. The rest was sold in quantities at liberal prices. One friend of the fund gave the proceeds of an old-clothes auction. By this time, many thousands of bars of soap, bought at wholesale prices in New York City, have been sent to France.

The need has not yet passed for France, and it is probable that more funds will come in during the fall, and that the total will be increased by benefit performances, parties, and the like. Thus far not a cent of expense has been incurred in the conduct of the fund. The small expenses entailed here and there, as for printing, postage, and freight, have been donated by friends, or by the Overseas Relief Committee itself.

At the recommendation of Mrs. Fisher, the distribution of Nebraska's contribution of soap and drugs was placed in the hands of Mrs. Herbert L. Griggs of New York City, head of the *Trait d'Union Franco-Americain*, shipments for whose organization are allowed by the French government. Mr. Herbert L. Griggs, president of the Bank of New York, is agent for New York City purchases and shipments. Part of the soap sent goes to civilian relief, writes Mrs. Griggs, and part to soldiers who have been mustard-gassed, for whom soap baths are at once necessary.

The Overseas Relief Committee in charge of the fund has for its officers: Miss Louise Pound, University of Nebraska, chairman, and Mrs. Maurice Deutsch, 2108 South 24th Street, Lincoln, secretary-treasurer.

SAVING "FIVES AND TENS"

We have all been asked to save our nickels and dimes to buy War Saving Stamps. Uncle Sam is urging us to save our five and ten dollar certificates to purchase Liberty Bonds.

The noble work of the Kappas in the different branches of the Red Cross and other war work is indeed commendable. At

this very moment untold sacrifices are being made by "Kappas Known to Fame" and others not as well known, but equally unselfish.

We read in *THE KEY* of a Kappa chapter which by its own effort supports a French orphan. We also know each chapter, active and alumnae, coöperated enthusiastically and willingly in the "Bellevue Auntie Movement." However, let us not be carried away by sisterly appreciation, but let us rather ask ourselves this question: Are we utilizing every spare moment or are we in our efforts to mobilize the hours, neglecting these periods of spare "fives and tens." When we stop to consider that it only takes six ten-minute periods to make up an hour we can realize, that if these little moments could be saved they would soon amount to many hours. If a few of these spare "fives and tens" were spent in a Red Cross shop in the Surgical Dressings Department, approximately six perfect surgical dressings in the form of gauze compresses or sponge could easily be made. Take your roommate or your neighbor and instead of chatting comfortably in a cozy room or home, go to the nearest Red Cross room, and your compensation will be far more satisfactory than any bit of newsy gossip. Just think what you will have accomplished if you have made, for example, six small compresses! Six wounds will have their first layer of dressing ready for them. Six wounds will be protected from the dirt or sticking clothing. Perhaps six men's lives may be saved.

My reason for calling special attention to this particular department, which is now under special supervision of the Army General, is that this charming work in this branch has not been as definitely emphasized, or unanimously understood by each girl as it should. The work is not only extremely essential, but delightful in its simplicity. The folding of gauze compresses and other dressings composes most of the small duties, while the making of the muslin dressings is a little more intricate. The time spent making them is of a purely recreational character.

Remember, girls, you do not have to sew or knit if these two branches are distasteful to you. You can enter this department, and by saving these periods of "five and tens" save many groups of tens of hundreds.

AMY ECKLE HIRSH,
Muncie Alumnae Association.

WHAT WOMEN CAN DO IN BUSINESS

I first thought of telling you what modern business is and the part women have in it and will have as time goes on. On second thought I decided that you, who are in college, know all about the theory of modern business while I have long since forgotten. But the part you are to have in it, that is another matter.

At Hawthorne, just outside the Chicago city limits, is located the immense plant of the Western Electric Company. There 20,000 people are employed, forty per cent of whom are women. This is only a beginning, for women are constantly being placed in positions previously held by men and are going into the chemical, engineering, and other technical branches.

Western Electric makes all the equipment for the Bell Telephone and Western Union Telegraph Companies. This includes telephone sets, switchboards, cables, and hundreds of other things. Wireless sets and overseas electrical war apparatus are turned out in great quantities. In this great mid-western plant are made some of the telephones for Japan, which are unique little affairs, quite different from our own.

Here the openings and opportunities for a college woman are many and varied. First of all, a college woman of tact, common sense, and good judgment, a woman who can and will adapt herself to conditions, who is interested in her work, but who will still retain her femininity is in demand. With these requirements it is well to have the well-known and rarely found mathematical brain. Of course there are many departments where mathematical sense would be of little use, such as the educational, traffic, purchasing, pay roll, and ever so many others, but who could be a "lady engineer" without a liking for mechanical things and if she did not know a little about the shops? Or a technical clerk if she did not know how to determine the amount of material necessary for the making of certain apparatus for 5,000 telephones? A piece-rate setter must know the psychology of motion, how tiresome it is to do the same thing day after day, the exact value of the operations, so that the girl can have a fair return for her effort and the company will make a profit.

The Educational Department has under its auspices the giving of mental tests and by this means attempts to place each individual in the department where she will be the happiest and most efficient.

Various courses of study are also given to both men and women. These courses extend over a period of from four weeks to ten months with the exception of the apprentice course for tool and dye makers, which course is of four years' duration. In these courses are trained errand girls and boys, college men and women in production work, accounting, general manufacturing, and along technical lines. Each shop clerk is also given a thorough course in clerical methods and the importance of each individual in the life of the plant. These courses are both theoretical and practical with classroom work, inspection trips, and actual experience in various departments.

This is only one concern of many where the work for women will be permanent and not inflated because of the unusual war conditions. The old tradition that there are few openings for women other than teaching is rapidly vanishing. Women have become important factors in the industrial world and aren't we glad?

ANN DURHAM,
Chicago Alumnae Association.

FRATERNITY TRAINING AS A HELP TOWARDS VOCATIONAL TRAINING

At times one hears the question asked, why girls of unusually high scholastic standing on leaving college often succeed less than many fraternity girls whose scholarship seemed to be only mediocre. It is not uncommon to learn of young women of fine ability who somehow failed to fulfil the promise of their undergraduate days, while some rather unpromising "social favorite" succeeded beyond all expectation, and perhaps beyond all reason. Observers of college life are sometimes disappointed to find that this sort of thing happens often enough not to be merely an accident. The average fraternity house is not supposed to be conducive to scholarship; the girls who live there often are easy going and not over conscientious about meeting obligations; and yet, somehow, when they began to compete in the business world, they show up surprisingly well in spite of their former deficiencies. One wonders what there is about their experience in the fraternity that seems to make it possible for them to adjust themselves to business conditions with comparative ease.

Books on vocational guidance tell us that, of the qualities which make for success in business, the following are considered especially important: self-reliance, tact, self-control, resourcefulness, adaptability, poise. These are all qualities which fraternity life, especially life in a fraternity house, is likely to develop. In the first place, when one wishes to market one's ability in business life, it is essential that one be able to impress upon the employer one's best qualities. The fraternity member is early taught to appear to the best advantage possible, and to make the most of such talents as she may have. To be sure, she may use her talents with no higher motive than to please some prospective member, but at least she realizes the necessity of displaying the utmost that is in her. The fraternity girl is forced to use tact in handling the difficult situations that arise in meeting new girls, in associating with other members of her fraternity, or in adjusting misunderstandings with other organizations.

The fraternity is a miniature world, where one meets on a small scale most of the situations that are encountered in life, with the added advantage that the older members of the fraternity—gently, if possible, severely, if need be—see to it that the new members do adjust themselves. The girl with the stiff, awkward manner is made to relax; the girl with the loud voice or conspicuous dress is "toned down"; the untidy girl must make herself neat, or stand the continual gibes of her associates. She must learn, also, to take their criticism in good spirit, or else be miserable much of the time. Hence it is that the girl who has acquired these qualities before she leaves college has an advantage over the girl who must gain them by a more painful process while engaged in the real business of life.

OLIVIA POUND.

ALUMNAE LETTERS

NEW YORK ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Nothing has appeared for several months in *THE KEY* from the New York Alumnae Association, but the meetings have been unusually interesting and we have raised more money than usual. The last Saturday in November, 1917, was our annual auction day and was held as usual at the home of Mrs. Minnie Royce Walker. The auction was for the benefit of the Students' Aid Fund. All of our things, including war bread and cakes, were sold at auction netting \$108.

The January meeting was held in the wonderful new apartment of Mrs. A. B. Hepburn, Beta Beta. Sixty-six members were served a most delicious war luncheon. A very interesting business meeting followed. Mrs. Mary Kingsbury Simkhovitch, Phi '90, and Editor of THE KEY spoke on her work in Greenwich House concluding with an invitation to hold our next meeting with her. Mrs. Simkhovitch is known as one of the country's foremost social settlement workers, a leader in New York's civic affairs. More specifically, it is to Mrs. Simkhovitch that Greenwich Village owes its revival. Her most recent work was to build Greenwich House, a settlement house, a forum for all the village, and from which Red Cross, Food Administration, and every kind of patriotic as well as the usual settlement work are directed.

Sixty-four Kappas attended the luncheon at Greenwich House. Mrs. Simkhovitch talked on the place of the settlement house in the community and later showed everyone through the house.

The March meeting was a delightful one at the home of Mrs. Mary Morgan Brewer, Delta, on Staten Island. Mary is now campaigning to release some man for war service by electing her to the State Legislature. Mrs. Brewer was one of the most ardent workers for suffrage, speaking every day for ten weeks.

The April meeting was a great success. We gave our entertainment for the benefit of Dorothy Fisher's work. Mrs. Walker was chairman. We were fortunate in every particular. Mrs. Jessica Finch Cosgrave, Beta Epsilon, head of the well-known Finch School, generously gave us the use of the Little Lenox Theater, the perfect little theater of the school. All the force of the school helped to make it a success. The program consisted of a monologue, "Priscilla to the Woman of 1918," given by Mrs. Lucy Allen Smart, Beta Nu, in costume. Winifred Marshall, Beta Sigma, as always charmed everyone by giving a group of Civil War songs in the costume of the period. Mrs. Mable Potter Daggett, Beta Tau, who had been at the front for the *Pictorial Review*, brought the program to date by speaking on *Women Wanted* which has since been published in book form. After the program tea was served in one of the charming parlors of the school. We were pleased to have \$185 to send to France.

In May we were most delightfully entertained by Mrs. May Whiting Westermann, Sigma, at a luncheon in Bronxville. Officers were elected and much discussion regarding national fraternity policies took place.

About twenty-five Kappas from everywhere attended Columbia summer school. The last week of the school the Kappas with several New York members had supper together at one of the tearooms. It had the touch of a convention gathering, especially as many had attended conventions together.

MINNIE ROYCE WALKER.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Francis E. Brewer (Mary G. Morgan), Delta '95, is the Republican candidate for the New York State Legislature from Staten Island.

Mildred Pyke, Iota '09, who has spent two years' leave of absence in studying music in New York, has returned to Miss Cushman's School in Tientsin, China.

Edna Fahrback, Eta '15, is the head of the Department of Education in Best and Company's store.

Eleanor Dotey, Beta Epsilon '12, has been one of the Y. M. C. A. women at the Argonne front.

Carol Macmillan, Eta '17, is an assistant in the Department of Public Speaking at De Pauw University.

Mrs. Grace Johnson Nelson, Iota, and Mrs. Sarah Harpole Mull, Epsilon, both of the Indianapolis Alumnae Association, toured the East in Mrs. Mull's limousine during August.

Mrs. Paul Sturtevant (Charlotte Heiner, Gamma Rho '99) has moved from Pittsburgh to New York where Mr. Sturtevant is one of the partners in Harnis, Fowler and Co.

PHILADELPHIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The members of the Philadelphia Alumnae Association were glad to welcome several Kappas from other chapters during the past year, and we trust that all Kappas living in or near Philadelphia will notify our secretary, that she may inform them of the time and places of our meetings.

Olive R. Haldeman, '13, will be married to Ralph Young of Germantown on September 4.

Evelyn Miles Keller, '12 (Mrs. Franklin J.), has a son, Geoffrey, born June 12.

Mrs. Lockwood Campbell (Hildegard Rodman) also has a son, John Hamilton.

Bessie G. Hanley has been working in Washington for the Government this summer.

Achsah Lippencott, '14, has left the Bureau of Agriculture in Washington and is now Assistant Director of Markets for the state of Pennsylvania. She is living in Harrisburg.

Evelyn Hayes, '17, was married on April 17 to Mr. Walter S. Thomas. Mrs. Thomas is living in Lambertville, New Jersey.

Best wishes for the coming year for both active and alumnae chapters.

MAY S. WILSON.

BETA IOTA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Dorothea Fitch, '15, is executive secretary of the New York Drama League and is now living at 193 Madison Ave., New York City.

Marguerite T. Rose, '10, is now in France on canteen duty. Her address is 12 Rue d'Agessseau, Paris, c/o Y. M. C. A.

Everyone has heard of the *Stars and Stripes*, published in France for Pershing's men. We feel sure that Ada Gillespie Visiniskki, '98, is very proud of her husband, Capt. Guy T. Visiniskki, its founder and editor.

Margaret Willets, '17, is now Mrs. John Mason and is living in Orange, N. J.

MARGERY C. MAGILL.

BETA SIGMA ALUMNAE

Fanita Pando has a position in the Statistics Department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. in New York.

Katherine Tobin Mullin is in Washington writing for the Publicity Department of the Food Administration.

Eleanor Smith is working in Washington.

Susan de Peyster, '16, has been married to Charles H. Graves, of East Lansing, Michigan. Mr. Graves, who is a cousin of Dorothy Canfield Fisher, is a farm demonstrator for Michigan.

Priscilla Wing has married William Wallace Downey, Jr., U. S. N.

Mildred Downey has married Luman Wing and is living at Staten Island.

Bertha Chapman Catlin has married Frank Turner.

Marian Richards, '18, has married George H. Coburn and is living in Newark, New Jersey.

Rosalie Geer is engaged to Lieut. William Hamlin Sands of Richmond, Va., who is now in France with the 315th Field Artillery.

Belle Wall Chamberlain has a son.

Clara Morhmann Robb has a son.

Jean Lucas, '16, is in charge of the Home Registration Bureau of the Bethlehem Steel Co. She is located in Atlantic City. Her work is concerned with the housing of the company's employees.

Ella Taylor, '18, is employed in the Federal Reserve Bank in New York.

Alice Poole, '18, is employed in the Analytical Department of the Chemical National Bank, New York.

SYRACUSE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Have you noticed the advertisement in the back of THE KEY of the Kappa Symphony by Ella Wallace Wells? Mrs. Wells has given the proceeds from the sale of the symphony to the Scholarship Fund. Already she has sent in about thirty dollars and orders are coming in.

Helen H. Brockway, ex-'11, is in New York awaiting orders to sail for France. By the time this is in print she will undoubtedly be there. She goes under the Y. M. C. A. as camp entertainer. During the summer she sang in the camps near New York City, and was successful in that work. Her address will be, c/o American Y. M. C. A., 12 Rue d'Aguesseau, Paris, France.

The Syracuse Alumnae Association has contributed twenty-eight dollars to the Kappa Relief Committee in Bellevue, France, in response to Dorothy Canfield Fisher's letter in the October KEY, 1917.

Mabel Potter Daggett, '95, has published a book, *Women Wanted*. It consists of the rewritten articles on the war work of women in Europe which appeared in *The Pictorial Review*. The book is published by George H. Doran Company, New York.

In October Mrs. Daggett came to Syracuse to speak at the opening meeting of the Women's Congress, of which Anna Harbottle Whittic, '95, is president. Helen Potter Burns, ex-'97, invited the Kappa alumnae to

her home to meet Mrs. Daggett while she was in Syracuse. Mrs. Daggett spoke informally of her experiences in Europe since the war began. She is to sail for France December 1 to do reconstruction work under the direction of *The Delineator*. She will write reports of her work for that magazine.

Born to Gertrude Sholes Auten, Beta Tau '04, on July 30, 1918, at Princeville, Illinois a son Charles Howe, Jr.

Born to Mabel Allen Brown, '09, Martin Allen, on September 9, 1918.

On September 7, 1918, in Syracuse, occurred the death of Fay Waite Thompson of Beta Gamma Chapter.

At Quincy, Illinois, on October 6, 1918, occurred the death of Ida Steingrebe Jenter, '85, after a brief illness. She is survived by one daughter, Louise Jenter.

FLORENCE R. KNAPP.

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

Dr. Alfred Armstrong of Canandaigua, husband of Ruth Armstrong, Beta Tau, has been in medical service in camps in United States.

During the summer Kate Gleason has been stirring up much interest among the automobile men of western New York in her new automobile "trailer." It has proved a distinct success. She is at present enjoying a vacation in Japan.

Marjorie Gardner Johnson and family enjoyed a two weeks' trip through the northern part of the state, including Lake George and Lake Champlain. May Irwin Montague and family also spent their vacation on an automobile trip to Canton, New York.

Hazel Wightman Bastian and husband are returning to their home in Portland, Oregon. They will be greatly missed by their friends in Rochester and the East, though all are glad for Mr. Bastian's fine position and their good future.

Farm service attracted Mildred Lincoln this summer. Picking cherries evidently agreed with our Kappa sister for she came back to Rochester with a healthy coat of tan and many laughable accounts of Farmerette Villa.

Mrs. Abbott has been giving a series of instructive citizenship talks to various clubs in Rochester.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

As never before, we of the Columbus Association are busy Kappas. Our activities in all sorts of war work are divided according to that which we can do best. Just at present we find ourselves in a "closed Ohio" on account of the Spanish influenza epidemic. This prevented us from celebrating in any way our Founders' Day. Many of our self-sacrificing members have donned a mask and are doing what they can in the army hospitals in and near Columbus. Others are working late into the night making garments for these hospitals.

Two of our association are giving their entire time to the Civilian War Relief of the Red Cross. They are Mrs. Charles Farber and Ida Bringardner. In other branches of Red Cross work we find Kappas in large numbers giving much of their time.

The following Kappas have replaced men in offices: Dorcas Leachman, Catharine Rittel, May Mounts, Helen Cashatt, Martha Feiser Rankin, Edna Rogers, and Mrs. C. C. Corner. The last named has charge of the social service work of the local Chamber of Commerce.

Mary Frances Moore is aiding one of the local draft boards in its immense task.

Harriet Bretz of Celina is teaching in Columbus schools this year, for which we are very glad.

Elma Hamilton has a position in the university library.

Edna Endley is doing Smith-Hughes work in Ohio in connection with Ohio State University.

Mrs. Harry B. Weiser (Hazel McKean) and daughter, Dorothy, have spent the summer in Columbus. The Weisers are moving from Houston, Texas, to Washington, D. C.

As usual we have a few marriages and births to announce. Anita Thomas in June became Mrs. Earl Gardner Jones.

During the same month Ruth Albritain married Howard Whitehill, Phi Gamma Delta. And what do you think? He left her in less than an hour for "Over There."

On July 29, Martha Feiser was married to Woodruff J. Rankin, Sigma Phi, of Chicago. After a few weeks at Camp Wheeler, Georgia, Mr. Rankin went across the sea and Martha returned to us.

Marian Tinsley was married in August to Marshall Godman, Beta Theta Pi, and accompanied him to Seattle where he is temporarily stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nesbitt (Hazel Zeller) have announced the birth of a daughter on September 1, 1918. They will soon move to Washington, D. C.

On October 5, 1918, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gardiner (Helen Zeller) announced the birth of a son.

New Year's greetings to Kappas everywhere.

CATHARINE METZLER.

CINCINNATI ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The months roll by, as we are busily engaged in war work. As a fraternity, we have bought bolts of material, which we have been making into garments for distribution by the Kappa Relief Committee in France. At the monthly gatherings each member contributes three finished dresses, so that our business meetings may be conducted as formerly. We decided that in this way we would avoid confusion at the meetings, and accomplish a great deal more work. Each Christmas box sent to France is to contain, beside the necessary clothes, a rag doll or rag dog to make some child's heart happy.

Our girls are entering into various fields of work. Gertrude Avey has been spending a number of months at Fort McPherson, Georgia, where she is establishing a library for the soldiers. She has had many unique and interesting experiences. Finding that there was no way of transporting the books from the train to the house, Miss Avey carried them in baskets. But soon the soldiers gave aid, by loading the books in trucks. Three of our girls have become teachers in the high schools. Enolia Chambers is in charge of the English Department, Helen Taylor is conducting Latin classes, while Bertha Baehr is again teaching English. Lottie Wiedemer, who spent the summer at Vassar studying nursing, has entered the Medical College at Chicago University.

HELEN EGER.

PITTSBURGH ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The first regular meeting of the Pittsburgh Alumnae Association was held at the home of Mrs. W. Denning Stewart (Margaret Thorpe, Psi) the second Saturday of September.

The new officers for the year are: Mrs. Lacy S. McKeever, president; Mrs. J. S. DeMuth, vice-president; and Mrs. A. G. Crawshaw, secretary and treasurer.

Two of our very active members have left Pittsburgh this year. Dr. and Mrs. J. Shane Nichols, Beta Nu, have moved to Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania, and Elizabeth Dalzell, Xi, whose father is the buyer of textiles for the American Red Cross, has gone to Washington, D. C. The family have taken an apartment there for the duration of the war.

Miss Florence Downing, Gamma Rho, is in Pittsburgh this winter with the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory, in the Bacteriological Department.

Miss Alyce Bacon, Gamma Alpha, is teaching in Pittsburgh this winter.

Miss Ada Palm, Gamma Rho, is in Pittsburgh again this winter teaching English in the Peabody High School.

Miss Katherine Maxwell, Beta Pi, is attending the Carnegie Library School in Pittsburgh.

Dr. J. S. DeMuth has been commissioned captain in the Medical Corps, United States Army. He is now stationed at the base hospital, Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, in the Department of Head Surgery. Mrs. DeMuth and their three children are remaining in their home in Linden Avenue.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Miss Joanna Strange, Beta Zeta. She was an enthusiastic member of our association while librarian in the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh.

The Kappas who were registered at Chautauqua, New York, in August met for dinner on the veranda of "The Little Lunch Room." There were twelve Kappas present. Two of them, Miss Bertha Miller, Gamma Rho, and Mrs. J. S. DeMuth, Beta Gamma, were members of our association.

In August the Alumnae Association was invited to a picnic luncheon at the summer home of Mrs. C. W. Garrett, Delta. There were sufficient

cars in the association to accommodate all the members, and we are not only enjoyed the lovely drive of about thirty miles, but the whole day which was pleasantly and profitably spent knitting for the soldiers.

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Indianapolis Alumnae Association held its first meeting of the year with Mrs. Ellis Hunter, September 14. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month.

The annual state meeting and luncheon of Kappa Kappa Gamma, which is held on the Saturday nearest to Founders' Day, was postponed indefinitely on account of the epidemic of Spanish influenza.

Mrs. R. F. Davidson is home from Saranac Lake, New York. She will return later.

Mrs. Ruth Hendrickson Allee is teaching in Kokomo, Indiana.

Mary Merker is with the Ridpath Chautauqua Company.

Charity Hendren was married in June to Lieut. Henry Browning. Mrs. Browning is teaching mathematics in Shortridge High School, Indianapolis, during her husband's absence in military service.

Mrs. Lucile Oursler Craycraft of Noblesville, Indiana, died of Spanish influenza in October. She is survived by her husband and two small children.

Mrs. F. L. Pettijohn attended the convention of the United States War Camp Bureau at Lake Geneva. She has been one of the speakers of the bureau.

Juel Cochrane was married to Mr. James Albert Free. They are living in Spencer, Indiana.

Mrs. Hazel Reeves Scott died October 26, following an operation in an Indianapolis hospital. She is survived by her husband and four sons.

Mrs. Frank Herod of New York City has been visiting Mrs. Philip A. Long of Indianapolis. During her visit she and her former classmates at Indiana University, Mrs. Ephriam Inman, Mrs. Frank Faris, and Mrs. Arthur Cravens, held a reunion.

Mrs. Frank Faris of Bloomington, Indiana, has come to Indianapolis for permanent residence.

MRS. THEODORE F. VONNEGUT.

SOUTH BEND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

One of the most delightful benefits for French children given in South Bend this year was a play, *The Fairy's Revenge*, written and produced by Miss Isabel Barter, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Barter (Katherine Miller, Delta '90). The parts were played by Miss Barter and seven of her young girl friends. The lines of the play are beautiful and show much talent. Miss Barter has been invited to repeat the play before the Civics and Philanthropy Department of the Progress Club of South Bend. Over twenty dollars was realized which was turned over to the Dorothy Canfield Fisher relief work in France. Mr. and Mrs. Barter

have a son, Richard, who is serving in the Navy, who was on the battleship *Minnesota*, which lately struck a mine. Young Mr. Barter was uninjured luckily, and is in Philadelphia awaiting orders.

Mrs. Homer J. Miller (Ottila Poehlman, Lambda) has been appointed county chairman of Americanization by the County Council of Defense. Within the last week she has been appointed chairman of the Americanization Committee for the 13th District by the Indiana State Federation of Women's Clubs. These appointments are quite a tribute to Mrs. Miller as well as a recognition of her ability along these particular lines.

Mr. and Mrs. William Happ (Jessie Cowgill, Iota '89), and young son, Eugene, motored over the Dixie Highway to Les Cheneaux and other Wisconsin points. Mrs. Happ's two older sons are both in the service, Robert in France and Willard has just lately gone to Camp Rariton, New Jersey. Mrs. Happ expects soon to have three stars in her service flag as Mrs. Willard Happ, a bride of last year, has applied to go into training for nursing.

One of the municipal recreations of the summer was a pageant. There were 200 persons taking part in this pageant; Mrs. Homer Miller directed it. Mrs. Miller was assisted in her work by Mrs. Lutie Baker Gunn, a Kappa mother.

On September 29 Mrs. Rachel Trowbridge died. Mrs. Trowbridge was the mother of Mrs. W. G. McGlothlin (Letta Trowbridge, Iota). Mrs. McGlothlin's son, Ralph, has been in France a year October 18. He is fighting with the Rainbow Division.

Miss Edna Place spent a week in Evanston recently. Mrs. Russell Downey (Marie Place, Iota) is spending several months visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon W. Place, in South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. George V. Nienstedt (Grace McPheeters, Delta) motored through the Wisconsin lake district this summer.

Dean Miller, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer J. Miller, is in the Motor Mechanics Department of the Army. He is at Camp Taylor in Louisville, Kentucky. He expects to go overseas soon.

The South Bend Kappas had a picnic, a fine one too, for we invited our families to come along with us out to Miss Leona Turner's summer home near Bertrand on the St. Joseph river bank. Beside our families we had the eight charming young girls who played in Isabel Barter's play. They repeated the play on nature's stage on an island in the river, with a bonfire serving as footlights. Beside the play we had singing and toasts and speeches from Kappa husbands, so that the program as well as the supper was a success. Miss Turner is now in Boston, Massachusetts, having gone there to take a position on the *Christian Science Monitor*.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund C. Cook (Gertrude Stoddard, Delta) and son, Robert, spent their vacation at Lake Wawasee, Indiana.

FALLS CITY ASSOCIATION

The Falls City Kappa Alumnae has undergone a marked change in personnel the past few months, due of course to the fact that its membership and size have depended largely upon the cantonment at Camp Taylor.

Owing to the large increase in the chapter last winter and spring we were able to accomplish quite a bit of sewing for our orphans in France, at weekly meetings held for the purpose. But this autumn finds us with a new set of girls to deal with, new faces to replace the old ones. Some of our girls have left to pursue war-time occupation in other places. Many of them have joined their husbands at other army camps, so the task of complete reorganization faces us before we can hope to accomplish anything definite.

Mrs. Chas. Beck, Beta Mu, has given her husband to the Medical Service in France and has taken her two small children to her mother's home.

Helen R. Horine, Iota, and children have joined Captain Horine at Camp Hancock, Ga., for the winter.

A prospective pledge has arrived in the person of a little daughter born to Elizabeth Booker Cheshire, Beta Chi.

A son, Malcolm Louis, was born to Elizabeth Ruthenburg Meldahl, Iota, whose husband is in the Officers' School at Camp Taylor.

The following members have been married to army men recently: Elizabeth Moore, Beta Chi, to Lieut. B. H. Lowry; Irene O'Dell, Delta, to Sergt. Hugh Campbell; Anita Crabb, Beta Chi, to Capt. Gambiell McCarty.

Annette Clark, Delta, has been devoting the last three months to war library work in Washington.

Myra Warren, Beta Chi, is in the canteen service at Camp Knox, Stith-ton, Ky.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

On July 6, Charity Hendren was married to Henry Browning who is stationed at the Aviation Depot at the Speedway near Indianapolis.

In March Miss Sally Elliott arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott (Pauline Hoss) in Kokomo.

On May 6, Miss Katherine Media Minton came to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. Minton (Henrietta Cochrane) of Indianapolis.

In May Marian Joan Hamp took up a permanent residence with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamp (Dorothy Kautz) of Indianapolis.

On July 9, William David Wigley landed in Riverside, California, and is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. William Wigley (Grace Matthews).

We are glad to have Suzanne Davis Thompson back from Washington while her husband, Captain Thompson, is in France.

Dorothy Segur and Ruth Brayton have left for Miami, Arizona, where they will teach in the junior high school.

Mrs. Ruth Hendrickson Allee has spent the summer at Chicago University.

Bess Moore of Kokomo is doing Government work at Washington. Ruth Allerdice and Elizabeth Brayton have spent several weeks in West Virginia.

Mrs. Howard Caldwell (Elsie Felt) has returned from Chicago.

ELIZABETH T. BOGERT.

MUNCIE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Muncie alumnae chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma has been holding its meetings these past three months irregularly owing to the extremely severe weather and the many other duties of great importance that have intervened.

Mrs. Sommerville (Emily Warner, Iota) arrived in Muncie, January 25, 1918, after having left Petrograd, November 20, 1917. We feel that our chapter is unusually fortunate in having Mrs. Sommerville with us for she is just full of interesting experiences which took place during her sojourn in Russia, some of which she imparted to us at our last meeting. Mrs. Sommerville is speaking throughout the state of Indiana on subjects pertaining to the war and the Russian Revolution.

Mrs. Van Matre has been asked to act as chairman of the Civilian Relief Committee of the County Council of Defense. Her splendid work in the past is the reason this great responsibility is placed upon her. We are all sure she will do the work justice.

We have received lovely letters from Madam Fishbacher's secretary in France thanking us for the packages we sent. We are now contemplating sending more of these necessities to those appreciative little children.

AMY ECKLE HIRSH.

DETROIT ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The first fall meeting of the Detroit Alumnae Association was held October 5. We decided to continue contribution to the unit maintained by Dorothy Canfield Fisher for Civilian Relief in France. A fine report was read on the work done this summer. A large contribution enabled us to buy four bolts of unbleached muslin which was made into several hundred chemises. These were packed and sent to France last August. No fund has been established this year for the purchase of materials but action will be taken next time.

War has brought its changes here as elsewhere and several out-of-town Kappas have come here to live. Among them are Edith Taylor Adams and husband and small son, Persis Martin Schairer and her husband and son, Kathleen Holznagle Lisler and her son. George Lisler is a lieutenant in the Gas and Flame Division and expects to go overseas soon. Kathleen and George, Jr., will be here till the end of the war.

Glady's Race Condit is with her people while Captain Condit is across.

Helen King Schoeffle has a daughter, Helen Francis, and for fear you've never heard of Stephanie Suzanne, daughter of Madeline McVoy Parfet, I'll say she's now one year old.

Zilpha Campbell Boyer is the proud mother of twins, a boy and girl.

Mrs. Frank Filbrick, an Evanston Kappa, is living here now.

You will be sorry to hear of the passing of Lieut. Otto Carpell at West Point, Mississippi. His engagement to Beatrice Merriam was announced last New Years.

MADELINE McV. PARFET.

NORTH SHORE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

On February 9, 1918, Frances M. Fisher was married to Cyril L. Ward. Mr. Ward is chief yeoman at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

March 7 brought the announcement of the birth of Robert Hargrave Long, Jr. Mrs. Long was formerly Marion Thornton, Upsilon '16.

On April 22 news came from Canada of the birth of a son, Stewart Blair Jarvis, Jr., to Evelyn Guthrie Jarvis, Upsilon '16.

On the morning of May 25 Kappas received invitations to the marriage of Hazel Robbins, Upsilon '17, and Maurice James, Beta Theta Pi '16, which was to take place that night. All other engagements were broken, there was a mad rush for the proper hats, gowns, etc., to wear to the sudden occasion, but when the time came the Kappas were all there ahead of time to see one of the most popular of Upsilon's sisters become the bride of Maurice James. After a very short leave of absence Mr. James returned to Camp Grant where he was stationed. Since that time he has received his commission as second lieutenant, and Lieutenant and Mrs. James are now in Louisville, where Lieutenant James is an instructor in field artillery.

Although it is very patriotic in war times to announce the birth of so many young heirs, yet we do like to hear of future Kappas coming into the world, and we were most delighted to hear of the birth of Sarah Bell. Mrs. Bell was formerly Gertrude Carter, Upsilon '11. Gertrude named her small daughter after Sarah Harris, our Grand Vice-president, also Upsilon '11, and Gertrude's best friend.

From Rochester, Indiana, comes the news of the birth of John Gordon Martin, Jr., to Mildred Pfeiffer Martin, Upsilon '16.

From Mount Vernon, New York, comes the announcement of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson. Mrs. Thompson was Charlotte Belknap, Upsilon ex-'14.

Many of the Upsilon alumnae are doing war work this winter. Helen Seegar and Irene Patnoe are in Washington doing Civil Service work. Helen is living at the Kappa house. Tina Sand and Katharine Goss expect to leave soon for the nation's capital. Both Katharine and Tina will live at the Kappa House.

Mary Anderson, Upsilon '16, has taken up a three years' nursing course at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago.

Hazel Sue Markley was married September 14 to Capt. Ralph Davidson Shanesy in Rockford, Illinois. Captain Shanesy was a Beta Theta Pi at Northwestern. Hazel was from Upsilon Chapter, ex-'13.

Friends of Clara Harris will be interested to know that she had secured her stripe for six months' service in France. Her address is Base Hospital Unit #13, American Postoffice 753, A. E. F.

Dorothy Sage, Upsilon ex-'13, is doing both secretarial and telephone exchange work in France. She was recently appointed secretary to Major Roche in Bordeaux.

Upsilon has recently suffered a very great loss in the death of one of her most attractive and capable members. Elsa Rochester Farnham died of Spanish influenza in Pittsburgh, October 8, while visiting her sister, Mrs. Sherman Conrad (Irene Farnham, Upsilon '13). Elsa went to Pittsburgh to take a course in the Carnegie Institute of Technology where she had received a graduate fellowship in the Department of Retail Salesmanship. A great future was ahead of Elsa and all who knew her expected her to make a name for herself and to be some day on the list of our "Kappas Known to Fame." She graduated from Northwestern in three years with the highest grades and was a very popular girl as well as an excellent student. All who knew her loved and admired her. Elsa was born March 13, 1897, in Rochester, Indiana, and died October 8, 1918, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She leaves her mother, Mrs. Louise Farnham of Laurium, Michigan, and her sister, Mrs. Sherman Conrad of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FRANCES FISHER WARD.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Katherine Mize, Theta, was married August 21 to Lieut. Alvin Accola, Anniston, Alabama.

Meta Sheaff, Gamma Alpha, was married in June to Lieut. John Hanna Welsh, 83rd Artillery Camp, Fremont, California.

We announce the following births:

To Mr. and Mrs. Lee Judy (Maude Browne, Omega) April 20, a daughter.

To Dr. and Mrs. Francis Wilhelm (Marguerite Smith, Omega) June 6, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. George D. Trimble (Frances Merservey, Omega) June 21, a son.

We are sorry to announce the death of the husband of Mrs. Herbert H. Clark (Florence McIntyre, Beta Delta).

Helen Hurst, Omega, is teaching in the high school at Anthony, Kansas.

Marie Rosher, Theta, is doing her war bit by working for the local exemption board.

Frances Maxwell, Theta, has entered the business world. She is writing advertisements for a large department store.

Dorothy Sihler, Theta, and Margaret Hughes, Theta, are both in Washington, working in the Censor Bureau.

Dorothy Kitchen, Eta, has just arrived overseas. Her work will be in one of the Red Cross hospital huts that are attached to the base hospitals.

Grace Pearse, Theta, expects to take up war work as a laboratory technician. She is now taking her training at the Research Hospital.

ADA DANGLADE THOMPSON.

DENVER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Early in September the Denver Alumnae combined with Beta Mu Chapter in giving one of the two parties that each fraternity is allowed to give in the summer for the new girls. It's so hard not to use that tabooed word "r—h"! We had decided to have an outdoor picnic, but of course when the time came found that we had chosen a rainy day, so we had it in the Lakewood Country Club house instead, which really proved to be much more successful, not by comparison, but because it was generally voted that the party was a huge success, even though it did pour!

First there was a picnic supper prepared by the alumnae and served to the accompaniment of an orchestra! True, it was only one accordion, but no seven-piece orchestra could have rivaled it! Then after supper we danced, again to the tune of the accordion, that is, the girls danced, while we older and more discreet ones looked on and snatched as much of their time as we were able in which to get acquainted. Then just before it was time to go home, we put down the rugs, drew up big chairs before the fire, turned down the lights, and ended with a good old Kappa sing, that custom that will never grow old!

At noon on Wednesday, October 23, Kate Nelson, Beta Mu '12, was married to Mr. Robert Bruce Houston of Kansas City. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. Albert Verne Echternach. Owing to the quarantine only the two families could be present.

Miss Mary Chew is in Washington waiting for overseas orders.

Louise Ennis is now in Washington in the War Industries Board.

Goldie McGlaughlen is also in Washington in Government service.

Mabel Parish is teaching at Stanford University.

Edith Walton Herrick has a baby daughter.

Elsie Kindel Shulte has a small son.

Ethel Adams is in New York City engaged in Y. W. C. A. work.

The association at the last regular meeting decided to serve a very simple luncheon at their once a month meetings, each member to pay a small sum for her luncheon, the cost of the food deducted, and the remainder of the money to be given to the Kappa Relief Committee in Bellevue, France.

CEDAR RAPIDS ASSOCIATION

The Cedar Rapids Alumnae Association was entertained at luncheon on September 25 by Mrs. Horace Hedges (Coleen Johnson, Beta Zeta) and Mrs. Wallace Hamilton (Hazel Hall, Beta Zeta) at the lovely new home of Mrs. Hedges. All members were present, and a welcome guest was Winifred Wright, a pledge to the Minnesota chapter.

On Thursday, July 18, occurred the marriage of Corinne Jackson, Beta Zeta, to Mr. Keith Richey. Mr. and Mrs. Richey are spending the winter in Lansing, Michigan.

A son, Samuel Hamilton, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hedges on July 30.

Our association suffered a great loss in the death, on October 8, of Mrs. L. D. Dennis (Maud Shade, Beta Zeta). Mrs. Dennis was ill only a few days with pneumonia.

ELEANOR STEPHENS.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA CLUB

All of Beta Theta Alumnae were in war work during the past summer but the girls of Norman were especially active in canteen work in the Army camp there. One night during the latter part of August the girls gave a program for the boys at the Y. M. C. A. rooms. Those taking part were Maud Walker, Pauline Dellinger, and Marie Anderson. A slumber party and house party including some of the city girls followed.

A daughter, Jane Elizabeth, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Campbell of Omaha, Nebraska, in the late spring.

Two of our girls have been married during the summer, Avis Barbour to Roscoe Cox, and Ruth Lowe to Ernest Whitlock. Both boys are in the service.

Edith Ross, '17, for a month this summer acted as secretary at the Hostess House at Camp Doniphan, Lawton, Oklahoma.

Most of the alumnae are following the profession of "school-marms": Edith Ross, Barbara Schlaback, and Clara Swateck at Oklahoma High School; Aline Pelphrey and Iris Boughman at Shawnee; Mary Reid and Lillian Roach at Tulsa; Fritzie King and Pauline Dellinger at Pryor; Lottie Conlan at Atoka; Clover Gorten, Margaret Mote, De Grace and Helen Thomas at Keifer.

Vesper Botts has been employed in Government work as food demonstrator in various towns in the state since last spring.

Many of the girls who are teaching are taking an enforced vacation because of the influenza epidemic. For two weeks practically all high schools over the state have been closed. Several of the alumnae have entered other fields this winter. Among them is Beulah Hurst who took up banking and is with her brother at Yale, Oklahoma. Grace Robey is stationed at Camp Jackson in the Army School for Nursing.

Lillian Ethel Harris was born September 26, 1918, to Lieutenant and Mrs. Harris.

Marie Anderson is at the university again this year at the head of the Dramatics Department after a year's leave to finish at Leland Powers School of Oratory.

News came from Colorado of Mrs. Herbert Dwight's death early in September. She was so near to us when we were petitioning Kappa that we loved her dearly and now we feel her loss. It was through her we first learned to know Beta Mu.

Roberta Robey, after two years as secretary of Y. W. C. A. in Kansas City, has now taken up the state secretary work with headquarters in Oklahoma City.

Winnie Robey sailed October 1 for France to do hut work with the Red Cross.

Beta Theta has lost its first girl in this flu epidemic. Eloise Eagleton of Norman died October 18, while in training school at Waco, Texas. Eloise has done so much Red Cross work. Beta Theta Alumnae donated twenty-five dollars to the American Red Cross in memory of Eloise.

The Alumnae Association of Beta Theta plans to have a successful and profitable meeting in Oklahoma City on November 29, when so many teachers come to the Oklahoma Teachers' Association.

VESPER G. BOTTS.

WASHINGTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Our association is meeting every two weeks, this year, and is giving most of the time to knitting, with a business meeting on the first Saturday in each month. So far the girls have turned out a very creditable supply of wristlets and socks. The war has quite altered the complexion of our gatherings, for so many of the girls have married and flown that it is hard to recognize the old group.

Mary E. Lucas, '07, left this month for Fort Lee, Virginia, where she was married to Capt. Fred E. Richardson of the 30th Engineers. Captain Richardson is a Sigma Nu from the University of Washington. On December 15, Jane Lambuth was married to Joseph Lister Holmes of Seattle.

Margaret Thoanum, '12, was married in January to Bevan Pressley, Phi Gamma Delta. They will make their home in Alaska.

Katherine Dagner, '15, was married last February to Edward Carlberg, Beta Theta Pi. They are at present in San Francisco where Mr. Carlberg is attending the Officers' Training Camp.

On March 31 Lois Bronson Brown left for the Philippines, where Dr. Brown, a surgeon in the U. S. N., has been ordered for special service.

CELIA D. SHELTON.

PORTLAND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Edna Converse, Beta Delta, is teaching this year at St. Helen's Hall, a girls' school conducted in this city under the direction of the Episcopalian Sisters.

Carin Degermark, Beta Omega, has returned from Boston, where she took the course for reconstruction aides, and is awaiting orders to proceed actively with her work.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilson, October 12. Mrs. Wilson was Ada Kelly, Beta Lambda.

Our association will work again this year for the Red Cross, meeting one day each week at the Sellwood Community House. At the present time our plans have been interrupted by the Spanish influenza.

The members of Portland Association are evidencing a great deal of zeal in making themselves useful in patriotic work. Carin Degermark, one of our members who is connected with the public parks of our city, has placed at our disposal a well-equipped sewing-room in one of the park buildings. Here we meet each week and sew and knit for the soldiers, and incidentally spin yarns for ourselves. Really, much useful work is accomplished.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNAE

The Los Angeles Alumnae Association is fairly bursting with pride over Margaret Burkhalter of Beta Eta who has entered Government service as a nurse's aide. She left Los Angeles September 12 to report in New York for overseas service, and is now crossing to England.

Frances Burkhalter, a sister also of Beta Eta, is also in Government service, having gone to Washington, D. C., where she is in the Code Department and is extremely interested in her work.

T. Marie Lindsley, of Beta Delta, one of the alumnae's staunchest members, as well as one of the ablest presidents the association has had, has had the signal honor of being chosen by the Women's University Club of Los Angeles to represent them in France.

Mercedes de Luna of Beta Eta has received her passports, and is waiting in New York for orders to sail to her beloved France. She is going as a nurse's aide.

Ellen Andrews of Beta Eta is leaving just as soon as the influenza scare is over for Washington, D. C., where she intends to enter Red Cross or government work.

LOIS E. COLLINS.

PI ALUMNAE

Helen Weston, '12, left in June for France to do canteen work. She is located at a canteen on the Loire and writes of being on duty from 12 A. M. until 12 P. M. and that there are not enough helpers for the amount of work to be done.

Elizabeth Gray Potter is doing library work in Paris connected with the hospitals for American soldiers.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper (Edna Curtis, '06) are the parents of William Cooper, Jr., who made his advent in August.

Alexine Mitchell is nursing in a hospital in France, through the grounds of which were the third line trenches of the July offensive.

Marion Mitchell, '11, is still in motor service at Toule and Nancy and writes of being under direct bombardment of German guns while rescuing two old French women from their remote mountain hut.

Esther Witter, '17, left October 9, en route to France to do canteen work. She announced her engagement on the eve of her departure to Lieut. Frederick Jauny, U. S. A., who is now seeing service in France.

Pi Alumnae tea took place Wednesday, September 25, at the home of Mrs. William McLaughlin in Berkeley. There were about 100 present, including alumnae, active girls, and guests. It was not only a very successful party but was also a happy reunion of many of the alumnae after a busy summer in war work and Red Cross.

Our boxes to Bellevue arrived safely and more are being prepared.

Several of our members are spending their vacations in useful patriotic employment. Marie Williams has complete charge of the culinary department at the Engineers' Training School in this city. Marguerita Rohse and Eva Roche are recruiting berry pickers for our large and valuable crop, which we expect to harvest as a contribution to the nation's food supply.

Mrs. Robert Tucker (Gertrude Wynn) has been spending several months in California with her son, Harlan Tucker, who has joined the Naval Reserve.

Olga Paulson is visiting her parents in California.

Grace Reed, '18, has announced her engagement to Everett Cobb, Princeton '18.

Carin Degermark is in Boston taking a course as reconstruction aide preparatory to war service.

We are glad to welcome two new members, Mrs. Emmett Rathbun and Mildred Broughton, both of Beta Omega.

LORETTA SHOWERS ROSSMAN.

In Memoriam

JESSIE ALAZENE RAILSBACK, *Beta Phi*, '18

In the death of Jessie Railsback, which occurred at Billings, Montana, October 17, Beta Phi Chapter suffers the loss of a member of a happy personality who has been a most active Kappa for the past four years. She was a charter member of the local which became Beta Phi Chapter. Miss Railsback was born June 27, 1887.

Miss Railsback did not attend the University of Montana continuously but taught in the public schools at her home at Billings. She reentered the State University in 1913, after an absence of seven years, and was initiated into Kappa on March 7, 1914. For the past four years she taught in the public schools of Missoula and carried work at the university. She was graduated last June and had been in failing health since the death of her sister in April.

Miss Railsback leaves hosts of friends in Kappa, among the school children, and those who knew her in her life's profession.

Mary Eloise Eagleton, M.A., '18, was born May 16, 1889. She entered the University of Oklahoma in 1909. Her college work was an excellent record. While at school she took an active part in Y. W. C. A. and all philanthropic work.

After receiving her degree in 1912 she taught English at Wellston, Oklahoma. The next year she attended the School of Missions in Hartford, Connecticut. The following winter she helped her home community, at the same time teaching English in Norman High School. When the university began to search for a director of their young women in the Young Women's Christian Association, they found no one better suited than one of their own alumnae. Here she worked faithfully until the Red Cross gave her a larger and more active field. When she realized that this work could be done by others, and that sisters could now work abroad, she left her home and community in company with a friend, Nannie Miller, *Π Β Φ*, to enter the Army School for Nursing. She was stationed at Camp MacArthur, Waco, Texas, October 7. Here she died October 19, 1918, actively engaged in work which she loved.

Eloise was one of the girls who realized the founding of a Kappa chapter at Oklahoma University. She was a charter member of the local chapter, Sigma Tau Omega. Since she was attending school in the East at the time Kappa Kappa Gamma was installed, the chapter held initiation on her return, June 25, 1915.

She has been an active and enthusiastic member of Beta Theta Chapter. She is our first great loss and we feel it deeply.

BETA THETA CHAPTER AND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION.

Syracuse Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma mourns the loss of one of her most helpful and interested members, Fay Waite Thompson, whose death occurred most unexpectedly on September 7, 1918. Mrs. Thompson was a member of Beta Gamma Chapter of Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio.

She came to Syracuse to live in 1913, and entered into the work and pleasures of the alumnae association in Syracuse so heartily that we soon felt that she belonged to us. Her friendly spirit and eagerness to help in any undertaking endeared her to us all.

Our hearts go out in sympathy to her husband, Mr. Gustavus W. Thompson, and to her little daughter and her infant son.

Alva Putney, '17, Gamma Rho, died at Kane, Pennsylvania, in October. Her death was caused by influenza.

EXCHANGES

ROSE AFFOLTER, 907 West 7th, Riverside, Cal.

The following journals have drifted in since September 1:

JANUARY TO MARCH: *Purple, Green and Gold.*

JUNE: *Adelphean.*

JULY: *Themis and Mask.*

SEPTEMBER: *Caduceus, Palm, Triangle, Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

OCTOBER: *Adelphean, Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly, Garnet and White, Phi Gamma Delta.*

Dear Editor, you
Must not feel blue
If notes are few
And overdue.
The reason true
Is that my crew
All had the flu
And sneezed "Kerchoo!!!"
So what to do
But pull them thru
With broth and brew
And liquid stew
And other goo?
Kerchoo!!!
And so time flew,
And that's the clew
Why notes are few
And overdue.
I thank you.
Adieu
Kerchoo!!!

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The owl said "Phew!
My, what a stew,
To whit, to whoo"
And then "Kerchoo."
I've got it too
Kerchoo! Kerchoo!"
And away he flew.

Did you ever go through a magazine with an I-don't-know-what-I-am-looking-for-but-it-isn't-here feeling, and find yourself reading nothing but what had a liberal sprinkling of quotation marks, a conversational odor so to speak? No? Then pass on to the directory, you won't like this column.

The following comes from the pen of the *Adelphean's* editor and offers good material for a fraternity dinner-time debate, lining up those present on the side of the Y. B. or the C. B. W. We suggest that the two factions be separated by the width of the table.

It was down in the office. The Capable Business Woman and the Young Bride and I had fallen into a discussion of Feminism.

The Capable Business Woman said she was sick of hearing people say that a woman could never do man's work, that no woman said that unless she was incompetent herself, or wanted men to think she was soft and feminine.

The Young Bride said she didn't see why a woman shouldn't be soft and feminine, she was sure it was a very pleasant way to be, and her hubby liked her better that way.

I said nothing because I wanted to hear the rest.

The C. B. W. said that if men couldn't like women with brains, it was time they learned to, because the time was coming when all women would have brains, and the jelly-fish type would be all out of style.

The Y. B. said a man never would learn to like a clever woman best, because it put them at such a disadvantage, and they had a right to expect their wives to look up to them. It was a wife's business, she said, to make her husband think he was the only man in the world, even if other people didn't appreciate him.

The C. B. W. said there were still plenty of men in the world, thank goodness, who didn't have to be coddled in order to do their work well, and she wondered how the soldiers managed to fight in the trenches without any wives to bolster them up.

The Y. B. said all right, if you're going to be horrid, only she knew that if hubby had to go, he would want her to go right along and be near the camp every minute, because no man is at his best without a wife.

The C. B. W. said that she wouldn't deny that a man was better off with a wife, and she wouldn't deny that every woman longed for a home, only she for one wasn't going to buy a home and husband by pretending to be a clinging vine when she wasn't.

The Y. B. said very well, if you aren't willing to make yourself attractive to men, you'll have to pay the price. It's all up to you.

And I said very little, because it seemed safer so.

SLUMBER 1-2

"So you've meet my son at college, eh?"

"Sure, we sleep in the same philosophy class."—*Jester.*

—*Phi Gamma Delta.*

That same good old book, *The Phi Gamma Delta*, also furnished the rest of the smiles in the column—in fact it quite often contains a bit of illumination like this. (McAdoo is theirs you know.)

STILL M'ADOOING

Leaving aside all jokes and fun,

I wish I'd did what Mc Adone.

To him I'll have to lift my lid—

I could not do what Mc Adid.

Here is war poetry :

WITHIN THE TRENCHES

Ah God, the courage of it!

Not when men die with Laughter on their lips,

Not when swift bullets fell them singing,

Not when they charge victoriously,

But when they wait.

Ah God, the courage of it!

When men wait day dragging after day

Night following night now dark, now bomb-illuminated,

Men sunk waist-deep in mire,

Waiting, ever waiting,

Great God, the courage of it!

Boston Transcript.—In the *Adelphean*.

THE SECOND LIEUTENANT—NEW STYLE

He's younger than the most of us—far younger than the Top,

And, bein' young, he's full of pep and keeps us on the hop;

He hasn't been in long enough to sour on the game;

He's tickled as a kid with it—that's why we bless his name!

He puts us through all sorts of stunts to liven up the drill,

He laughs when he turns corners sharp and takes a muddy spill;

It's up and in it all the time—he never seems to tire,

And doesn't know what duckin' means in face of Fritz's fire.

He always calls us "fellows"—never pulls the line, "My men";

He likes to think he's one of us; and, back in billets, when

He has to make inspections, he'll sit down and chin a while,

And as to all this "Yes, sir" stuff, "Oh, can it!" That's his style.

At shows he plays his uke for us, and sings his college glees,
And if there's a piano, wow! He sure can pound the keys!
On hikes he always starts a song, or sends along a laugh—
And those are things, you darn well know, that help us stand the gaff.

I never cared for college guys when I was in the States;
I thought they were a messy lot, a bunch of underweights;
But if our Loot's a sample, why, I've got to change my mind—
He's got the sand, the bean, and go to pull us through the grind!

—From *The Stars and Stripes*, organ of the American Army in
France.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

WHEN THE WAR'S AT AN END

At length when the war's at an end
And we're just ourselves, you and I,
And we gather our lives up to mend
We, who've learned how to live and die—

Shall we think of the old ambition
For riches, or how to grow wise,
When, like Lazarus freshly arisen
We've the presence of Death in our eyes?

Shall we dream of our old life's passion,
To toil for our heart's desire,
Whose souls War has taken to fashion
With molten death and with fire?

I think we shall crave the laughter
Of the wind through the trees, gold with sun
When our strife is all finished
And the carnage of war is done.

Just those things will then seem worth while—
How to make life more wondrously sweet
How to live with a song and a smile
How to lay our lives at Love's feet.

ERIC P. DAWSON.—In the *Themis*.

Dark in the twilight,
The frat-house windows,
Look out wistfully,
Lonely, unlighted,
Like eyes that yearn,
When the heart is empty.

Silent, dusty,
The frat-house stairway,
No glad footsteps
Vibrate upon it,
Only the echoes
Mock from the shadows.

Ghosts that haunt us,
Of boyish voices,
Of merry talking,
Of youthful laughter,
Oh, boys in khaki,
Do you remember?

E. M. M.—In the *Adelphean*.

The war did take
And darn near break
Our Chapter Bond asunder;
We had to work
Without a shirk
To keep it whole, by thunder!

Our eating club
Just like a tub
When busted is abandoned;
We now board out
And don't get gout
By eating simply Ham and —.

—In *Garnet and White*.

And this is a "poem" also. If there had been one more line it would have been an American sonnet.

And it may interest you to know that in war industries in our country women are serving mightily. They are.

205,000 women in canning industries

275,000 in textile mills

212,000 in garment trade

130,000 in knitting and hosiery mills

95,000 in shoe factories

100,000 women mechanics

100,000 munitions workers

400,000 making military equipment

45,000 clerical workers in Washington alone.

A troop of mounted girl scouts armed with automatic rifles is preparing to patrol the coasts of Florida.—*Alpha Gamma Delta*.

POOR MARKSMAN

Conscientious Objector—Shooting at those targets makes me realize how awful war will be. I'd die before I'd kill a man!

Officer (who has watched him shoot)—You certainly would.—*Sun Dial*.

A Fiji major says: "The most important article of subsistence for our solders is not bread nor meat, but mail."

DON'T FORGET IT!!

The editor of the *Palm* speaking:

WHAT'S YOURS

If *The Palm* is not pleasing to your taste, let the editor know the plans and specifications on which your taste in *Palms* is built. He has no prejudices that will interfere with your getting what you want, if you know what it is. He is ready to help, too and will be glad of a chance. But it is no snap to run an official organ for 10,000 sphinxes; the self-assurance required of a spokesman for that kind of aggregation does not reside in this locality. So speak, if only to growl. Even a growl may be interpreted.

DOOMED

Chem. Professor—Tomorrow we will take chlorine, and Tuesday, arsenic.—*Awgwan*.

We all remember that the Kappa Sigma Fraternity bought an ambulance costing more than \$1,000 and they aren't going to stop there.

In the June *Caduceus* the W. G. M. announced a "drive" for \$320 to add to \$380, left from the Kappa Sigma Ambulance Fund, in order to raise the amount, \$700, needed to endow for one year a bed in a Red Cross convalescent hospital in France.

So far just \$160 has come in; still needed, \$160.

Now Send On Your Dollar and let's clean up on this.

The editor has a mighty interesting French orphan proposition to put before you as soon as this bed business is settled. Bro. Viskniskki's A. E. F. paper in Paris, *The Stars and Stripes*, will make you godfather for a year of a French boy or girl for just \$87.72—which equals 500 francs, though you wouldn't think it, and means food and school for your godson or goddaughter.

But what's the use of talking about French orphans while our convalescent Yank is waiting to have his bed fixed. Don't let him stand around any longer. *Reach for that dollar bill and send it to the editor now.* Active members are in on this.

THE LOCATION

Michael—Yis, mum, I wuz in the charge but a bullet hit me.

Old Lady—Were you incapacitated?

Michael—No, mum, I was in Flanders.—*Jack-o'-Lantern*.

And after all who can say but that this war, horrible as it is, is the greatest blessing ever poured forth upon our fraternities?

So thinks an exchange editor. Why of course—that must be why they planned this war. How stupid of us not to have thought of the real reason before!!

A man to whom illness was chronic,
 Asked the Doc to prescribe him a tonic.
 The Doc ordered beer,
 But the man said, "Oh dear,
 Don't you think that's a little Teutonic?"

We cannot believe that the editor of *Alpha Gamma Delta* could be so cruel as she threatens to be. How the correspondents must shiver at the thought.

EDITOR ONLY—OTHERS PLEASE SKIP

If your contributions are late,
 Or without sufficient postage,
 Or on correspondence paper,
 Or written with pen and ink,
 Or incomplete,
 Or incorrect,
 Or poorly composed,
 Think not
 That we will leave them out,
 Or return them,
 Or throw them into the waste basket,
 Or print your name as punishment.
 We will keep our temper,
 Pay extra postage
 Wait as long as possible,
 Rewrite them,
 Type them,
 Rearrange and recompose them;
 But we'll always remember that—
 Careless girls have few friends, folks can't be bothered with them;
 Irresponsible girls betray the confidence of their fraternity and are not to
 be trusted in office;
 Procrastinatory editors are unworthy of our ideals and we do not honor
 them;
 But we say again
 We will not print your names
 And thus admit to other Greeks as well as to ourselves
 That any such as these belong to
 Alpha Gamma Delta.

Not all the cruel and unusual experiences in this war are inflicted by the Germans. Consider the plight of the pacifist instructor in philosophy

who was drafted and assigned to a company the captain of which is a former student whom he flunked.—*Palm*.

"The American university is a coffee mill; young men and women are dumped into it and some one spins the handle, and out they all come mixed together, individuality gone; all just the same; little grains the same size, the same color, the same smell."—From "Salt."

College is a coffee mill,
Students all are grinds;
Grains of wisdom percolate
Into half boiled minds.

Life is not a melting pot,
Just a coffee kettle;
Youth may bubble o'er with glee;
Parents settle.

THE CROWN PRINCE

His nose is red;
His eyes are blue;
His chin recedes;
His armies too.—*Life*.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

CHAPTERS

Any member of Kappa Kappa Gamma is cordially invited to attend meetings of the active chapters.

PHI

meets Wednesday afternoon at five o'clock at the chapter rooms, 491 Huntington Ave., Suite 5, Boston, Mass.

BETA SIGMA

meets every Wednesday afternoon at the College House, 68 St. James Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. Supper meetings first and third Wednesdays. We are glad to welcome any Kappas who are in Brooklyn or New York.

BETA ALPHA

meets every Monday, 7 P. M. at the chapter rooms, 3433 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

BETA IOTA

meets at seven-thirty on Wednesday evenings in a room set aside as a chapter room, in the girls' dormitories, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

PSI

meets at the Kappa Kappa Gamma House, Ithaca, N. Y., every Saturday evening at 7:30.

BETA TAU

meets every Friday evening at seven-thirty o'clock in the chapter house at 907 Walnut Avenue, Syracuse, New York.

BETA PSI

meets every second Saturday at eight o'clock at the homes of the girls in the city. Definite information may be had by telephoning Miss Helen Scott, Hillcrest 227.

GAMMA RHO

meets every Saturday night at eight o'clock in the chapter rooms on the fourth floor of Hulings Hall, Meadville, Pennsylvania.

BETA UPSILON

meets every Tuesday evening, at 7 P. M. at the chapter house, 120 High Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

LAMBDA

meets every Wednesday afternoon at four, on the third floor of Curtice Cottage, campus of Akron University.

BETA NU

meets at the homes of the different members in Columbus, Ohio, every other Saturday evening at five-thirty. Marguerite Heiner, 47 S. Champion Avenue, will give definite information concerning meetings. Telephone—Citizen 2631.

BETA RHO

meets every other Saturday afternoon, at the homes of the girls.

IOTA

meets every Saturday evening at the chapter house on Washington and Locust Streets.

MU

will hold meetings at two o'clock on Tuesday afternoons at the homes of the Irvington girls. By calling Irv. 352—(old Phone), the place may be learned.

DELTA

meets every Monday evening at the chapter house in Forest Place, Bloomington, Indiana.

BETA CHI

meets on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at the fraternity house on Maxwell Street, Lexington, Kentucky.

BETA DELTA

meets in the chapter house, on the corner of Church Street, 1204 Hill Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

XI

meets at half after seven o'clock on Saturday evenings, in the chapter rooms, in South Hall, Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan.

KAPPA

meets every Monday at 7:30 P. M. at the chapter house, 200 Hillsdale Street, Hillsdale, Mich. Communicate with Miss Ilda Bosworth at chapter house, telephone 624J.

CHI

meets every Monday at 5:15 P. M. at 329 10th Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

ETA

meets every Monday evening at seven P. M., at the chapter house, 425 Park Street, Madison, Wisconsin.

UPSILON

meets on Monday at 5 P. M., Willard Hall, Evanston.

EPSILON

meets on Monday afternoons at four-thirty in the Kappa Hall in the main building of the university.

BETA LAMBDA

meets every Monday evening in the chapter house, 502 Chalmers Avenue, Champaign, Illinois.

BETA ZETA

meets at 226 S. Johnson Street every Monday at 7 P. M.

THETA

meets Monday evening at seven at the chapter house, 600 Rollins Street, Columbia Mission.

OMEGA

meets every Monday evening at seven o'clock at the chapter house, 1602 Louisiana Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

GAMMA ALPHA

meets every Wednesday at 7 P. M. at the chapter house, 1408 Laramie, Manhattan, Kan.

SIGMA

meets on Monday evening at seven-thirty o'clock at the fraternity house, 1310 R St., Lincoln, Nebraska.

BETA MU

meets in the Kappa house, 1221 University Avenue, Boulder, Colorado, at seven on Monday evenings during the college year.

BETA THETA

meets every Monday evening at seven-thirty at the Kappa House, 535 University Boulevard, Norman, Oklahoma.

BETA XI

meets Wednesday evenings at seven-fifteen in the chapter house, 707 W. 24th St.

BETA OMICRON

meets every Monday afternoon at four o'clock.

BETA PHI

meets every Monday evening at eight o'clock at the chapter house, 330 Connell Ave., Missoula, Montana.

BETA PI

meets every Monday from four to six, at the chapter house, 4504 18th Avenue, North East, Seattle, Washington.

BETA OMEGA

meets every Monday evening at seven o'clock in the chapter house.

BETA KAPPA

meets every Tuesday evening at seven at the chapter house, 805 Elm Street, Moscow, Idaho.

PI

meets every Monday evening, at seven-thirty, in the chapter room of the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way.

BETA ETA

meets every Monday evening at seven-ten in the chapter room.

GAMMA BETA

meets at the Kappa Kappa Gamma House, University Heights, Albuquerque, New Mexico, every Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

BOSTON ASSOCIATION

Places of meeting, address Mrs. Virginia T. Taylor, Oakdale Ave., Dedham, Massachusetts.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday in October, November, January, February, March, and April. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Lawrence Sloan, 552 Riverside Drive.

PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION

meets once a month except in July and August, alternating Saturday afternoons and Tuesday evenings. For exact dates and places of meeting, address Miss Anita P. Schollenberger, 4325 Larchwood Ave., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

BETA IOTA ASSOCIATION

meets in January, March, May, and October, on the second Saturday in the month.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month, address Miss Florence R. Knapp, 410 Westcott St., Syracuse, N. Y.

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

dates and places of meeting, address Mrs. Byron A. Johnson, 511 Woodbine Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at the homes of members. For dates and places of meeting, address Catharine Metzler, 49 Linwood Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

CINCINNATI ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Mrs. George Wilson, Jr., 3340 Spokane Ave., Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio.

CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday of the month at the homes of the members. For places and dates of meeting, address Mrs. Ira C. Frost, 7816 Lexington Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

PITTSBURGH ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. J. S. De Muth, 1245 Denniston Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

FRANKLIN NU ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. J. W. Erther, 846 W. 30th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

INDIANAPOLIS ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Theodore F. Vonnegut, 1221 Park Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday of each month at the houses of the members. For places of meeting, address Lillian Harris, Kappa House, Bloomington, Ind.

SOUTH BEND ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday in October, December, March, and May. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt, 634 West Lafayette St., South Bend, Indiana.

FALLS CITIES ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday in January, March, May, September, and November. For places, address Mrs. Horace S. Weldahl, 1378 South Brook St., Louisville, Ky.

MUNCIE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at homes of members. For places and dates, address Mrs. Frank Cuddy, 1½ Orchard Pl., Muncie, Ind.

DETROIT ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For places and dates of meetings, address Mrs. K. G. Schairer, 329 Webb Ave., Detroit, Mich.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday in each month from September through April, at the Chicago College Club, Stevens Building, 16 N. Wabash Avenue, Chicago. Address Miss Anne Durham, 4616 Malden Street, Chicago, Ill.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION

meets the second Wednesday in every month for luncheon at the homes of the members. For places of meeting, address Mrs. William G. Gilbert, 2022 Lincoln St., Evanston, Illinois.

CHAMPAIGN-URBANA ASSOCIATION

Address Cora Wallace, 507 W. University Ave., Champaign, Ill.

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month from September to June at the homes of the members. For places, address Mrs. Clifton Williams, 764 Sherman Blvd., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

address Miss Lucille Hostetler, 609 Monroe Street, Bloomington, Ill.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Mrs. R. S. N. Bloch, 3545 Stevens Ave., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

from October through June on third Saturday. For places, address Gladys Udell, 5323 Vernon Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month. For places of meeting, address Mrs. A. J. Thompson, 3832 Warwick Blvd., Kansas City, Mo.

DENVER ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday in each month from September to June. For places of meeting, address Miss Katherine Morley, 1440 Josephine Street, Denver, Colorado.

CEDAR RAPIDS ASSOCIATION

address Mrs. Clyde Stephens, Secretary *pro tem*, 1751 A Ave., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

AUSTIN ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Dorothy West, 608 San Antonio St., Austin, Texas.

HOUSTON ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meetings, address Mrs. Fred Parker, St. James Apt., Houston, Texas.

DALLAS ASSOCIATION

meets monthly from September to June. For places, address Miss Maidie Dealey, 2519 Maple Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

PALESTINE ASSOCIATION

For places and dates of meeting, address Mrs. Webb Wright, 310 E. Kolstad Street, Palestine, Tex.

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Vesper G. Botts, Stroud, Okla.

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of every month at the homes of the members. For places and dates of meeting, address Miss Katharine B. Wagner, 2904 Franklin Ave., Seattle, Wash.

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION

dates, address Mrs. Hugh Henry, 628 Halsey St., Portland, Oregon.

PI ASSOCIATION

meets the first week of every second month, beginning with January, also on the third Monday of every month from four to six when tea is served in the alumnae room at the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way. For places of meeting, address Miss Charlotte Peters Brush, 1929 Eldorado Avenue, Berkeley, California.

LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION

meets monthly at the homes of the members. For dates and places, address Mrs. Louise Avery Crose, Rampart Apts., Corner 6th and Rampart, Los Angeles, Cal.

GAMMA GAMMA ASSOCIATION

address Phebe T. Kimball, Dayton, Wash.

CLUBS

LAMBDA CLUB

meets for luncheon the first Saturday of each month at one o'clock at the Portage Hotel. Address Miss Ruth Harter, 544 Market Street, Akron, Ohio.

BETA GAMMA CLUB

Address Miss Florence McClure, Larwell Street, Wooster, Ohio.

IOTA

For place and dates of meeting, address Mrs. Helen O'Neal Sigmund, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

Address Miss Elsie R. Felt, 64 N. Irvington Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

ADRIAN CLUB

meets once a month at the homes of the members. For places and dates, address Mrs. Florence Worden, 141½ W. Maumee Street, Adrian, Michigan.

MINNESOTA CLUB

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Mary Knight, 3220 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

MADISON CLUB

Address Mrs. Trumbower, 1111 W. Johnson St., Madison, Wis.

LINCOLN CLUB

meets for luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel at twelve-thirty the second Saturday of each month.

BETA SIGMA CLUB

meets the third Wednesday of every month. For information address Miss Elizabeth Schmidt, 246 Hancock St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

IOWA CITY CLUB

Address Mrs. Annette Cannon, Iowa City, Iowa.

TRI CITY CLUB

Address Miss Ethel McKown, 2425 Brady Street, Davenport, Iowa.

OMAHA CLUB

meets the first Saturday of every month at the homes of the members. Address Miss Mary Alice Duval, 4902 Underwood Avenue, Dundee, Omaha, Nebraska.

NEWCOMB CLUB

For places and dates of meetings address Mrs. W. J. Hardin, 1433 Pleasant St., New Orleans, La.

TOPEKA CLUB

Address Mrs. Frank D. Nuss, 1621 Clay St., Topeka, Kan.

GAMMA ALPHA CLUB

Address Hazel Groff, Nortonville, Kan.