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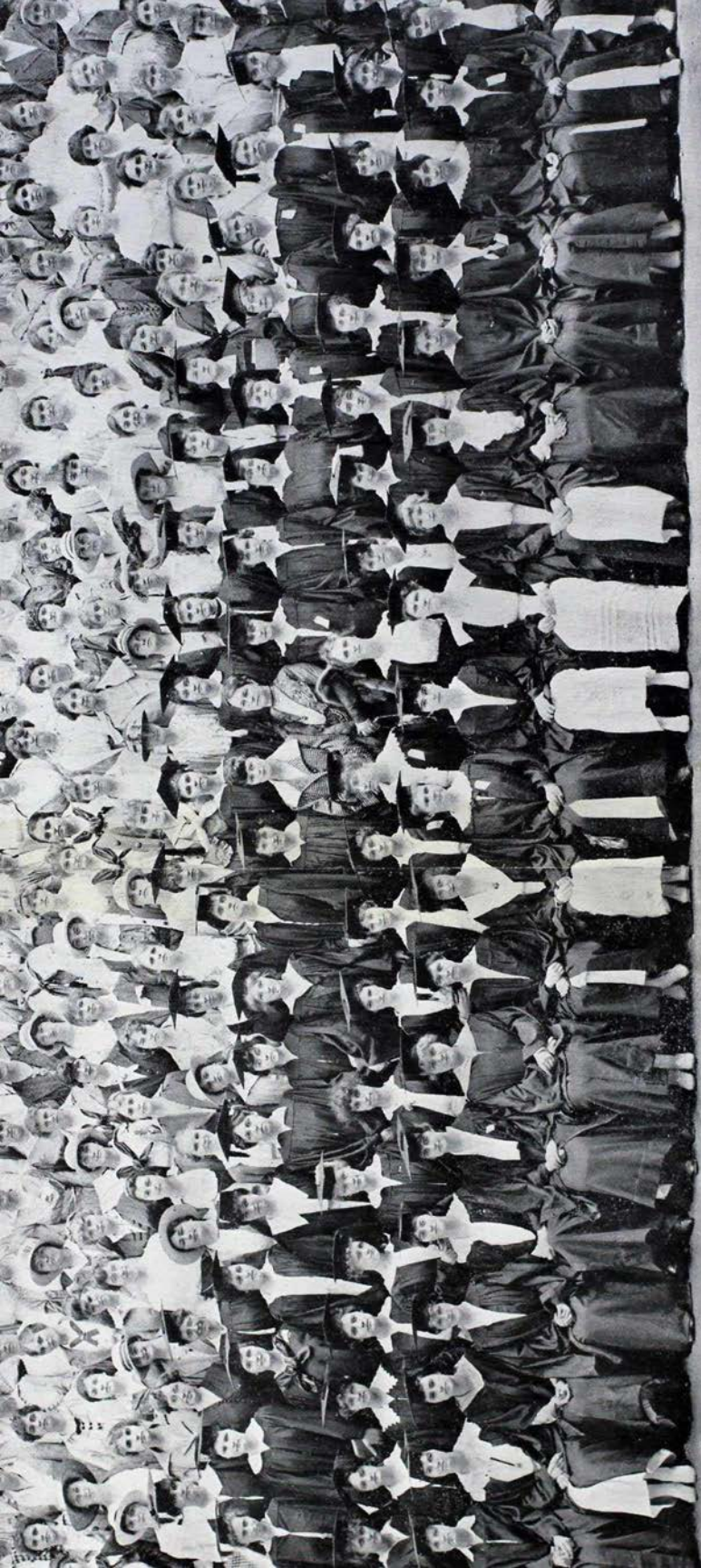
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KAPPA'S KEYNOTE

FLORENCE BURTON ROTH

Mrs. Roth, who grandpresided us so efficiently 1910-1912, and is now Historian of our fraternity, read this delightful poem when she was called on for her report. We persuaded her to let us have it for THE KEY. If you think history is tiresome, read this, and you'll say all history should have been written in verse.

Should you ask me whence these legends,
Whence these bits of Kappa history,
Harking back a generation,
Harking back to times forgotten,
I should answer, I should tell you,
From the records of Conventions,
From the minute books of chapters,
From the lips of Kappa sisters,
From the file of musty letters
Writ by Kappas—snowy-templed,
Writ by Kappa hands now folded;
Of the days when education
Was not to be had for asking
By the young maids and the women,
Whose keen minds alert for learning,
Earned a place in school and college,
Earned a place beside their brothers,
Earned it by their mental fitness.
I would fain recall unto you
Something of the Kappa spirit
In its earliest beginnings;
Something of our source of being
Alpha chapter and our founders.
Like an old respected family,
Like a tribe with great ancestors,
Let us look with pride quite justly
Back to those who laid foundations

For a bond that grew and deepened
Till it touches either ocean,
And the North and South are mingled,
One in Kappa, Kappa, Gamma,
One in spirit and in loyalty.

Monmouth College, back in seventy,
Was the cradle of our order.
There a little group of women,
Students in co-education,
Found the same desire for friendship,
Friendship based on mutual interests,
That the men had felt before them,
And had leagued themselves together
In a secret bond fraternal.
Emulating their example,
Four young friends with high ideals,
Straightway drew a constitution,
Which was worthy of the noblest,
Based on deep and true essentials.
Let us frame their names in honor,
Let us pay them every tribute,
For the debt of love we owe them,
For the heritage they left us,
Anna Willets, Minnie Stewart,
Jennie Boyd and Louise Bennett!
Founders ye of Kappa Gamma!
Hear the thanks we render to you,
Thanks from all thy daughters legion;
You have taught us lasting lessons,
Lessons of coöperation,
Taught us much of priceless value
Through your gift of Kappa Gamma.
Would that you had left more record
Of your life in Alpha chapter,
Would that we could know you better,
Make your lives more real before us!

Once I read in Delta minutes,
How they *fin*ed a tardy sister
For a badly done oration,
And reproved her for neglecting
To present her *best* endeavor,
Made her feel it was not worthy
To give less than one's best effort.
Levity and fun a plenty
Made those meetings far from boresome,
Far from being dry and weary.
Once, I think it was Iota,

Made the subject for debating
Whether eyes of *black* or *azure*
Showed the greater depth of spirit,
And a character more stable.
If my mem'ry does not fail me,
Blue eyes won on that occasion,
On the ground that they are steadfast
Calm, and true, and ever faithful,
While the black eyes, filled with sparkle,
Filled with animated spirit,
Show more heights and depths of passion,
And are less to be relied on.

But the mention of this debate,
And the strange interpretation,
Leads me to the Kappa colors,
Which I must explain in passing,
Have not always been the two blues.
In the Minutes of Convention
Held in '78 with Delta,
There is record of the colors
Being changed from cream and cardinal,
Being changed to bronze and light blue
Then again Convention ordered
When in '81 they gathered,
That the Kappa colors should be
Light and dark blue, full of meaning,
Emblem of our love and loyalty,
Emblem of our steadfast friendship.

Let us then look farther, deeper,
For the thing the most essential,
For the thing that Kappa stands for,
Let's ask what she holds most sacred
In her secret shrine mysterious.
In the earliest days of Kappa
When the key was first adopted,
When 'twas chosen as the emblem
Of these earnest, early Kappas,
Then they held 'twas emblematic,
That their loyalty fraternal,
Would unlock the hidden mysteries
Of the fine arts and of science,
And of lit'rature inspired.
But when time changed the conditions
Under which they lived in college,
Under which they lived thereafter,
Then they sought a deeper meaning

For the badge they held so sacred,
 For the badge they loved so dearly.
 'Twas in '88 they changed it,
 Changed it for its present meaning,
 That our loyalty fraternal
 Will unlock the hidden portals
 Of a sympathy that's world-wide,
 Sympathy that leads to service,
 Service that is not self-seeking,
 Service that is wisely ordered,
 Giving of its best endeavor,
 Giving for the love of giving.
 Kappa holds that all her daughters
 Shall be trained to useful service,
 Trained to do each task serenely,
 Bearing one another's burdens.

THE SONG THAT OPENED CONVENTION

WE SING TO KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

Helen Hall,

AIR: MARSEILLAISE

Beta Mu chapter.

We sing to Kappa Kappa Gamma,
 Our fair beloved fraternity.
 She binds us all together,
 In love and friendship free.
 In love and friendship free.
 We shall bear her standards high,
 And with all our might we shall try
 To keep her pure shrine aglow,
 Whose beauty only we know—
 Oh, Kappa, hail to thee,
 Our dear fraternity,
 Our voices raise to sing thy praise,
 Oh live eternally.

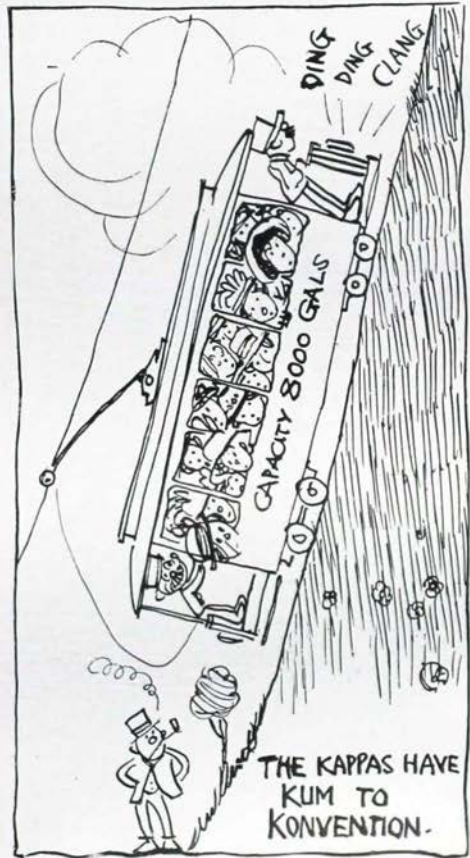
CONVENTION COMEDY

JULIETTE G. HOLLENBACK, *Beta Sigma*

"Bear in mind," said the Editor sternly, fixing her piercing eye upon the shrinking scribe with a potency to which the one hundred and fifty miles between us were as nothing: "bear in mind that if your article on the socialist side of convention proves graphic enough to warrant it, I intend to have it illustrated. To be sure, artist was not there, but what is that to you? Make it illustrable." Protesting bitterly, but stung to effort by the insistency of that editorial orb, we bend to the task, and if the pictures are lacking, you may conclude, oh pitying Kappa reader, that it did not prove graphic enough to warrant it.

Haunted by visions of an angry artist, we face our duty in hopeless resignation, until, with the first stroke of our trusty yellow pencil—miraculously present after being borrowed by everyone in Risley—the thought bursts sweetly upon us that convention itself is

nothing but pictures. Why, of course, certainly! How they come crowding upon memory, by the dozen, by the hundred, and how readily they lend themselves to illustration. Run quickly for your sketching-block, artist, and record one of earliest impressions of convention—a very moving picture, indeed. With nearly vertical lines indicate a pleasant hillside, and clinging



pluckily to its side a bulging trolly-car stuffed to the point of explosion with every sort, shape and weight of girl and ditto suitcase. While some brave spirits are faintly whispering "Excellent," do not fail to depict upon the majority of countenances the cruel conviction that each upward jerk will be the last, and that the next instant will find them rushing backward to their doom. The title for this picture may be borrowed from *The Convention Hoot* Vol. 1, No. 2, to wit: "The Kappas have Kum to Konvention," and don't forget the legend on the outside of the car: "Capacity 8,000 gals."

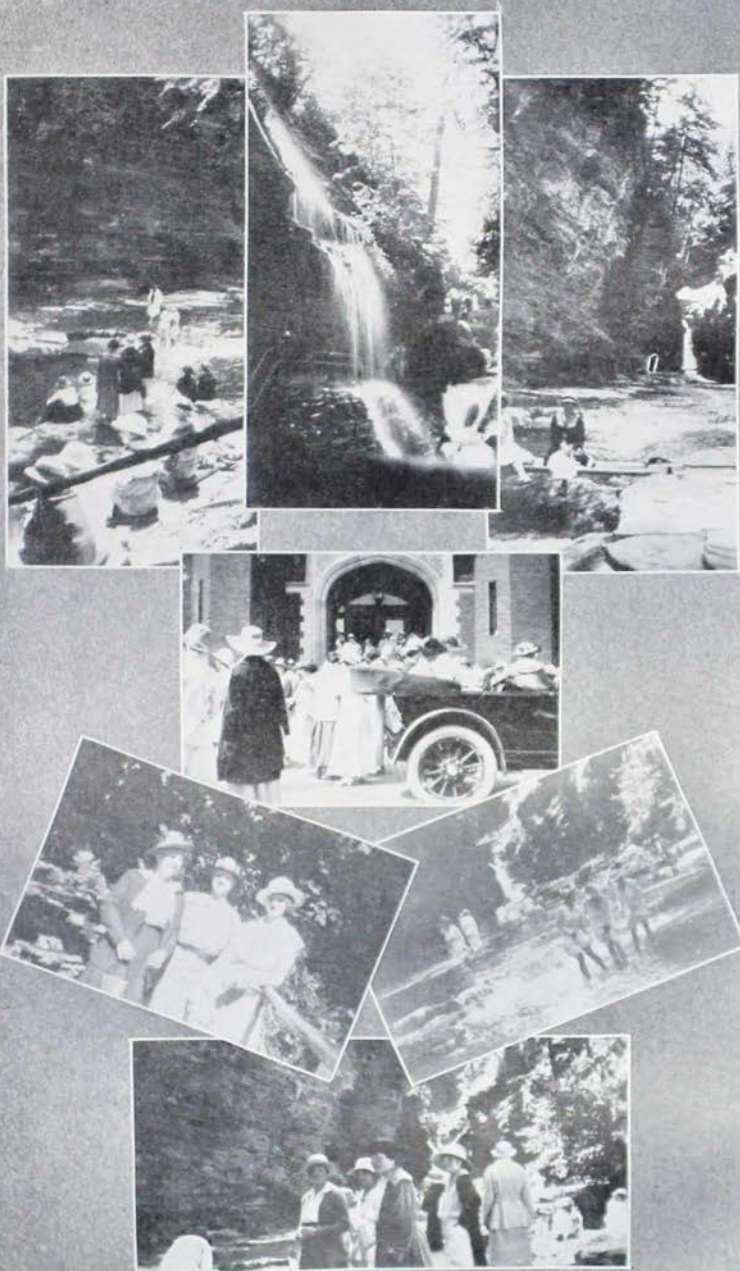


EN ROUTE FROM TRUNK TO ROOM

Passing quickly over the rush to greet the haggard Council and the work-weary Psis, grouped to meet us in the imposing Entrance Hall of Risley, let us present another scene for your inspection. This time you are asked to view a procession of large mounds, in size and shape resembling haystacks, and apparently each composed of a full line of ladies' garments, the presence of two feet at the bottom of each mound indicating that the lady in

every case is in some obscure way attached to the garments. This hasty sketch is intended to portray the lucky ones whose baggage has arrived and is entitled "*En route from truck in basement to room on fifth floor. Part 1, the Start.*" (Part 2, "*The finish,*" was censored by the Editor, and omitted as being too horrible for the purposes of this article!)

It is not within our province to picture for you the long line of Kappa officers and delegates, moving in all its academic picturesqueness across the sunny Cornell campus, nor are we per-



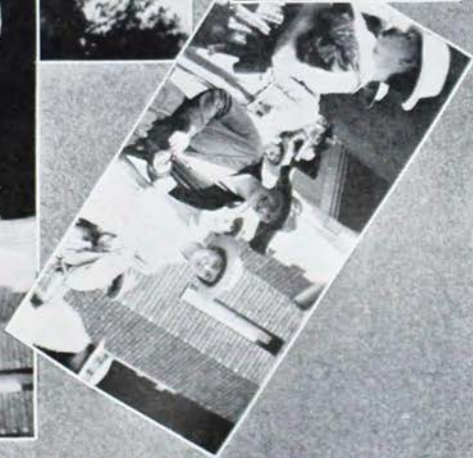
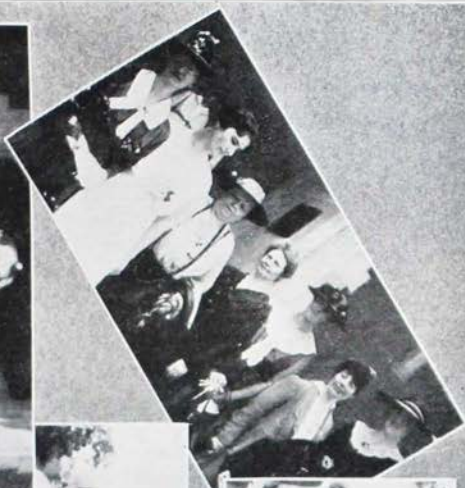
THE DAY AT WATKINS GLEN

mitted to reproduce the mysterious scenes in Convention Hall. And so, with disrespectful abruptness, we shall immediately rush you to the Risley gymnasium, where the weather man, fearing that the Kappa hordes might desecrate the sacred shores of Beebe Lake by their ribald presence, has contrived that we shall hold our outdoor picnic supper. Here sociably crowded on camp-chairs, High, Serene Kappas, middling-important Kappas and Kappas of no account whatever all mingle in festive and democratic cheer, skilfully balancing plates, coffee cups and ice cream cones, and consuming delightful food in enormous quantities, while Beta Alpha sings long and loud, and Beta Beta sings sweet and low, and Beta Sigma never sings at all, on account of always starting either too low or too high.

Speaking of singing reminds us that an apology is due. Since one of the most vivid recollections of convention is that of Winifred Marshall singing for us in Convention Hall from our *marvelous new songbook or in Scotch costume at the masked ball, or in the Risley parlors, we naturally demanded a sketch of the young lady in action, but our artist balked. She was quite up, so she said, to a bit of light caricature work such as suitable—with a sniff—to this article, but when it came to high-brow stuff like that, she distinctly drew the line, or rather, she refused to draw a line. What was the use, anyway, of having a real live portrait-painter at convention, if we hadn't sense enough to get a portrait from her when wanted? But alas! we fear it is too late for these recriminations, for Mrs. Elizabeth Gowdy Baker, although a sure-enough artist and as famous as she is charming, is in parts unknown, and Miss Marshall must remain unportrayed, unless Josephine Banks, with that prowling kodak, managed to get a snap-shot.

Most unfortunate! Here we are, safely arrived at Stunt Night, and with a grouchy artist on our hands, we have been out behind the scenes reasoning with her and mopping the make up from our distressed countenance—We could easily spare a little—and while so engaged we have failed to see some of the very best stunts. Beta Iota's Shakespeare in movies, and Eta's musical comedy and Mrs. Smart completely disguised as Mrs. Punkin-head, and the model convention presented by Epsilon, Upsilon

*Adjective supplied by custodian of the Songbook.

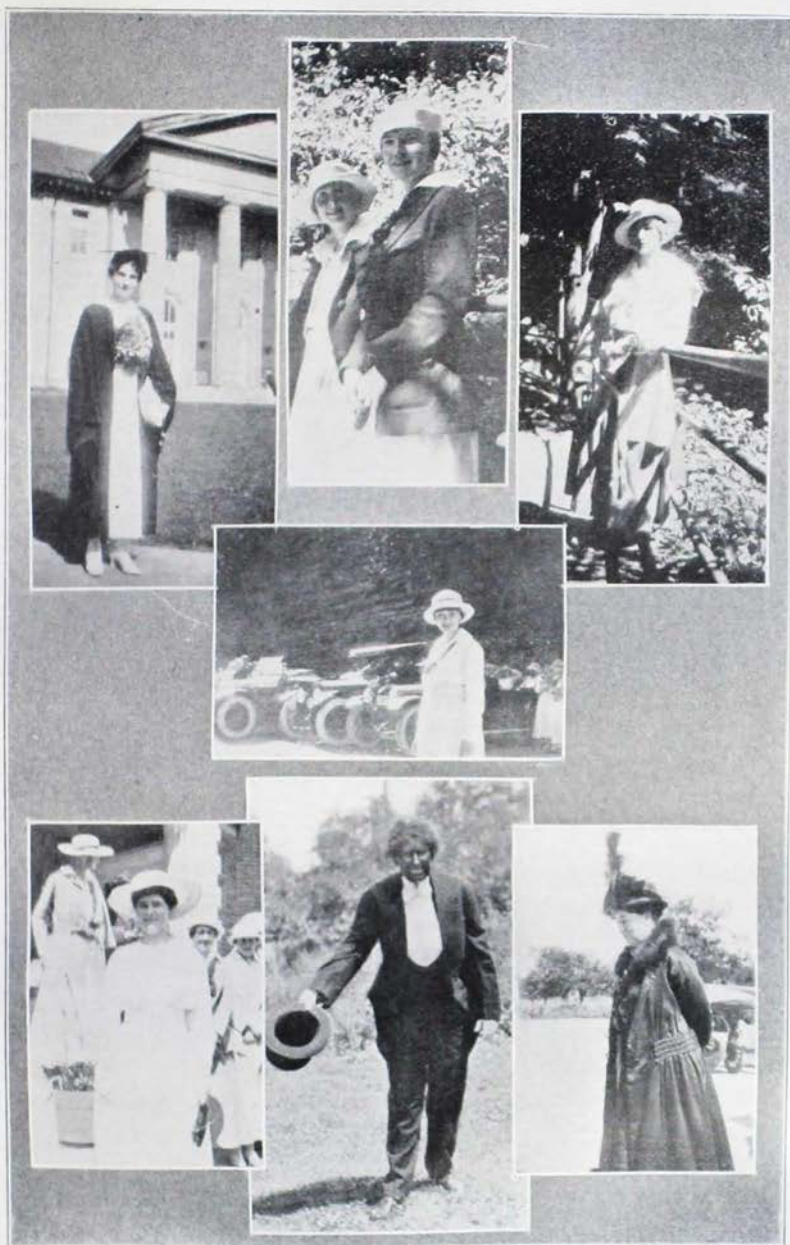


THE KEY'S KODAK AT CONVENTION

and Mrs. Ottstott; we have missed all these and numerous others, but all to no purpose—our artist won't work. She says that the brisk evening air out there in our picturesque open-air theatre has stiffened her fingers, and that the soft glow of the Chinese lanterns, although awfully æsthetic and mystic and all that sort of thing, is too dull for her purpose. Our private opinion is that this is pure piffle, and that she simply knows her limitations. Despondently we pull our real \$1.49 stiff sailor down over our cheek bones, and depart with other Beta Sigmas to share with them ten minutes of gloom before the footlights. Oh the bright songs, composed, with what eagerness, this morning, and forgotten, with what completeness, this evening! Oh the clever steps



and gestures consigned to oblivion, and Oh the agonized face of the accompanist, turned in piteous supplication from the piano. Let us draw a veil over the painful scene, and from the back row of camp chairs, with our chilly knees wrapped in warm motor-coats, enjoy the rest of the show. Beta Nu's "Lochinvar" and Beta Mu's A. B. C. drama are most entertaining, and nothing could be more charming than Chi's Old English Ballads, and the real old Southern melodies—with a shuffle thrown in—given by Beta Omicron and Beta Chi. After Beta Beta has treated us to some old and new Kappa songs and to a metrical comedy "The Discontented Kappa Girl," with a perfectly proper moral ending, Beta Alpha closes the performance with a cheery and snappy little



AMONG THOSE PRESENT

First row, left to right—Miss Sarah Harris; Elsie Botsford and Peg Willets (in the sailor cap), the Swarthmore Venus; Miss Estelle Kyle.

Center—Evelyn Thorp, Marshal.

Second row—Miss Eva Powell; Rastus(?); Mrs. Tade Hartsuff Kuhns, First Grand President.

cannibalistic scene and our evening of innocent young revelry is over.

But the dramatic spirit is not to be so soon satisfied, and breaks out again on the very next night, stronger than ever. Weird shapes, masked, and inscrutable, begin to gather in the ever-useful gymnasium, and soon the room is crowded with them, and the grand march begins, to break up presently into a mad whirl of dancing figures. Darting in and out, warm, harrassed, but determined, you may perceive our faithful artist, restored to good nature by a night's rest and three sodas at Shack's—(phonetic spelling employed for the benefit of the philistine ear). With so much material, the poor thing is distracted. Shall she sketch that burly Russian, with his fearfully fierce and curly whiskers, or those demure little Quaker maidens, or some of the agile Pierrots and dainty Pierrettes, or Rastus or the Poppy, or the Bat, or Uncle Sam with his beautifully-fitting stripes, or Sis Hopkins, or that charming figure in an Oriental costume of real distinction—a costume which later takes the first prize, and whose wearer proves to be our distinguished first Grand President, Mrs. Tade Hartsuff Kuhns? Alas, poor artist! The strain has been too much, for when last seen she was frantically eating her crayon, while attempting, with an ice cream cone, to draw twenty pictures at once.

The next scene is a most inspiring one—three hundred cheerful Kappas motoring in style through the wonderful country around Ithaca, and later on, three hundred Kappas madly climbing the forty million steps which lead one through the scenic marvels of Watkins Glen. Josephine Banks, official photographer, has supplanted our exhausted artist for the occasion, and she is right on the job. In fact, she is the original wild thyme banks, and you can see her having it now, as she goes dashing about snapshotting celebrities in awkward attitudes, which abound in Watkins. That perfectly irresistible shallow pool—too bad, Josephine, that you can never get the color effect of all those rainbow-hued sweaters hovering over it.

Presently it is home again to Ithaca, and a sad ending to a glorious day, for, ere the dust of travel can be removed, the dining-room door clangs shut with the voice of doom, and we must go supperless to our cold couch, or trudge interminably to

the cafeteria. We vote to trudge, and are rewarded by the sight of sixteen yellow-flagged suffragists, enjoying a cheap and nourishing meal.

Convention week is almost over, gone like a flash of happiness, and here is banquet night, come too soon with its lights and its beauty and its sad note of finality. No Kappa banquet was ever better staged than in the stately Tudor dining-hall of Risley, and perhaps the beauties of the room have never been set off more fairly than by the powdered and patched visions of loveliness who fill it tonight. Our hearts swell with pride as we watch the radiant scene, and as we listen to the singing and the speeches, and the nimble wit of our toastmistress, Mrs. Lucy Allen Smart. We even respond to her steady demand to "rise and give the call," for our spirits are high, and the exercise is not unpleasant. What grateful thanks we mentally offer to all those who have helped to make this convention so successful in the best sense; to our Grand Council and officers, to the delegates who have entered so well into the spirit of it, and especially to Psi, our untiring hostess, whose thoughtfulness and care have made possible this ideal week.

Out in the corridors of Risley reluctant goodbyes are being said, for by dawn we shall begin to scatter to all quarters of the country. A few midnight trips to the basement with last things for our trunks, a few hours' sleep, and then the trolley-car, coasting joyously down the hill, plunges with its last load of Kappas to the station, and convention is over.

BUY A NEW SONGBOOK

BUSINESS OF CONVENTION

The Business of the Twenty-third National Convention of K K F falls naturally under six headings as follows:

1. *Finance*: Moved, seconded and carried that:—a, Standing Rule 62 be amended to read—"Every active member of the fraternity shall subscribe to THE KEY. However, if two or more sisters are active at the same time only one shall be required to subscribe for THE KEY. A life subscription to THE KEY shall be fifteen dollars (\$15); this sum may be paid at one time or in three consecutive yearly payments of five dollars each. Beginning with the college year 1916 every initiate shall be required to make a payment of five dollars toward a life subscription to THE KEY. This will entitle her to THE KEY for five years; she will be entitled to a life subscription upon the payment of ten additional dollars in two consecutive yearly payments of five dollars each, or the payment of ten dollars at the end of the fifth year following the first payment."

b. Standing Rule 63 be amended by adding—"Members initiated after May 1 shall be exempt from this tax."

c. A committee of three be appointed to increase The Students' Aid Fund to \$10,000.00 by 1920 in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the founding of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity.

2. *Key*: Moved seconded and carried that:—

a. A KEY circulation committee be appointed, consisting of one member in each of ten important cities whose duties it shall be to work up an increase in the number of KEY subscriptions, and who shall receive 10% of all new subscriptions obtained."

3. *Extension*. Moved, seconded and carried that:—

a. We adopt the policy of going into colleges of the first rank when the petitioning group and the college meet with our requirements. This is in accordance with the best Panhellenic thought, and is in line with what all the fraternities in the United States are doing."

b. We recommend as our policy to the incoming Grand Council that the Province President be interviewed regarding petitions lying naturally within her province ascertain her opinion of said petitioners and announce it to the chapters.



THE 1894 CONVENTION AT ITHACA

4. *National and Panhellenic Policy*: Moved, seconded and carried:

a. That we believe in open rushing but in Kappa Kappa Gamma not talking of other fraternities during open rushing.

b. That whereas K K Γ has for many years opened to the public her Constitution and Standing Rules and all regulations affecting the material relations of its members to the Fraternity:

Be it resolved that we retain as private and unessential to the interests of the public our rituals and that we recommend that our delegate go to the next N. P. C. so instructed.

c. That we hold pledging a local chapter matter not national.

d. That we invite petitioning locals to be present in Panhellenic, come to the meetings and keep the Panhellenic rulings.

5. *Fraternity and Chapter Policy*: Moved, seconded and carried:—

a. That we stand for moderation in entertainment and living and for the discouragement of extravagance in chapter life.

b. That as K K Γ has already a well-established field for service in the Students' Aid Fund that this be emphasized as a more important part of the work of the alumnae associations and that in order that as many as possible may enjoy the privileges of a collegiate training we extend this assistance to students not Kappas who would otherwise be forced to enter business directly from high school.

c. That we recommend that each active chapter undertake some form of social service work, following the lines already begun by many, and that this work be under the special supervision of the Province President; a collective report of such work to be made at each Convention.

d. That the name of the "Undergraduates Students' Aid Fund" be changed to "Students' Aid Fund Maintained by the K K Γ Fraternity" so that it may be used by postgraduates as well as undergraduates.

e. That chapters be notified concerning Standing Rule 45 as follows: That it will take at least five weeks to obtain a Council vote and special dispensation cannot be granted hereafter in less time than that.

f. That the Fraternity policy in regard to dismissal shall be, that charges against a girl will not be considered sufficient for dismissal

unless they are serious and definite and that the decision shall be left to the discretion of the Grand Council with no definite rules to govern them.

g. That it be the policy of K K Γ that freshmen shall be required to pass a certain number of hours creditably before they are initiated into the fraternity.

6. *Constitution and Standing Rules.* Moved, seconded and carried:

a. That the last paragraph in Standing Rule 34 be changed to read:*****"Each Province President shall be appointed by the Grand Council at the Council Session in the year alternating with Convention to serve two years. These candidates shall be chosen from a list *** etc."

PRIZE SONG

A KAPPA HYMN

Helen Hale Brockway,

Beta Tau chapter.

Thro' winter's cold or summer's pleasure,
Thro' days of youth and oncoming years,
A bond of truth and loyalty ever,
Joins us in love, fills one's heart with cheer.

CHORUS:

The good, the beautiful, keep in sight,
For they will fail us never.
So let the flame grow clear and bright
Within our hearts forever,
Within our hearts forever.

The key, the blue, the fleur-de-lis
Spell life and hope and trust in thee;
So let us cheer them on forever,
Singing the praises of K. K. G.

So come ye all both grave and gay
To lay your tributes at the shrine.
To thee our life and love we offer—
Kappa Gamma, they are thine.

SERVICE

ESTELLE M. KYLE

Address given by Miss Kyle at Convention

Service is the keynote of the age. Kappa Kappa Gamma must prove itself worthwhile—it must serve or it must fail. It is a pragmatic age—everything is tested for its usefulness, materially, aesthetically or spiritually, and if it is not proven good it must go. We feel that our fraternity has been of service; that it still serves, and that it has earned its place as an institution of college life. "Service is one of the ways that a tiny insect like one of us can get a purchase on the whole universe." Has our fraternity made a purchase of the University? Yes—in many ways.

In the first place, consider the advantages gained by the undergraduate—the active member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. One of the questions asked the first year members in the Spring examination was: "What have you gained from fraternity life?" From their answers these ideas were gleaned. High ideals are gained through the example of older girls in the chapter. Selfish natures are often entirely changed by the training of chapter life. The restraining influence upon girls at the age they enter college is invaluable. In colleges where there are no dormitories, the fraternities solve a difficult problem, that is, proper chaperonage. Through fraternity relationships, a girl learns to know intimately types different from herself—her views are necessarily broadened and humanism is woven in her character. She learns to value other peoples' opinions and to subordinate herself to the wishes of others. The fraternity does a splendid service in giving its members a sense of responsibility, for a Kappa is made to feel that her actions reflect not only on herself, but on her fraternity sisters in her chapter and on the fraternity at large. The ideal of high scholarship of Kappa Kappa Gamma gives inspiration to many who would otherwise not attain such high grades. The valuable rivalry between fraternities in scholarship has been a means of raising the standards of scholarship in many colleges. It is always difficult for the freshman to adjust herself to the new life at college. Advice and hints given by the older girls in the chapter may help the underclassman over a difficult place and give her the right kind of a start. The system of upperclassman advisers

is an excellent one for this purpose. Are we not, through our insistence on high scholarship endeavoring to make of our members, responsible and intelligent citizens?

The social activity engaged in by the chapter, the entertaining of faculty and other guests, gives the girls poise, dignity and social culture. Ingenuity is displayed in giving attractive and novel parties and training is given in later home-making.

Encouragement is given fraternity girls to engage in college activities and this is a service to the girls and to the college. The long list of honors conferred by students to members of our chapters, on the annual reports, shows that Kappa Kappa Gamma is taking its part in the work of the college world.

What brings more fun into a girl's life than her fraternity? "There is no virtue in being miserable" and a fraternity that makes wholesome fun possible, is doing a real service.

Graduates have a keener interest in their Alma Mater if they have the fraternity tie. They are more enthusiastic about their college, and are a force in the community and the state in advancing the cause of the University.

Social culture, character development, and mental development are the aims of our fraternity.

One of the chief services that the fraternity can render the University, is the raising of the standards of social life by devising rules which will make the relationships of college men and women, sane and wholesome. In matters of discipline, the college authorities are able to reach the students in an effective way through the seniors of the fraternities. The biennial convention is a means of serving the college as well as the fraternity and its members. Girls who are active in college life get new ideas and plans of action to take back with them. Their minds are broadened by meeting representatives from chapters all over the country.

Our magazine with its list of Kappas known to fame, shows that some of us are doing worth while things for the state, the nation and humanity in general. Can anyone say that eight thousand women following the ideals of Kappa Kappa Gamma are not of service to the world?

THE GRAND COUNCIL

LYDIA VORIS KOLBE, *Grand President*

It is not an easy task to write of a life-long friend. What seems, in all sincerity, simple truth to me may seem fulsome adulation to others. If this sketch seems to partake of that let my apology be that through all the vicissitudes of more than twenty years this friend has been to me as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. Strength and courage to bear the burden of the

day, have come from her, and it is not easy to write in impersonal moderation of her.



My viewpoint is necessarily not that of those who read this. To you, Lydia Kolbe, is the successful officer who for eight years has worked among you. To me she is the lovely mistress of a home that opens its wide doors to all who choose to knock. Rich and poor, socialist and aristocrat, the workman in his blue shirt, the great lady in her diamonds, all are welcome there.

As I see this busy woman, active in clubs and charities,

filling an important rôle in the city's social activities, acting on civic committees, training pageants, sewing for the Red Cross, running a home and managing a husband, I sometimes wonder how she does it all. Perhaps the answer lies in her own words—that she has a mind like a filing cabinet. Certainly system and efficiency are the keynotes of her business life.

It is an open secret that during the six years of her service as Grand Treasurer, the fraternity became more stable on its financial foundation and that the Student Aid Fund had its beginning and first impetus to become more adequate to all demands made upon it, while THE KEY, I believe, during her three years as Business Manager, has enjoyed a renewed impetus through an

increase in the number of subscribers, in the founding of THE KEY Fund, and in the inauguration of life subscriptions.

If I were asked to give her most salient characteristic, I should say uncompromising honesty; an absolute inability to equivocate. Perhaps those Dutch burgers, who smoked their pipes, feared their God and told the truth, handed down that quality along with a certain dogged perseverance which prompts her never to leave a task until it is beautifully done.

If this sketch seems to lay too much stress upon her social and executive abilities—then it is the mistake of the writer. For she excels also in many of the purely feminine activities—lovely hand work is the product of those busy hands, and they can also make delectable dishes fit to set before a king. I like to think of her, not as the Grand President of Kappa Kappa Gamma, nor as the wife of the President of Akron University, but as the loyal friend, the tender womanly woman. I like to see her with a certain small boy I know who climbs into her lap and begs "Aunt Diddie sing." He knows as I do, that as long as she lives, and long after she will sing in the hearts of many of us.

R. L.

SARAH B. HARRIS, *Grand Vice-president*

Miss Sarah Harris, our Grand Vice-president, has asked me to write a facetious biography of her—absolutely nothing serious—and being her Kappa daughter, I dare not refuse.

She would not give me even the date of her birth, but she forgot that I had access to files that would tell me. So I will confide to you that she is not so dreadfully old, not over forty anyway. Her extreme youth was about as eventful as such periods usually are. She managed to squeeze through Evanston



Township High School along about June, 1907, and to obtain admission to Wells College, which she attended for one year. After that the call of "home and mother" proved too strong and she remained in Evanston and continued her college career at Northwestern University, where she entered as a sophomore in 1908. She completed her college work in 1911 securing the degree of Bachelor of Arts. After commencement she flitted about until 1914, with the exception of a few months spent in business college. Then after a winter and part of a summer in California she became an assistant in the office of Dean Holgate of the College of Liberal Arts at Northwestern University. From there she went into the Registrar's office and then to the College Library where she is at present.

Sarah has been very much interested in the affairs of the active chapter and has assisted the chapter in many ways—scholarship has been her main point of attack.

She may censor this out, but just between you and me, she is very charming to meet and very good to look at and we girls that know her love her very dearly.

Her Kappa Kid.

ESTELLE M. KYLE, *Grand Secretary*



For an exciting account of the birth and early history of the new Grand Secretary, I refer you to the sketch in *THE KEY* for December, 1914. The details are too harrowing to repeat. Prior to that time her life was as interesting and as full of thrills as the "Perils of Pauline," and since then it has not been uneventful. She has been Instructor in Education at the University of Colorado, her Alma Mater, has received the degree of Master of Arts and has been

the Grand Registrar of Kappa Kappa Gamma. Miss Kyle is still blonde, still tall, a trifle stouter and a little older than she was two years ago, and she is much more serious, due no doubt to perusing the words of wisdom which fell from the pens of Kappas on the spring examination papers. She always has been an enthusiastic Kappa and she is much more so, after attending the splendid Convention at Cornell. She is keenly interested in the fraternity and sincerely hopes that she can fulfill creditably the duties and responsibilities of the office to which she has had the honor to be elected. At least I can assure you that her heart and soul are in her efforts for Kappa Kappa Gamma. "How do I know?" Because—C'est moi.

MARTHA WILLETS, *Grand Treasurer*

So Martha Willets is to hold the Kappa purse strings for another two years. Beta Iota is happy. There is some responsibility in making a first introduction but a second speaks for itself—and Martha is no longer a stranger to you. She has added many, many columns of figures during the past two years but we know that that is not all that has counted toward her reelection to the Grand Council.

Martha Willets was born in Trenton, New Jersey, where she has since lived. She went from the New Jersey State Model School in 1908 to Swarthmore College, where she was graduated in 1912 after four years full to overflowing with every kind of college activity. She is the best type of all-round college girl. Scholarship, athletics, student government, glee club and various societies and college functions found Martha in the lead. I have often wondered at her untiring energy and her willingness to serve wherever she



can be of help, and to see, going hand in hand with everything she does, the smiling good humor that is always hers.

In her own words "teaching, figuring and 'gadding'" make up her days. But that is not all—there are always committee meetings to attend, Trenton College Club work to do, and demands of one kind or another on her time. If any of her friends fall down on a piece of work, it is very likely to be "Well, ask Martha Willets if she won't do it"—and Martha steps in to fill the gap—anything from teaching a Sunday school class at ten minutes notice to cooking a breakfast for a house party of twelve.

Just as Martha has enjoyed her service to her friends, her college and her chapter, it has been a keen pleasure to her to serve her fraternity in a broader way. Beta Iota joins with other Kappa friends in wishing the Grand Treasurer two more years of happy and successful work in Kappa Kappa Gamma.

MARIE SELLERS, *Beta Iota*.

MARY RODES LEAPHART, *Grand Registrar*

Mary Rodes Leaphart was born in Lexington, Kentucky, September 18, 1888. At the age of five her parents moved to Forest Park, a lovely country home just beyond the city, and it was here 'mid scenes of charming Southern hospitality that Mary grew to womanhood. By nature of an independent and noble nature, these qualities were further enhanced by the fact that Mary was the middle one of a family of eight and learned early to assert her rights and assume responsibility. In the fall of 1896 Mary entered Miss Collier's Private School which she attended three years, then spent one year in the public schools of Lexington and later entered the private school of Miss Ella Williams where she finished her high school work. In September, 1905, she entered the State University of Kentucky, graduating from this institution in June, 1909.

During her four years at college with her characteristically democratic spirit she endeared herself to all, from janitors to the president. In her freshman year she was elected vice-president of her class, and again in her senior year this honor was conferred upon her. She became an active petitioner for Kappa Kappa Gamma in her freshman year and when the Kappa charter was granted to Beta Chi in 1910 Mary was among the charter members and has faithfully served Kappa ever since.

In the fall of 1912 at the Evanston Convention she was elected Grand Secretary of Kappa Kappa Gamma and has served on the Grand Council ever since, being reelected to this office in 1914 at Estes Park, and in June, 1916, she became Grand Registrar.

On the December 29, 1914, Mary Rodes was married to Charles William Leaphart of Missoula, Montana, and among our Montana Kappas was welcomed royally. Missoula has won a large spot in her heart, for 'twas here that she went as a bride and 'twas here that Mary Rodes Leaphart, her charming little daughter, was born. During the coming fall Mr. and Mrs. Leaphart and their daughter will be in Columbia, Missouri, where Mr. Leaphart will be a member of the faculty of the University and Mary will introduce her small daughter to the Kappa Chapter there.

S. M. C.

KATHERINE TOBIN MULLIN, *Editor of KEY*

You can see by the picture that I am quite the beautiful member of the Council, and have thin ankles, etc. When I bought my three and a half yards of ticket for California last summer, the agent punched me as tall, dark, thin, female. So that is final, I suppose; although I should have preferred to be medium, medium, medium, female.

I was born among the rubber plants of the much-maligned city of Brooklyn, N. Y., and at the age of three months began to develop a habit of swallowing door keys, trunk keys, watch keys, and at five years used to tell a screechingly funny trick story in which the listener was trapped into saying "I am a monkey." All of which proves that I was cut out at an early age for the key and Kappa and THE KEY.



EDITING THE OCTOBER KEY ON THE COAST
OF MAINE

Beta Sigma is my chapter and Adelphi, Brooklyn, N. Y., is my college. I Brooklyn eagled for a short time after graduation, and had the benevolent title of "Aunt Jean" who wrote "Daily Talks" to her dear 300,000 nephews and nieces. Then I changed my title again and became Mrs. Howard B. Mullin, and the owner of a Beta Theta Pi pin from Syracuse University. Many years later, in 1914, I was elected Editor of *THE KEY* and soon was known as the Chapter Correspondents' Pest.

After the Ithaca Convention I still retained my office for the simple reason that my term was not up. You will have to stand me for two years more.

THE END OF THE CHAPTER

At a special meeting of Beta Epsilon chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma held on April 25, 1916, the following announcement to the undergraduates of Barnard College was drawn up and favorably voted upon:

We, BETA EPSILON of KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA, with the best interests of Barnard at heart, desire to make the following statement:

Although convinced that fraternities, or some form of social organization, are advantageous to Barnard and needful to its interests, we declare, because of the suspicion and antagonism with which fraternities are at present regarded at college, that we do not wish to reorganize our fraternity chapter under the system in force three years ago.

If, however, the undergraduates share with us the belief that organizations uniting undergraduate and alumnae members of Barnard are vital to the welfare of the college, we, as a group of alumnae, will be glad at any time to coöperate in forming such an organization.

KATHERINE E. POOLE, *President*,

KATHARINE GAY, *Secretary*,

157 West 105th Street, New York.

PARTHENON

WHAT CONVENTION MEANT TO ME

There are so many possible phases one could discuss under the heading of a title like the above that I am quite at a loss to know which to choose. After considering that probably the same subject has been written before after previous Conventions—and that perhaps the social side has been dealt with less, I have decided to discuss the advantages of this part of Convention.

First and foremost among the many advantages to be gained, is the very great one of being able to become personally acquainted with our Grand Council. I think every one at Convention will agree with me that this was an opportunity which not one of them would have missed for the world. As far as Psi Chapter is concerned, I can truthfully say that the above advantage was appreciated the very most during that week and ever since.

Then among the delegates, an opportunity is offered for making perhaps the very nicest friends one may ever have. These friendships often become life-long ones, and many casual acquaintanceships made during Convention time, ripen into intimacies which are forever valued.

Besides specific instances such as meeting individual splendid girls, the general effect is, indeed, most beneficial. The whole atmosphere of the delegates, the prevailing good-will and fellowship; in fact, the ideals for which every Kappa promises to strive, promote the feeling of contentment and loyalty which is rooted in every one of us. There is nothing like the week of Convention for binding the hostess chapter together—for cementing each girl to the sisters she has just met—for making her determine to strive harder to bring out all that is best in her and her chapter, and finally, to increase her loyalty and pride in being a Kappa to a degree that can never possibly be excelled.

WINIFRED IRVINE, *Psi*.

As I think of my first convention a conflict of ideas present themselves to my mind. First of all there was the inestimable satisfaction of being a part of it all, there was the valuable knowledge gained from association and observation, and the pleasure of the friendships made.

But besides these there was something that impressed me as deeper, more poignant and lasting, something which seemed to permeate the place and fairly fill the atmosphere with a feeling of good-fellowship.

Convention seemed to be the melting-pot of every kindly feeling, where all the Kappa loyalty, friendship and goodwill were simmered together into one strong band of understanding.

And so when I reached out for some one thing that I learned from Convention, something that I can look back upon as truly worth while, something that will keep me loyally Kappa, the best thing was the feeling of perfect understanding that radiated from everywhere, and held us in a firm bond of universal sympathy.

DORIS CLARKE, *Sigma*.

Every one knows that the proof of a pudding is in the eating; but what about the proof of Convention? If you ask, "How did it taste at the time of mastication?," it is not hard to answer: Bully! Perfectly Great! Glorious! Splendid! Scrumptious! or Simply Wonderful!" And any one of these enthusiastic epithets would serve to give a general impression of how it all tasted to those of us who were favored by the gods (of Delegation or Finance) to be present. Yes, from arrival on Monday to departure on Sunday, from the highly intellectual flavor of the Roth-Jackson debate to the spicy, mince-meat relish of the gay Masque Ball—from the sweet refreshment of Winifred Marshall's singing to the less tempting, but substantial fruit of the Round Tables—and from the crisp, tasty, and pungent remarks of our Smart toastmistress to the stimulating wine of the glowing valedictory. But it would take many more words than these to describe with any show of adequacy, even the memories that linger in my mind of the lusciousness of that feast of Convention.

Now, of course, very often such a delectable repast, like Thanksgiving and New Year's dinners, leaves with us strangely uncomfortable sensations of well-known and dreaded varieties. Then before we can judge of the proof of Convention, we must ask what is the after-feeling? Were there head-aches, or tooth-aches, or heart-aches, or any of the other aches to which frail humanity is subject? I can speak with authority only for myself, but I hope I include the testimony of the other two hundred and ninety-nine when I record the odd fact, that in spite of all its

sumptuousness, this feast was so well and expertly prepared, from such a fine quality of selected Kappa materials, that instead of being afflicted in the above manner, I found that my head had been cleared (with the exception of a few ounces of corn-starch on the upper crust) of a good many things which had clogged the understanding of national policies, and of the attitudes of other chapters. I found, too, that a delightful realization of the warmth of Kappa friendship and sympathy strengthened me, and that I fairly radiated with good-will and energy. Such a feast must surely have been a good one, and we need not go further to ask if it was worth while.

But the questionnaire is not ended and the last question is by far the most important. What is the real food-value of this convention as it shows itself in the increased well-being of the fraternity? This question like most important questions, can not be answered with finality at once. We must watch, and wait, and hope, but mostly—*work*, to make the good results of the 1916 Convention of permanent and practical worth to Kappa—nationally—provincially—chapterly—and individually. By next convention we shall be prepared to judge of the success of this; for the proof of the pudding is in the eating which includes the digesting as well as the tasting—and this convention has not yet been digested.

CAROL McMILLAN, *Beta Delta*.

Even though one small delegate can be overlooked in a throng of Kappas, when she arrives home the realization comes of how vital a thing Convention is. Then, with her eager sisters' questions as to where the next Convention is to be, what the new Grand President is like, and many other such queries, she sees what a close connection she must make between Convention and her chapter. After answering question after question she endeavors to tell something of the wonderful personality of the Grand Council. Before going to Ithaca this same Grand Council has been as a being afar off. Ever so often they might impose a fine, or else send out a lengthy letter on the splendid possibilities of some local, but in general, the delegate had only a vague idea of the six members with their little circles and bars by which she would recognize them. But now, with this new vision, the aid of her Convention notebook, and many snapshots she tries to

show the other girls that each member of the Council is an entirely separate person—and very much alive.

MARY REID, *Beta Theta*.

Convention! The very word thrills us. Every memory of that glorious week fills us with joy. Through all the bright spring days I found myself dreaming of Ithaca and my constant thought was "What is Convention going to mean?" And now that it is a memory of the past the question lingers "What did Convention mean?"

So many impressive things were crowded into that one short week that the true meaning of our 1916 Convention is hard to analyse. Truly we were all given the opportunity to receive a liberal education. No phase of philanthropy, college activities or scholarship was neglected. Our heads were bursting with pride when the last prosperous chapter report was given. For then we knew that Kappa Kappa Gamma had held all the honors in the various colleges for the past two years, or if she did not, why she "almost did." Too, we know that there was absolutely nothing that active Kappas could not do—they may even adopt babies. Seriously though we felt keenly the real place that scholarship holds in our fraternity, and we were filled with an inspiration to do constantly our share toward keeping Kappa in her proper place—first.

After this great feeling of pride had become in a measure tranquil, there were other things that could not escape our attention. The feeling of comradeship and love that was so prevalent, was all that could be desired. The southern girls, the northern girls, the girls from east and west, that had formerly been dream girls to us are now so real and dear.

There is a certain joy in seeing our choice tested and proved correct. At Convention we saw that Kappa Kappa Gamma had been tested and proved vital and lasting. Each alumna present was the proof. When we saw so many women retaining fraternity life and ideals as indispensable, then we were convinced that our dreams would never vanish and our Kappa love never leave us. Surely our love for Kappa Kappa Gamma found its source in the beautiful types of womanhood that surrounded us in the 1916 Convention.

As with the years the clear, bright memories of Convention fade into dreams may we not drift away but ever be drawn closer to our fraternity. Always may we sing:

"Strong ties of affection
That gird us about,
Gain vigor and sweetness
As years lengthen out:
They'll ever embrace us
Where'er we may be,
And serve but to bind us the closer,
And draw us, dear Kappa, to thee."

EDITH HENDREN, *Indianapolis*.

Although Convention made many changes in the Constitution and Standing Rules, approved a short open rush with few rules and absolutely no knocking, recommended moderation in all things and made a rule that all freshmen should pay five dollars toward a life subscription to *THE KEY* this fall, its real message was one of Service—service not only within our chapter but to our College, to the nonfraternity girl and to the community at large.

"There is a loftier ambition than merely to stand high in the world. It is to stoop down and lift mankind a little higher." To our college we owe our very existence. When we were organized it was not merely for the individual excellence to be attained, but for the social excellence as well. We believed that, "In union there is strength," and from the strength within we hoped to reach out a helping hand to others. Self-realization can come only through self-surrender for, "He that is greatest among you shall be your servant." Only after we have invested our talents shall we ever come to know and fully realize ourselves. In our college we have a most excellent opportunity to realize our true selves. Let the real test of our success in our college life be the extent of our service rendered to it.

IOTA CHAPTER.

"Wonderful, wonderful and most wonderful,
Wonderful, and yet again wonderful,
After that, out of all whooping."—Shakespeare.

How can I justly tell what Convention meant to me! First, there came a thrill which was like no other with the exception

of that which came when my key was first placed over my heart and I thought I knew what Kappa meant, but Convention gave me the real vital meaning. There were girls and girls, from east to west, north to south, but all wearers of the Key, the symbol which unites us all.

Psi, our hostess chapter, gave us, by their ever-ready efforts to serve, the keynote which typified the whole convention, "Service." Even the beauties of Cornell were inspirations to go back to our colleges and serve as landscape gardeners.

One could write volumes relating the good times afforded us at Cornell. Convention, however, meant more than beautiful scenery, clever stunts, and midnight feeds. To hear and work with Kappas, and receive new viewpoints, to find other colleges having solutions to such problems as were difficult for us, helped greatly.

The Convention gave us a larger sense of loyalty to Kappa interests and the feeling that we were not concerned with local interests only, but all for the larger aspiration of the good and beautiful.

Now we are not only seekers after all that can make Kappas perfect women, but we are to extend a hand of service to others. Kappa realized that they could best serve the world by giving to the world well-educated women.

There will ever be a decided place for the woman of intellect.

Oh! If all Kappas could have had the inspiration given the delegates by our President and the whole Convention to further this work! Each delegate must take back the greatest inspiration Convention gave her—Service.

Kappas, we have found a work, a plan. It is now the duty of each one to carry it out, and by our anniversary year have it a living, vital work.

HELEN DOROTHY AUSTIN, *Kappa*.

"Tempus Fugit" spake the bard and, looking back over this wonderful summer, one happy Kappa girl, who was so fortunate as to be one of that great throng at Ithaca last June, begins to realize that fact. And yet, although she is trying to convince herself that nearly three months ago she heeded that stirring call "Ai Korae Athenes," from her Eastern sisters, it seems only yesterday that she actually heard the eager, laughing voices of Kappas from

all parts of the great U. S. A. resounding throughout the halls of Risley, or listened to them in more serious mood at Convention session in Goldwin Smith Hall. A Convention such as that of 1916 cannot fail to impress itself indelibly on the minds and hearts of those, shall I say, "favorites of the gods?" who are permitted to enjoy the great privilege of mingling with and learning to know the representative womanhood of Kappa at such a time.

A Kappa Convention is undoubtedly a wonderful experience and an inspiration; it is the ardent desire and secret longing of every true-blue Kappa to attend some day a National Convention of her great sisterhood, and yet until that dream is realized, few of our sisters, even though they may be fully aware of the splendid opportunities that Convention offers to learn more of the great and all-embracing aims of Kappa and to come to know its sisterhood, actually realize the true value and the broadening effect which intercourse and exchange of ideas with Kappas from the various sections of the country where conditions vary, affords.

The one thing which impressed me most strongly at Convention, which I knew but never before so fully realized, was the fact that Kappa Kappa Gamma is a national organization, and that, first of all, she stands for the very best and highest in womanhood, that her national policy is one of broad-mindedness and conservative expansion, that she stands in the front ranks among national fraternities who are today striving most valiantly to dispell that warped and unfair judgment against Greek-letter organizations which, during late years, has arisen in some of our states.

It seems to me that every girl at her first Convention must think that surely this one is the most perfect, most completely satisfying one that ever has been and ever will be, and the memory of it will always be to her something ineffably sweet and dear. So it will surely be to every loyal daughter of Minerva who heard "the East a'callin'" last June, and who hearkened to that call, "Kappa Kappa Gamma has given unto you a trust. Do you prove faithful to it?" this is to me the message of the Twenty-third National Convention of our loved and honored Kappa.

MARGARET HAYWARD.

EVENING RED, MORNING GRAY

SEVEN P. M.

Soft chatter and tinkling laughter,
 Faint snatches,
 Coming after a lilt of song.
 Coquetry of patches, and powdered tresses,
 Shimmer and light from evening dresses,
 Turquoise and silver, dim mauve and dove,
 Youth against old panelled walls,
 Demure, radiant, tempting
 Love.

SEVEN A. M.

Rose of dawn in the East—
 A hurry, a scramble
 Girls in blue suits flying in every direction,
 A strained, hushed violence.
 One swallow of coffee.
 Bare tables with no disguise of damask or silver.
 "Good-bye. Good-bye."
 Twenty minutes to catch the Lehigh Valley
 Local.

SUSAN DE PEYSTER, *Beta Sigma*.

CONTRIBUTION TO OUR NEW STUDENTS' AID FUND

An unexpected contribution to the Students' Aid Fund was made by some at Convention and in the following way. After money had been collected to give the waiters at Risley and Sage Halls, we learned that tipping in any form is not allowed by the university authorities. Accordingly most of the money was refunded, but some enthusiastic ones said, "Let my contribution go to the Students' Aid Fund." I have turned over to Mrs. Goddard \$18.35 as convention's tiny contribution to the fund. We regret that our appreciation of good service could not be shown in a practical way, and at the same time thank those that helped this good cause. Follow their examples and fall in line!

MARTHA WILLETS.

KAPPAS KNOWN TO FAME

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor*MRS. ELLA ALEXANDER BOOLE, *Ph.D.**Beta Gamma, '78*

President N. Y. State W. C. T. U. and Vice-president of
National W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Ella Alexander Boole was born in Van Wert, Ohio, July 26, 1858, the daughter of Colonel Isaac N. and Rebecca Alban Alexander. Her education was begun in the public schools of Van Wert where she graduated from the high school in 1874. Later she entered the University of Wooster, at Wooster, Ohio, completing the classical course in 1878, being salutatorian of her class of thirty-one—twenty-eight young men and three young women. Later she received the degree of A.M. and Ph.D. from her alma mater.

After graduation Mrs. Boole taught in the high school at Van Wert until her marriage to the Rev. William H. Boole, D.D., in 1883, after which her home was in Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Boole was a member of the New York East Conference and an eloquent advocate of the temperance cause. He died in 1896.

Mrs. Boole dates her call to the temperance work from the crusade days, when, as a school girl, she attended crusade prayer-meetings, but because there was no union in her home town, did not join the W. C. T. U. until she became identified with the Mary Hartt Union in Brooklyn in 1883. Her first convention was Cortland, 1885, where she was elected corresponding secretary, and with the exception of the years 1903-1909, when she served her church, the Presbyterian (for after the death of Dr. Boole she returned to the church of her girlhood days), as corresponding secretary of the Woman's Board of Home Missions, she has been connected officially with the New York State W. C. T. U. ever since.

She has been a local president, county president, state superintendent, secretary, corresponding secretary, first vice-president, and is now concluding her twelfth year as president, 1898 to 1903, and again from 1909 to the present time. She served as national Y secretary, 1897-1900, and, at the last National Convention at Atlanta, was elected vice-president-at-large of the National W. C.



MRS. ELLA ALEXANDER BOOLE

T. U. That her native and acquired gifts, supplemented by a wide and varied experience, admirably equip Mrs. Boole for these newer and larger responsibilities is a matter of sincere congratulation to the organizations which place them upon her.

Mrs. Boole is essentially an organizer, and compiled the first statistical corresponding secretary's report of New York State. She inaugurated the plan of institutes with a recommended program. In her platform work she has visited every county in the state many times. She is president of the Allied Forces for Civic and Moral Betterment, and perhaps nowhere is her ability as a logical pleader more effective than when she represents her cause at Albany.

To executive ability Mrs. Boole adds other gifts. She is a speaker of recognized power, and, as such, enjoyed the honor of being among those chosen to speak from the steps of the National Capitol on the tenth of December, 1913, when the appeal was formally presented for National Constitutional Prohibition. She is a member of the commission appointed to frame and present the amendment to Congress.

Mrs. Boole's home is at 1429 Avenue H, Brooklyn. Her daughters, Emily and Florence, Beta Sigma Kappas, are teachers in high schools and mother and daughters live an ideal home life. This summer Mrs. Boole is assisting in the Prohibition campaign in Alaska, and will give much time during September and October to states which are seeking prohibitory laws. She has recently represented the W. C. T. U. at the Biennial Federation of Women's Clubs in New York City, is a member of the Woman's Press Club of that city, and, in legislative work is conceded by all—men and women alike—to be second to none.

FLORENCE BASCOM, *Geologist*

Eta, '82

Florence Bascom, daughter of John and Emma Curtis Bascom, was born in Williamstown, Mass. At an early age she moved to Madison, Wis., where for fourteen years her father was president of the University of Wisconsin. At this institution she studied for five years taking the degrees, A.B., B.L., and B.S. Here also in the department of geology she received her A.M. and began



FLORENCE BASCOM

under Prof. R. D. Irving the training that determined the direction of her life work.

Before taking up graduate work, she had taught a year at Hampton Institute in response to a strong impulse for philanthropic service.

At the close of her father's connection with the University of Wisconsin, the family returned to Williamstown. Miss Bascom taught two years at Rockford College and then entered the graduate school of Johns Hopkins University, where, after two years, she was rewarded with the first degree of Doctor of Philosophy bestowed by that institution upon a woman. Her membership in Phi Beta Kappa dates from this time. From Johns Hopkins she was called to the Ohio State University to assist Doctor Orton, State Geologist. Two years later she became lecturer in geology at Bryn Mawr College. Building up the department by her own efforts, she has been for several years full professor.

Miss Bascom has been associated with the U. S. Geological Survey since 1897. A series of folios on Eastern Pennsylvania of which two have already been published by the Survey are the result of her labor. Upon her special research subject, metamorphic rocks she has written two bulletins and several articles. She was associate editor of the *American Geologist* until it was merged in the *Economic Geologist*.

While attending scientific conferences Miss Bascom has had opportunity to travel extensively through Europe and America. These journeys have reached from Russia, Finland and the Arctic regions to the high mountains of Mexico. During one leave of absence from Bryn Mawr, several months were spent in study at Heidelberg.

She is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Fellow of the Geological Society of America, Member of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, Geographical Society of Philadelphia, Geographical Society of New York, Seismological Society of America, National Forestry Association and of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Washington.

Miss Bascom is a lover of animals and finds her chief recreation from the exactions of college life in horseback riding. Constant outdoor life which involves much hardship during the months



MRS. NORA STANTON BLATCH DE FOREST

devoted to field work each year has given her physical endurance and a lithe and active carriage. Her interests are by no means limited to the scientific world; a critical reader of modern literature, she takes a keen delight in the discussion of social and political questions which call into play both her exceptional conversational powers and her ability for close reasoning. Another controlling force in her nature appears in her sympathetic response to all appeals for philanthropic and educational causes.

MARY TENNY HEALY, *Eta*, '87.

NORA STANTON BLATCH DE FOREST, *Psi*, '05, *Civil Engineer*

Mrs. Nora Stanton Blatch De Forest was born at Basingstoke, England. She is the granddaughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the daughter of Harriot Stanton Blatch. She took her degree in civil engineering at Cornell University in 1905 with the added distinction of a Sigma Xi. On leaving college, she worked with the American Bridge Company and subsequently was chief draftsman and Assistant Engineer with the Radley Steel Construction Company, with twenty-six men under her direction. She has always taken an active interest in suffrage, giving most of her extra time to the furtherance of that cause. She is on the Board of Directors of the Women's Political Union and was for a long time editor of the *Women's Political World*. At present, Mrs. De Forest is engaged as an independent contractor under the firm name of N. S. Blatch, Inc.

Mrs. De Forest has a very attractive summer home at Shoreham, Long Island, the plans of which she drew herself. At this home she spends all her leisure time with her small daughter, Harriot, who gives promise of rivalling her mother in brilliancy. During the winter months, Mrs. De Forest's home is in New York City, at 15 West 91st Street. Her professional offices are at 597 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

CHARLOTTE H. CRAWFORD, *Psi*, '06.

BUY A NEW SONGBOOK

KAPPAS IN BOOK AND MAGAZINE

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, *Department Editor*

BOOKS

Self Reliance by Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Beta Nu, '99, author of *A Montessori Mother*, *Mothers and Children*, *The Bent Twig*, *The Squirrel Cage*, etc. A Book of Practical Methods of Developing Initiative and Responsibility in the Young. \$1.00 net. The Bobbs-Merrill Company, New York and Indianapolis.

The Real Motive by Dorothy Canfield. A collection of short stories. "Diverse backgrounds—of differing tone—possessing the unity of a deep interest in humanity—based on the importance of the secret motive of human action." \$1.35 net. Henry Holt and Company, New York.

Come Out of the Kitchen by Alice Duer Miller, Beta Epsilon, '99, author of *The Blue Arch*, *Are Women People?*, etc. A novel, \$1.25 net. The Century Company, New York. Published first as a serial in *Harper's Bazar*. Dramatized and dramatic right sold to Henry Miller who is to produce it with Ruth Chatterton in the leading rôle.

The Traveller by Oliver Goldsmith, a new edition, edited by Louise Pound, Sigma, '92, Province President of Eta Province, Professor of English Language at the University of Nebraska. Ginn and Company, Boston. Miss Pound has earlier edited Goldsmith's *The Deserted Village* and Gray's *Elegy* for these publishers.

Allegheny—A Century of Education by Dr. E. A. Smith contains an article on Kappa Kappa Gamma at Allegheny by Miss Jean Frey, Gamma Rho, '95, in which complimentary mention is made of Bessie L. Putnam, Gamma Rho, '88, whose literary work is well known. Her photograph also appears, this honor being conferred on only one other woman of the four fraternities of the college.

PAMPHLETS

A Third Nebraska Word-List by Louise Pound, Sigma, '92, *Dialect Notes*, Volume IV, Part IV.

The Experiment in Child Inspection by Laura Clarke Rockwood, Beta Zeta, '92. Reprinted from *The Journal of the Iowa State Medical*, Issue of March, 1916.

A Study of Tibur—Historical, Literary and Epigraphical—from the earliest times to the fall of the Roman Empire, by Ella Bourne, Iota, '93. A Johns Hopkins University dissertation for the degree of Ph.D.

MAGAZINES.

The Epitaph of Allia Potestas, by Ella Bourne, Iota, '93, in *The Classical Weekly*, Spring, 1916.

The Messianic Prophecy in Vergil's Fourth Eclogue, by Ella Bourne, Iota, '93, in *The Classical Journal*, April, 1916.

Bishop Luccock—A Student's Remembrance, by Bessie L. Putman, Gamma Rho, '88, in *The Pittsburgh Christian Advocate* for April 27, 1916.

An April Shower by Bessie L. Putnam, Gamma Rho, '88, in *The Pittsburgh Christian Advocate* for April 27, 1916.

What Really Happened, a story by Dorothy Canfield, Beta Nu '99, in *Good Housekeeping* for September, 1916.

WANTED

These copies of THE KEY:

May, 1907, and October, 1912 wanted by Elizabeth Bogert, 2625 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

October, 1912, December, 1914, October, 1914, December, 1915—several copies of each of these wanted by the Editor.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

GREETINGS TO GAMMA ALPHA

On September 23 we added a new chapter to our roll—Gamma Alpha at Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kansas. We welcome our new sisters. May Kappa ever be a real inspiration to them, and may they ever be Kappa's loyal daughters.

"Then close together, hand to hand
And heart to heart—for, Oh!
Tonight you cannot understand—
But some day you shall know.
So now upon your glad young breast
We pin this badge of gold;
God give you only of his best
While this new pin grows old!"

EVA POWELL

Eva Powell's four years as Grand President are over, and Kappa prospered well under her care. We, who have served with her on the Grand Council shall miss her 100 per cent efficiency in solving fraternity questions her sweetness, her womanliness, her sympathy and understanding. But going out of office is fortunately not an ending of fraternity relations. We know she will always be ready to help us in our difficulties, and advise our course through rough waters. When we were at college we thought that the Grand President's lot was an easy one. All she had to do, we thought, was to visit chapters occasionally, look beautiful at installations, and make poetic speeches. Now we know that to be at the head of an organization as large as ours is a difficult and at times an exasperating job. It is not all roses—or fleur-de-lis. President Wilson's Mexican problems are a game of Tiddle-de-winks compared to some of the questions that Miss Powell had to settle and for which she had to take the responsibility. She has given us four years of herself, during which time her work for us has been constant, sane, earnest and effective. And all we can do is to say "We thank you."

LYDIA VORIS KOLBE

We are fortunate in having Mrs. Kolbe as Miss Powell's successor. She is well known to Kappa Kappa Gamma through

six years of service for us as Grand Treasurer. Kappa will be safe under her guidance. Let us all aid her faithfully and loyally. She will be Big in dealing with the problems that will come to her. Let us all be Big. We still hear the echo of the long-continued applause that greeted her election at Convention. May she hear it, too, and may it cheer her and inspire her.

ONLY BEGINNINGS

The wonderful thing about Convention is that it is not over yet. There are no such things as endings in this life. Birth is a beginning, marriage is a beginning, death is a beginning. When after toiling, preparing for a thing we attain it, we sometimes think we have attained the end we sought. Really we have attained only the beginning. Girls all over our country are becoming Kappas; chapters succeed in choosing desirable new members; a new chapter is installed; seniors become alumnae; a chapter works and plans for Convention; Convention week closes; a national philanthropy is chosen;—all these are beginnings.

All chapters are requested to read and learn the article "Business of Convention," in this number of *THE KEY*. Until the Grand President's report is sent to them, this must be used as reference.

Please note that the new Business Manager of *THE KEY* is Elizabeth Bartlett, 1922 Mount Royal Terrace, Baltimore, Maryland. With your characteristic loyalty and fondness for out-of-date names and addresses, don't continue to send *KEY* subscriptions to the former Business Manager.

Reread the rules for chapter correspondents which appeared in the May *KEY* and write in the new Business Manager's name.

The Editor is in such good humor after Convention that, out of the kindness of her heart she will omit for once the Black List that she usually printed—the names of offending *KEY* correspondents. Those who wrote no letters at all are posted at the beginning of the Chapter Letter department. But those who sent in nontypewritten, late or nondouble-spaced letters are excused this time. In the December *KEY*, however, the Black List will reappear.

Anyone who wishes a Convention picture—the group or the banquet, may buy one by writing to J. R. Troy, Ithaca, N. Y.

Mrs. Kolbe knows of several chaperons for chapter houses. Write to her if you want one.

When will you begin to find a way to add to the Students' Aid Fund?

Read Mrs. Walker's article at the beginning of the alumnae Department. It will tell you about Kappa's new philanthropic scheme—the Students' Aid Fund for all women college students.

The pen and ink sketches in this KEY were made by Mr. J. Norman Lynd, the well-known cartoonist and illustrator.

Beginning with this issue of THE KEY the business manager will send no more receipts for \$1.00 subscriptions. When these subscriptions are received they will be filed immediately, and your receipt of the following issue will be her acknowledgement.

An excellent photograph and description of Chi chapter's wonderful new house will appear in the December KEY. All Chi alumnae will wish this number. Also all other Kappas whose chapters are planning to build houses.

BUY A NEW SONGBOOK

DO YOU KNOW

Do you know that your fraternity has a loan fund amounting to three thousand dollars?

Do you know that this fund is controlled by a committee whose actions are ratified by the Grand Council?

Do you know that the need for this fund proves the democratic character of the membership of the fraternity?

Do you know that any Kappa, who has shown herself of value to her college and chapter can borrow from this fund without giving security or interest?

Do you know that as small a loan as thirty-five dollars kept a Kappa in college last year?

Do you know that sixty dollars from this fund enabled a Kappa to return her last semester and bring the honor of Phi Beta Kappa to your fraternity?

Do you know that this fund is giving a Kappa a graduate course in a big university this summer so that she can return to her alma mater as an **instructor**?

Do you know that this fund kept in college and graduated a Kappa, the president of her chapter, whose father's business was ruined by the European war?

Do you know that so far all loans have been returned?

Do you know that during the last five years twenty-four Kappas have received assistance from this fund?

Do you know that this fund has attracted the attention of college presidents and professors who have voluntarily written letters of recommendation and commendation to the committee?

Do you know that this fund gives a chance not only to the prospective Phi Beta Kappa, but also to the girl who is—as most of us were—just the usual sort, the kind that is not so brilliant as to inspire friends to open their purses for her education and not poor enough, apparently to make her appeal to persons who like to lend money to worthy young people?

Do you know that this fund started from the one hundred dollar gift of an alumna?

Do you know that the only regular source of income to this fund is from a very small tax upon the active chapters?

Do you know that three alumnae associations, New York, Kansas City and Denver have already together given five hundred dollars?

Do you know *now* that this fund is the worthiest institution to which you as individuals, as active chapters and as alumnae associations can give your money and your support?

AND—

Do you know that this is the fund that is to become \$10,000 by 1920, and to be open to all women college students?

For further information address the Chairman of the Students' Aid Fund.

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CHAPTER LETTERS

No letter received from:

Beta Beta.

Beta Nu.

Beta Delta.

Eta.

Beta Zeta.

Theta.

Beta Mu.

Beta Eta.

Chi.

Next letter due November 1.

ALPHA PROVINCE

HAD RAINY BUT HAPPY HOUSE PARTY

Phi, Boston University

Hasn't this summer flown quickly? It hardly seems a week since the girls were writing us from Convention. Lucky beings—those girls who went to Convention!

Phi has been rather divided this summer. Some of us—like Evelyn—she did study German, though—have led a life of leisure.

Julia and Priscilla are still down on Bumpus Island, in the harbor, keeping a mob of little city youngsters happy and healthy. Marguerite Miller and Marjorie Colton have spent the summer serving hungry guests "beautifully and well"; Marguerite at Lake Sunapee, and Marj at Northfield.

Fran Miller, who has to have a new paragraph, for she was Our Delegate to Convention, has been in a settlement house in Boston all summer.

Eleanor Brackett has had a most wonderful time tutoring in French at a beautiful place in Plymouth.

We, who have been at Northfield, have seen several sisters. Elsie Woodland and Marion Clark came up for a week, and gave us all the gossip, especially about the new apartments we expect to move into in the fall.

I had almost forgotten to tell about our house party. It was in June, at a camp on Lake Lashaway in the central part of the state. It rained all the time except for two wonderful afternoons and evenings—but we spent the whole week outdoors, on the lake, in a very tippy canoe, or an exceedingly flat-bottomed boat, and in the woods. Doesn't our call sound wonderful out on the water? We sang outside, or around the fireplace, until we were fairly hoarse.

Three weeks more only of this vacation, and then we'll all be together working and rushing. May this coming year be the very best that Kappa has ever seen.

OLIVE P. KIRSCHNER.

UNDERGRADUATES GAVE PINS TO SENIORS*Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania*

A plan which the girls have found pleasant is that of giving monthly teas where the Kappas are at home, to all college girls and their friends. Most of the teas were pronounced great successes and we trust, did a little more to stimulate greater interest in all college activities.

Beside the teas, the Beta Alphas were active in the various class stunts. In the Shakespearean and Alumnae Plays, and in undergraduate and Y. W. C. A. work.

In affairs strictly Kappa, there were several picnics and a dance, which were enjoyable. On one occasion Mrs. Hopwood entertained the active and alumnae members at her home in Primos. All the girls were only too glad to indulge in a decided "romp" after several strenuous weeks of final examinations. Our seniors, particularly, were working hard and we are certain that the good records that our seven graduates made were due largely to the "inspiration" of the little silver pins that the undergraduate members presented before commencement.

In student and scholastic honors Katherine Graves became a member of the senior honorary society, Phi Sigma Beta, and Louise Butts was awarded sophomore honors.

For this year we can say little, but our prospects are bright. With one of our girls for junior president, one for junior treasurer, one for sophomore president and one sophomore vice-president, together with several Kappas in Undergraduate Association and Y. W. C. A. offices, we were ready to start more earnest and, we hope, better work in September.

Beta Alpha extends its heartiest good wishes to all Kappas for 1916-17.

JESSIE T. McCULLOCH.

HOUSE PARTY FOR FRESHMEN AT THE SEA*Beta Iota, Swarthmore College*

We enjoyed the hospitality of the Beta Alpha chapter who invited us to their chapter dance at Bellfield Country Club on May 31.

At the last meeting of our chapter, which was held at the home of Isabel and Catherine Pugh at Swarthmore, Isabel Pugh announced her engagement to Mr. Milton Russell, a 1915 Phi Kappa Psi from Swarthmore.

All of our seniors were in the Senior play given during Commencement week. The chapter feels proud of Isabel Briggs, '19, who was awarded the "Freshman scholarship" based on academic standing.

The Beta Iotas who attended Convention had a lovely time.

We had numerous rushing parties before college closed, and have been busy rushing all summer. We have a large number of promising freshmen in view, and feel sure that this year will end in as great a triumph as last year, as we are planning a house party at Ocean Grove three days preceding the opening of college.

Beta Iota sends best wishes for a successful college year to all Kappas.

RUTH KISTLER.

PRIZE-WINNING GROUP AT CONVENTION MASQUE

Beta Sigma, Adelphi College

Greetings to all the dear Kappas who can talk so enthusiastically about the wonderful time they had at Convention, or who can listen with mingled feelings of delight and regret! I am sure that Kappas can be divided in this way for the time being and I only wish I could have been at Cornell, that ideal place, and fallen in love with the girls who were so fine to us. I think that ought to go in quotations, because I am sure I have heard those very words. As it is, I shall not attempt to give you second hand pictures, but shall leave descriptions to someone who was really at Convention. But, in case she forgets to mention it—there were five active Beta Sigmas at Cornell, and about twice as many alumnae. Also we took the prize at the Grand Masque Ball going as *Uncle Sam and the Hyphens*.

Now I am going to tell you why we shall be such a small active chapter when college opens on October 2 (we at Adelphi are getting an extra long vacation on account of the infantile paralysis here in Brooklyn). In the first place while Betty Stanton was at Beachwood this summer she met a certain Geoffrey Mayo of Philadelphia. Of course, the sequel is that they are going to be married next month. That leaves us with only three sophomores. Only three of the six freshmen will return. Margery Crane leaves for St. Lawrence. Priscilla Wing is going to take a domestic science course at Pratt Institute and Elise Pando is going to business school. There will be just eight of us, and we shall have to be especially active this fall.

In fact, our activities have begun already. Ines Pando has been "painting peacocks" in a little studio in old Greenwich Village, the picturesque site of Bohemian life in New York. But we don't find that she has changed her views at all. Why should she when the breezes blow through those big old trees in that once heart of Manhattan just the same as if one were summering in the Adirondacks? And I understand Susan de Peyster has been considering teaching in Constantinople. Perhaps you don't think that's very active—but just try it yourself. And we are all much concerned with the fate of Grace's little Pat. Pat, I hasten to add, is just a little black spaniel with long silky ears and a pedigree slightly longer, but he's a dear, and we hope he "comes up magging."

The last really active thing the chapter did before college closed was to take a sail up the Hudson in Mildred Downey's yacht. Just for the benefit of those who have never sailed up the Hudson, I'll say that it is a very fine trip up a river where rocks rise high and sheer on one side, and green country rolls away on the other, a river dear to all New Yorkers, and that the trip is especially fine with Kappas as campanions.

But I guess the most energetic of us all this summer is Florence Boole, an alumna, who is traveling through Alaska, "wonderful to see, interesting to hear about, but forlorn to live in." That is her summary of Alaska, and of its civilization she says "It is particularly interesting that the old

(Indian) women can not speak English, and the young women cannot make baskets. So much for loss and gain.

And I think it is about time for me to stop before both you and I are losers. Here's wishing all our chapters success and happiness through the year.

MARY V. RANOUS.

BETA PROVINCE

HOPES FOR A CHAPTER HOUSE

Psi, Cornell University

The question that is facing us this year is whether we shall be able to get a house in 1918.

There has been a rule that the girls should all live in the dormitories, but now the dormitories are too small to hold more than the seniors, freshmen and a few sophomores. Theta and Delta Gamma are going to have houses next year and we all hope to have one next year. Our present chapter room is rather inadequate, and it will be fine to have all the girls together.

We are losing four seniors this year—Marion Gushee, Lucy Howard, Elsie Botsford and Evelyn Thorp. We have great hopes of our juniors and know that they will lead us successfully in our struggles for freshmen and a house.

Psi wishes you all a successful year.

MARY W. BANCROFT.

LARGEST DELEGATION AT CONVENTION

Beta Tau, Syracuse University

Is it possible that Kappa Convention, upon which we all built many glorious air-castles this past year, is over and that we are again at college work? We were very proud to have thirty Beta Taus at Ithaca to enjoy the splendid week.

Early in May, the Syracuse Alumnae gave a progressive dinner for the benefit of a new Women's building. Each chapter house served one course, and the Kappas felt fortunate to obtain the soup course.

On May 12, we initiated Hazel Burdick, '19, Marion Chadwick, '18, and Marion Wells, '19.

We lost seven seniors by graduation this spring. Vivien Diefenderfer, Amanda Hall, Marie Meves, Marian Pyle, Martha Reed, Florence Sengstaken and Marie Wood are now the proud possessors of degrees. Vivien Diefenderfer has already obtained a position in the Buffalo Library.

Of course, everyone knows that Syracuse won the Intercollegiate crew race at Poughkeepsie last spring. Haven't we a just cause to be proud of our University?

On June 17, Esther Witford, '18, was married to Edward Hawkins, a Cornell man. Early in September Amanda Hall is to be married to William Wusthoff, a Psi Upsilon. They expect to live in Binghamton,

N. Y. The engagement of Marie Meves to Benjamin W. Roberts, a Beta Theta Pi, was announced at the June banquet.

Miriam Schwartz, '18, left the first week in August for Yokohama, Japan. She expects to spend a year there with her parents who are missionaries. Just before she left Violetta Burns, '19, a city girl, entertained all the Kappas in Syracuse in Miriam's honor.

The last week in July, seven of us were privileged to attend a splendid house party at Pitman, New Jersey. We were entertained at the summer home of Marie Meves, and Marie was a charming hostess. One day was spent at Atlantic City. During the rest of the time we played cards, read, and did all the other things that belong to a house party.

Beta Tau sends her best wishes for a successful college year to all Kappa chapters.

HELEN ROSS.

INITIATED FRESHMEN AT HOUSE PARTY

Beta Psi, University of Toronto

To feel that the time for one's first letter to THE KEY has really come is a realization that is apt to overwhelm one by its awesomeness. Let us hope that hereafter only sufficient awe will remain to save us from the crime of "late letter."

To enjoy house parties through the medium of letters is not the method usually adopted as the best; so if I, who had to enjoy our own house party in this way, fail to pass on to the readers an idea of the jovial and happy days spent at Rosebank, you will understand and supply the deficiency with imagination and remembrances of like experiences.

There was a special attraction at the house party this year, for we had five of the dearest freshies to initiate. We had decided that the best thing to do this year would be to "send out invitations" immediately after examinations, and so avoid any unpleasantness caused by those who feel it incumbent upon them to enlist in the autumn for active service against fraternities. Thus, we are proud and happy to be able to introduce to you Ruth Davison, Kathleen Gundy, Lucile Weber, Dorothy Thomson, Alice Dunlop and Marion Percival. I can just imagine Kal striving to expatiate throughout a whole meal on drug store chocolates and ice cream; and I can see Ruth manfully struggling to refrain from assisting her, and to maintain a discreet silence as commanded. I wonder if Lucile did not blush and dimple and smile when she had to wear a certain portrait and sing the touching song "I love you truly," and I wonder how Dorothy survived the ordeal of exhibiting her knowledge of the Greek alphabet! Rumor has it that Alice was forced to betray her heart's secrets in verse—"How cruel!" (I hear you murmur). But then! it was only a family gathering!

Whenever we visit Rosebank we shall certainly go to see Bean Point; for in connection with this spot there is a story of a picnic at which there were plenty of beans but—no spoons. Another place of interest is Chocolate Precipice, for the story goes that a delicious chocolate pie

took a tempestuous trip by water to the cliff, and for that reason had to be eaten—well, certainly not in the orthodox way.

As for the rest of the picnics, the cozy times and the inevitable sun-burn, I must leave you to imagine them.

Then came the excitement of examination results, and we rejoice to say that every Kappa was successful. Especially are we proud of our president who, by graduating with honors, fulfilled our expectations. At Convocation we were even prouder of her, and let me whisper that she certainly did look charming. The one regret is—but then you all know what that is, and there is no need to mention it, is there?

The girls who were so fortunate as to be able to attend Convention "were filled with enthusiasm both for K K Γ and for beautiful Ithaca"—so say their letters.

I suppose that I ought to have mentioned the installation of officers that took place before the term ended, but it seems so long ago that I forgot it. Before we realize that the summer is over we shall be back again hard at work and hard at pleasure.

Beta Psi wishes all the other chapters a happy and successful year.

Well, the first letter is finished and the weary scribe shall now repose in a hammock under the trees and think of anything but of becoming an authoress.

ELEANOR MEWS.

GAMMA PROVINCE SKELETON BACK IN THE CLOSET

Gamma Rho, Allegheny College

Gamma Rho has been filled with rejoicing over the sudden return, in May, of Mrs. Potter Brown, our beloved family skeleton, whose cheerful countenance we had sadly missed. Now once again her mysterious Mona Lisa smile presides at our Kappa feasts and gladdens the hearts of us all.

Commencement week at Allegheny, as might be expected, seemed quiet after our Centennial celebration of last year. Although fewer alumnae were back, the Kappa banquet, held at Conneaut Lake during Commencement week, was delightfully informal and filled with true Kappa spirit.

The last weeks of the old college year brought honors to several of our Gamma Rho girls. Helen Davidson, '17, was elected President of the Hulings Hall Student Government Association. Louisa Smith gave the farewell speech to the chapel during the exercises of Commencement week. Elizabeth Best was chosen as one of the speakers on Senior Six and made us feel proud of her. Ethel Roach, ex-'16, who graduated last spring from the University of Rochester, was given a scholarship for special advanced work in Biology.

Our senior girls are keeping in touch with each other this summer by means of a Round Robin letter.

Our Panhellenic Association has adopted new rules to govern the rushing this year. Many of the more petty rules of previous years have been abandoned, and greater emphasis is placed on fraternity honor.

Our delegate to Convention has come back full of enthusiasm and Kappa spirit, and with many new ideas for us to put into use.

Gamma Rho looks forward to good things for this coming year and sends greetings to all the rest of the Kappa family.

ESTHER L. EMERY.

NO RUSHING PARTIES ALLOWED

Beta Upsilon, University of West Virginia

Our annual breakfast at Mt. Chateau "over Cheat" was held May 27. The weather was perfect and we all had a delightful day.

On June 12, we held initiation for our four pledges; Edna Miller, Elizabeth Goucher, Lotta Vandervort, and Virginia Reed.

We are proud of Myra Nefflen who was honored this spring by receiving a Phi Beta Kappa Key. Myra will teach in the Keyser High School this year.

Nell Steele, '10, was married to Dr. George Thomas Faris on June 17.

On July 27, Lou Lanham, Kathryn Alger, Nell Pritchard, and Beulah Poston went to Fairmont to spend the week-end at camp with Edna Miller, Estelle Hamilton, and Ethel Houlte.

Katherine and Louise Kumler entertained several of the girls at a house party in August.

Gwendolen Collier, whose home is in Tulsa, Okla., has spent the summer with relations in Clarksburg and Fairmont.

Nell Pritchard spent the month of August visiting in New York, Boston, and Philadelphia.

Anna Mary Marshall will teach at Clay this year. Estelle Hamilton will be at the Weston High School. Lou Lanham will teach in the Grafton High School.

Our rushing rules have been changed this year. The time has been extended to six weeks—it has been three weeks—and no parties are allowed during that time.

HALLIE STEALEY.

PROUD TO OWN THE G. P.

Lambda, Municipal University of Akron

Vacation is nearly over and our thoughts turn once more to school and rushing. We have the first house party this year and with the help of all the new ideas gained at Convention, we intend to make it the best ever. We shall miss our seniors very much. Louise Mignin and Clementine Glock are going to teach, and Lois Hull and Anne Allen will stay at home.

Doris Federle and Mary Magennis are now full-fledged Kappas. Initiation was held at Sara Bowman's, after which we had an informal Kappa party.

May 18 the alumnae entertained us at the home of Mrs. Hauser. About sixty were present. Everyone enjoyed the clever stunts.

On May 23 we entertained with a dinner-dance at Congress Club. But such a night and how it rained! However, the weather did not dampen our spirits in the least, and with the aid of Johnson's orchestra from Cleveland, it turned out to be a most successful party.

We were fortunate in having Miss Powell with us at our annual reunion, which was held June 15 at Stowe Tavern. Fifty Kappas attended. Ethel Davies was toastmistress and toasts were given by Mrs. Schwan, Mrs. Dietrickson, Minerva Schubert and Lucille Easton. We were also pleased to hear from Miss Powell and Mrs. Kolbe.

The week before Convention, Josephine Joy, ex-'16, who is attending University of Wisconsin, entertained the seniors at a house party. On August 12, Jo gave a party for the actives and alumnae.

July 7 Adele Carpenter was married to Mr. William F. Peters of Medina.

On July 11 we had a party at Julia Hardie's. Nearly all the girls were there and those of us who were not at Convention, listened eagerly to the glorious accounts of wonderful times and splendid girls.

We entertained our friends at a picnic supper and dance at Springfield Lake, August 16.

Ruth Theiss has announced her engagement to James Rabe of Akron.

Florence Tanner was art editor for *The Tel-Buch* or college annual.

Rachael Fleming was vice-president of the Y. W. C. A. and a member of the Student Council.

We are proud to have Mrs. Kolbe, a Lambda Kappa, for our new Grand President.

Kappa greetings and best wishes to all.

LUCILLE EASTON.

THANKSGIVING PLEDGING

Beta Rho, University of Cincinnati

Vacation time is almost over, and we find ourselves looking ahead to that time in October when all the Kappas will greet with renewed interest and spirit—THE KEY of the coming college year—to that time when the first semester will be fairly under way, and rushing, the thought of the hour. Rushing at Cincinnati, at this time however, will be busier than ever, for after discussion in open meeting of Panhellenic, last spring, it was decided to adopt Thanksgiving pledging, with initiation, as before, at the beginning of the second semester. Time only will tell whether or not this change will eliminate friction between the fraternities, caused by our heretofore long period of rushing. The girls of Beta Rho, who have remained in Cincinnati during the summer have met at two week intervals for all-day meetings, in which to carry on philanthropic work.

With a forward-looking thought Beta Rho sends to all Kappas greeting and wishes for a most happy and successful year.

EUGENIA L. REMELIN.

DELTA PROVINCE NEW \$100,000 DORMITORY

Iota, De Pauw University

June of the year 1916 marked the end of what Iota chapter agreed was almost a perfect year. Commencement week with the Alumnae banquet capped the year with a fitting close. The last few fraternity meetings were "stunt nights." The freshmen presented a clever scene in a beauty parlor. The sophomores made a hit with a take-off on a visit to the Poor Farm. The Junior Circus took the prize and left the audience in the highest of spirits.

We will never forget our Senior Farewell fraternity meeting. The eight members of the 1916 class presented us with eight salt and pepper shakers. Besides this we each received a souvenir book in double blue containing a snap-shot of each senior. We surely will miss them next year.

Commencement week was marked with the usual festivities and among them the Alumnae Banquet which was served by the Ladies of the Christian Church. The decorations were in double blue. A large number of Alumnae were present and the fraternity meeting which followed was full of enthusiasm.

During the summer the girls have been scattered all over the country. De Pauw hopes to be well represented at the Y. W. C. A. Conference at Lake Geneva and Kappa will be numbered among them. Girls of Iota will be anxious to hear all the convention news from our delegate, Blanche Tuhey.

There will be considerable change in the De Pauw faculty for the coming year. While we are losing many valuable instructors, we trust that they will be replaced by others equally as worthy.

Plans are being made for a new \$100,000 dormitory to be erected between the Music School and the Woman's Hall. This will receive a most hearty welcome from De Pauw coeds.

The prospects now are for the return of twenty-five girls in the fall.

KATHERINE BENEDICT.

FOR GOOD LOOKS, GIVE A JAPANESE TEA

Mu, Butler College

The summer has flown, as vacations have a way of doing, and we are face to face with another college year; but what a happy summer it has been, filled with Kappa Convention memories, and what a glorious Kappa year should lie ahead of us as an echo of that happy week in Ithaca. The summer has been "so full of a number of things" that it is rather hard to think back over the numerous ante-commencement activities of the chapter, especially when the Ithaca Convention looms up between then and now, overshadowing everything on the Kappa horizon. However, we did have a party last May which we shall not soon forget, and of which we were so proud that we wished that every Kappa sister might have dropped in for tea

with us that afternoon in our Japanese fairyland. If any chapter wants to see how really good-looking its girls are, it should give a Japanese tea at which each active is dressed as a little Kappa lady of Japan, with flowing silk kimono, and hair piled high, and blackened eye-brows. The beautiful new home of President Howe was the background for our wistaria paradise in which we entertained thirty rushees and their mothers. After we served a delicious "Japanese tea," Mrs. Georgia Galvin Oakes sang "One Fine Day" from "Madame Butterfly," and Ruth Egge, one of our alumnae whom we have borrowed from Eta, sang several Japanese songs.

We gave our annual commencement dinner-dance on June 15 in honor of our four seniors, Louise Rau, Louise Hughel, Georgia Fillmore, and Frieda Haseltine. Georgia Fillmore received the honor conferred upon the senior who has held the highest scholarship during his four years' course. It was announced that Kappa stood second to Tri Delta who hold the scholarship cup, our average being 80.69 per cent for the last semester. In the Commencement production of the Dramatic Club, an operetta, *The Yankee Consul*, several of our girls had leading parts and Louise Hughel was the pianist.

Although we have matriculation day spike, we have had only one rush party this summer which was held at the time of our annual midsummer reunion, August 1. The Kappas came back to Indianapolis from all over the state, bringing rushees with them, and had a two days' house party with the town girls. The reports of the party to some of us who were away sounded like animated time-tables. Motoring from four till six, a dinner at the home of Mrs. C. B. Coleman from six till nine, a dance at the Phi Delta Theta house from nine till (here exact figures were omitted), a slumber party, and a breakfast the next day at ten A. M. kept the rushees from getting homesick.

FLORENCE MOFFETT.

HAS TWO ANNETTE KELLERMANN'S

Delta, University of Indiana

Delta Kappas are scattered during the summer months over Indiana and other states. Letters and bits of news, with an occasional visit from another sister keep us in touch with one another. September 13 was the date set for our return to Bloomington. We were anxious to hear all about Convention, although a round-robin letter from our delegate, Marion Grimes, told us some of the delights of Convention.

The past spring months were happy, successful ones for Delta girls. May 16, 17, 18, and 20, the city of Bloomington and Indiana University presented a pageant in commemoration of Indiana's centennial. Practically every one of us took part, and Miss Ruth Maxwell, our chaperon, had a leading part.

About May 1, our freshmen gave an informal dance for the chapter at the home of Mary Elizabeth Louden. The middle of the month we had our semester paper, *The Spectator*, and a party at Kathryn Fee's.

Two of the seniors, Dorothy Bell and Hilda Cleveland, were elected to Phi Beta Kappa this spring, and we felt jubilant over this honor. Another of our successes was the winning of the Girls' Swimming Championship by Helen Coblentz, one of the freshmen. Carol Hoffman, another freshman won third place.

Delta Banquet, held the evening of May 27, was an enjoyable affair. About seventy-five Kappas, including the active chapter and Delta alumnae were present.

Commencement took place June 14 and ten Kappas were graduated. They were, Mildred Kuhn, Hilda Cleveland, Dorothy Bell, Anne Koch, Marie Mount, Nellie Van Antwerp, Ruth Weatherly, Doris Hoffman, Anna Mary Dye, and Dorris Carpenter. Three of them were graduated with honors, Ruth Weatherly with "high distinction," and Doris Hoffman and Dorothy Bell with "distinction."

Anna Mary Dye was married June 22 to Richard Rice, Associate Professor of English at Indiana during the past few years.

Five new Kappas were added to our number on June 11, the Sunday before Commencement. They are, Marjorie Lewis, Pauline Reed, Mildred Woods, Lois Grimes and Helen Cauble. Initiation was held in the morning at ten.

MARGARET E. CANINE.

ENTHUSED BY CONVENTION DELEGATE

Beta Chi, University of Kentucky

Beta Chi has spent a delightful summer because several visitors have come to see her and help keep her from getting lonesome. Right after that most wonderful convention, Mary Rodes Leaphart came to pay her home town a visit and brought little baby Leaphart along. Of course, everybody who got to see them was thrilled and delighted. And at the same time Gertrude Skinner from Great Falls, Montana and July Brazeale of New Orleans stopped by to see us on their way home from convention so altogether we are just filled to overflowing with convention news. Our own delegate returned fired with so much vim and enthusiasm that we had to have some little "talking parties" to keep her from bubbling over. If she succeeds in filling us with this enthusiasm we ought to be a model chapter.

We have not all been spending the summer sitting idly around talking either. Some of our energetic and talented girls have been out seeing the world on their own hook. Linda Purnell has been catering at a summer hotel in the mountains of Kentucky, and Katherine Mitchell has been singing on the Chautauqua platform. Then too, we have a bride in our midst. Along in the middle of the summer time Sara Rosseter Marshall, one of our alumnae, was married to Mr. Thomas B. Wertenbaker, a history Professor at Princeton. The rest of us have just been living and enjoying being here without doing anything so very big or important. As soon as the University starts though, we are going to work very hard and combine

our little individual efforts in order to make something big. We send you all our very best love and hope you too have had a good summer.

MARY TURNER.

EPSILON PROVINCE USUAL SUCCESSFUL HOUSE PARTY

Xi, Adrian College

Summer has almost passed, and we shall soon be back in college. Each of us is looking forward to a splendid year. Four of our girls graduated last June. Iva Swift was awarded the University of Michigan fellowship and she expects to attend there this fall. Gertrude Miller, Grace Poucher, and Hazel Potts are planning to teach.

We had some delightful times the latter part of last year. On May 30, we accepted the hospitality of Miss Elma Ellis, and went to Blissfield for a picnic. Needless to say, we had a splendid time.

On June 3 we initiated Lillian Russell. We were delighted to have with us at that time Miss Louise Wicks, our province president.

Commencement week was full of activities. On Monday afternoon Iva Swift entertained at a thimble party. On Thursday the alumnae gave a luncheon. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. Anna Chafin, Mrs. Wilbur Brittain, Mrs. Floyd Gray, and the Misses Lena Beem, Belle Peters McKee, Mary Louise Beech, Florence Butler, Margaret Jones, Roberta Spencer, and Dorothy Clement.

Then came the house party at Sand Lake with Mrs. J. S. Gray as chaperon. As usual it was a decided success.

On August 9 we had a picnic. We had with us at that time Mrs. Mark Cope of Sheridan, Wyoming, Florence Butler, and Grace Poucher of Morenci, Michigan, and Dorothy Clement of New York.

Xi wishes all chapters a happy and successful year.

DORIS A. ADAIR.

MORE SCHOLARSHIP HONORS

Kappa, Hillsdale College

Rejoice and be glad with us, sisters in Kappa Kappa Gamma! Guess who of all the fraternities and organizations in our college, was announced to be first in scholarship last year? Kappa Kappa Gamma! Now we are endeavoring to make the standard of our work even higher in the future.

Yes, it was a pretty good old year in every way, and especially were those last days together precious, for there are always some who won't be back, you know. Then with commencement came our Kappa breakfast. This always brings many of the "old 'uns" back to us, and a mighty welcome lot they are too. You should have heard our Jean sing in the big commencement cantata "Joan of Arc." She was soprano soloist, and proud we were of her too. Then just about as soon as the seniors were safely graduated, we hustled out to the lake for our house party, which we have every year just before we depart for our homes.

It has been a lazy, hot summer for most of us, who have been devoting ourselves to our families, vacation trips, and the almost impossible feat of keeping cool. But now we are suddenly abandoning those shady swings, palm leaf fans, and light fiction. Every loyal Kappa of us is rolling up her sleeves with a vim and a get-into-it expression which promise to bring results. Only three weeks of rushing, so the faculty decrees! But not only for our fraternity is all this immense energy aroused, for there is the rest of our college life and its many activities as well. There will be Y. W. C. A., literary society, class, and dramatic club presidents, a *Collegian* editor, Student Council members, assistant in the music department and other Distinguished Personages in our midst, if you please. Can't you just see those "Busy" signs on our doors?

About the middle of September you will find us settled again in our good old Kappa house on West Street. We are buying a victrola and would love to render a record or two for you if you should come to see us.

If I dared brave the editor and add a postscript I might tell you all about Amy Willoughby's pretty wedding (she is now Mrs. Earl Frye); and how we have read "Austy's" account of convention in the Round Robin and are so anxious to hear all about it from her own lips; and a dozen other things which might or might not interest you. But, to use that poor, overworked "loop-hole" and finishing touch employed by all inexperienced writers of epistles—I must close.

And now if you will carefully inspect this letter again, and read between the lines and under and over them, you will find it crammed full of our good wishes for all of you and may good luck be with you forever and ever—and then some.

MARY LOUISE NOE.

ZETA PROVINCE

GAVE SENIORS KEY SUBSCRIPTIONS

Upsilon, Northwestern University

How proud each mother looked, proud of her own daughter and of the attractive sisters of her daughter. The occasion was a tea which we of Upsilon held for our mothers on April 28, and it would be hard to say who had a better time, our mothers, or ourselves.

On May 6, it was our turn to swell up with conceit, for Caroline Guthrie, our well beloved "Sis" made a real sensation in the Junior Play, *A Pair of Sixes*. She was so successful in her inexpressibly funny part, that our emotions became mixed and we nearly choked with pride and laughter.

That same date all the sororities at Northwestern gave a picnic for a group of settlement children from Chicago. They were pathetic, as such children always are, but they seemed to enjoy the party we gave them, and we hope to have them out again next year.

Two days later we initiated Millett Davis, of Duluth, Minn., a Kappa daughter, Grace Milner, of Plymouth, Ind., Eloise Wilson, of Wabash,

also in the Hoosier State, and Elizabeth Muse, of Mason City, Iowa. Elizabeth was taking postgraduate work so it might be said that she left the Kappa nest at an early age. The other girls were freshmen and will return this year.

On May 12 we tripped the light fantastic at the Evanston Woman's Club. We had representatives from other fraternities and I think it would be putting it mildly to say that "a pleasant time was had by all."

The next day our alumnae entertained the chapter at a luncheon. A few of our many talented older sisters gave a program which we applauded enthusiastically and sincerely.

One of the well-known attractions of Northwestern is Lake Michigan, alongside of which the campus reposes. It is used to look at by moonlight, to put erring freshmen into, to drink, and to "give the edge" to beach suppers. On May 15, we used it for the last but by no means most insignificant purpose, when we had one of the aforementioned affairs with the Thetas. After the usual picnic food was consumed, we sang Theta, Kappa and other fraternity songs as the moon rose.

One day early in June Hazel Robbins was having a shower for Marion Thornton. What was our surprise when she announced her own engagement to Maurice James! It stunned but delighted us.

Commencement week appeared on the calendar bringing with it a mixture of feelings; gladness that school was over, anticipations of summer, but sorrow for the seniors passing out of the chapter. On Sunday afternoon we had a tea for the departing seniors and presented them with three years' subscriptions to *THE KEY*. We hope their names will continue to appear in its illustrious pages.

At the crack of dawn on June 13, a strange sight might have been observed in classic Evanston. It was no other than the daughters of Minerva on our way to our beach breakfast while ordinary folk slept in their beds. Aurora had nothing on us. It is an annual affair at which we always have loads of fun and this year was no exception.

Commencement was June 14 and that evening another big event took place. It was the marriage of Grace Van Persyn, one of our juniors to Ernest Putnam Clark. The sisters attended in a body and were much thrilled.

So many Kappas live around here that we get together frequently even during the summer, but the biggest thing that happens in vacation is the House Party. I spell it with capitals because it deserves it. This year it was at Cedar Lodge on Lake Ripley, Wisconsin. We lived in small cottages but had our meals at the Lodge, and good ones they were too. Swimming, rowing, tennis, golf, auction, walking and knitting—each claimed its devotees but the most fun came simply from being together. When one of us meets another now, reminiscences of the house party form the chief subject of conversation, and those who were not of the lucky fourteen or fifteen vow mighty vows that they won't miss it another year.

While we were up at the Lake, what did Marion Thornton do but get married! We have had so many surprises lately that we are almost immune but that did startle us. She was a junior and is thinking of coming back this year to finish.

Upsilon sends best wishes for the coming year to all Kappas.

HESTER WALRATH.

PRE-CONVENTION GLOBE TROTTERS

Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan

This summer has been a busy one for many of our girls, for nine of Epsilon's members attended Convention in June. Those who were at Ithaca this summer are Misses Helena Karr, Edith Supple, Laurastine Marquis, Lucia Neiberger, Florence Gregory, Margaret Marquis, Sallie Miller, Sina Belle Read, and Margaret Hayward. Before arriving in Ithaca, they took a trip through the East visiting the cities of Washington, Philadelphia, and New York, and on the return trip, they stopped in Buffalo at the home of Mrs. Flora Warlow More, a former Wesleyan Kappa.

After their return from Convention the Misses Marquis left for their summer home at Lake Geneva. Since that time Gertrude Marquis, Florence Gregory and Lucia Neiberger have visited them at that place.

Grace Green has been, during this month in Waterloo, Iowa, visiting her sister, Mrs. Robert Gage, an Epsilon Kappa of 1910.

Helena Karr, '13, will teach English in the Pekin High School next year; Sina Belle Read, '16, will teach French and German in Martin College, a girls' school at Pulaski, Tennessee, this coming year.

Constance Ferguson, '16, who won the University of Illinois scholarship this year, will enter the state university in the fall.

On Saturday afternoon, August 5, at a party given at the home of Elsie Berg, formal announcement was made of the engagement of Wilha Van Petten to Elbert Finley of Cooksville, Ill. The wedding will take place on the thirty-first of August. Miss Van Petten is one of our seniors this year, and the chapter will greatly miss her.

Gladys Miner, '11 and Katherine Garreston, '16, will enter Columbia University in New York this fall.

MARGARET HAYWARD.

MISSES ELEVEN SENIORS

Beta Lambda, University of Illinois

After much thought it seems to me that a September letter should be either very short—for it is written in the freedom and relaxation from all mental strain that only ten long weeks of Michigan woods (in this case) can give—or very long, because it is the first letter of a new college year and must gather up in itself the ravelled threads of the last few hurried events of early summer. Perhaps there is a happy mean. If we fail to strike it please forgive and lay the blame at the door of old man Mercury!

who will persist in sitting in his attic, when he should be down looking after the harvest in the 80's.

The first happening of the last important ones in Beta Lambda's history was a dignified "Phi Bait" party—a dinner given by the whole chapter for our distinguished sisters, Mildred Drew, Harriet Barto, Helen Gabel, and Olive Hormel. In spite of the gloom that should surround such intellects and enshroud all present we did have a good time.

Next on the social calendar was a gay Spring Dance at Crystal Lake on April 29. Then over "Interscholastic" we had a house party which was originated as a prerushing stunt to let us see a little of some prospective freshmen. It rained continuously so we got a good look indeed.

Beta Lambda graduated eleven seniors this year—Mae Sexauer, Irene Liggett, Dorothy Hormel, Olive Hormel (with honors in English), Mildred Drew, Laura Hirth, Laura Bardwell, Pauline Halliwell, Harriet Barto, Dorothy Crew, and Clementine Taggart.

The underclassmen gave the seniors a banquet with impressive and extremely amusing toasts. The Eleven came in their caps and gowns, and the decorations were black and white, so the whole was striking. It concluded with The Loving Cup ceremony.

Commencement week the house overflowed with parents and guests. One afternoon open house was held in their honor. Many town friends and many of the faculty called. The weather was perfect except just at the end of the exercises a terrible thunder-storm prevented the usual Senior Farewell Ceremony on the Quadrangle, and everyone had to disperse, contented only with a last singing of "Illinois" and taps.

A swift side glance at the clock warns me it is time all fair maidens, Kappa and otherwise, were in bed, so let me sound "taps" too, and bid all Kappa seniors of every chapter "Good luck and God speed"—and all underclassmen a jolly college year.

ELEANOR JEWETT.

ETA PROVINCE LEADERS IN SCHOLARSHIP

Omega, University of Kansas

Springtime always brings so many delightful things to Omega, that it is hard to know which to tell first. This was the year for our formal spring party. For a month before, every spare moment was given to curling pieces of pink tissue paper with a silver knife. Can you imagine what we were doing? A glimpse into our rose garden hall the night of the party would have told you. Two little couples in white, the little girls reminding us of our great grandmothers for their flounces and hoops, led the grand march and distributed programs, and were much petted and admired.

We were proud to have so many of our girls take part in the May Fête which is our springiest event. Helen Dawson, one of our seniors, was elected May Queen, and Helen Clark took the lead in the May Fête play, the *Stuff of Laughter*, while many of our girls took part in the

dances. We had our Mothers' Day the same time as the May Fête, so that they could enjoy them both. However, we didn't limit it to mothers, but invited the fathers too, who, we believe, enjoyed it as much as the rest.

We were all delighted when we learned that Kappa led in scholarship the first semester of this year, and we immediately began to "dig," so that we could keep our record throughout the year. We feel that we shall be well represented in college activities next year by Evelyn Strong who was elected president of the Y. W. C. A. and Blanche Simons, who was made senior representative of the Women's Student Government Association. On June 3 we held initiation for two of our freshmen who entered in the middle of the year, Victoria Burroughs and Jessie Lea Messick.

Our town alumnae entertained the whole chapter at a picnic at the home of Miss Amida Stanton, where we all feasted on good home-made things until we had to play drop-the-handkerchief in order to get home at all. The last Sunday we gave our senior dinner, and when we realized that six of our best girls were wearing caps and gowns, it made us feel blue, indeed.

Believing that it is a wise plan to do your rushing early, we gave a weekend party for rushees, and feel that we shall be better acquainted when rushing comes next fall. Rumors from different places tell that Kappas are not idle this summer. The girls still in Lawrence have entertained the town rushees, while the Kansas City girls are giving a series of parties for ten freshmen, who are coming to school next year. In between the parties, the girls are looking at rugs and making curtains, for we expect to have our living-room refurnished before school begins.

Omega wishes all chapters a successful and prosperous year.

MARJORIE ADELINE RICKARD.

TWO SISTERS, PHI BETA KAPPAS

Sigma, Nebraska University

So different from the seasons in Nature's progress are those in college, for one reaps in the spring what he has sown in the fall and winter. Although Sigma has had a larger "Harvest Season," the many honors she did receive are worthy of mention.

The graduates were: Lucile Leyda, Camille Leyda, Isadora Sheldon, Pansy Follmar, and Carrie Butler. The Leyda girls received Phi Beta Kappas. Lucile Leyda was the senior class poet.

Kappa held the lead in the "Senior Class play," *The Girl With the Green Eyes*, the part being taken by Lucille Leyda.

The Kappas who took part in the pageant were Lucille Becker, Lucille Leyda, Camille Leyda, Henrietta Dorland, and Margaurite Lonam.

Marion Brown was chosen as the Xi Delta, an honorary interfraternity society of the sophomore year. Helen Hasbrock was chosen as the Silver Serpent for the junior year.

The last day of school, the entire chapter was invited to a picnic at Isadore Sheldon's home out in the State. Here we reveled in the trophies

of the year and fortified ourselves more strongly for the battles of the ensuing year; we fortified ourselves in that we strengthened our fraternal friendship—one soul in many bodies.

Thus—

So fraternal friendship filled each heart
With perfume sweet as roses are,
That even though we be apart,
We sent the fragrance from afar.

HELEN H. MINIER.

WINNING MANY COLLEGE HONORS

Beta Theta, University of Oklahoma

The spring term brought many honors to Beta Theta. Mary Gordon won the highest of the three Letzeiser medals, the greatest honor the university bestows upon a senior woman. Ruth Klinglesmith will be on the faculty next year. She has been elected assistant in Botany. Edith Ross is our new Y. W. C. A. president. Lottie Conlan is secretary of the same organization. Mary Gordon also had a leading part in the senior play.

We had several enjoyable social affairs this spring at Track Meet time, when all the high school students in the State met at Norman. Kappa had a week-end house party. Two weeks later the chapter gave an informal morning dance. May 20 a kitchen shower was given for Vera Gorton, '13, Beta Theta's first bride. The last day of college, Maude Walker entertained the Kappas at luncheon.

Initiation was held for Gladys Rudd and Helen Thornton on June 7. Besides several alumnae, we were glad to have Louise Bierer, Omega, with us at that time.

On July 19 Nellie Jane McFerron and Mrs. Clem Gittinger entertained nineteen Kappas at the home of Mrs. Gittinger. The afternoon was spent in a most delightful informal way. Our delegate to Convention, Mary Reid, was present and gave a glowing account of her five days in Ithaca. At the close of the afternoon Addie Maloy announced her approaching marriage to Mr. Terrence Westhafer, Sigma Chi. The wedding will take place the first week in September.

The close of summer school ends a very happy year and brings the brightest of prospects for fall.

LOTTIE A. CONLAN.

WE ALL GREET YOU ALL

Beta Omicron, Tulane University

Pledge day is almost here and Beta Omicron's hopes are flying high. A rushing system for the summer months has been successfully carried out and present prospects show us with even advantages. Those of us who were so unfortunate as to miss Convention, worked with might

and main at home—everything has been carried on informally, just a series of little “get-together” affairs.

We are looking forward to having one or two of our old girls back this winter as postgraduates, which will be quite an addition to our chapter.

News has come that Mrs. W. B. Doe of New York, formerly Flora Neil of New Orleans, La., and Mrs. Hill Carruth of Washington, D. C., formerly Earl Richmond of New Orleans, La., both have little sons. We are glad to welcome them, but are sorry that they can never be the staunch Kappas that their mothers were.

Best wishes to all our sisters.

HARRISON HESTER.

DOWN ON THE RIO GRANDE

Beta Xi, University of Texas

First of all, let me invite you to visit us in our new home at 2800 Rio Grande, a much more attractive and home-like place than our former house. Our alumnae are so delighted over the move that they have given us really \$200 to be used for furniture and household adornments, and Elizabeth Buddy, the house president for next year, has already invested in white ivory for the living-room, and has plans for spending the rest. We feel that we can splurge a little after having accomplished what we considered a very wonderful feat, the paying off of a debt of \$700, and all this in a year. Perhaps your delegate to convention will have mentioned this to you by the time that you read this letter, for I am sure that Virginia Spence did not fail to emphasize it in her report. And speaking of the Convention, Beta Xi is very hopeful that she may be the hostess of the next one, and takes this opportunity of renewing the invitation which she extended you at Convention.

Our Commencement festivities included our annual Kappa Breakfast, which was even more delightful this year than usual. We had four seniors, and many were the alumnae who came back to see them graduate.

We are proud of our chapter for having maintained a high standard of scholarship during the spring term, and thus sustained Beta Xi's splendid record.

Wishing you all a successful year.

RUTH HALL.

IOTA PROVINCE

MUCH MARRYING AT MONTANA

Beta Phi, University of Washington

The great god Hymen has laid his hand upon Beta Phi this summer.

On June 15, Alice Mathewson, '12, was married to Edward Graybeal, Sigma Nu. They are happily keeping house in Anaconda, only a block from “home.” Mildred Ingalls, also of '12, and George Stone, Sigma Chi,

thought to "put it over" on all of us July 17. But their thoughtful and industrious friends, having discovered the plans, punctuated their honeymoon with brassbands, impromptu receptions, and patrol wagons. Poor "Miluk" that beautiful auburn hair always was a jinx. (n.b. We don't mean the man—he's all right.)

On July 26 Mary Rankin and Herbert Owen Bragg of Colfax, Washington, were married at her home in Missoula. They will live in Colfax.

August saw the weddings of two of our younger Kappas. Carol O'Donnell, '17, of Billings and Professor Carl Getz of the Journalism department, on August 2, and Mary Brown, ex-'18, and Richard Howell, ex-'17, on August 5.

Many engagements are being buzzed around but we "blessed single ones" are praying them to be but rumors. Isn't it terrible to see all your friends marrying themselves (or Sigma Nus) this way, while you—Oh well—sit around, and face a winter of hard work?

I suppose you know that the chapter gave our six seniors, the best breakfast ever, and tiny Beta Phi guards, which gladdened all our hearts. Also the Poet of us all, Alberta Stone and other minor lights, spoke clever (albeit cutting) verses about each of the dignitaries. This last mentioned class is more often spoken of as "Tinkle" Rankin, "Gert" Skinner, "Matoos" Mathewson, "Angel" Rector, "Francois" Birdsall, and "Reno" Murray—but sh! they're all "alums" now, and we mustn't handicap them in their battle with the world.

Eileen and Dorothy Donohue (they're *such* dear children) are back from a term at Trinity, Washington, D. C. Ruth Barnett is off for a so-called "rest," as is also Beth Hershey.

Gertrude Skinner and Evalyn Thomas went to convention, and while we are all green with envy, we were very glad and proud to have them there. Didn't you like them?

The versatility of Beta Phi is shown by the pursuits of the girls—some visit, some work, some entertain, one has taken upon herself a political deputyship, and Edna Rankin is helping her sister Jeannette campaign for the coming election.

Most of the girls expect to come back next year (that is, most of the remnant left after the matrimonial war). Frances Birdsall and Irene Murray will teach not far from Missoula. Edna will resume her law course.

Did we tell you about our three commencement pledges? Anna McKenzie of Anaconda, Adine Cyr of Missoula, and Ruth Keith of Missoula; all are members of '19.

I should wish you luck for the coming year, and send sisterly greeting, etc., etc., but you know how our "lady editor" detests bromidic wanderings.

So I'm just going to say "We miss *Our* Mrs. Leaphart, and we envy Missouri, and we wish she'd come back to lonesome Beta Phi."

IRENE MURRAY.

CHAPTER ADOPTS AND CARES FOR BABY

Beta Pi, University of Washington

Standing on the green shores of beautiful Lake Washington there is a home where little children, deserted by their parents, are sheltered and cared for. But this institution, though worthy, is noticeably lacking in funds, and has had to ask for outside aid.

Through the housemother of one of the other fraternities, the University of Washington students have become interested in this place, known as the Haddassa home, and the different organizations are combining in its support.

It is in this manner that Beta Pi chapter has assumed guardianship over a little girl named "Agnes Bell."

She is a most attractive little thing, nine years old, with sparkling black eyes and dark brown hair. She is bright and quick to learn.

It was in the early spring that we adopted our little "sister." She was immediately escorted in great style to the Kappa house, for a day's visit. She stayed to lunch, where thirty admiring girls sat at the table, watching and exclaiming over her. In the afternoon she was taken to the "movies" in an automobile, treated to ice cream and generally entertained. At first she was a little timid, but soon was running around calling the names of the girls she knew best.

Later in the spring "Agnes" paid us a longer visit, staying several days at the house. She has a sister in the same home, and the Washington chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta has undertaken the care of her. The whole campus is enthused over this charity work, and it is not all uncommon to see two or three sorority girls leading a small girl or boy to their classes with them.

As the new school year approaches, thoughts of new members for our chapter fills the minds of most of the girls. The rushing has been very quiet so far, a Panhellenic ruling prohibiting any regular affairs during the summer. However, two or three sorority girls may take a rushee or two on small picnics and swimming parties, so we have managed to get acquainted with some of the entering freshmen.

The real rushing comes in the first two weeks, with a series of informal dinners, a tea, and a picnic. The Kappas have great plans for a busy two weeks.

Beta Pi closed the last school year in a whirl of excitement. The annual luncheon, given June 10, by the juniors in honor of the graduating seniors, was a great success. Five engagements were announced, three of the girls being active members, the other two alumnae.

Immediately following the luncheon the girls changed fluffy dresses for sport clothes and were off for a cruise of Puget Sound in the yacht *Ranier*. We cruised around Bainbridge Island, landing to eat a picnic supper, and resuming our trip just as the sun was setting.

We ended at the summer home of one of the girls, where we finished the party with a dance.

The baccalaureate sermon and the class day and commencement exercises filled the first part of the next week before the students finally left for their homes in other parts of the State.

MIRIAM COLE.

ENJOYABLE SUMMER RUSHING

Beta Omega, University of Oregon

A new plan was adopted in the University this year of having commencement the week-end before examinations, consequently we were all there to enjoy the exercises. Many of the old girls were back so we all took advantage of the perfect weather, and had a jolly week-end together. The only sad part was the fact that we were losing four of our old girls. Three of the girls were fortunate in having splendid positions opened to them. We closed our school year, which was a successful one, with initiation for Kathryn Hartley, Vera Van Schoonhoven, and Lucile Stanton.

We have had two rushing affairs in Portland during vacation. The first was a luncheon given in the Laurelhurst Clubhouse by one of our Kappa aunts. There were about sixteen guests and twelve Kappas present. After luncheon we spent the afternoon in dancing.

The other affair was an all day boating party. We left Portland, eighteen of us, at seven in the morning, getting back at 9:15 P. M. We took our noon and evening meals with us, and of course those proved to be the main features of the day. The rest of the time was spent in various sorts of music and dancing. Besides our own girls and the rushees, we had three Beta Pi girls with us. The crowd was exceptionally congenial, and everyone seemed to have enjoyed the trip immensely.

We girls are looking forward with a great deal of pleasure and enthusiasm toward the coming year, for we expect to have a fine lot of freshmen. I forgot to mention our new sleeping porch of which we became the proud possessors last spring. It will hold thirty beds.

With our own good outlook, Beta Omega extends to every chapter the most sincere wishes for a successful year.

CORA HOSFORD.

WITH STUDENTS AWAY, MOSCOW SLEEPS

Beta Kappa, University of Idaho

There was never so sleepy a town as Moscow in the summer. The University dozes on the hill, and the whole town is in a state of inertia awaiting the return of the students. It seems a long time since the night of our senior banquet. We rented a cosy little restaurant for it this year and it was more than usually thrilling. Our dinner course was interrupted by the strains of "Vivre le Kappa Sig Girl" sung by serenaders outside the restaurant, and Vesta Cornwall and Valborg Kjosness revealed the Kappa Sigma pins they had been secretly wearing all spring.

Our graduates this year were: Vivian Allen, Margaret Brandt, Katherine Keane, Valborg Kjosness, Helen Paten, Bernice Root, and Dorothea Wenz. Each of these girls leaves a vacancy in our chapter home that it will be hard to fill.

The five town Kappa girls together with Mildred Brown, Beryl McArthur, and Louise Clamby, who attended the summer session, gave an informal dance for the summer-school students. We entertained about thirty couples, and as the weather man favored us, the result was a truly charming evening. We have also given a couple of picnics this summer which we feel will help us with our town rushing.

Five of the girls, Vesta Cornwall, Bonnie Lemen, Oella Schuyler, Anne Mullin, and Esther Swan, have been enjoying a July house party with Helga Anderson in Boise.

We have no honorary fraternity at Idaho to which our young women may aspire, but the honor list for this year will contain the names of: Helga Anderson, Frances Baily, Lar Vern Borell, Ada Burke, Theresa Keane, Vivian Allen, Vesta Cornwall, Raymie Forbes, Katherine Keane, Valborg Kjosness, Norma Martin, Helen Patten, Bernice Root, Esther Swan, Margaret Swartwood, and Dorothea Wenz.

Valborg Kjosness and Bonnie Lenen distinguished themselves in college dramatics during the year, and Vesta Cornwall, Louise Clamby, and Anne Mullin were leaders in solo dancing in our æsthetic dances on "campus" and festival days.

We are fortunate in retaining our charming housemother, Mrs. McPhee, for another year. She is with the house now, overseeing the usual summer repairing. We all get together at times and talk over our plans for the coming year. Our greatest hope is that it may be as pleasant and successful as the past.

Beta Kappa sends greetings to all her sisters in Kappa Kappa Gamma.
ADA E. BURKE.

IMPORTANT OFFICES HELD BY KAPPAS

Pi, University of California

If this chapter letter could only be delayed a few days longer, Pi chapter would be able to present to you her new class of 1920, but as bidding day is still ahead of us and our freshman class still a hypothetical reality, that pleasure will have to wait until next time. We are just finishing a very strenuous rushing season of two weeks, which will be followed this year for the first time by written bids instead of oral as heretofore. Although the new system seems easier for the girls who are being rushed, naturally it has been rather trying for the fraternities to have to accommodate themselves to an entirely new set of conditions and we will all be very glad when next week arrives and we can turn our attention to college affairs once more.

This year promises to be a memorable one for Pi. Leila Berry, '17, is President of the Associated Women Students, and Donna Moses, '17, is

President of Prytanean, the Women's Upper Division Honor Society, the two highest offices which can be held by women in the University. Vera Christie, '18, is Associate Manager of *The Blue and Gold*, the Junior year-book, and Dorothy Stoner, '18, is a Junior Editor on *The Daily Californian* staff. Kappa is represented in practically every activity from Y. W. C. A. to athletics and ranks among the highest in scholarship as well.

During the summer two members of the 1916 class, Alice Cook and Evelyn Carey, were married to California graduates. The former, now Mrs. J. H. Wadsworth, is living in Boston, while the latter is now Mrs. E. L. Stanton of Los Angeles.

We were particularly fortunate this year in having our chapter house all refinished and papered. The girls are all proud of their attractive rooms, and especially grateful to one of our alumnae, Mrs. K. C. Hamilton, who spent so much time in making this possible.

Pi is looking forward to a most successful year and hopes that all the chapters' prospects are as bright as her own.

ANNE WHARTON

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

CHAPTERS

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

PHI

meets every Thursday afternoon at five o'clock at the chapter rooms, 10 Museum Road, Boston, Mass.

BETA ALPHA

meets once a week alternating Wednesday evenings at half-past seven and Thursday evenings at half-past five at the Kappa room, 306 Women's Dormitory, University of Pennsylvania, 122 S. 24th Street, Philadelphia.

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 in Room 29, Sage College, 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 6:45, chapter room in the White Building, High Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

LAMBDA

meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 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 Saturday night at seven-thirty in the chapter rooms at the college, Hillsdale, Michigan. Communicate through Marion Willoughby, 225 West Street. Telephone 171R.

CHI

meets every Tuesday at five p. m., at 316 16th Avenue S. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ETA

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

UPSILON

meets on Monday afternoon from five to six o'clock in Room 62, 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

holds fraternity meetings at seven o'clock every Monday evening in the chapter house, 431 East Jefferson Street, Iowa City.

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.

SIGMA

meets on Monday evening at seven-thirty o'clock at the fraternity house, 330 North 14th Street, 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, 2800 Rio Grande.

BETA OMICRON

meets every Friday 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.

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.

BETA SIGMA

meets every Wednesday afternoon at the College House, 22 Cambridge Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. Supper meetings first and third Wednesdays. We are glad to welcome any Kappas who are in Brooklyn or New York.

MINNESOTA CLUB

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

LINCOLN CLUB

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

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

BOSTON ASSOCIATION

places of meeting, address Miss Marion Treadwell, 27 Kilgore Ave. W. Medford, Mass.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

March and April. For places of meeting, address Miss Caroline S. Romer, 154 Second Ave., Newark, N. J.

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 Sophia E. Foell, 5711 Kingsessing Avenue, West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Phone, Woodland 4074L.

BETA IOTA ASSOCIATION

meets in January, March, May and October, on the second Saturday in the month. For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Marguerite Reeves, Lawrenceville, N. J.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Georgia A. Wells, 1520 S. State Street, Syracuse, New York.

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

dates and places of meeting address Miss F. Cherrie Sutton, 335 Alexander St., Rochester, N. Y.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

Miss Minnie Slaughter, 1380 Forsythe Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

CINCINNATI ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Elizabeth Linnard, 2550 Ingle-side Pl., Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio.

CLEVELAND ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday of the month at the homes of the members. For places of meeting, address Miss Florence M. Rogers, 3261 E. 132nd Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

FRANKLIN NU ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. H. N. Coons, 414 E. Pearl Street, Lebanon, Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Adelaide Smith, 2262 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday of each month at the houses of the members. For places of meeting, address Miss Leafy Davis, 513 E. 8th St., Bloomington, Indiana.

SOUTH BEND ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday in October, December, March and May. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt, 507 N. Saint Joseph Street, South Bend, Indiana.

FALLS CITIES ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday in January, March, May, September and November. For places, address Miss Frances Hartley, Beharrell Avenue, New Albany, Indiana.

MUNCIE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at homes of members. For places and dates, address Miss Josephine Dages, 1005 E. Adams St., Muncie, Ind.

DETROIT ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For places and dates address Mrs. C. G. Schoeffel, 34 Ferry Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday in each month from September through April, at the Chicago College Club, Stevens Building, 16 N. Wabash Avenue, Chicago. Address Mrs. C. M. Marston, 812 E. 53 S., Chicago.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION

meets the first Wednesday in every month for luncheon at the homes of the members. For places of meeting, address Mrs. John A. Manley, 735 Seward Street, Evanston, Illinois.

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month from September to June at the homes of the members. For places, address Mrs. Nathan Wilkinson, 301 38th St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

address Miss Edith Elliott, 512 East Front St., Bloomington, Ill.

MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Mildred McEnary, 2324 Pleasant Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

from October through June. For places, address Mrs. Robert A. Bull, 2237 E Street, Granite City, Ill.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Frank E. Smith, 612 Houston St., Kansas City, Mo.

DENVER ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday in each month from September to June. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Charles N. More, 1320 Race Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

CEDAR RAPIDS ASSOCIATION

address Miss Corinne Jackson, 2035 Blake Blvd., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

AUSTIN ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Mrs. Walter Long, 3108 West Avenue, Austin, Texas.

HOUSTON ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meetings, address Mrs. F. T. Baldwin, 4 St. James Apt., Houston, Texas.

DALLAS ASSOCIATION

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

WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of every month at the homes of the members. For places of meeting, address Miss Julia C. Conway, 943 Henry Building, Seattle, Washington.

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION

dates, address Mrs. C. B. Neal, 638 Laurel 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 Margaret Witter, 2301 Durant Avenue, Berkeley, California.

LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION

meets monthly at the homes of the members. For dates and places, address Miss I. Marie Lindsley, 349 E Ave., Los Angeles, California.

CLUBS**PITTSBURGH CLUB**

meets for four o'clock tea on the first Saturday of November, February and May in McCreery's lunchroom. Address Miss Bertha Miller, 203 Donaghy Ave., Butler, Pa.

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 Clare Nelson, 2335 Broadway, 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.

IOWA CITY CLUB

Address Mrs. W. C. Coast, 521 N. Dubuque, Iowa City, Ia.

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.

THE ALUMNAE

SARAH B. HARRIS, *Alumnae Editor*

THE VALUE OF ALUMNAE INTEREST

The increase of the extensive and intensive interest in the fraternity on the part of the alumnae as proven by the alumnae attendance at the Ithaca Convention is a most encouraging sign. Two years ago at Estes Park, eight alumnae associations were represented, while at Ithaca twenty-two alumnae delegates answered roll call. There are thirty-two alumnae associations and eleven clubs organized today. The present alumnae membership is about six thousand, and in round numbers fifteen hundred, or approximately twenty-five per cent of our membership, is showing active interest. As Editor of *THE KEY* from 1900 through 1904, the writer made a persistent effort to secure alumnae subscribers, and the maximum subscription list reached showed an alumnae interest of fifteen per cent of the membership. This plainly shows that we have not only kept apace with the increased membership of late years, but that the percentage of alumnae interest has greatly increased. More power to the alumnae movement in Kappa Kappa Gamma!

But what can the fraternity mean to the alumnae? The alumnae are business and professional women—social workers, nurses, teachers, librarians, etc. They are busy home-makers, whose sympathies take them into all kinds of noble work outside the home. What can and what should our fraternity, through *THE KEY*, Conventions and alumnae associations mean to these women? These women need to come in contact with the enthusiasm and confidence of youth. Our active members love the ideals of Kappa and face the future not only hopeful but sure that those ideals will stand the test of time. We older women need to *know* the younger women, for their vitality and enthusiasm are contagious. The stunts, the masked ball, the Watkins Glen outing proved this point. The visit of five Beta Nu girls in our home in Cleveland after Convention made the writer feel as young as they look. Let us keep in touch with the active girls, for we alumnae need what the academic youth can give.

With all modesty let me say that the fraternity today needs the alumnae. True, Kappa, as well as all fraternities, is thought of primarily as an undergraduate organization, but the knowledge of

parliamentary law, the mature judgment, the broadened vision, the efficient business methods, the established ideals of the older women are needed in all sessions and Conventions of the Fraternity. There are complex problems to be solved for which the unbiased judgment of alumnae—older in years but still young in heart—is needed. The enlarged finances require business methods of efficient business women. In all questions of extension we must have the wisdom of women who know the status of the institutions of learning. These convictions were expressed at Ithaca by alumnae and active delegates.

We found at Convention that all alumnae organizations are busy with various philanthropic activities. How should we write upon one great altruistic work? The Students' Aid Fund is the answer and is now to be thrown open to all women students. The alumnae at Convention strongly favored the solution and all Kappas can unite in building this substantial monument to our ideal. We are to reach beyond ourselves and aid deserving young women to secure the education which will fit them for lives of service. So shall we approach our ideals, developing the highest and best within our own lives and encouraging the noblest in the lives of others.

Our fraternity needs the united effort of active and alumnae members. We alumnae must read *THE KEY*, belong to alumnae associations and attend Conventions in order to know how best to serve the Fraternity, each other and the academic world.

LUCY ALLEN SMART,
Cleveland Association.

OUR STUDENTS' AID FUND OPEN TO ALL

In the college world the fraternities are rendering real Social Service if they are living up to their ideals. The fraternity relationship means a service of each member toward the others; also by organization these groups are able to render more forceful service to the college community than would be possible as individuals.

In accordance with the spirit of the time the idea of Social Service was made the keynote of the convention. To what phase of Social Service could Kappa Kappa Gamma best give her energy?

Many Social Service workers say that the benefit which they receive is greater than they give. As the informal reports of the delegates were given it seemed that the members of each chapter were receiving this help, for they all reported some active work in some local philanthropy. The report of the chairman of the Students' Aid Fund developed the fact that as a fraternity we were rendering most necessary Social Service to many of our sisters who were less fortunate than others in a financial way.

This Social Service work is not new in the fraternity. When our chapter was established at the University of Pennsylvania the biological department was the only one open to women. Consequently our chapter was small and one having a special interest. Nevertheless, very soon Beta Alpha offered a scholarship for work at Woods Hole which was open to all women of that department.

At the convention of 1902 Mary Griffith-Canby, then Grand Secretary, brought one hundred dollars which had been sent through her by a Beta Alpha alumna to start a scholarship fund in the fraternity at large. The convention accepted this nest egg with thanks, but as there were no definite purposes or regulations regarding it the growth for several years was slight.

At the convention of 1910 at the suggestion of Charlotte Powell-Goddard, Chairman of the fund, it was voted that the fund be regularly increased by the application of fifty cents from each initiation fee. Also at this convention at the suggestion of Minnie Royse Walker it was voted that we should not wait until the principal was large enough to produce an income for use, but that the principal be made at once a loan fund. This necessitated a committee of alumnae who should pass upon all applicants.

This development of the Students' Aid Fund aroused interest in the fraternity general. The fund has increased not only by initiation fees but by individual contributions, as well as those of alumnae associations. It has become an object of interest particularly to alumnae associations which have raised goodly sums by lectures, auctions, bazaars and various other ways.

Mrs. Goddard's official reports cannot tell what these loans have meant to various of our undergraduates. Applicants for loans are passed on after careful consultation with faculty mem-

bers. The loans are made at six per cent interest, usually of small amounts for short terms. These have often been paid before date of maturity while some have been lengthened when necessary. These loans have been made to girls in their senior year who find that they are unable to graduate because of finances. The wisdom of these selections is shown by the fact that several of these girls have received Phi Beta Kappa.

Thus after much discussion it seemed that Kappa Kappa Gamma had been doing a special line of Social Service work for some time without calling it by that name. It is a very real philanthropy which appeals to Kappas alone. We could not afford to add some more conventional phase of Social Service to this, and we could not abandon this which is already doing so much good.

In the early discussions regarding this scholarship fund the original idea was that it should be open to all college women of colleges where there were Kappa chapters and that it should be for undergraduate or postgraduate work. The fact that the fund was small compelled its use to be limited, as it has been, to Kappas and undergraduates.

The convention of 1916 decided to adopt definitely this work as the Social Service work of Kappa Kappa Gamma and to make more definite efforts toward enlisting the support of all Kappas, individual alumnae as well as associations. With the increase of the fund that this definite work will bring, the convention felt justified in following the original idea and opening it to all women in colleges having Kappa chapters for use in undergraduate or postgraduate work.

This fund shall be known as the Students' Aid Fund Maintained by the National Fraternity of Kappa Kappa Gamma. In this fund Kappa hopes to demonstrate to the world the meaning of our KEY and to render to college women a very real Social Service.

MINNIE ROYCE-WALKER,
New York Alumnae Association.

CONVENTION IMPRESSIONS

The Ithaca Convention will now be called a thing of the past, but it is really in the present in our hearts and minds; and the influence of its work will reach far into the future.

The first impression received when attending Convention was that of admiration for the beauty of the Cornell campus. The wildness of ravines and waterfalls, offset by the luxuriance of trained shrubs and trees, as well as the magnificence of the buildings, altogether formed a wonderful setting for this great gathering of women.

The next sensation was that of keen pleasure in being surrounded by scores and scores of attractive girls all wearing the Kappa key and giving the Kappa hand-clasp and greeting.

Then to add power and force and vitality to this alluring conclave was the marvellous personality of our grand officers. We were very proud of them and of the work they have done during their administration, culminating in the work of convention. The business of the sessions was planned and executed in a masterly manner under the leadership of the Grand Council. We owe a debt of gratitude to Miss Powell for her four years of efficient service as president which we can never hope to repay. We are very thankful to keep our other officers and we welcome to the presidential chair, Mrs. Kolbe, who has in previous administrations so thoroughly shown her capabilities.

The convention was a grand success from the standpoint of important work well done and also from that of happiness and growth in Kappa companionship.

HARRIET BLAKESLEE WALLACE,
Syracuse Alumnae Association.

SOUTH BEND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Helen Hurst Preston, Iota '04, of Monticello, Ind., had one of the happiest inspirations of her life when she decided to give a house party the week of July 8 at the Gay Park Clubhouse, fifteen miles down the Tippecanoe River. The scenery here is wild and picturesque on both banks of the river. The club house is located in a beautifully kept enclosure under the largest oaks and walnuts I have ever seen, and just back of it is a wooded ravine through which a stream dashes in a series of cascades to the river. A big farm wagon had preceded the party by half a day, laden with the hostess' own porch furniture and rugs, as well as linen, silver and quantities of supplies, to say nothing of a most efficient cook. The house party was transported in the big family automobile. The club house boasted a long double-deck screened porch, the upper floor of which was used as a sleeping porch, the long row of white cots making it look very like a hospital ward.

Besides eating, which easily proved the most popular diversion, there were the usual resort amusements, bathing, rowing fishing, exploring the ravine, a bridge tournament, and, during the moon-lit evenings, reminiscing. We were all such unusually close friends in the college days, that when we meet, even after this lapse of time, matronly dignity and professional cares drop away as if by magic and we are once again the jolly irresponsible, irrepressible, care-free lot that made the record of our days together at old De Pauw the chief jewel of memory.

The fortunate guests were: Miss Bess Bear, Miss Lou Bear, Wabash, Ind., Miss Dessa Zeis, Madison, Wis., Mrs. Elma Howarth Hutts, Kokomo, Ind., and Edna Marion Place, South Bend, Ind.

E. PLACE, '05.

On the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 we have a Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae Association dinner at the Lexington Tearoom. This is an extra social meeting which does not take the place of our regular meetings at the homes of members.

The South Bend Kappas are interested in municipal affairs, especially the President of our Association, Mrs. H. J. Miller, who is an active member of the Recreation Committee appointed by the Mayor. It has been claimed by a competent authority that South Bend has the finest Municipal Recreation system of any city of similar size.

On the Fourth of July the Committee for judging the Municipal parade was composed of: Mrs. H. J. Miller, Chairman, Mrs. William Happ, Iota, Mrs. W. G. McGlothlin, Iota, and Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt, Chi.

At our July dinner Mrs. Miller, who was our delegate to the Convention, gave a most interesting and complete report of the Convention.

The August dinner was well attended and plans for the work of the fall and winter were discussed. The next dinner will be on September 7.

Miss Leona Turner, Delta, has been appointed to a position in the South Bend Public Library. She took up her new work in July.

Miss Lawrence E. Barter, Delta, spent several weeks visiting in Evansville, Indiana, this summer.

Mrs. H. D. Johnson, Jr., Pi, will leave the first of September for San Rafael, California, for a visit of six weeks.

Mrs. William Happ, Iota, has just returned with Mr. Happ and her sons from a two weeks' stay at Lac Du Flambeau, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. George V. Nienstedt, Delta, are taking an automobile trip through Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt, Chi, have just returned from a cruise on the Great Lakes.

Mrs. H. D. Johnson, Jr., Pi, has been appointed Chairman of the Membership Committee of the Children's Dispensary. Miss Edna Place, Iota, Mrs. W. G. McGlothlin, Iota, and Mrs. H. D. Johnson, Jr., Pi, are members of the Board of Directors of the Dispensary.

Mrs. W. G. Glothlin is spending the last part of August at the Winona Assembly at Winona Lake.

Born, March 17, 1916, a daughter, Lucy Rosamond, to Mr. and Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt (Edith Elizabeth Gunn, Chi).

Miss Leona L. Turner, Delta, '05, retiring Chairman of the Nature Study Department of the Progress Club of South Bend has been elected Treasurer of the South Bend Bird Club, recently organized under the personal direction of Mr. Ernest Harold Baynes, celebrated naturalist of Meriden, New Hampshire.

ELIZABETH G. SEEBIRT.

DALLAS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The June meeting of Dallas Alumnae Association was a most pleasant one. Besides having several of the active members of Beta Xi with us we had Miss Virginia Spence, who was Beta Xi's delegate to convention. She read us the chapter report and then told in detail more of the things Beta Xi has done this year. The report was encouraging, and we are proud of our active girls. She suggested a plan to us, whereby all the Texas Alumnae Associations would join in and buy a scholarship cup—the purpose of which is to inspire the girls to better grades. We readily agreed to do our part towards the purchase and feel that the other Associations will do likewise. The cup is to be the permanent property of the chapter house, and each year, the girl having the highest average of the fraternity is to have her name engraved upon it.

The Dallas Panhellenic Association has decided to send some deserving girl to college each year, who otherwise would be unable to go. In order to raise money for this, various entertainments are to be given throughout the year. The first of these was a bridge party given last spring. Tickets were sold and all who came had a very delightful afternoon. Aside from playing several games of bridge, refreshments were served and a musical program enjoyed. The party in all was quite a success, and encouraged all to further the plan.

Mrs. D. D. Ottstott, Sigma, was our delegate to convention.

Miss Mary Drake, Beta Omicron, was here in May on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Adam Davidson. Mrs. Davidson entertained for her with a delightfully unique party. A guessing contest made up of Kappa words and emblems was enjoyed and a color scheme of "blue and blue" prevailed throughout.

Miss Ethel Murray, Beta Xi, of San Saba, spent most of the spring in Dallas visiting relatives, and attended the monthly Kappa luncheons.

Miss Margaret Batts, Beta Xi, of Austin, was a recent visitor to her sister, Mrs. Sawnie Aldredge.

Miss Margaret Clarkson, Beta Xi, of Corsicana, is visiting relatives in Dallas.

Miss Johannah Runge, Beta Xi, of Austin, recently made a visit to her sister, Mrs. Tom Rose, of Dallas.

Mrs. Robert Penn (Elizabeth Hudson) is living in Dallas and has become a member of Dallas Alumnae Association of K K Γ.

Mrs. A. D. Brinkerhoff (Genoa Harrington) has moved from Waco and is making her home in Dallas.

Mrs. Hart Willis (Jesse Lee Rembert) has entirely recovered from a severe spell of pneumonia from which she suffered in the winter.

Mrs. Walter A. Dealey (Willie Pearl Gardner) has just returned from a visit to her parents in Palestine.

Miss Maidie Dealey has returned from a short trip to different points in Arkansas.

Miss Ruth McReynolds, Beta Xi, of Paris, was a recent visitor in Dallas.

Miss Ruth Cash, Beta Xi, of San Benito, visited Dallas relatives in June. She taught school in one of the border towns last year and will resume her duties this fall.

Mrs. Robert Tate, Beta Mu, has moved to Denver, Colorado, to live.

Mrs. W. J. Lawther (Helen Simpkins) is visiting relatives in Austin.

Born to Mrs. H. R. Davis (Anne Ruggles) a daughter, in June.

Miss Katherine Ball and Miss Berneice Allen are spending the summer with their families but will return in September to teach school again.

Mrs. H. B. Thomson (Geils Adoue) is visiting her sister-in-law in New York.

Miss Helen Lake, Beta Xi, of Palestine, is to be married in October, the wedding to take place in Dallas at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. S. Shapard, Beta Xi.

Mrs. Read (Virginia Rice) has returned to her home in Charleston, S. C.

Miss Ruth Hall, Beta Xi, of Houston, is visiting in Dallas.

Mrs. D. D. Ottstott, Sigma, is on an automobile trip to the coast.

Miss Ruth Potts and Miss Abbie Crane attended the Southern Methodist University here last year. Miss Crane will return this fall, but Miss Potts intends to reënter the Texas University at Austin.

At the last meeting of the Dallas Alumnae Association of K K T the following officers were elected.

Mrs. Sawnie Aldredge, President.

Mrs. H. O. Bower, Vice-president.

Miss Maidie Dealey, Secretary and Treasurer.

Miss Katherine Ball and Miss Nora Crane, Executive Committee.

MAIDIE DEALEY.

BETA XI ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Beta Xi Alumnae Association has dissolved. In its place we are to have two new Alumnae Associations, the Austin and the Houston Alumnae Associations. The Palestine Branch will become a Kappa Club.

A Panhellenic Association has been organized in Ft. Worth. A monthly luncheon is held. The Ft. Worth Kappas are enthusiastic members.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Seth S. Searcy (Ethel Morey) in July, a daughter named Vera.

Elizabeth Barry is studying music in Chicago.

Emma Lee Caldwell was married August 25 to the Reverend Jay Knox of Newburgh, New York.

KATHERINE SEARCY.

CEDAR RAPIDS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae association of Cedar Rapids, begs to be excused from personal comment about herself. We plead guilty to having stayed at home, and, due to the heat we have entertained no one, not even ourselves. But we submit the following about the few who have ventured forth.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hedges attended the Dartmouth class reunion in June. Their son, Master David, is the mascot of the class of 1911 of which his father was a graduate. Mrs. Hedges was formerly Coleen Johnson, Beta Zeta.

Mr. and Mrs. Hedges took a short eastern trip after commencement. They spent some time in New York City and later motored through the White Mountains.

Hazel Hall Hamilton and two children, Mary Ellen and James Hall, have spent the summer with Mrs. Hamilton's mother and father at Coggen, Iowa.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trewin, a girl, on August 10. Mrs. Trewin was formerly Muriel Arthur, Beta Zeta, 1913.

Mr. and Mrs. Alt and son have moved to Mitchell, South Dakota, where Mr. Alt will take the position as a surgeon in a hospital there. Mrs. Alt was Jessie Dobson, Upsilon, 1912.

Miss Jessie Vogt, secretary of the Y. W. C. A. in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is spending the summer in Philadelphia with her brother, Doctor Vogt.

Miss Corinne Jackson has just returned from Chicago where she has been a pupil in the Mary Wood Hinman School of Dancing. She will return to continue her studies there in October.

CORINNE JACKSON.

ST. LOUIS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Catherine Hinton of Chicago spent the summer in Estes Park.

Mrs. Perrie Alvey (Rose Burns) visited Mr. Alvey's family in Galveston in June.

The Misses Jessie and Marjorie Jones of Columbia are summering at Towks Bay, Minnesota.

Abbie Elwang, Columbia, Missouri, is in Virginia.

Mrs. John M. Fisher (Dorothy Canfield) sailed August 5 for France with her two children where she expects to remain as long as her husband is with the Ambulance Corps of the French army.

Mrs. Ralph B. Miller (Emma Parks) is studying the legends and music of the Indians of the Flambeau region in Wisconsin. Several magazines have published articles on the subject by Mrs. Miller.

Kate Burlingame returned from California early in the summer.

Mrs. Robert G. Miller (Ann Stratton) is expecting to spend October and November in Texas, her old home.

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Stewart announce the birth of a son, Joseph McLain Stewart, July 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Grace of Webster Grove announce the birth of a son. Mrs. Grace was Florence Shulz.

Miss Halley Prentis of Brooklyn visited Mrs. Franklin Miller in July on her way to Columbia, Missouri, where she was married August 5 to Mr. William Pierrepont Nelson, Missouri University, Sigma Alpha Epsilon at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. M. Ramsay. They will live at 809 Roosevelt Place, New Orleans.

Hazel Carter is writing a column every day for the St. Louis Republic headed "What's Doing in the Movies?"

Marion Sanders is visiting in Virginia.

Mrs. C. G. Walker had as her guest recently Mrs. A. W. Hull of Schenectady, N. Y., who was Mary Shore Walker.

MRS. CHARLES COLLINS.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

First in hopes, first in plans, first in the enthusiasm of Kappas was the idea of Convention. But few of us have reason to fret about the income-tax and so remained at home to await the glowing reports of Elizabeth Bogert, Edith Huggins, and Elizabeth Brayton, who accompanied the eight girls of the active chapter. Now that we've heard what "a good time was had by all" we think we really should have put a second mortgage on the vacuum cleaner and fared forth with them.

Only a jitney, however, the twentieth part of a dollar, was necessary to take us to the home of Mrs. R. F. Davidson for our annual reunion on the morning of August 4. Every Mu Alumna in Indiana was urged to return to the old camp-ground and "I remember when" to her heart's content, and a goodly number found that that proved to be a very rejuvenating entertainment. The breakfast can scarcely be described in terms of how many covers were laid, for you see there were no covers at all—just an informal "bacon-bat," and a jolly good one, in Mrs. Davidson's spacious yard. The girls of the active chapter, who were our guests, declared they could hardly wait to grow up and be alumnae.

Elizabeth Kirchbaum, Beta Gamma, of Canton, Ohio, was a guest as entertaining as entertained. Her song-story of the darkey "baptisin" was one of the hits of the occasion.

Mrs. Robert J. McKay (Mary Montgomery) visited here this summer, en route from her used-to-be home in Salt Lake City to her new home in Copper Cliff, Ontario, Canada.

Ruth Longley spent the summer in New Haven, Conn., and Hanover, N. H.

Y. W. C. A. work continues to claim energetic workers. Georgia Fillmore, a brand-new "Alum," has been office secretary at the Indianapolis Association building this summer. Catherine Martin is general secretary at Sunbury, Pa.

Louise Hughel, another newly acquired member, has entered library work here.

MARRIAGES

Cordelia Kautz to J. Dorsey Forrest of Indianapolis, March 4.

Katherine Porter Brown to Don Herold, August 12. Mr. and Mrs. Herold will live at 419 East 115th St., New York.

BIRTHS

Anna Jane, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Burckhardt (Haidee Forsythe), of Franklin, Ind., in June.

Robert J., Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hamp (Dorothy Kautz) in June.

Lee Dewey, to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brayton, Jr., (Lucile Scott) in July.

DEATHS

Mrs. Fred Jacobs (Mary James), May 11.

CLARA NELSON.

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

To favor the Kappa wives whose husbands have Saturday afternoons at home, the Kappa club will meet the third Friday, instead of Saturday, each month, this year. So Friday, September 15, the members came together after the summer vacation.

The president, Mrs. C. A. Harris, Delta, began the summer with a long visit in Colorado and closed it with a two weeks' motor trip in West Virginia.

Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Pettijohn (Grace Smith, Iota) and their two daughters enjoyed a lake trip through the Great Lakes and Georgian Bay.

Miss Ida Andrus, Iota, a teacher in the Manual Training High School, spent the summer at Estes Park, Colorado. Miss Mabel Shelper, Delta, another teacher, had her vacation at Chautauqua, New York.

Miss Elizabeth Bogert, Mu, Delta Province President, was the club's delegate to the convention and will give her report at the September meeting. Other alumnae at the convention were Edith Huggins and Louise Hughel of Indianapolis, and Frieda Hazeltine of Kokomo.

Miss Ruth Egge, Eta, who spent last year in Indianapolis studying voice, has gone to California for the winter.

Misses Ruth Allerdice and Elizabeth Brayton, both of Mu, took a special course in gardening at Cornell last year. We are hoping they will be located near by so they can be active in the club again.

Miss Ruth Stone, Iota, who has been teaching Latin in the high school at Noblesville, Ind., has accepted a position in the Technical High School, Indianapolis. Her sister, Miss Lyra Stone, Iota, who has also been a teacher, has resigned and will be married this fall to Mr. John A. Northland of Chicago.

There are four June weddings to announce; Miss Mary Dye, Delta, of Bloomington, Ind., married Professor Rice of Indiana University. Miss Mary Overcome, Delta, of Alexandria, Ind., was married to Mr. Harper Whitecraft, June 26. Hazel Simmons Bowles, Delta, and Mr. Reed Steeles, Sigma Chi, of Indiana University are married. June 18, Miss Emily Van Riper, Iota, of Indianapolis, was married to Mr. T. Jarvis Laurimore of Springfield, Ohio. The bride's sister, Mrs. Marie Van Riper Watts, Iota, was matron of honor.

ADELAIDE SMITH.

PORTLAND ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Since our last letter to *THE KEY*, the Portland Alumnae Association has entered upon a new year. Mrs. L. M. Jeffers (Zola Green), Epsilon, who has been with us two years and has been one of our most active members, was elected president. The new vice-president is Mrs. John R. Leach (Lilla Irvin), Beta Omega, the secretary, Mrs. Robert Tucker (Lambda), the treasurer, Mildred Broughton (Beta Omega), and the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Carl B. Neal (Jennie Lilly), Eta. We are looking forward to a busy and, we hope, a useful year. During the past year, we have helped a number of high-school girls who would otherwise have been obliged to leave school and we intend to continue and if possible enlarge upon this work during the coming winter.

This year Kappa holds the presidency of our local Panhellenic Association and we feel that in Marie Williams (Omega) we have one who will ably fill the position. Panhellenic gives each year a scholarship of \$250.00 to some freshman girl at the University of Oregon; and this year has pledged \$500 to the new Woman's Building, so there will be plenty of work for the president as well as all the members.

We are sorry to have lost two of our members this summer. Mrs. Harry Bastian (Hazel Wightman), Omega, who was a bride of last winter, has moved to Rochester, N. Y., and Mrs. Will E. Jones (Helen Debrisay), Beta Mu, has also moved away from Portland. She is at present visiting at her home in Boulder, Colo.

Mrs. Hugh Henry (Mabel Fitzgerald), Eta, is visiting her mother in Wisconsin this summer.

On June 28, Loretta Showers, Beta Omega, was married to Mr. George Rossman of this city.

Our association is the possessor of three new Kappa daughters; born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Donaca (Marjorie Cogswell), Beta Omega; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Goodell (May Cunningham), Beta Eta; and Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Neal (Jennie Lilly), Eta. This makes seven little girls

who have come into our midst within the last year, and we hope they will all be wearers of the blue and blue some day.

At the August meeting of the association which was a picnic, we had a report of convention from Celeste Foulkes, the delegate from Beta Omega. It was especially interesting to us as we were unable to have a delegate of our own.

JENNIE LILLY NEAL.

NORTH SHORE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Dorothy Sage, who is now Secretary to Dean Hayford of the College of Engineering of Nu, is spending her vacation at Stead's Ranch, Estes Park, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Manly have just returned from a trip to the Western Coast.

Hazel Robbins, '16, is now in Vancouver, B. C., where she and her mother will spend the winter.

Naomi Nicholson has spent the summer traveling with Chautauqua in Michigan as playground director.

Sue Markley has again returned to Honolulu where she is teaching in the Kamehameha School for Girls.

Evelyn Guthrie, '16, is leaving Evanston for Toronto, Canada, where she will teach in the Havergal School for Girls.

Marion Thornton, '17, was married August 19, to Mr. H. A. Long, of Chicago, Illinois. Mrs. Long will register in college this fall as a senior.

Katherine Stevens, '16, will teach in Tyne, Ind., this winter.

EDNA HARRIS.

BETA IOTA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Martha A. Sharples, '13, married H. Lawrence Hess, '10, on April 26, and is now living on Hallen Road, Cedar Croft, Baltimore, Md.

The regular May meeting of the Alumnae Association followed by the annual luncheon was held on May 13 at "Hamilton Court," Philadelphia. Susanne Willets is our president for the coming year.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Cadwallader (Laura Parry, ex-'14) a son, William Parry, May 21.

A special meeting of the Alumnae Association was held at Swarthmore, on Alumnae Day.

Mrs. Walter S. Gee is now living at 40 Strathmore Road, Brookline, Mass.

Our chapter was well represented at Convention. We all voted our trip a success in spite of the fact that we numbered thirteen. Those who formed the party were: Elsa von Palmenberg, Ethel Muschert, Marie Sellers, Elizabeth White, Elisabeth Bartlett, Martha Willets, Marguerite Reeves, Isabel Pugh, Catherine Pugh, Elizabeth Shoemaker and the three actives, Peg Willets, Florence Kennedy and Elsie Sinzheimer.

Dorothea Fitch and Margaret Milne are playing in *Happiness* with Chautauqua. Reba Camp, Sarah Sheppard and Ruth Kistler are engaged in Junior Chautauqua work for the summer.

MARGUERITE REEVES.

WASHINGTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Our Seattle Club has become the Washington Alumnae Association and we are looking forward to our first year in the national organization with renewed enthusiasm. The glowing account of convention given by our delegate, Esther Palmer, has already inspired us with new ambition. We have been an active club for six years but have missed that broadening influence and closeness to Kappa that being a part of the National organization and keeping in touch with the other associations gives.

At our May meeting, a luncheon at the Women's University Club, we elected the following officers: president, Anne Agnew (Beta Pi); vice-president, Mrs. F. W. Hurlbut (Nellie Wade, Delta); secretary, Julia Conway (Theta); treasurer, Mayme Lucas (Beta Pi).

We have had ten meetings during the year. Perhaps the most enjoyable were the "Fox Trot Frolic" with Doris and Lois Bronson in September and the Dinner on the "Zone" in November, with our Vice-president, Mrs. Hurlbut, where everybody came in costume—and such costumes I think the real Zone of the San Francisco Exposition would have "stopped, looked, and listened" could it have seen the Suffragette, the Oriental Lady, the Gold Dust Twins, and many other interesting personalities crowding around the refreshment booths.

Our annual June picnic at the summer home of Mrs. Hurlbut on Lake Washington is always a huge success. The entire active chapter comes to this meeting, also Kappas from Tacoma, Everett, Bellingham and other Sound cities, so it is a real Kappa reunion. This year 53 came.

The alumnae gave the banquet this spring, celebrating the birthday of Beta Pi chapter. Because of the "big snow" which made it impossible for Kappas outside of Seattle to get here the date was changed from February to March. It was given at the Women's University Club and in attendance was the most successful banquet we have had. There were just an even hundred.

Mrs. Geraldine Goodhart Donovan, Beta Pi, announces the arrival of a son in May.

A daughter was born to Mrs. Florence Gellatly Means, Beta Pi, in April.

The following engagements have been announced:

Doris Smith to Cyrus Noble, Sigma Nu.

Gertrude Barnum to Carl Reichert, Sigma Chi.

Mildred Donaldson to Lorin Angevine, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Margaret Sackett to Dr. Arthur H. Grey, a prominent Seattle physician.

Ruth Thompson to Lewis Connor.

August 7, Hazel Randolph, Beta Pi, was married to Jack Patten, Phi Delta Theta.

Florence Mackey was married in March to John Baker, a prominent Tacoma business man.

Doris Bronson was married in February to Crawford Morrell, Kappa Sigma, of Wisconsin University.

In April, Alberta Cram was married to Magnus T. Crawford, Kappa Sigma.

Lucy Campbell has been visiting in Honolulu for the past six months.

Esther Palmer on her way to convention visited both Omega and Beta Eta.

Genevieve Thompson is to be supervisor of music of Colfax, Wash., this year.

Jean Caithness was first lieutenant in the Red Cross Camp at Fort Lawton this summer. Hanna Woodnut and Rosemary Georgeson were both members of the camp.

The Washington Alumnae Association wishes every chapter all success in the fall rushing season, and invites all visiting Kappas to communicate with the secretary and come to our meetings. In addition to our regular monthly meetings, the third Saturday each month is Kappa Luncheon Day at the Women's University Club. Drop in.

JULIA C. CONWAY.

KANSAS CITY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Woodbury, Ruth Walker, Omega, on Sunday, August 13.

On August 15, Rachael Curry was married to Mr. Norman Price McAlester at the home of her brother in Kansas City, Mo.

CLARA WILLIAMS SMITH.

MUNCIE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The June meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Van Matre.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Warner (Lalah Randle, Iota) have a new son, Edwin Everett.

We have news that Mrs. J. J. Somerville (Emily Warner, Iota) will accompany her husband to Petrograd, Russia, where Mr. Somerville will be engaged in Y. M. C. A. work.

On June 24, Helen Mauck, Kappa, was married in Burton, Ohio, to Dr. Clay A. Ball of Muncie. Kappas present were Mrs. J. W. Mauck of Hillsdale, Michigan, Mrs. W. Z. Edwards of Cincinnati and Miss Frances Mauck. Dr. and Mrs. Ball will reside in Muncie.

JOSEPHINE DAGES.

HOUSTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

On October 1 we considered ourselves a separate organization, calling it the Houston Alumnae Association. The president is to be Mrs. C. S. Preston, and the secretary is Mrs. Fred S. K. Clemens. We shall probably meet as we did last year once a month at the homes of our members.

This summer has found the Houston Kappas coming and going on all sorts of trips. Helen Putnam has been visiting all summer in Iowa and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She is expected home in time to take charge of the Park Place School of which she is the principal.

Mrs. Vera Morey Monteith is in Colorado.

Miss Julia Ideson with her mother has spent some of her summer in Arkansas.

Mrs. Frederick Parker and Mrs. Jean John Baldwin have visited from time to time with their respective families who are summering at the Bayshore.

Mrs. Lucile Borden Tennant with her baby girl, Mary, has been in Beaumont and Galveston visiting relatives.

Ruth Witte married Walter Lane last June.

JEAN JOHN BALDWIN.

COLUMBUS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Columbus Association was held early in June at Worthington. About twenty-five Kappas were present at this meeting which was preceded by a dinner at six o'clock at the Hotel Central. The following officers for the ensuing year were elected: Mrs. May Cole Osborne, president; Miss Minnie Slaughter, secretary; Mrs. Marie Fahl Shawan, treasurer.

The marriage of Miss Marie Fahl and Mr. Jacob A. Shawan, Jr., was solemnized June 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Miller (Helen Taylor) have a new little daughter, born in July.

Miss Clara Newlove and Mr. Edwin J. Scarlett were united in marriage July 12 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Newlove, 40 Parkwood Avenue.

A daughter was born in June to Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Gallen. Mrs. Gallen was formerly Miss Elizabeth Brown.

The Kappas feel honored by the nomination for member of Congress of Mr. Hugh Huntington. Mrs. Huntington, a very active Kappa, was before her marriage Miss Augusta Menefee.

Miss Florence Welling of New York City, formerly of Columbus, has been spending the summer here. Miss Welling is one of the many college women who in recent years have entered the business world. She is connected with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States and writes very enthusiastically of the work in a recent issue of "The Ohio Woman." In the concluding paragraph she says: "Those women who have been the pioneers in the field of life insurance, have blazed a trail which many women will hereafter follow and thereby create for themselves careers of personal success and usefulness to humanity."

MINNIE SLAUGHTER, *Secretary*.

MINNESOTA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Minnesota Alumnae Association has been revealing its attitude toward preparedness this summer. The members of the committee, and others also, have been busily sewing for the Kappa Fair with a view toward surpassing the very successful Fair of last fall. This year it is to be held at the Plaza, November 11. Mrs. Reginald Healy is general chairman.

A delightful all-day meeting was held in July at the summer home of Miss Mabel Robinson, Fairview, Lake Minnetonka.

From Seattle comes the announcement of the marriage of Miss Esther Davis (Chi) to Ralph Mueller Hoffman.

MILDRED McENARY.

DENVER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Ruth Musser, '14, was married June 5 to Kenaz Huffman, Σ A E after a trip to California they are to be at home in Denver.

Mary Hammond, '14, was married in Cripple Creek, June 7, to Howard Smith, Σ A E They will make their home in Ray, Arizona.

Gladys Clark, ex-'16, was married June 14, to Paul Whitney, A T Ω. They are living in Florence, Colorado.

Louise Ennis, '15, will teach in Denver this winter.

Marguerite Nelson, '14, has been spending the summer since Convention visiting relatives in Virginia.

Kate Nelson, '12, will be in Denver this winter. She has been at the head of the Camp Fire girls in Kansas City for the past two years.

Elizabeth Glenn, ex-'18, was married the latter part of June to Harry Gammon, Beta Theta Pi. They are living in Ramah, Colorado.

We will be happy to have Estelle Kyle, our grand secretary, in our Association this year. She has given up her work in the Educational Department of the University of Colorado, with which she has been associated for the past three years.

KATHARINE MORLEY.

SIGMA ALUMNAE PERSONAL

Miss Louise Pound, Sigma, and Eta Province President, has been doing things again in the world of sports. In the *Lincoln Daily News* for July 29, 1916, appeared the following:

Miss Pound Makes Record
Sets new Low Mark at the Omaha Club.

Wins Woman's Championship of State, Making Best Score in Final Rounds.

One way and another Miss Pound just had her own way during the week. She played brilliant and consistent golf every day, and shot her best round yesterday afternoon for the state title against Mrs. John T. Stewart, second, of the Country Club.

SYRACUSE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Coit (Pearl Clark, '08) a daughter.

On April 11, 1916, occurred the death of Bessie Reed Maxwell, '93, in Toronto.

At the alumnae banquet during commencement week, announcement was made of the engagement of Marie Mevis, '16, of Camden, N. J., to Benjamin W. Roberts, B Θ II, of Windsor, N. Y.

On June 24, 1916, occurred the marriage of Esther Whitford, ex-'18, to Edward Rusvits Hawkins. Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins are living at 101 Stolp Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.

The thirty-five Beta Taus who attended the convention in Ithaca came back very enthusiastic over fraternity affairs and convention pleasures.

Eva May Bryon, '99, died in Greensboro, N. C., on June 29, 1916, after an illness of seven weeks with typhoid fever.

On July 11, 1916, Margaret W. Knapp, '10, was married to James R. Nichols. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols are living in Netcong, New Jersey.

In Memoriam

MRS. MAXWELL CASE (BESSIE ACHSAH REED)

Bessie Achsah Reed was born, April 29, 1876. She graduated from Syracuse University College of Fine Arts in 1893. She possessed a wonderful voice and made voice culture her specialty. After several years of teaching in southern states, she went to Europe and studied with Jean De Retske. Upon her return she went to Waterloo, Iowa, where she took charge of the Vocal Department in the Waterloo Conservatory of Music.

December 15, 1912, she married Mr. Maxwell Case of Waterloo. They removed to Toronto, Ont., where she died, April 15, 1916.

Her beautiful character, her wonderful talent and capabilities make our loss most deeply felt.

Mrs. Milton S. Gardner died at her home in Akron, Ohio, on Sunday, April 9, 1916. Her maiden name was Mary McMillan and she was initiated into Lambda in September, 1886. Both alumnae and active Kappas regret the loss of one who was a good Christian wife and mother and a loyal Kappa.

Clara Noorse McKinley of Beta Pi chapter died on March 24, 1916.

A. MERLE ARASMITH BISLAND, Beta Mu chapter, '14

Born—March 14, 1892. Married—June 23, 1915. Died—August 26, 1916.

All Kappas who knew her are mourning the tragic death of Merle Bisland, a beloved and loyal member of our fraternity, and of her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Arasmith, who were all killed in an automobile accident while motoring from Colorado to Nebraska. Merle's husband, John Bronson Bisland, a mining engineer was killed just three months ago by a live wire in a mine at Nederland, Colo.

In the death of Eva May Bryan, which occurred at Greensboro, N. C., on June 29, Beta Tau chapter suffers a great loss. She was graduated from Syracuse University in the close of '99, with Phi Beta Kappa honors, and later took her master's degree at the same institution.

After teaching languages in the north for several years, she went to Paris and made a special study of French. Soon afterward she was appointed on the faculty of the State Normal College at Greensboro, N. C., where for the last two years she was head of the French Department.

Miss Bryan was always active in matters relating to college affairs, was more than usually interested in her pupils and was beloved by all. The past year she was president of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae of Greensboro, and was sent by them as delegate to the Convention of the Southern Association of Collegiate Alumnae, held at Montgomery, Alabama, in May. From there she went to New Orleans, where she contracted typhoid fever, which caused her death, after a serious illness of seven weeks.

BUY A NEW SONGBOOK

EXCHANGES

Kindly send exchanges to: Mrs. Parke R. Kolbe, 250 East Buchtel Avenue, Akron, Ohio; Mrs. Howard B. Mullin, 175 W. 94th Street, New York, N. Y.; Miss Rose Affolter, West 7th Street, Riverside, Cal.

We have received:

March—*Greek Exchange*, *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta, *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho, *Phi Gamma Delta*, *Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega, *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta, *Lamp* of Delta Zeta, *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Alpha, *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta, *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa.

April—*Trident* of Delta Delta Delta, *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi, *Anchora* of Delta Gamma, *Phi Gamma Delta*, *Bent* of Tau Beta Pi.

May—*To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi, *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi, *Delta Chi Quarterly*, *Delta* of Sigma Nu, *Phi Gamma Delta*, *Garnet and White*, *Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Pi, *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha, *Angelos* of Kappa Delta, *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Alpha.

June—*Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi, *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*, *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi, *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta, *Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega, *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta.

July—*Angelos* of Kappa Delta.

The friendly fraternal war is on but at this early date we can give no news from the front. Lest the feeling run too high during rushing season it might not be a bad idea to charter the peace-ship and circulate it among the warring fraternities.

The all-important part of rushing is the material and just here rises the point of the service of the alumnae in the matter. It would seem that none would be better qualified to furnish reliable information on possible material than an alumna or alumnus and yet such efforts are frequently unappreciated and ignored as the following extracts from the *Rainbow* and *Palm*, respectively, indicate:

COÖPERATION AND APPRECIATION

At this season chapter letters and chapter papers abound with pleas to the alumni for information in regard to prospective new Delt material.

And when such coöperation is rendered by an alumnus how many chapters will neglect even the courtesy of an acknowledgment?—*Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta.

During the last few years particular efforts have been made to have graduate A T Os submit to various chapters, the names of prospective students at these universities with a view to their investigation by chapters. My experience along this line has been of such a nature that with the possible exception of my own chapter which is located in the city where I live, and from which I can receive a telephone acknowledgement, letters and telegrams regarding such prospective students are handled by the chapters with about as much courtesy as the commonest kind of advertisements.—*Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega.

We would suggest that the answer to the following paragraph depends on the season of the year. The good rusher may not be among those present when scholastic honors are distributed, but we will risk a wager that she stands high at the present writing.

"She is a good rusher." Is it an epitaph or a tribute?

Perhaps, in some chapters of some sorority, there is a member who is, in herself, a distinct type. She does nothing worthy in a scholastic way—she merely "makes" her class; she is never known to participate in a college activity unless it be of a social nature; she does not care to know those outside of her own sorority; she gains no college honor, wins no college office.

And yet—

In rushing season, she expands, she shines, she wins, she has the knack—the gift, perhaps—of attracting the freshmen and she glories in her strength; she is popular with men and figures conspicuously at each social affair—'tis there, she advertises her sorority; she is pretty, fascinating and showy—and she makes an impression.

"She is a good rusher." Is it an epitaph or a tribute? This is a "lady-or-the-tiger" paragraph—answer it as you will.

—*Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta.

After much frowning of noble brows (and high ones) over that curiosity tickler'secrecy we offer this to remove the wrinkle and produce a smile:

The late George Fitch had to have his little joke. So, although, as we all know he was a Beta with a real interest in his fraternity, when he was asked to dissect the fraternity as an institution, this is what he said:

"The Greek-letter Society was invented over one hundred years ago in an American college and there are now so many of them that the Greek alphabet is becoming sadly overworked and must soon be enlarged to take care of the rush of business.

"Contrary to popular supposition the members of the societies do not spend half their time writing letters in Greek. No doubt they could if they chose, but the kind of letter that father understands and answers most kindly must be written in English, and the Greek-letter member is usually a most faithful correspondent as far as his father is concerned.

"A Greek-letter Society is commonly supposed to be a gang of desperate young men who has sworn over a bloody skull to stand firmly by each other and never to reveal the name of the brother who blew up the court house. It is supposed to be so powerful that when 20 to 30 young men with pompadour hats get together in a black cellar under a red light and whisper in case-hardened voices they can defeat the noble candidate for Congress who is supported only by a few shivering magazines.

"We are about to divulge the four principal secrets of the Greek-letter Society.

"Turn down the lights, please.

"They are as follows.

"1.—The rent of the chapter house is now two months overdue and tomorrow the high priest of Delta Flush chapter is going to try to jolly the landlord along another month.

"2.—If a certain tow-headed freshman is made president of his class he can be snagged away from the other frats and into our noble order. Vote Brothers, vote.

"3.—On the third of next month an informal dance will be given with an imported orchestra and when the Phi Gammas hear of it they will expire with envy.

"4.—On next Saturday night at midnight three shuddering neophytes will be induced into the awful mysteries of our mighty band. Let no brother forget to bring a barrel stave.

"There are a few other dark secrets but none as black as these.

"Greek-letter Societies are harmless and moreover are of great good. Many a collegian has, through them, learned the Greek alphabet so thoroughly that he has remembered it after French and trigonometry have cantered from his memory."—*Greek Exchange*.

The Adelphean of Alpha Delta Pi has collected reports of the altruistic endeavors of each of the Panhellenic sororities and practically all have reported more or less organized philanthropic work with, however, this dissenting opinion on the subject from Delta Delta Delta.

In the first place, during these years in which a number of the Congress fraternities have emphasized outside philanthropy, our Council has been very much opposed to any such effort on the part of our fraternity. Each succeeding convention has given the Council complete support. We have no criticism to make on the very excellent work which is being done by some of the fraternities. We simply do not care to see some of the very evident exploitation of such work as the reason for being of college

fraternities. We feel very sure that any close and hostile student of fraternity life will read into extraneous philanthropic effort an attempted justification in the hour of criticism. In my own fraternity we have taken this antifraternity crusade very seriously. We have resented much of it as not justified in the present, but we have taken very careful stock of ourselves. We have questioned very seriously our reason for being, and we have found what we believe to be a satisfactory reason for being. We are not existing as a college organization merely to carry on some one big philanthropy or a hundred small ones throughout individual chapters and alliances.

We believe that the fraternity can do a great deal toward supplementing the work of the colleges which is primarily preparation for the life after college, and so we are centering our effort on active chapter organization as a business training, and expending considerable effort upon the development of the individual member.

We have to confess a little sympathy for the undergraduate who after being endlessly urged to join, to participate, to step out generally and all flushed with success in many activities finds her efforts unapplauded in sentiment like this taken from two different articles:

Having duly connected ourselves with every literary society, music club, dramatic organization, athletic association, honorary sorority, dancing club and philanthropic league with which one mortal could be affiliated, we find ourselves attending meetings daily and almost hourly, and loaded down with duties innumerable. In consequence, we fail to do our best in any instance, and cause ourselves to be labeled *indifferent, undependable, and careless*.

I speak only from the limited experience of life in one university, but if the tendency is similar in other colleges, the real aim and purpose of a college course, namely the obtaining of a well-rounded education, is submerged in the busy whirl of "all important college activities."

And yet we do think that joining becomes more or less of a habit and the great need is to cultivate individuality.

Don't be human ditto marks—they are uninteresting and only attract notice to the original.

The "chapter letter" once more! And this time no less person than Thomas Arkle Clark, dean of men at the University of Illinois, from whose interesting pen have come many inspiring articles, takes the stand to testify against it and make a few suggestions.

Quoting a few paragraphs:

The first thing that strikes me about these letters is their oppressive optimism. They reek with panygyrics; they express nothing short of superlatives; they are turgid with laudation. One who has had even a moderate amount of experience with imperfect human nature must have something of the feeling toward the writers of these letters that a friend of mine had toward a mutual acquaintance whom he characterized as "imaginative and expedient rather than rigidly and puritanically literal." The letters that are before me as I write these paragraphs are pregnant with "brightest prospects for the year," are full of "the most promising material" and "swell with pride" as they introduce "the best freshmen in college and the most brilliant that the fraternity has ever pledged." The semester that is closed is "the most successful in the history of the fraternity," and the one that is opening "bids fair to eclipse those of former years."

I recall a letter written by a member of a chapter with which I was acquainted which began, "After closing a remarkably successful college year," and continued with a page of similar bunk. The "remarkably successful college year" for them had in reality been full of disaster. The commissary through mismanagement had left the fraternity nearly \$1,000 in debt, one of their prominent upperclassmen had been dismissed for cribbing, the highest officer of the fraternity had neglected his duty throughout his entire term of office, and the freshmen had been allowed to run wild so that they had brought down the scholastic standing of the organization to the bottom of the fraternity list; and yet it had been a "remarkably successful college year."

In the first place I have never seen any advantage to the local chapter or to the fraternity at large in fabricating the facts. Such a procedure seldom deceives any one. When a pale, haggard-eyed undergraduate comes into my office and tells me that he is in riotous good health and that he never felt better in his life, I know that he is lying, though I do not always go to the trouble of telling him so. So when a fraternity correspondent boasts of his chapter's having had the best year in its history, of its having pledged seventeen of the most superb freshmen that ever came out of preparatory school and of being on the whole the most inexpressibly successful and influential bunch ever tolerated by the college authorities, every one who has had any experience knows about where they stand. To blow one's own horn mellifluously and modestly is a task so difficult that the ordinary correspondent might better not attempt it. Present the facts fairly and as they are. Tell the truth. If the fellows have succeeded, say so; but we have all learned that life is not entirely sunshine. If you have lost out, admit it; if things are wrong and you have made mistakes, face the facts honestly and resolve to try to correct conditions. The man or the chapter that is supremely self-satisfied will never improve. Optimism may be carried so far as to become a weak-

ness. When you revise your letters, cut out ninety-five per cent of the self-satisfaction and all of the self-praise.

From the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* we get this sermon in tabloid form:

For twenty years the Gossip has preached everywhere his one sermon on the subject of the fraternity, which, boiled down, is this: "Your profit from your fraternity is in proportion to what you give it. If you don't put anything in you can't take anything out. You may give one thing and get another, but you must give if you would get."

"A Loose Rivet in our Sorority Panhellenism" in the *Greek Exchange* contains a valuable suggestion:

Should our national councils now direct that a visiting delegate of any sorority be given an opportunity to address, chat or confer with a gathering of all Greeks in school during the term of her visit, and that every active girl be expected to attend such a meeting, three years would see the system generally installed, and four the habit formed and in working order.

The inestimable benefits to the national Panhellenic atmosphere arising from this broadening of the horizon of active members, this personal touch with the mature women of other sororities, the frank discussion provoked by such talks, are beyond calculation.

No amount of reading of fraternity magazines, of discussion, or of exchange of opinion on the college campus can equal this personal presence of a charming woman, this note of personal experience, the appeal of voice and eye, and the attendance of all the Greeks at the same conference.

And as we have already suggested there is more profit to be reaped than a mere solution of a local situation. Our college girls will learn to place their campus Greek life in its proper subordinate relation to the American college sorority question. They will learn to solve their local difficulties with one eye upon the effect, however small, of their decisions upon the general attitude toward Greeks the country over.

We may smile with feminine amusement at the verbal picture of disorder in a fraternity house appearing in the *Garnet and White*. There is no harm in smiling, but let us steal a furtive look about our own house as we do it. We might even use the writer's suggestion though we could probably dispense with the "alumnus."

If the fraternities would arrange for a periodical inspection of the chapter houses by some alumnus and his wife who would make the visit an unexpected one and who would immediately go through every room, it is probable that the men would eventually be shamed into neatness. Neatness is not fuss nor effeminacy.

Phi Gamma Delta offers a practical chapter house menu. It seems a sort of receipt for higher scholarship so we include it hopefully.

1. In college you are leading a sedentary life. You cannot work well unless your mind and body aid each other. Therefore, since you want to get maximum results from your scholastic labors, observe the following:

a. Take an hour's exercise every day, preferably between five and six.
b. Eat a fairly substantial breakfast of fruit and cereal, or fruit and eggs.

c. Eat a *light lunch* of salad, fresh vegetables and brown bread.

d. If you take a good work-out in the gymnasium before dinner, you will need no admonition to put away a hearty meal at that time.

e. Keep away from tea and coffee whenever possible, and if you really must smoke, smoke moderately. Natural stimulation is better, and won't fail you when you need it.

f. As spring comes on, eat less of everything, eat more fruit and exercise outdoors. You won't be troubled with spring fever, if you do.

2. For chapter house stewards.

a. Endeavor to interest other chapter house stewards to enter a coöperative arrangement by which you may all buy at lower rates and get better quality provisions.

b. Don't feed your men a heavy diet at noon. Avoid serving such light tid-bits as corn beef and cabbage, pork chops and gravy, potatoes fried in grease, soggy wheat bread, thick cocoa, etc. If you observe these tips, you will make much less work for your scholarship committee. Most of your men are in classrooms from 9 to 4 and you can't feed them like day laborers and expect them to shine as intellectual stars.

All this is based on the assumption that "college bred" is not "a four years' loaf" to the fraternity man, and that the commissary department is a most important part of an army of workers.

"What the Fraternity Girl Thinks" in the *Arrow* contains two interesting letters.

"What a fraternity girl thinks" seems always to be from the point of view of a house girl—a town girl also thinks, and finds the benefits gained from Pi Beta Phi quite as great as the girl who learns self-control, unselfishness, and so forth, through constantly being with other girls in the house.

Town girls know little about the chapter dining table, but they do know about chapter responsibilities. The combination of both town and fraternity girl has taught me how to renovate a whole house, hire efficient help, supervise the cleaning, and even take an active part in window washing and curtain hanging. (Also it has taught me to overlook thoughtless remarks upon return of the girls about "The idea of putting the rose rug and hangings in the living-room; they'd look so much better in the parlor.")

Moving furniture from an eleven-roomed house to one with nine rooms, deciding where on earth to put the four extra dressers, when there is no attic, and room must be left in the cellar for trunks, whether the three broken sanitary couches are worth repairing or not, and finally arranging pictures and furnishings as artistically as possible without putting the piano in front of the steam pipes for fear they would damage it—all this has given me what little executive ability I have and has taught me the summer responsibilities are great and though sometimes unappreciated are always of benefit and pleasure just as is any real service "for the cause."

I would like to cite an instance where the fraternity house served to lighten girls' financial burdens instead of adding to them.

Last year at Washington we moved into our beautiful new home, and, of course, our expenses were larger than in previous years. Some of the girls felt that unless something was done to lessen their expenses, they could not afford to live in the new house, or, at least, they felt it a great drain on their pocketbooks to live there, however much they desired it.

We had been accustomed to having a Japanese waiter who set the table, served the meals, laundered the napkins and did the light cleaning. Our house-manager devised a plan whereby this work, previously done by our own Jap was divided among four girls who wished to do something to lessen their expenses. One of the girls took charge of the napkins and the other three divided the serving of the meals and the cleaning among them. As pay for their work, each girl was given ten dollars towards her board and room, making in all forty dollars, which was the salary which the Jap had been paid.

The scheme worked wonderfully well, and at times, if one of the girls wished a little vacation and rest from her duties, the other girls were always most willing to help out. Our Dean of Women heard of our plan and endorsed it most strongly, and it was not long before another fraternity was running its house on the same basis.

Sigma Kappa Triangle has a "To be Frank" column headed by the editor's

I assure you as solemnly as I ever said anything that I will not publish your name if you prefer not, and furthermore I will not "give you away" to the Grand Council if you are radical or rebellious—only you must be sincere.

Now limber up your ideas and your postage stamps, and write to the Chapter Editor, at Madison, South Dakota, and let's let the sunlight in on our private notions of proper sorority attitudes on mooted questions.

From behind this bulwark come candid expressions on the age limit of pledges, freshman fagging, those interfering alumnae, et cetera.

The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta has issued a "baby number"—an idea which Alpha Phi frankly threatens to "cop."

To Digma for May is a Social Service number and the July *Angelos* of Kappa Delta, a special alumnae issue.

What a newspaper heading this would make—"Foundation of Woman's Building, Built Out of Sandwiches." And yet those are near facts which explained in detail mean that the Woman's Athletic Association of Northwestern has started a \$250,000 fund for a Woman's Building by selling sandwiches netting about \$300 per year, hence the sandwich foundation.

The Angelos tells all about it.

We liked this from *The Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, for the crisp, genuine spirit of the far north.

Founders' day has passed as have the banquets and after-dinner speeches. Most of the banquets were probably formal and more or less elaborately planned but they couldn't hold a candle to the one held in Juneau. We missed the date, true enough, by about a month, but in Alaska we must needs do things when the opportunity offers.

On the evening of January 28, three happy Σ A Es "mussed" five miles to Juneau through a howling blizzard. There we were met by two more loyal brothers and escorted to Spatz Café. In a little nook in the grillroom was a table prepared for five and the five Σ A Es sat down to the "Furthest North Σ A E Banquet." The table was loaded with a variety of dishes and silverware just like you all had "outside." Soon a quiet-voiced "Garcon" started the feed by bringing on the first installment of "grub." The eats were fine, so were the drinks—of coffee and water, but best of all was the joy of being alive and being an Σ A E.

The dress was a little below par. Brothers Sterling and Cole appeared in real store clothes, but Brothers Allen, Peckenpaugh and myself were forced to appear in flannel shirt, khaki trousers and coats and hob-nailed shoes.

Make them like us!

The fraternities at the University of Washington have adopted an interesting plan to win the approval and good-will of the newspapers of the state. One of the most popular courses there is the department of journalism, headed by Dean Frank Kane, one of the best-known teachers of journalism in the country. He has instituted an annual Washington Newspaper Institute, which meets for three days every year, and the newspaper editors from all over the state attend it. Recently the fourth annual

institute was held, and the fraternities invited the editors to be their guests throughout the convention. The editors had a great time, and when they returned to their homes, they had a lot of first-hand knowledge about college fraternities. They had had an opportunity to see the societies at close range and to see that the fraternities were making college homes for their members, that the upperclassmen were looking after the scholarship, comfort and morals of the younger men, and that the atmosphere of a fraternity house is wholesome. The fraternities made a lot of friends through the unusual opportunity.—*The Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta.

"A student on graduation does not graduate out of the fraternity. He graduates into it. All that went before was merely preparation."—President Patterson, at the New York Alumni Club's annual dinner.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

PANHELLENIC SURVEY

ROSE AFFOLTER

By their letters ye shall know them.

ALPHA OMICRON PI

(This was a Social Service Number)

BARNARD

In addition to the regular chapter work, many of the girls do individual social service. Grace Gillean, as president of Y. W. C. A., has had a great opportunity which could not have been better used; the Association is entirely supporting a girl of high school age, whom it even intends to send through college; Grace is also president of King's Daughters, and spends a large part of her time working among the invalids of the Home for Incurables. The O'Neills also are well known at the Home, for frequently do they spend their Saturdays and evenings playing on their guitar and mandolin to bring some cheer from the outer world into the darkened lives. In addition to what has been mentioned, the individual girls find time to teach Sunday School, take part in local charitable work, dress dolls for children, canvas the city for unregistered infants, and even make bandages for the soldiers; in fact, making bandages for the soldiers has become part of the business at fraternity meetings. The chapter has given a program at Social Center in the early part of the year, and is planning another for an early date.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

Jane Monroe has become one of the newly created "Assistant Municipal Examiners" of the Street Cleaning Department, and has a handsome gold badge, which is the pride of her heart and the envy of all others. The plan is for these officials to gather facts about existing conditions and lecture to public schools and East Side Clubs, etc., on ways to keep the streets clean. They are also to have a good deal to do with the enforcement of ordinances in the still newer "Municipal Court," the only one of its kind in the world.

RANDOLPH-MACON

Besides the work among the orphans, we are interested in teaching and helping the maids. Annie Earle Reed, '17, is the proud teacher of a gymnasium class of sixteen waitresses, as she says "of all shapes, ages and descriptions." Every Monday and Wednesday nights they eagerly come down to the gymnasium, and their interest in arm and leg exercises, vaulting and climbing ropes is marvelous, when we think of how *we* cut our gymnasium on the slightest provocation.

MAINE

We spent a very enjoyable evening not long ago, overcasting and folding bandages for the soldiers. Vera had a big box full sent out for

us from the Red Cross Society in Bangor, and after our regular business meeting, we had a delightful cozy sewing-bee. How our fingers, and needless to say, our tongues flew! Now, we are planning to sew for a worthy family of small children, who are in dire need of aid.

NORTHWESTERN

But best of all, is the beach party we are planning for twenty-five little Camp Fire girls from the tenements near our Settlement.

SYRACUSE

At the city Day Nursery, one of our seniors appears weekly, and is hailed as the "lady what tells the stories." Her tales are nearly as well received as those of our library senior, who makes flying-trips to out-of-town libraries to preside over the story-telling hour for children. One afternoon recently we entertained a group of the settlement children at the chapter house. Jewish, Lithuanian, Polish, Greek, Irish and Armenian they gathered, all loyally American in listening to the story of the flag, playing the marching games, and eating ice cream.

ILLINOIS

On alternating Wednesday evenings, we have Yo-Ma exchange and faculty dinners. Yo-Ma is a sophomore intersorority organization, for the purpose of bringing the sororities into closer contact and getting the girls better acquainted. On Wednesday night twice a month six girls from each sorority go to some other sorority house for dinner. On the other Wednesday nights of the month, we entertain from four to six members of the faculty. We ask one of them to speak to us for a few minutes after dinner. This brings association with faculty members, which we could get in no other way, and we find the evenings so spent, delightful and profitable.

DELTA GAMMA

WASHINGTON

Two months ago an agitation was started in Panhellenic that the sororities combine and hire a dietitian who will buy food wholesale, and will make out menu cards for each one. Delta Gamma was advised against entering into the plan and voted against it. Kappa Kappa Gamma and Alpha Xi Delta also refused, but we understand that the other ten or twelve are going to coöperate regardless of us. It remains to be seen how the system will work out.

CALIFORNIA

Representatives from the women's house clubs on the campus have been invited to the next session of college Panhellenic in order that they may know something of the working and aims of the organization and perhaps gain something through coöperation.

ALBION COLLEGE

One thing has taken place, since we wrote our last letter, that we are very proud to tell you about. The first Women's Intercollegiate Debate in the country was held here at Albion College when our team debated against the Ypsilanti girls, and out of the team of three, two were Delta Gammas; Mary Baldwin and Clare Culver. To add much to our glory, the decision was unanimous for the Albion team.

MISSOURI

On the eleventh of February we gave a buffet supper for the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. This was the first of a series of intersorority dinners we are giving.

On the nineteenth of February the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity entertained us with a *matinée* dance. They made charming hosts and we spent a very pleasant afternoon.

TORONTO

On January 24, we held our annual Mothers' Tea. It was attended with its usual success. Beginning January 26, a whirlwind campaign to raise money for the Patriotic Fund swept Toronto for four days. Although two million dollars was the amount aimed at, much more than that was realized owing to the unparelled generosity and marked enthusiasm of the contributors. On January 29, the students of the university were given the opportunity once more to aid the allied cause by contributing to this "On-to-Victory" Campaign Fund. The system was by tagging, and was directed by the women who undertook a canvass of all the university students. "Squads" of taggers guarded every door of every building on and off the campus, and from nine in the morning till five at night there was no escaping them. The contributions were ready and generous, with the result that over one thousand dollars was raised. It is in connection with this campaign that the men delivered over to the women the complete control of the *Varsity*, and, for the first time in the thirty-five years' history of the paper, a Women's Issue was published.

ALPHA PHI

STANFORD

After our rushing dance on March 25, we decided to start a custom of rushing each other. So we had our hay ride and picnic, where everyone had a wonderful time and came back more enthusiastic about Alpha Phi than ever before.

Panhellenic is offering an honor scholarship to be given to the fraternity girl with the highest standard. Each fraternity on the campus is to give ten dollars a year in order to contribute to the fund, which is to be one hundred dollars.

NEBRASKA

By our system of scholarship, the standing of fraternities is published twice a year. Delta Delta Delta occupied first place, Kappa Alpha Theta

second, Delta Gamma third and Alpha Phi fourth—in the list of fourteen national women's fraternities.

OREGON

We were delighted to find that Alpha Phi ranks second here in scholarship among all the fraternities. Pi Beta Phi was just .04 of a point above us.

Oregon has been very fortunate in having Miss Louise Fitch, the Tri Delta Grand President on the campus all of this year as housemother to the chapter here.

DELTA DELTA DELTA

COLORADO

Since the funds from the May Fête are to go towards the woman's building, original Sally has devised a plan this year by which each of us is to earn a dollar herself and give it toward that fund. Many and wild are the schemes employed as methods for obtaining that dollar! Our visitors are amused by the signs on our doors such as "Manicuring done, 10c" or "shoes shined, 5c." One of the girls actually blacked a pair of masculine boots which were sent to the house.

PENNSYLVANIA

Then our Alumnae sympathize with us and are always anxious to help us! Just at present, they are trying to raise money for a club house for the girls. They have evolved quite a clever plan for starting this fund. They are distributing strips of paper with slits to hold 16 pennies. The aim is to get a mile of pennies—about \$840—in this way, just as a starter. The house is to cost about \$50,000, and will probably have a gymnasium and a swimming-pool for the girls. No girl at a college that has these things can realize just how perfectly wonderful that plan seems to us.

VANDERBILT

The Kappa Alpha Thetas entertained us with a tea while Miss Bonisteel was here. We appreciated their hospitality so much, and enjoyed the tea besides.

We have had the pleasure of meeting a Theta District President lately, Miss Knox of Indianapolis. It was easy to become friends with her at once, and we enjoyed having her and their seniors and juniors at our lodge for lunch. The tea at their house the following afternoon was especial fun, however. As there were no rushees, the two fraternities sang rushing songs to each other and both were highly entertained. We had such a good time that some of us almost forgot to go home. They were to have an initiation that night though, and we rather feared it might be a breach of etiquette to stay!

GAMMA PHI BETA

WASHINGTON

First of all we must get all the conceit out of our system; but we can't help but add that we feel it well earned. Lambda is at present patting

herself on the back for recent honors as we proudly announce four new Φ B Ks in our midst.

IDAHO

Last Wednesday Miss French, our Dean of Women, and our Alumnae members who live in town came over in the afternoon, and talked over our weak points and our strong ones with us, and we discussed means of improvement and advance. It was a helpful meeting, and we have decided to meet together informally and socially every other Sunday evening to discuss things and get nearer together. I think it's an excellent idea for keeping up our standards and for really getting to know our sisters who are no longer in the active chapter.

KANSAS

We have been discussing plans for our fall rushing, lately. Rush week will last only one week, this coming fall, instead of two weeks as has been the past custom. Panhellenic has also placed a limit upon the amount of money to be spent by each sorority during rushing. This sum is not to exceed \$50, which amount includes livery and all phases of entertainment. Anyone guilty of violating any of the Panhellenic rules concerning rushing, will be brought before a committee. The penalty for disobeying rules is the holding back for one day all bids of the offending sorority. National standing of sororities is not to be discussed with rushees, at all.

KAPPA DELTA

ILLINOIS WESLEYAN

The annual Intersorority Track Meet was held May 2, on Wilder Field. Each sorority chooses athletes to represent it and to compete with the others. Many lost interest in the affair this year as it had to be postponed twice, due to the weather conditions. Nevertheless, all enjoyed the event. K K Γ won first place while K Δ had to be content with third, the only consolation being that K Δ had won first for three preceding years.

CINCINNATI

(This letter was so "easy to read," we print it entire.)

Time for another chapter letter! We hear much concerning the despair of editors of fraternity magazines, but what of the woes of their bond-servant, the chapter editor? Does anyone regard it as the chief joy of our life to resurrect long-dead events, several months interred beneath the memory of our fond sisters? Does any chapter save Omega Xi read the quarterly chronicle of Omega Xi's happenings? To the chapter editor the letter has but one interest—a psychological one. We blush to note the following progress of events every three months:

"Oh, girls, *The Angelos* has come!" A composite feminine shriek. "Let's see the chapter letter, quick!" A mad flapping of pages, heads crammed forward, eyes glued upon the fatal page—groans from the chapter editor.

Hitherto we have tried to be properly dignified in our editing of the quarterly report. The exhortation "avoid slang" has intimidated us. The result of our labors has been—very stupid. Nevertheless, it is no mean task to inject "pep" into the same tiresome round of fraternity happenings. Such as these, for instance:

On May 17 the annual Panhellenic banquet was held at the University; Omega Xi of Kappa Delta was presented with the scholarship cup for 1915. This is the second year in succession. Omega Xi is not at all proud of itself for no one expects the girls of that hard-working chapter to get the cup for the third and last time next year. The Phi Beta Kappa and her brilliant sister minds graduate in June, leaving the chapter an enrolment of sweet young things with no evident endowment of intellect to uphold the spotless record. The banquet was very nice—the best we ever had here for thirty-six cents.

Great excitement stirred our noble Panhellenic last month. After a week of feminine fussing and bootless bickering, a change was decided upon for the rushing season next year. Pledging is to be at mid-semester, initiation in February for the few who pass the required scholarship standard, with a second initiation in June for the one or two who may be bolstered up sufficiently to bluff the faculty through the second semester.

Owing to a very cold and rainy spring the classes in Parkology were small.

Varsity was rocked to its foundations by the *Passing of 1916*, a musical comedy given by the junior girls for the seniors on May 12. To still the scandal concerning the attenuated skirts it was decided to repeat the show in order that the men might be admitted and see for themselves that it wasn't an exaggeration—the play, of course, not the skirts.

We nearly forgot to mention the annual house party of Omega Xi at New Richmond, a wee village up the Ohio, the first week of May. The chapter editor did not go so is unable properly to report upon it.

Alas, we had hoped (no doubt others have hoped also) that this might be our last letter to the long-suffering *Angelos*, but our dear sisters reelected us (by unanimous vote) for another twelfthmonth.

KENTUCKY

Everybody tead and partied and danced the last two weeks in May, between bitter weeps of leaving everybody else. Beta Chi of K K Γ gave an open tea to the University on May 17; the local chapter of Α Γ Δ entertained the presidents of the Kentucky sororities on May 19; we made a few sandwiches and plucked a few wild flowers and called it a patroness party, with several other guests to the number of fifty or so, early in the month—May 4, if the temperamental editor *will* insist on dates.

PI BETA PHI

MICHIGAN

The Health Service of the university is making a rigorous investigation of the equipment of all the fraternity houses and much has been done

along other lines to safeguard the lives of the students. One great asset has been the placing of life-saving stations along the banks of the Huron river. We are very pleased to note in a recent magazine article that Michigan ranks second in the college Health Service work, California University being first.

FRANKLIN COLLEGE, INDIANA

Our chapter-room needs refurnishing very badly and we are now interested in raising a fund for that purpose. We have asked all Franklin Pi Phis to save their old newspapers and magazines for us, and we hope to make some money by selling them. Then, too, we are going to help the alumnae club serve the banquet for the province convention of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on May 5, and we hope to increase our funds that way.

BUTLER

Our chapter has adopted a new plan for raising money for the Settlement School. We have taken to help us a part of Pi Phi which we often sing about but do not often use—the Goat. A list of words such as “fellow,” “spike,” “bid,” “Barb,” and “Frat” have been ruled out of usage by the chapter and each time a member finds herself repeating one of these tabooed words she drops a penny into the little china goat which comes to all our meetings and parties as a faithful member.

MINNESOTA

Another means that we have taken for earning money, is by having bridge teas at the girls' houses. These teas also give us an opportunity to see more of each other than we otherwise would, in a more congenial atmosphere than that in which we usually come in contact with one another.

IOWA

Iowa women are intensely interested in the coming vote on woman suffrage to take place June 5. The university women formed an organization, and began operations with a “Suffrage Dance” which over a hundred couples attended. Speeches by prominent suffrage workers, and suffrage songs by a group of university girls formed the special feature of the evening. The organization has also made arrangements for a series of lectures, and is trying to bring Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst here. The girls are personally interviewing each university man of twenty-one years or over, finding out if he is in favor of giving the vote to women, and asking him to sign a form made out to that effect.



We wish to remind our readers that they will not be fined or have their keys taken away if they send contributions to this department.

R-R-R-R-R-R's

We New Yorkers do hereby state that we do not say "woik," we say "woik." You see the difference. And we do not see how the Middle Westerners keep so many R's in their systems. We can understand how, with practice, an r can be put at the end of a word occasionally, as in "never-r-r-r," but how anyone can remember to stop in the middle of a word and roll an r, is more than we can imagine, as in "yester-r-day," "under-r-stand" and "Westerrrrrrnnerrrs." As for ourselves we like a little r once in a while, as in "Betar Alpha."—From *Convention Hoot*.

On the way home from Watkins a machine filled with khaki-clad youths was passed.

1st Kappa—"Oh, see the soldiers mobilizing."

2nd Kappa—"Oh, those are only boy scouts automobilizing."—From *The Convention Hoot*.

The Editor of THE KEY has received the same complaint about THE KEY several times, and she is much distressed. This complaint is that it smells! And, worse and worse, that it smells like the *Cosmopolitan*! The Editor hereby states that we're mighty lucky that it doesn't smell like Snappy Stories, but she will make every effort, with the aid of the printer, to make it smell like the *Atlantic Monthly* or the *Literary Digest*.—From *The Convention Hoot*.

Goodness Gracious and My Land!
When will the C. C's stop their "grand?"

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