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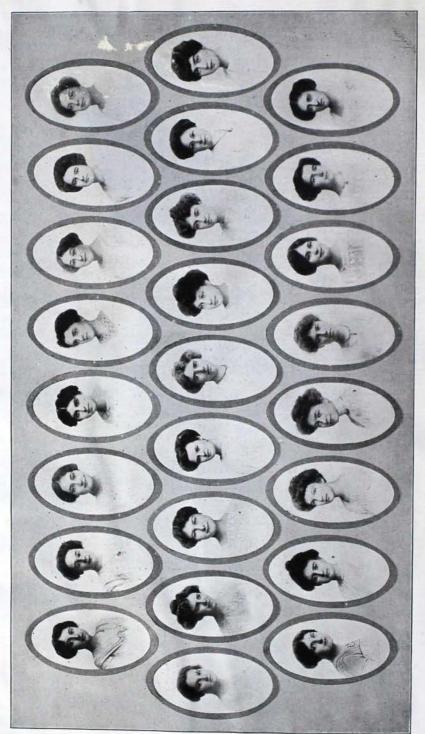
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GREETING

To all Kappas, active and alumnae, I send greetings on behalf of the newly elected Grand Council. We rejoice that the Council again includes five members, the Editor of The Key once more being one of us.

It is our hope that the Council members may be allowed to come more closely in touch with the active chapters during this administration and that we may be of assistance in helping all Kappas to more fully realize the ideal which Kappa Kappa Gamma sets for us as individual women and as a college organization.

We of the Council want to know you personally and well just as soon as possible. We desire to make our visits often if in so doing we may feel that we are a help and not a hindrance to the chapters. To bring this about the last Convention established the policy that chapters should make the entertainment of official visitors simple and inexpensive, and we, the Grand Officers, especially request that this policy may be carried out. When we come to visit you, we come to see the girls, not to be entertained.

We also hope you will come to us for advice and approval. Never feel that we are too busy or too far away to give a sympathetic hearing to anything which may be a problem to you, and which we may help to solve. We are a Council waiting and anxious to give counsel to any of you, and we shall be disappointed if we are not given the opportunity.

And now as the term opens and we begin again our college work, and enter into the "rush" to seek and win the best for Kappa, let us never lose that dignity and poise which should be typical of all Kappas, and let us remember that we must be kindly women and college students even before we are Kappas. With all good wishes,

Faithfully,

Eva Powell, Grand President.

VALEDICTORY OF THE GRAND PRESIDENT

FLORENCE BURTON ROTH

Members of the Grand Council, Officers, Delegates, and Kappa Sisters:—

As the officers of an administration lay aside the responsibilities of office and turn over to new hands the duties incumbent upon them, it has been customary to present to the Fraternity through its delegates to Convention, a résumé of the policies which have been pursued and of the work accomplished. No startling events have characterized the term just closing, but we feel assured that there has been growth and progress and improvement, and uplifting of standards and an approach toward ideals. There has been no departure from the platform of recent administrations, but there has been conscientious and untiring effort along the same lines. It has been hoped that we might soon have the governing law of the fraternity altered and adjusted and amended to fit the needs of our organization-that our Constitution and Standing Rules would be beyond the need of revision or correction. Recent Conventions have striven along the same lines, and for the most part the changes ordered by this Convention have been of minor importance or necessitated solely by the demand for consistency. The wonderful growth and development of the Fraternity has required a constant revision of rules to meet conditions but we feel that our Constitution and Standing Rules as now amended will meet the needs of the chapters in all essential points. It has been our policy, when special cases have arisen, to apply a liberal interpretation to rules in instances where essential life and growth might otherwise be sacrificed to detail, or handicapped by the purely mechanical or technical side of organization.

Besides the attempt to put the Standing Law of the Fraternity into complete and adequate form, it has been our policy to promote throughout our widely distributed chapters a greater uniformity in chapter organization and customs—a closer bond of union through a familiarity with neighboring conditions. We have made it one object of our official visits to acquaint each chapter with what the other was doing, and in planning the program for the Convention we have had that object in view. The

model initiation, the model archive chest, the scholarship chart, the exhibition of chapter pictures, the chapter house plans, and other features of this Convention, have all been planned in an attempt to bind our chapters more closely together and to make them more uniform and familiar with each other.

A further policy of this administration has been to establish a closer, more personal, more confidential relation between the chapters themselves and the national officers.

Chapter visiting has afforded the best possible opportunity for developing such a spirit, and it is in the interests of this purpose that we urge simple entertainment of Council members, and natural chapter life during these visits. We have appreciated and enjoyed every opportunity to meet your college friends and faculty members; we thank you for your great courtesy and hospitality in affording us these opportunities. The memory of those occasions will ever be bright spots in the recollection of our official experiences. But most of all we have enjoyed knowing you, vourselves—the opportunity of observing your personalities and of winning your friendships. We have found our greatest pleasure in the repeated assurances of loyalty and devotion and Kappa love which have come to us as the national representatives of our beloved Fraternity. It is the greatest satisfaction after a chapter visit to be able to call to mind a definite face and personality to suit each name on the chapter roll, to feel that a bond of personal affection has been established with many girls in the chapters visited. And out of the trust and confidence and friendships of such association has grown a better understanding of what our national bonds mean, and through this understanding the Council now retiring has been able to help in the solution of many local problems. That an unusual number of perplexities, chapter or personal, have been carried to the Council these past two years, bears witness to the fact that an intimate relation exists between chapters and Council, that through personal touch we have been able to win the confidence and enlist the loyalty of our girls. Some of the most valuable, as well as the most trying, tasks which we have been able to perform for the Fraternity as its national officers, have been made possible because of this confidence and understanding thus established.

We somet hear it said of a girl belonging to another group: "She is a typical member of that fraternity." Now let us stop and ask ourselves, "What qualities of personality and character shall constitute a typical Kappa?" Above all she shall be womanly-pure and true and gentle, possessed of those subtle but positive graces which are essential to the highest type of womanhood. She shall be broad-minded, unselfish and intelligent, genuinely in earnest as a college woman who seeks for mental, moral and social culture. Those who are opposed to the fraternity system condemn it on the ground that fraternities create cliques. We agree with Mrs. Martin in the opinion that instead of this being an undesirable thing, as many pessimists would have us believe, it is a most salutary arrangement for grouping girls into congenial coteries. By this, we do not sanction any form of snobbishness or approve of exclusiveness and indifference toward those who do not share our fraternity ties; but we mean only to justify the existence of our system. In taking a girl apart and making her a permanent member of a selected group, the fraternity is rendering her an inestimable service. It is providing her during her college course with family affiliations and with the essential elements of a home, sympathetic interest, wise supervision, disinterested advice. It is in recognition of this fact that some of the large colleges for women have adopted as far as possible the cottage system of housing students.

But despite the tremendous influence of propinquity and association, we must not relieve the individual member of her due responsibility. The average young woman does not realize the necessity of being personally interested in her own development. The college woman who wishes to become her best self must:

First—Safeguard her own health and keep physically well at whatever sacrifice of social life and popularity.

Secondly—She must learn self-control and develop her powers of concentration.

Thirdly—She must be absolutely honorable in her every relation.

She can be of the greatest good to her chapter and to her fraternity only when she is making the *best* use of her own resources.

And while I am speaking of these very personal ideals, I cannot refrain from a word concerning the attitude of our girls toward the men with whom they are associated in the some at abnormal social atmosphere of the university of today. We have sometimes wished that the same reserve and exclusiveness with which fraternity women in general are charged, might be literally true of them in their relation with college men. I wish it might be a part of the unwritten policy of this Fraternity that our girls shall never countenance association with men who fail to observe the highest moral standards. College fraternities will have to endure the sting of merited criticism as long as the chapters place social standing and "style" above stability and worth of character, above mental poise and intellectual ability.

In regard to our Pan-Hellenic relations, the recent administration has on the whole a very satisfactory report. Sophomore pledging has been adopted in a number of our institutions but as yet cannot be termed a great success. To be sure, it requires not one or two or even three years, to give sophomore pledging a perfectly fair trial, but it will require a whole college generation before the new system can be fully tested. In the light of the experiments which have been attempted, we feel that we are not warranted in standing for sophomore pledge day as an ideal to be universally striven for. We are of the opinion that the importance or expediency of such a system as a national policy has been greatly overestimated. To us it seems that in the majority of cases, conditions will not be greatly bettered by deferring the pledging or initiation of members until the second year. We feel that many advantages may be derived from fraternity influence over girls during their freshman year, that the unnatural strain of formal relations between new and old girls may, in many cases, be merely prolonged, by a system of sophomore pledging. We are rather of the opinion that sophomore pledging is only another experiment in the evolution of fraternity rushing, which can reach an ideal state only when our chapters and all other chapters develop an interfraternity policy of fair dealing, honesty, confidence, and honor, which will place each one above the suspicion of distrust. I have more than once been called to arbitrate or settle Pan-Hellenic diffculties where each and every chapter made exactly the same charges against all the others. I have always declined to sift such matters but have advised rather, that old scores be cancelled and that

all parties renew relations of friendliness and a spirit of trust. I hope the time is coming when we may have it said of Kappa Kappa Gamma, "Her chapters are never known to violate in word or deed the letter or the spirit of our contracts." In other words, I hope that the same nobility of character which makes us loyal to each other may make us nationally the soul of honor in our contracts. In my mind the most reprehensible feature of the present rushing system is the custom of exaggerating the importance of the rushee, of making her the object of every attention and of paying her every homage. The freshman is made to feel that she is conferring upon the chapter a very great honor by accepting their favors and their invitation to membership. Values are reversed—the chapter "proposes," the freshman "disposes." I believe that a brighter day will dawn only when the fraternity is made the object and the freshman understands that she has been honored indeed when accepted into its bonds. I believe that the pendulum has swung its limit on the one side and that we shall see it travel back again to a reverse order of affairs.

It has been my privilege during my four years of Council work to visit, officially or otherwise, twenty-seven of our active chapters and several alumnae associations. This has meant an acquaintance with hundreds of Kappas and a familiarity with local conditions and local needs which have been invaluable to me in my fraternity work. I have found a commendable earnestness of purpose and a splendid consistency of worth throughout our membership. I only wish I might have the opportunity to perpetuate many, many of the friendships which have been established during these visits. We earnestly regret that the demands of a very strenuous Convention program, both business and social, have precluded the possibility of a more intimate acquaintance between the Council and the guests of Convention. We sometimes fear that the technical and business side of our relation to the fraternity, which at Convention time becomes too all absorbing, has eclipsed our more valued human relation. We would not have you feel that we are automatic, heartless machines existing solely for the purpose of inventing or adjusting Standing Rules. Our paramount interest has been the development of a grander, broader, worthier, more honorable Kappa

Kappa Gamma. We have found consistently a quick response among the chapters, a desire to do the right thing under all circumstances. This has been the experience not only of the Council members but also of the other officers and committees of the Fraternity. Every suggestion for greater effort in scholarship, for more adequate house rules, for more suitable and appropriate chaperonage, for a finer consideration of social proprieties, has been received in exactly the right way. In order to safeguard this same nobility of purpose, these same worthy characteristics, we can only urge again and yet again, we can only take for our motto in each successive rushing season, a policy of great discrimination in electing new members. Choose wisely and well, choose for essential qualities of worth rather than for superficial appearances or for the purpose of defeating a rival fraternity. Never under any circumstances take a girl of whom you cannot be justly proud; never take a girl who is not worthy to stand in the light of her particular community or in the eyes of those who know no others of our menbers as a typical Kappa; one worthy in every attribute of character and personality to wear the key in all its symbolism.

I want to thank the active and alumnae delegates of this Convention for their faithfulness, their broadmindedness, their cheerfulness in serving their respective chapters and the fraternity at large. Keen business ability has been shown, sound judgment displayed, in the efficient service of our Convention committees.

It has been a great honor and a rare privilege to be called aside for a time, not to govern, but to serve the Fraternity. We have found immeasurable reward in friendship and loyalty, for every service and for every sacrifice. Through your sympathies and interests we have come into a deeper understanding of Kappa in its broadest sense. And now as I reach the end of my Council service, and as I place the responsibility in hands not strange or untrained, but with those most ably fitted to direct our development toward bigger, better things, I can only feel a deep thankfulness for all that you have been to me, I can only pledge to you my enduring loyalty and my deep personal interest in the future growth of Kappa Kappa Gamnia. May this Convention mark another mile stone in our journey toward lives of lovelier service, toward a stronger, purer, nobler womanhood.



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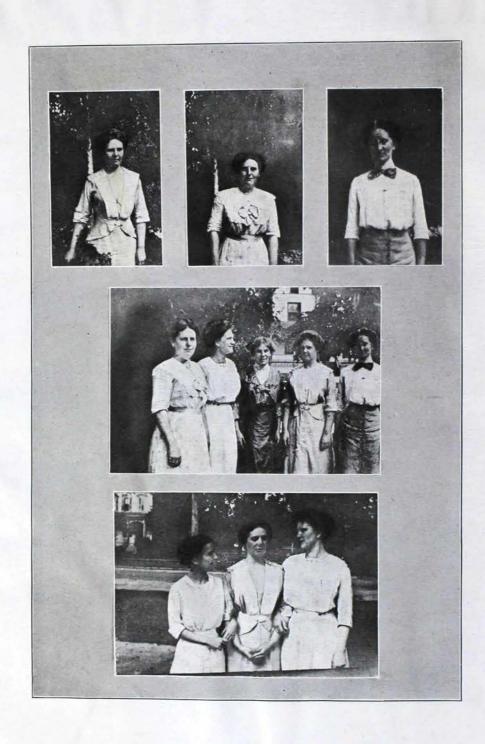
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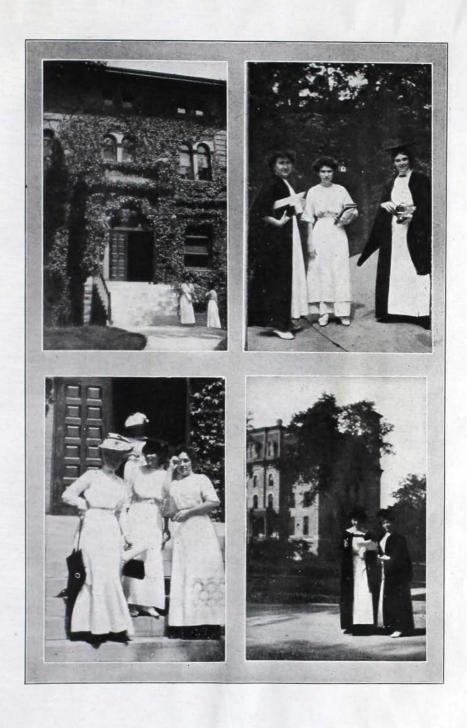
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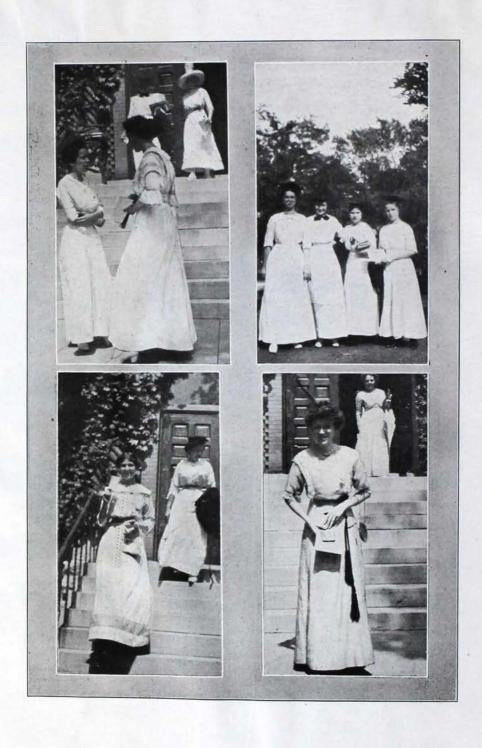
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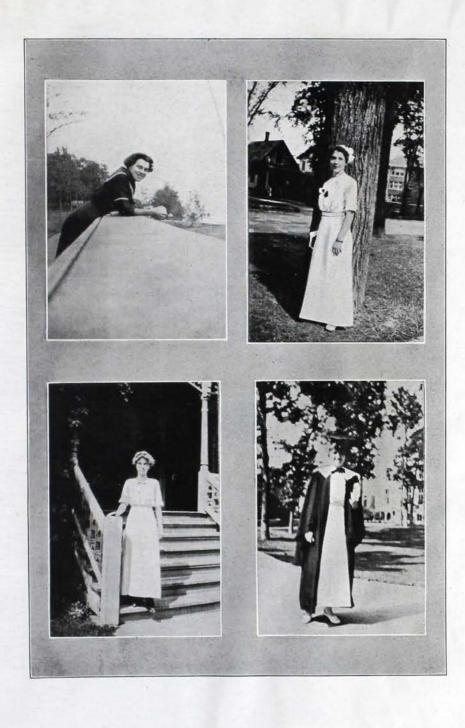
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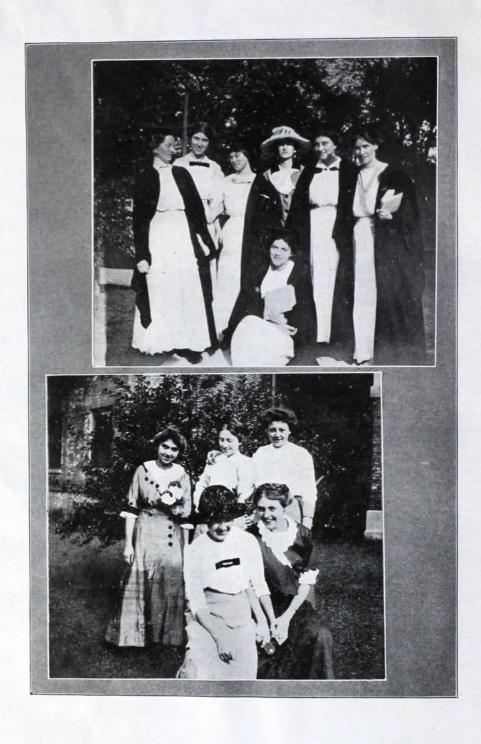












THE BUSINESS OF CONVENTION

Previous Conventions have reduced the law of our Fraternity to such a convenient system that it is not now necessary for the delegates to spend much time on technical legislation. The chief value of this Convention was less to enact laws than to give an opportunity for delegates and visitors to exchange interests and experiences of mutual value. It was an educational rather than a legislative Convention. The discussions of policies in Convention sessions, the exhibits and the model features outside of session hours, were all factors in unifying and centralizing the interests and policies of our thirty-six widely separated chapters.

Such legislation as was enacted was in the main merely embodying in the standing law measures which had already been tried as policies and proved an integral part of our Fraternity life.

The unwritten rule that each chapter shall be visited by a member of the Grand Council at least once in an administration was made a law in fact as it has been in policy; and the scope and object of the visits were defined as closely as possible.

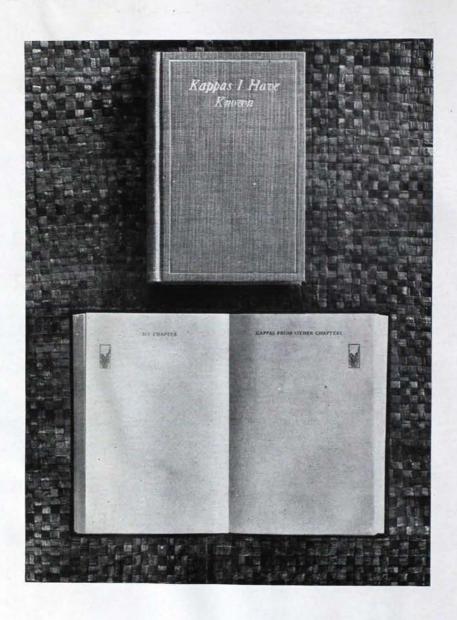
The report of the Committee on National Scholarship was accompanied by statistical information of the relative standing of the chapters, presented in the form of a chart. No further legislation was needed on the work of the Scholarship Committee, but the indorsement of Convention was given to the plans outlined by the committee.

Ways and means of increasing the Student Aid Fund were considered in detail, and Convention authorized the application of various Fraternity funds to this object.

The number of members on the Grand Council was changed from four to five, the Editor of The Key being made a Council member. The reduction of the Grand Council number from five to four had been made at the Convention of 1906, when the Editor's term of office was lengthened; but experience has shown the greater convenience of the former arrangement.

The Custodian of the Badge was ranked, by enactment of Convention, as an officer of the Fraternity.

The date of Convention was made optional with the Grand



Council, within certain limitations, to give greater scope in choosing the place of meeting.

The ruling that the facsimile of the badge shall not be used as a decoration was amended to except its use on the official coat-of-arms, so that the badge itself instead of the key without lettering will hereafter be used on the arms.

The question of life subscriptions to The Key was considered, and a committee appointed to report with recommendations.

A new ruling was adopted in regard to advertising in The Key, to relieve the chapters and alumnae associations of the burden of soliciting advertisements.

Important measures were, the appointment of a committee to issue a printed catalog of the Fraternity, and of a committee to issue a new song book, containing the more recent songs of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

A novelty in college scrap books was presented at Convention by Cleora Wheeler, Chi, in "Kappas I Have Known," which can be used not only in college, but as a life time fraternity record. The book is divided into sections, under the heads, "My Chapter," "National Officers", and "Kappas From Other Chapters;" and further space is provided for songs and other miscellaneous entries. The book is bound with stubs, so that clippings and snapshots may be pasted in to illustrate the careers of the notable Kappas therein enrolled. And a particularly pretty Kappa touch is added by the fleur-de-lis design on each page, and the blue and blue binding. The edition is limited to 250 copies; and copies may still be obtained from Miss Wheeler, 1376 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minn.

THE SOCIAL SIDE OF CONVENTION

BY CHARLOTTE B. BELKNAP

If you were not there you missed it, If you were, then you'll confess That our Twenty-first Convention Was a great and grand success.

Tuesday, August twenty-second Caused excitement in the town, For by night there were three hundred Kappa girls of wide renown.

In Willard Hall we all assembled, Friends who came from far and near, Happy meetings, sister greetings Filled us with good Kappa cheer.

Then on Wednesday, bright and early, Delegates and Council too Hastened towards the place of meeting Where they had their work to do.

And the sessions, you'd not miss one If you'd ever been before. There is just one drawback to them For we wish that there were more.

In the afternoon, the theatre Playing, "Merely Mary Anne," And the house with songs resounded Before and after acts began.

Wednesday night we welcomed gladly Three new Kappas, staunch and true, Our initiation moved us As we pledged our love anew.

Thursday our alumnae asked us To a garden party rare, And it really was delightful; They will vouch we all were there.

Between the trees swung luring hammocks Soft music wafted through the air, While tables filled with light refreshments Were placed discreetly here and there.

In the evening, great commotion Hustling, hurrying for the dance, Maidens gowned in filmy dresses Which would send you in a trance;

And the gym. was like an arbor; Climbing roses everywhere. Did I hear somebody whisper That there were no men to spare?

Everybody had a partner Some had even three and four. While the orchestra was playing Three hundred couples filled the floor.

The grand march, led by our marshal, Was lighted by a golden key, And we each received a banner With the letters K. K. G.

Then on Friday, such a picnic We had at Ravinia Park. With our boxes filled with supper We stayed till long after dark,

Though mosquitoes gathered round us. They were friendly as could be, And there must have been five hundred Who were trying to welcome me.

Saturday was hot and sultry, We were glad to have the gym. For a cooling water carnival Where we had a splendid swim.

Stunt night always is long looked for, Just the finest kind of fun, When the last performance ended, We wished it had just begun.

Gathered in the chapel Sunday We held vespers there at four. In the evening, Kappa songfest, All the tunes that we adore.

Last, but not the least in mention, Was our banquet Monday night. Things to eat which were most tempting Speeches, witty ones and bright.

Then too soon, it all was over; Fond farewells and then away, But the memory of Convention Will remain with us for aye.

SONGS OF CONVENTION

I

Air—The Russian National Hymn Kappa! All hail to thee. Thy praise we sound. Thy daughters honor thee the wide world round. Fair may thy records be in chapters yet untold, Lofty thy standards as in days of old.

Our part shall ever be forward to press, To bear thy banners on through storm and stress. Strong in our unity we fear no darker day: Truth like a beacon fire shall light our way.

H

Air-Kentucky Babe

Sisters, let us sing again the joys of friendship sweet, Friendship true and strong;

All the love that fills our hearts when loyal Kappas meet Weave into our song.

Sing the blue we've borrowed from the depths of summer skies; Sing the blue we've borrowed from the calm lake's deeper dyes; Sing the gold key gleaming

With the hidden meaning Sing our love for thee:

CHORUS

Kappa dear,

Once again our mystic vows we will all renew.

Kappa dear,

Once again we offer thee loyal hearts and true.

Thine forever,

Bound together

In fraternity!

What the years may bring to us who of us can tell— Whether "weal or woe?"

Land and sea may sever wide friends we love so well— Friends of long ago;

Though the happy college days shall fade into the past, Still within the fortress of our hearts, imprisoned fast, Fading, failing never There shall live forever

Love for K. K. G.

III

Tune—Bless Your Ever Lovin' Little Heart
From "The Slim Princess"
Here's to you, K. K. G.
We love you, goodness knows—

Each year your fame increases.

East, west, north, south it goes.
We love you—
We love the golden keys,
The knots of blue and blue.
We're crazy about you,
Can't live without you,
Kappa Kappa Gamma
Oh! Kappa Kappa Gamma
To Kappa Kappa Gamma
We'll be true

IV

Air-PIPE OF BRIAR

Flower that is best and sweetest, Colors that are blue and blue, Girls that are the nearest, dearest, Kappa holds in store for you.

Friendships that will last the longest, Locked by the golden key, All the memories dear of college Are signified by K. K. G.

V

Tune-Friar Song

Within the soul of everyone
Whose life is guarded by the blue,
An everlasting flame burns on
Which brands the impress of the true—
Our golden key unlocks the way
To larger thoughts and nobler deeds
Where inspiration onward leads.
Our motto urges ever on to better things.

When in the future we shall hear
That call Hai Korai Athenes
We'll raise our voices loud to cheer
And sweet remembrances give place.
Our Kappa life with all it means
Is not a thing put lightly past,
Its strength and love will ever last.
Now while we're here, let's give a toast to K, K. G.

VI

Air-ALL ALONE

Kappa girls, Kappa girls, They are the girls for meAlways bright and cheery,
Never, never weary,
Filled with love and loyalty for K. K. G.
With hearts so light,
Eyes so bright,
They praise the golden key,
To their colors, blue and blue,
They always will be true,
These girls, these girls of K. K. G.

VII

"Oh, mother, won't you let me go, For father can't say no? He agrees with me, that K. K. G. Is all that a girl should ever be. My vocabulary is all too small,

To describe them one and all. It's perfectly absurd To try to find a word That's adequate to K. K. G."

VIII

Tune-THE JOLLY SOPHOMORE

My father was a minister, a Beta Theta Pi— My brother is in college now—a young Phi Kappa Psi, My uncle was a howling sport and joined the Sigma Nu, So when I went to college they all told me what to do.

My father said, "Now daughter dear, I'll give you good advice. Your mother was a Kappa girl, a gem of matchless price, So if the Kappas bid you, don't refuse the honor high. Be a wise girl as your mother was and pass the others by."

My brother said, "Now listen, sis, don't be a little chump, If you should make a mess of this the family'd get a bump—There's only one fraternity—it's Kappa Kappa Gam And for all the rest I wouldn't give a little tinker's dam."

My uncle Jim, he puffed his pipe and blew the smoke away. "Before you go to college, I've just one word to say. In choosing a fraternity just take the best you see And I'll send you fifty dollars for a pretty Kappa key."

My mother said, "My daughter dear—you're old enough to know That Kappa Kappa Gamma is the only thing to go, So at the rushing parties where the girls wear golden keys Is the place for you to make a hit, for they are K. K. G's." So when I went to college I thought I knew a lot And Kappa Kappa Gamma was "Johnny-on-the-spot." The others tried to rush me but their stories wouldn't do, So now my heart is beating 'neath a knot of blue and blue.

IX

THE KAPPA TOAST

Come, one more toast before we go,
For all of our sisters we'll cheer.
Let us raise a song of praise
To our alumnae so dear.
We've come with hearts so light and free,
And now before we part
To old K. K. G., beloved fraternity,
Cheer with all our heart.

CHORUS

Here's to our sisters so loyal,
Here's to our golden key,
Here's to the flower we love so well,
The fleur-de-lys.
All of our lives we'll remember
K. K. G.

It's the best there is yet It's the best there is yet We'll never forget Our fraternity.

BETA LAMBDA'S SONG
Tune—Heidleberg

Here's to the girls of Upsilon,
Here's to our hostess dear,
Here's to the love of fraternity,
Drawing all Kappas near.
Here's to the colors blue and blue
Here's to the golden key
Here's to each of our Council true,
Here's to our K. K. G.

STUNT NIGHT

BY ETHEL B. CATTON, PI

Temperature 110°, where there was a draught—where there was none only Biblical language could describe the situation. It is needless to say that the Convention felt that Upsilon's Welcome was warm. The word was spelled on parasols which by a little shifting also gave the chapter name, and people forgot that exertion increases perspiration and applauded loudly.

Beta Delta's Billikins made one realize how near human those hideous little images are, and they kept an almost serious expression even when looking at each other, which must have been much more difficult than their dance.

Eta's stunt had a really professional finish. "When Julius Sees Her—a Dramer" caused the audience to squeeze out tears of laughter as well as the drops of perspiration which were continuous. Julius's remark as he offered Cleopatra a bit of doughnut, "Eat Tutti Frutti", brought down the house, and the bier—in a large stein—was very impressive. Eta gave a Swedish whistling stunt afterwards just to show that she possessed every talent.

Beta Mu followed with, "Where are the girls I used to know", a song by a gentleman (?) with a chorus of the girls, in which the bathing suit lady and the evening clothes lady seemed to be more comfortable than the lady in stock, cap and gown, the climate making one feel that any clothes were an unpleasant superfluity. But just to show that she had plenty of ginger, Beta Mu also gave a sailor's hornpipe.

Then a remarkable thing happened. William Shakespeare was brought in. This was not done by Beta Sigma, who according to photographs, has the gentleman permanently reclining somewhere near the front porch of their college but by Beta Alpha's giving "Henry V's Wooing" in a very artistic way. The only criticism heard was not for the actress but for Mr. Shakespeare. A newlymarried said, "They don't all do it that way". She probably preferred a closer approach to the cave-man style.

One of the very best was Iota's minstrel show with all the minstrels in white linen sailor dresses with scarlet ties. No black paint. I suppose it would not stick in that damp atmosphere. This was a long and varied performance ranging from songs, sentimental and serious, to stories gracefully directed toward celebrities present, such as the porter's shining one shoe and a suit case for a certain member of the Grand Council. On hearing this, the said G. C. said, "My feet don't look as big as that, do they"? sticking out a perfectly good understanding which at that time resembled a marble slab, being clothed in white for the occasion.

Delta gave an imitation of a "wild" prairie flower. It can be said for this stunt that it was very close to nature, and has only been surpassed by Gertrude Hoffman and a very few others.

Why Beta Pi did not have St. Vitus dance after her moving picture can only be explained by saying that she used up all her jerks then. If the Spanish Cavalier had had many verses the actors would have fallen apart "moving." It was necessary to put up a sign saying "A few minutes rest" before the movements could be completed.

I do not know whether Omega was Pennsylvania Dutch, Minnesota Swede or Milwaukee Socialist; she certainly explained the Discovery of America in a way to bring out gurgles and snorts of appreciation which did not need any "speckin the spie-glass" to discover.

"Entertaining a Freshman" was interesting, especially because two generations of Kappas took part, and also because the freshman seemed willing to join the chapter, after the gruesome entertainment provided for her, the musical story of the love and death of two charming young things, one long and fat and one long and thin. The fat one made the better showing when spread out on the stage.

Kappa was represented by one of her earliest members in a way that made the remark, "They were some people in those days" seem quite true. The "Simzonie" telling the piano story, fortissimo, of the dear little antelope and the fierce lion was a masterpiece and I've been trying to locate those three trees ever since along about the middle of the keyboard. The running brook and the escape of the antelope would take a Paderewski to imitate.

Chi's Minneapolis shop girl seemed extremely clean and active. Most of the real ones look as though they had been put through a wringer and were searching for a clothes line to hang on. Her language was beautiful and her gum was the only piece visible that week. It seems the Grand Council officially frowns on the chewing habit and the rest have to follow their example.

Beta Lambda's Japanese were also an improvement on the real thing both in looks and general cheerfulness and ability, as any one can tell you who has gotten up in the morning and found the Jap cook has taken French leave. (The Japanese are very good at adopting the customs of other nations and this is one custom which they have made their own.)

Epsilon's exposition of what will be the morning-after appearance of your better-half "when you marry a girl for looks", would not be a surprise to any man who had taken a journey in a sleeping car, awful as the transformation was. But after one has seen four women in a Pullman dressing-room sorting rats, switches, etc., and no blonde coming out with a brunette switch, or raven haired beauty with a yellow rat coyly sticking out, one feels it is a very limp person who will appear even for a few minutes without *some* of her war-paint, so we feel this was not a true picture.

About at this point of the Stunt Night Show there was an announcement that any one who had any stunt would please come forward to give it. The immediate response was that everybody arose and moved not in but out, to get a few breaths of air and a temperature about two degrees cooler, not to speak of drinks at the Greeks—an appropriate fraternity resort. For the best proof that Stunt Night was a great success was the fact that the audience forgot the heat for nearly three hours.

STUNT NIGHT SONGS

SUNG BY UPSILON.

Tune-"Goodbye, Everybody."

Welcome everybody, welcome sisters true,
From east and north and south and west come golden keys
Bearing staunch and loyal daughters of K. K. G.

Long you cannot tarry
We wish you could stay,
But we'll meet together
On next Convention day,

TUNE-"Gypsie Sweetheart."

We'll sing one song of Kappa Kappa Gamma
And of the girls of the golden key,
So when college days are past and over
Still our hearts will turn back to thee.
And when things look, oh so dark and dreary,
When my way I cannot see
Still my thoughts will ever help to cheer me,
Thinking of you, K. K. G.

We'll sing one song of our dear alma mater
And of our Upsilon Chapter too,
Friendship that the years can never sever
We have gained in loving you,
Loyalty and trust we pledged forever,
When we took our golden keys.
And by serving you we'll stand together
Upsilon K. K. G. Charlotte B. Belknap.

SUNG BY LAMBDA.

TUNE—"String a Ring of Roses 'Round Your Rosie."

Every Kappa wants to be at Evanston

Every one that wears a golden key,
We have all been counting on Convention
And now we're mighty glad that we are here,
We are 'tending all the business sessions
And we never miss the jollity.
We are all together here in one big family,
Kappa Gamma, Kappa Gamma
Now we sing Hurrah for K. K. G.

Tune—"I Want To Be In Dixie."

I want to be, I want to be a K. K. G.

So that I can wear a golden key

And belong to the best fraternity.

I'll never make, I'll never make, I'll never make a big mistake By joining anybody else. K-a-p-p-a, don't know how to spell it But I'm going, oh yes I'm going, to be a K. K. G.

TUNE-"Be My Little Baby Bumble Bee."

Be our little Kappa freshman pledge—little girl, little girl, little girl, We'll be oh so good to you, yes indeed, yes indeed, yes indeed, Only say you like us best, and we will try to do the rest, And when we get where no one else can see, golden key, golden key, golden key.

Be our little Kappa freshman pledge—little girl, little girl, little girl We'll be just as happy as can be, you and me, you and me, you and me. Only say you like us best, and we will try to do the rest For we want you to be our Kappa freshman pledge.

SUNG BY BETA LAMBDA

Tune:-"Humoresque"

Would you let a Japanee
A little Nippon maid like me
Ever wear the golden key of Kappa?
We will ever loyal be
To blue of sky and blue of sea
Much longer than we'll be a Japa.

"Ken eecha wa yah tenk a day,"
Is what the Nippon maidens say
When flitting by so gay in Yokahama,
Tho' we love our cup of tea,
We'll sacrifice it gladly
To wear the key of Kappa Gamma.

Kappa girls we love you true,
You wearers of the blue and blue;
And hope that naught our sisterhood may sever
Tho' we're from a far off land,
We want to join your happy band,
And then we'll all united stand, forever.

THE CONVENTION BANQUET

If there is any more charming sight than a Kappa Convention Banquet ye faithful scribe who chronicles this, has yet to see it. The three hundred and more girls who attended Convention had seemed as attractive as possible all the week, in their summer frocks and caps and gowns; but after all, we never get the full effect of a Kappa Convention until we see the girls in banquet guise with shimmery evening gowns and powdered hair, in a setting of flowers and lights and songs. It was a rainbow banquet; and Helen Adams, Upsilon, as toastmistress, built the rainbow bridge for the speakers. She said:

I want to talk tonight of a rainbow; to differentiate it, as it were, from the common or campus variety of beau. It is hard to keep the latter from going to seed and even harder to keep the former from fading into the mist from whence it sprang.

Many years ago a body of civil engineers conceived a stupendous plan—to build a bridge from reality to ideality, to span the distance from the United States to Arcady. It was a wonderful plan requiring strange materials; it was a deep chasm to span, a great distance to build; but the group of engineers possessed optimism, imagination, and ability; and the work was begun. The first abutment was placed, the second followed, the great girders were swung, and the work was in progress. But one morning, the builders awoke to find that a storm had swept the valley, and torn one of the pillars away. That was a hard day for the engineers. Even the stones were tinged with blue from the general atmosphere. "Ever Have the Kappa Blues?" Laurastine Marquis, Epsilon, will answer the question.

MISS MARQUIS:—A Kappa may sometimes see red, but she always sees blue.

One Christmas time, we were sailing in the China Sea. Near the end of a hot, sultry day a great black thunder cloud rolled up from the southeast bringing with it a deluge of rain. The sea was one ugly seething mass of green, with choppy splotches of white over it.

As quickly as that tropical storm had come, it subsided.

The air was cool and refreshing with the sun shining as brightly as before.

Across the sky stretched a brilliant rainbow, both ends dipping into the water, pointing out distinctly the hidden treasure, the fabulous pot of gold.

The sea now had taken on the deep, dark blue of our colors, meeting at the horizon the lighter blue in the sky.

As I gazed on the sight 'Twas translated to me,
And I now give its meaning to you.
That the dark and the light blue together do show
What of Kappa girls ever is true,
That their strength, truth, and tenderness never shall fail
While the ocean and sky remain blue.

The Rainbow Kappa girl! Although some of the shadows of her life may be blue, her heart will ever be "true blue" to her friends.

The light she sheds on those who gather around her altar is a light reflected in the *true blue* character and noble womanhood which Kappa really means.

MISS ADAMS:—The blue awakening of this day after the storm was just such a sunshiny one. It set the builders going, harder than before. New piers were built, new girders swung out. They had to cope with many difficulties and not all of them were overcome. In many places the green moss of experience had to grow to cover the mistakes. "Green Kappas I Have Known," by Grace Maclaren, Beta Psi, coming from a chapter that should know.

MISS MACLAREN: Madam Toastmistress, Grand Council and Sister Kappas.

When Miss Adams wrote to Beta Psi, asking one of us to respond to the toast to "Green Kappas", I do not think that she had in mind the old bromide saying "green is so restful to the eye." However we were so delighted to be called Kappas, that we didn't mind the green. For we have realized for some time that we were green, a degree of verdure the outside world will never know. When we petitioned we expected to hear in a very short time that we would be taken into Kappa Kappa Gamma, but on the boat we met a Kappa who, not knowing us for petitioners, unconsciously dispelled a few of our illusions. She told us of chapters that had petitioned for years to get their

charters and said that we would probably think of trying to get into an international fraternity in time. We didn't dare confess that we had already petitioned. But you were all very good to us, and it was only two years after we first applied to you that Mrs. Roth came over to install the chapter at Toronto.

I'm afraid that it would be a case of "the pot calling the kettle black" if I told you any stories of our mistakes. Miss Hollenback came last fall and explained many of the things we didn't understand. I have a message for her from one of our girls. She said that she would have liked to come to Convention, if only to meet Miss Hollenback under less trying circumstances than when she was in Toronto. When Miss Hollenback asked for the archives, she had to go down on her knees and drag from under the bed a large tin box painted white with the word "cake" in gold letters on the lid. Miss Hollenback was cruel enough to say that she would tell the Convention that she had found an ideal archive chest.

This is the first opportunity that we have had to express our appreciation of the honor you have done us by coming across the line and forming a Canadian chapter, and we want to thank you all, and especially Mrs. Roth for being such a lenient inspector. We are all proud to be Kappas, and we hope to do our share, by strengthening our own chapter, to build up an ideal Fraternity.

MISS ADAMS:—And now as the work went on, there were more and more workers required and desired. As the chasm began to fill up, the one order that was sent out day after day was to keep everlastingly at it. "Has a Kappa a Yellow Streak?" Margaret Eberle, Eta, will tell us.

MISS EBERLE:-

Yellow streaks? There are so many, Agrieved we cry, "We have not any," For yellowness would quite destroy, All Kappas' grace and charm and joy,

Cowardice! We've not a mite, Against our rivals how we'll fight! Their wiles before our sturdy rush, Become no more than hopeless mush. Jealousy! We have no need Our record grows like healthy seed; Rushees must needs exert their charms, And pledges come with open arms.

But there are other kinds of yellow Whose presence can make us sound and mellow,

The woman with the yellow streak
Must be cheerful; never a leak
Of whining plaint or sullen gloom
Must make its way into her soul's room.

She has no fear of a future knell But lives each day and lives it well.

And now that you've waited my toast so long, Buried in sermons—a weary song— Here you have it, though the voice is weak: Here's to Kappas, all gifted with the yellow streak!

MISS ADAMS:—As the shadows of evening grew, and the goal-post was in sight, it was noticed that the sunset rays threw a purple light over the almost completed bridge. It was the purple of loyalty, of one worker to another, of each worker to his superior:—Priscilla Lockwood; "The Purple Mantle of Loyalty."

MISS LOCKWOOD:—If the last speaker succeeded in finding a yellow streak in Kappa, the purple streak is not hard to recognize, and perhaps nowhere is it so much in evidence as at Convention. In this rainbow of toasts, which is revealing our history and character to us, the purple stands for lovalty, and well, too. For the color which has always stood for royalty can fitly be also the symbol of loyalty. Kappas are loyal, as every one knows, and our reputation among other fraternities is a very sure testimony of it. Perhaps our most spontaneous loyalty is given to our own chapter and our own friends; but we must give more than that. The real test of Kappa loyalty comes when we find some less congenial personality in our own chapter, or in the fraternity at large. A loyalty to Kappa as an association of friends demands that we exert a real effort to overlook the trivial, and look for the phase of each others' personalities which a broader interpretation of friendship demands. Kappa loyalty should mean not only an enthusiastic admiration of a certain type of girl, but a conscious recognition and respect of the best in those to whom we are bound.

There is, however, a still more subtle form of loyalty, which we cannot afford to forget These Kappa ideals have as real a right to our loyalty as any individual in the fraternity. Loyalty to these ideals means work and sacrifice, but it is here that we can best serve the fraternity, that our loyalty can show its real worth.

Let us then adopt Loyalty for our Kappa virtue. We have a color, and a flower; why not a characteristic by which Kappa girls shall be known? The fleur-de-lis bears the color which should stand for that in which we have most pride—our Loyalty.

Miss Adams:—Though the bridge builders had done much, yet the way was not yet clear before them. There were still rocks in the way. There was still a long distance to go. There was still the steep bank of Arcady to reach; and very often the way looked red before them. I think Peggy Raymond almost saw red when I asked her to give a toast tonight. She had so very many things to do. Peggy Raymond, Upsilon.

MISS RAYMOND:-

I hope you'll excuse if my verse I abuse, (Real poetry's not in my makeup) I always have rhymes on the ends of my lines But my meter is just one grand shake-up.

When a Kappa sees red—so it's truthfully said— She is more than a little provoked: She is just raving mad, which is really too bad, For she's apt to want somebody choked.

Now when I'm asked to speak, with my usual squeak On a topic like this one right here, It is quite a big blow, for the girls seem to know That my temper is—lively and—queer.

They do seem to know and doubtless it's so
That they're some things that make me quite furious.
Yours may be the same so a few I will name,
In case it may be that you're curious.

Did you e'er write a toast when you thought you would roast, The thermometer at one hundred eight. When your stupid old Muse to work would refuse And the time getting woefully late? Thus I saw red lately, but what fussed you greatly Was likely a sleeping car bore.

Did someone make hay of your rest all the way

And disturb your calm peace with a snore?

If you're running Convention (a job scarce worth mention)
With forty 'leven things in your head;
You're asked some foolish thing, like "What clothes should one bring?"
Don't you think that would make you see red?

Then things had begun to quite smoothly run, And the pins worked up fine with the crest, But the visitors raved 'bout the ones you had saved For the delegates—You know the rest.

If you wished to attend and a week here to spend, Don't you think that you might see things red, If you came here to town and were turned flatly down And told you were two weeks ahead?

When things go dead wrong (that's the gist of my song) And your troubles couldn't be worse, It's hard to be ladylike, not to speak shady like, When a smart man would just make blank verse.

I wrote some cheap rhyme, but today at the time When I wanted to learn it for you, No toast could I find, so I just used my mind, Which was blank from this hullabaloo.

Now temper shows spice, but it's really not nice To lose it and get to see red. A Kappa who's true to our two colors blue, Has these troubles, but nothing is said.

Of ways there are two, to see both red and blue; I'll explain if it goes into rhyme,
A red that is mad, is really too bad
But a cheerful red helps all the time.

Though of all the hues, our two lovely blues Stand for most in our nature that's true Still it's better to smile than to be all the while Sadly and dolefully blue.

So here's to the Kappa whose love is so strong That it quite conceals anger's red blur. She is sure to spread happiness all her life long, So I give you a toast now to her. MISS ADAMS:—Now our bridge is completed and what shall we say it is? It is the bridge of friendship. It is this that takes us from reality to ideality, from the United States and Canada to Arcady. It is made up, as we said, of strange materials. It needs the blue of discouragement, the green of inexperience, the yellow of cheerfulness, the purpose of loyalty and the red of righteous indignation to make true friendship and to make the bridge strong and stable. We say it is complete, but it is not complete. It needs new piers once in awhile; it needs to have the old ones strengthened once in a while. But now it is open at last to our use, and what do we find at the end? It has been suggested that we may find a pot of gold. Perhaps this is appropriate, since Mrs. Kolbe is to discuss "The End of the Rainbow"; and we shall see what she has to say.

Mrs. Kolbe:—Once upon a time a great many years ago, a royal child was born,—a girl child and her parents called her Sigma Delta because of all the names they knew it seemed to prom-Among those bidden to the great christening were six beautiful fairies who dwelt in the neighboring mountains. As they came into the great hall where the christening was held, each gave the little Sigma Delta a wonderful present; one gave her wealth; one gave her beauty of face and figure; one gave her grace in the dance and one gave her talent for music, while the fifth gave her command of many languages. After the fifth fairy had presented her gift, a bad, disagreeable fairy came in. She had been overlooked when the invitations were sent out, for it was thought that she had moved to a distant land. She was very angry and stalked into the center of the room and said. "I also have a present for the little Sigma Delta-When she is eighteen years old she will be stung by a bee and die." that she stalked out. In the midst of the confusion which followed, a beautiful white coach pulled up at the door and the sixth invited fairy alighted. When she had heard of the bad fairy's gift her beautiful face turned sad. At last after much thought she spoke. "I cannot take away entirely the unhappy gift but since I have not yet given my gift I can soften the prophecy. Hear me, all of you now present. When Sigma Delta is eighteen years old she will be stung by a bee, and will go to sleep so that all will think her dead. But she will not

be dead for if she is put into a boat and set adrift on the wide ocean, she will float away to a new land which lies at the end of the rainbow, where it is prophesied she shall enter a new life.

Years passed-happy years for Sigma Delta in her sheltered home; anxious years for her parents, for although the command had been sent throughout the kingdom that all bees should be killed and no honey sold, still the thought of a possible tragedy was always present. When Sigma Delta's eighteenth birthday arrived she was put into a specially constructed glass house where she was to remain all day, carefully watched by attendants and carefully fed by her mother's own hand. For her parents felt sure that if Sigma Delta could pass safely through this one day, she would then live to a ripe old age. But just as the dusk was turning into night a careless herdsman on one of the hills sent a stone through the glass house and the bad fairy in the form of a bee flew through the opening, alighted on Sigma Delta's hand, and with the sting she sank into a deep sleep from which no one could awaken her; and because her parents were afraid to disobey the commands of the sixth fairy they put Sigma Delta into a boat and set her adrift on the wide ocean, and mourned for her thirty times thirty days.

After many days of tossing about, a wonderful light shone all about the little boat and straight into the eyes of Sigma Delta so that she woke and looked about her. At first she seemed to be entirely surrounded by water, but after her eyes had become accustomed to the bright light she saw a wonderful rainbow spanning the heavens and following along its shining path her eyes at last rested on the shore of a beautiful country and there on the shimmering sand stood the sixth fairy; so with rudder and sail Sigma Delta guided the boat to the land and stepped ashore. The fairy held out her hand and the smile on her face was such as Sigma Delta had never seen. The fairy said, "Welcome, my child, to the land of promise. with me while I disclose all the wonders and marvels of the glorious life which is offered here. Come before the sun sinks below the horizon, for I must leave you soon and I have much to show you and much to give. See, the first red tints of evening are falling. Take these three crystal balls and fill

them with the red rays, for he who catches them will become strong, lion-hearted and loyal. See, now you have them filled with carmine, vermillion and ruby rays. This crystal we will call a garnet and he who wears it will ever be constant; this one we will call a bloodstone and it symbolizes courage, but this third one is the most precious for it is a ruby and is the greatest thing in all life—Love. See, the sun has now softened and changed to orange, which is the promise of immortality. It is also the sign of success, of confidence and zealousness, but most of all it is the prophecy of fame."

The light changed again and this time the heavens were shot with finger-like yellow beams. From one of these beans the fairy took a beautiful crown wonderfully wrought of finest filigree gold set with a hundred caramgorem, a hundred sardonyx, and topped by one huge topaz. "This is the crown of nobleness of spirit," said the fairy and placed it on Sigma Delta's head. "Guard this as if it were your life, for the corrode of self content and rust of jealousy are always at hand to attack its beauty. Here is a box of powder called 'charity' and here is another called 'faith in others,' which with a little effort each day, will help you to keep the gold and jewels clean. You must also be careful of the dust of distrust for if the crown is kept free from it, its sparkling jewels will light the souls of all those with whom you come in contact and you will be able to see their true worth and beauty even though they may have an ugly body. "Come," said the fairy, "into this cool green forest, while I show you a little fellow who will be your traveling companion in the years to come." As she spoke, a cunning little green elf hopped to their feet from an old oak tree. "He insisted on being brought along," went on the fairy. "At first I hesitated but after some thought decided it was after all best to give him to you along with the other things. Some people call him 'Discontent' but I have given him still another name, 'Ambition,' and I deem him the most wonderful and vet the most dangerous of all my gifts. As you see he is still very wild but with careful treatment he will prove a most delightful compainion." The fairy then slipped an emerald ring on Sigma Delta's finger and said, "Should 'Ambition' get obstreperous, rub briskly on this stone of happiness and he will become tractable at once. Now

let us walk farther." After a few minutes they came to a little gate set into a high wall quite overgrown with trumpet vines. The fairy touched the gate with a golden key and it flew open at once to disclose a wonderful flower garden. At first the effect was all blue-blues of all shades and descriptions-gentians, corn flowers, iris, harebells, all in profusion, and all the blues seemed to merge and melt into purples of heliotropes, pansies and violets, but as they went up one path and down another Sigma Delta discovered that all the flowers in the world were blossoming there. "This is the garden of wisdom," said the fairy, "and whenever I get tired of the humdrum of life I come here and work among the flowers. They teach me so many things, and when I feel in the mood I make new discoveries with their combinations. I feel very much in the mood tonight, so I am sure that I can make something especially for you." So lighting a fire under a tripod which stood near by, she threw a handful of flowers into it; and as she stirred them about in the golden dish she continued speaking. "I have taken a red hollyhock for foresight, an orange nasturtium for patriotism, a yellow pansy for thought, mint for virtue, myrrh for gladness and cress for stability; a blue cornflower for delicacy, a violet for faith and a heliotrope for devotion." And when they boiled, from the fragrance arose a beautiful white owl, and from the mixture was formed a wonderful white robe trimmed with bands of pearls and diamonds and fastened with a single opal. Then she picked two ladyslippers, and a blue iris, which changed under her hand into a perfect fleur-de-lis cut from one single sapphire and mounted on a stem of jade. Then she invested Sigma Delta with the white robe, put the slippers on her feet. the fleur-de-lis into her hand and hung a golden key about her neck and said, "This is the robe of sisterhood, may you always wear it nobly; the slippers are the slippers of intellect, may they always lead your feet into paths of knowledge; the key is the key to the garden of wisdom, may you go there often; while the fleur-de-lis is the sceptre of justice and love, may it help you to judge and love all that is good and true and beautiful."

Then she brushed lightly the eyes of Sigma Delta with the soft downy wing of the white owl, and she knew immediately that she stood in the presence of Minerva and she was afraid,

but Minerva took her hand and said, "Be not afraid, for thee I have endowed with all the gifts of a perfect womanhood—for thou art the symbol of a perfect woman. Go now and share these gifts with others. Be chary of what thou hast to give, but be whole-hearted when once thou hast bestowed. Teach others the way to a perfect sisterhood but remember that a sisterhood is only as strong as its weakest member. Thou art the queen of queens—thy throne shall be the universe; thy people all the people and thou shalt be called from henceforth, Kappa Kappa Gamma."

MISS ADAMS:—The rainbow bridge is a bridge of friendship and of hope. We are glad to have had you here, and we hope to see you all again in a couple of years.

Then followed the singing of the new "Rainbow Song" to the tune, "The Isle of My Dreams."

A toast to the rainbow girl, dear,
The Kappa girl of today,
With her rainbow smiles and her rainbow wiles,
And her rainbow life, I pray.
Her heart is true blue to her friends, dear,
Her zest in life grows green,
And her blood runs red with strength and joy,
Of her mind and her heart she's the queen.

She's loyal to Kappa's flower, dear,

To the purple fleur-de-lis,
And there's only one color her rainbow lacks,
From the yellow streak she's free.
So when all of these colors blend, dear,
One clear white glow we see—
'Tis the pure white mind and the fair white heart
Of my rainbow K. K. G.

And then came one beautiful and unusual feature—in the middle of a great circle of Kappas that reached around the walls of the huge gymnasium, under the shaded light of the golden key, Mrs. Roth conducted the ceremonial that had been postponed from the closing business session. And then came the singing of the farewell song, which is always so good to hear at Convention, because it rises from so many united hearts; and so sad, too, because always we know, that we shall not again meet just those same dear friends, and that Convention is really, finally, irrecoverably over.

A MERE MAN AT THE KAPPA CONVENTION

(No; he wasn't really at it, you know: just on the outskirts, so to speak.)

The Mere Man knows now why the women's fraternities hold their conventions only once in two years: it is that the delegates and visitors may have time to get enough clothes together to make a properly stunning appearance. But, as an onlooker at the Convention of 1912, the Mere Man readily grants that the result is worth the time and price. He is quite sure that even Evanston, in all its glory, had never been arrayed as were these Kappa conventionalists.

By Tuesday large numbers of delegates and visitors had arrived, all or nearly all of whom had taken disadvantage of the full fare railroad rates offered for Kappa Convention; had not left their trains at Main Street or Dempster Street, but properly at Davis Street; with credentials carefully carried in their left hands and not left in their trunks; with cash in purse to pay the hardfaced landladies of whom the bulletin had warned; and last, but not least (no indeed!) their bathing suits.

The clans having gathered, a reception must forthwith be held; and Willard Hall on Tuesday evening was a "bower of beauty" and a "dream of fair women". (These expressions are kindly loaned by the Cannery of the Chicago Tribune.) Evidently, also, it was a very, very interesting place to those on the inside. At least so thought one of the less dangerous sex as he waited, and waited, and continued to wait, and smoked up all his cigars, and sat in impatience on the extremely hard wood that forms the floor of the porch. The reception was labeled "informal", and probably it was, to judge from the joyous greetings and happy talk that he heard; but if the Mere Man has judged by the dresses he saw he should have felt safe, even in the general neighborhood, in nothing less than a dress suit and all that goes therewith.

The Mere Man remembers an evening, more years ago than he will now tell, when he was led up the steep attic stairs of a chapter house in a little college town in the Middle West, not hundreds of miles from the birthplace of Kappa. There comes back the kindly, homely face of the presiding officer of the initiation, "whom to know was to love"; there is felt again the thrill as

for the first time he took the grip and felt the love of his fraternity. And as he hurried up through the Northwestern campus on a Wednesday evening, rather late this time (for the model initiation had evidently run through very smoothly and quickly); as he heard the groups of girls who passed him earnestly discussing this phase and that of the ritual, of the ceremony, of the meaning of it all, there came over him again something of that spirit that makes the freshman initiate ubiquitous and unsubduable.

It is all worth while; it is thoroughly worth while.

He doesn't know what Sigma in Delta means, but he'd wager a good stake that in its essence it comes not far from the similar signature used in his own organization, which, divested of its mysticism, is just a symbol for human faith and love. Our secret societies do contain snobs, of course; and occasionally, it must be admitted, *produce* snobs; but it is a wonderful and unheard of rose bush that will not at times produce a "sport". And so long as our secret societies hold up for us worthy objects and stir in us as individuals the desire to approach that goal, so long may we confidently justify ourselves. An organization is not only as good as its members: it is as good as the aggregate worth of all its individual members, *plus* their respect for their organization.

It was at the dance, of course, that the Mere Man first really saw the Convention wheels go round. There, properly catalogued, classified, labeled and placed in their respective spaces were Exhibits A, B, C, D, and all the other letters of the alphabet except X,—for there were no unknown quantities at *that* dance. But they needed to be so placed, because if it had not been for the "system" that ruled the function, a mere man would quite have lost his head (there was no chance of his not losing his heart) in the midst of such a galaxy.

"Lemons?-Not in K. K. G."

It must have been with happy hearts that the girls of Upsilon met one another when the last notes of Johnny Hand's Home Sweet Home had ceased to sound and the last couple had reluctantly left the floor. For the Convention dance of 1912 was a success. The Mere Man voices the thoughts of many other men when he offers his very sincere congratulations upon its management.

And now, sitting here again on the steps of Willard Hall, the Mere Man wonders what it will all come to. Three hundred minds from all parts of this common country of ours have come together for a few days; have touched one the other; have given impressions and received impressions; are gone east, west, north, south, where they will touch other hundreds—yes, thousands—of minds; will carry to them some impress of this meeting here. Three hundred women will be better women because broader-minded women; happier, because they have done a worthy work and are filled with enthusiasm and inspiration to continue and enlarge the usefulness of that work.

God-speed to you on that journey to your homes; God-speed to you through all that greater journey which ends only at the Great Door that needs no Key and that once passed, answers to neither Key nor Sign.

CONVENTION NOTES

"DIDN'T we have a good time!"

There were three hundred and thirty Kappas registered for the banquet.

Beta Mu has extended a cordial invitation to the Fraternity to convene in Colorado in 1914.

The model archive chest exhibited at Convention was designed by Clara Westbrook, Beta Zeta.

The North Shore Alumnae Association welcomed convention at a charming garden party at the lakeside home of Mrs. Pruitt.

Sixteen years ago, Convention met with Upsilon at Evanston. A feature of that Convention, too, was a model initiation.

Upsilon was the initiating chapter at our model initiation, and Cleora Wheeler, Chi, initiated their three pledges. The optional preliminary ceremony was presented by Pi chapter, its originator.

The Ravinia Park excursion gave music-loving Kappas an opportunity to hear the Theodore Thomas Orchestra in Wagner, and Jane Abercrombie in an act from "Martha."

One feature of Convention which has great possibilities and should become permanent was the mirro-scope exhibition of college views and snap shots connected with the lives of the chapters.

The George Banta Publishing Company, official printers of The Key, presented delegates and visitors with attractive souvenir autograph books, with blue suede flexible covers, decorated with the conventional fleur-de-lis in gold.

The plans of two new chapter houses were on view at convention—Omega's and Pi's—and were studied with great interest by chapters that are looking forward to building their own homes. A set of plans was also presented for a model chapter house, designed by R. T. C. Jackson, architect, and embodying suggestions from the Grand Council, and chapters.

One interest of Alumnae Day was the exhibition of pictures of Kappa babies. The baby who secured the most votes and receives the prize of The Key subscription, is little Eleanor Blakeslee Wells, a Kappa daughter and grand-daughter. She is the grand-daughter of Mrs. Harriet Blakeslee Wallace, chairman of the Scholarship Committee; and daughter of a dearly loved member of Beta Tau, the late Ella Wallace Wells.

The corsage bouquets of white roses tied with our colors that the Kappas found at their plates at the banquet were the gift of our hostess, Upsilon chapter. The Chicago Alumnae Association were the donors of the souvenir menus, which were charming booklets bound in light blue suede, with dark blue cords, and decorated with what at first sight seemed to be a gold fleur-de-lis, but proved on closer view to be an applied design of the new coat-of-arms.

Convention had an opportunity to judge of the decorative quality of the coat-of-arms. It was not only used with great suc-

cess to decorate the souvenir menus at the banquet; but the pins presented to delegates by Burr, Patterson & Co. of Detroit were a silver bar overlaid by the coat-of-arms and were very effective. A somewhat similar design in gold was sold during Convention week by another of the fraternity jewelers.

While the new features of the Convention exhibition were valuable and interesting, after all the biggest and longest-staying groups of girls were always found around that time honored exhibit, the chapter pictures. It gives such a fine feeling of one big family, to see all our active sisters at once, all in their best poses and best expressions. Some of the delegates noted and intended to report to their chapters that the best effects are obtained by photographing or mounting a group of individual photographs, for a group picture never does justice to all the sitters. If you wish proof of this, name the three girls at convention that you considered most beautiful, and then pick them out of the Convention group.

A personal letter received from one of the delegates, since Convention, expresses so sincerely the spirit of convention that it will find an echo in the hearts of all those who were present:

"To me Convention was perfectly wonderful. I always was a loyal Kappa locally in my own chapter and college but my national idea of it was rather hazy. Since Convention the whole thing has enlarged and become so wonderful to me. I knew of the ideals that our own chapter holds and it was such a pleasure to meet these same ideals among so many college girls and women. It was especially fine to feel the interest of the Grand Officers and older alumnae for it raised the matter from merely girlish ideals to something really worth while. I am already planning to go to next Convention."

THE DENVER PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATION

The Women's Pan-Hellenic Association held its annual spring meeting at the Brown Palace Hotel on the eleventh of May. This year a breakfast was served instead of the usual luncheon and was generally considered more satisfactory as it gave the entire afternoon for other things. A business meeting presided over by the president, Miss Jennie Sewell, Delta Gamma, followed the breakfast, after which a unique entertainment consisting of a "stunt" by each fraternity was given. Mrs. George McDonald, Kappa Kappa Gamma, sang; Alpha Phi was represented by a rebus; Delta Gamma by an amusing dramatic presentation of "Curfew Shall Not Ring To-night," and so on through the list

The Denver Association has had a very successful career. It was organized five years ago by Kappa Kappa Gamma, by whom the presidency for that year was held. Each sorority holds that office and also the minor offices, and positions on the executive board, according to a fixed rule of rotation. There are two meetings a year,—the one given in the fall by the sorority which holds the presidency is usually more or less informal and always delightful, the other in the spring is more formal, either a luncheon or banquet, and all business is transacted at this meeting. The expense for all entertainment is regulated by the executive board.

The association has always used the money which has accrued from the annual dues over and above the necessary expenditure for some charitable purpose. This year it was unanimously decided to use it for a directorship in the Neighborhood House, an institution to which we can all give our ardent support and which is broad enough in its aims to lift us above any narrow fraternity or even college prejudice.

EDITORIAL

Kappa Kappa Gamma offers its congratulations to Upsilon chapter and its efficient marshal, Margaret Raymond, on the businesslike and capable management of Convention. Everyone who spent any part of Convention week at Evanston was impressed by the splendid system of the Convention committees, but probably only our hardworking hostesses could realize the time and thought that worked out such an orderly arrangement of details.

It has been the purpose of the Board of Editors to make this issue of The Key a Convention number—a full record of our busy and happy week. To carry out this plan has meant the coöperation of the whole Convention; and the readers of The Key are indebted for this detailed account to the Grand Council and to Upsilon chapter and to many of the delegates and visitors who willingly gave time and effort to furnish necessary details, quite as much as to the Board of Editors.

Convention brought to the Fraternity a real regret in the fact that two members of the Council who have done much for the chapters during this administration were unable to continue in office. They have both earned the right to rest from Fraternity government, but it is with reluctance that the officers and chapters lost from the Council the Grand President, Florence Burton Roth, and the Grand Registrar, Juliette Genève Hollenback.

The Fraternity extends a hearty welcome to its two new Grand Council members, Mary McEachin Rodes, Beta Chi, Grand Secretary, and Grace A. Broadhurst, Beta Sigma, Grand Registrar. The Key hopes to show Kappa the pictures of the new Council in an early issue.

The editorial board has been enlarged by the addition of three members; and we expect that The Key will be more than twice as good. The alumnae department is now in charge of an able alumna of literary experience; the business management, which involves a very large amount of clerical work, has been placed in the hands of one person so that the Editor-in-Chief will be

free for more purely editorial work; and the Editor will have the further practical assistance of a deputy who is near at hand.

The new alumnae editor, Lalah Ruth Randle, is an Iota girl of the class of 1907 at DePauw. As an undergraduate, she gained experience in fraternity work in chapter offices. Since graduation she has done post-graduate work in James Millikin University, taught English in the Decatur, Illinois, high school, traveled a good deal, written a good deal. For the past year, she has been occupied in secretarial work for her father, who is a prominent Methodist minister in Illinois, and in writing for publications. She attended Convention at Bloomington; and at the Evanston Convention just closed laid the foundation for the Alumnae Department of The Key.

Mary Louise Lowden, Editor's deputy, is president of the class of 1914 at Boston University, where she is taking her major work in English. She is on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, and Kappas from other colleges have met her at the Silver Bay Conference as delegate from her university, and more recently at the Evanston Convention, where she was delegate from Phi chapter and chairman of the committee on the policy of The Key.

Elsie M. Kraemer, business manager of The Key, has been a member of two of our eastern chapters. She was initiated in Beta Sigma in 1907, spent her sophomore year at the University of West Virginia, where she affiliated with Beta Upsilon chapter, and returned to Adelphi College to graduate in 1904. Those who came to Convention were privileged to see her wonderfully beautifully workmanship in the valuable illumined Fraternity books that she has made for the Grand Council.

It is no longer required of the chapters and associations to procure advertising for The Key; but those who find it convenient to give us advertising will receive the thanks of a grateful board. The business manager intends to inaugurate a new department of professional cards and will appreciate the help of any Kappas in securing the names of possible advertisers among our professional members, in medicine, law, photography, trained nursing, concert and stage work, literature and other lines.

If you are artistic don't fail to help us out with the new cover to The Key. The chairman of the committee is May Lowden, Phi, and she makes her announcement in this issue.

Fashions change in college manners, as in college clothes, and graduates who are out of touch with active chapters are struck by these changes in meeting a large group of college girls at Convention. One alumna at Convention who has seen but little of college girls in the last ten years, observed that the present fashion in college speech is the use of better English and less slang than in her own college days. When one considers that the slang of our own youth never seems as objectionable as that of a later generation, it would appear that the undergraduate English of the present day really is comparatively pure.

The new edition of Baird's Manual is now ready for delivery. Kappas who wish to order it are asked to send their orders to the Business Manager of The Key.

Roll of Honor: Chapters that have conformed to Standing Rule 50. Beta Alpha, Beta Iota, Gamma Rho, Xi, Mu, Beta Xi, Beta Omicron. Chapters that are not on this roll will please call this Rule and also Standing Rule 60 to the attention of their Key correspondents.

THE COVER FOR THE KEY.

Kappa Sisters! Greetings:

At the 1912 convention it was decided that a new cover for The Key should be designed by a Kappa. And so I am asking you all, active and alumnae Kappas, to consider this matter, and you who have special ability along this line, to send to me by January first some simple design suitable for a cover for our Key. There is no required motive, but the coat of arms and the fleur-de-lis have been suggested. The lettering space should provide for the name and the date.

You will aid the committee greatly by sending these designs as soon as possible to my address.

Loyally,

Committee:

Mary L. Lowden, Φ Edith Taylor Adams, $B\Delta$ Elizabeth Rhodes Jackson, Ψ Mary L. Lowden, 85 Barrows Street, Dedham, Mass. September 5, 1912.

CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA PROVINCE

PHI, BOSTON UNIVERSITY

The last number of The Key reached us at the house party, and the interval after dishes were done and beds were made, before the activities of the day began, was spent in reading the Kappa news. The house party which lasted from the eighth to the twenty-fourth of June, took place at Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard. An unusually large number of the girls were able to enjoy it, either for all or part of the time. Coming as it did, directly after commencement, the house party was welcome as an opportunity to relax and give ourselves wholly to rest and enjoyment of the bracing salt air and delightful country.

Commencement made us more proud than ever of our seven seniors, Louise Anderson, Nina Gilley, Florence McArdle, Helen Mackintosh, Roberta Miller, Margaret South and Grace Thomson, three of whom received Phi Beta Kappa honors. Florence McArdle was given the flowers presented to the most popular girl in the class. Helen Mackintosh, Nina Gilley, and Florence McArdle took part in the senior play, "School." Nina Gilley responded to a faculty toast at the annual banquet to the seniors.

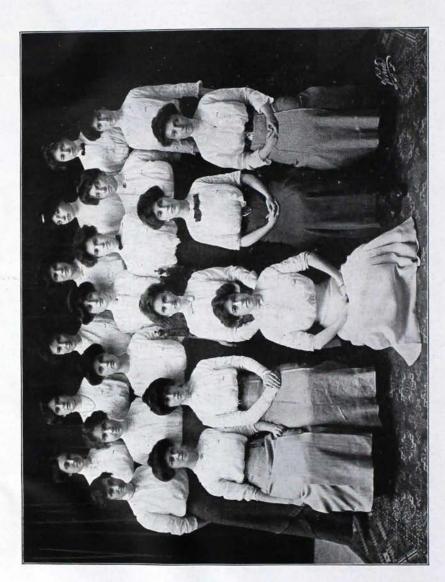
Dorthy Fletcher, '15, entertained the girls at her home in Newtonville, May thirtieth, when she announced her engagement to Munroe Rand, of Dorchester.

The annual Kappa picnic took place June third on the cliffs at Marblehead.

May Rinehart, Lambda, was entertained in Boston by some of the girls. The appearance of a key at York Beach, Maine, gave some of us the pleasure of meeting Harriet Dodge, '11, also of Lambda.

May Lowden and Dorothy Rand, both '14, have gone from Phi chapter to Convention and reports show us that they are having a wonderful time and are learning "lots of things not taught in school."

MABEL H. SARGENT



BETA EPSILON, BARNARD COLLEGE

Here we are at the beginning of a new college year. We hope it may prove a happy and successful one to all our sister chapters.

The festivities of senior week were impressive as well as delightful. Eleanore Myers did herself proud as president of the graduating class and class poet, and Eleanor Doty received Φ B K.

The very next week we went up to our annual "camp" on Lake Waramaug in Connecticut. A goodly number of the graduates joined us and we had a beautiful week together.

Margaret Bailey is to spend the next three years in China, where she is to do missionary work.

The engagements of Jean Disbrow, Mary Bailey and Adelaide Gastonhofer have been announced.

Beta Epsilon is to be well represented in college and class offices this year. Helen Dana, '13, is to be president of the Barnard Undergraduate Association, and Priscilla Lockwood, '13, has been elected Editor-in-Chief of the *Bulletin*, our weekly newspaper. Dorothy Fitch succeeds Edith Mulhall as president of 1914, Ruth Guernsey is art editor of the college annual, with Sidney Miner and Florence Harris also on the staff.

We are soon to move into our new apartment, and are eagerly looking forward to the many good times we shall have together through the coming year.

FLORENCE HARRIS.

BETA SIGMA, ADELPHI COLLEGE

Beta Sigma chapter feels the loss of six seniors from college, and commencement for them was rather a sad affair for that reason. Dorothy Cooke was prominent class day, having composed most of the program, which was very poetic, and she carried off the honors in the leading part. Jeannette Comstock wrote the class song. The other Kappas of 1912 were Chloe Skilton, Helen Brady, Ethel Thackray and Jean Evans.

House party was held at Huntington, Long Island. The Beta Sigmas are still living on the memories of those beautiful drives, and the good times on Huntington bay. Not the least of our good times was a delightful luncheon, given by Marguerite Welles at her home in Oyster Bay. It was an ideal week.

The chapter was royally entertained by the alumnae, at our birthday banquet held in College Hall on May eighteenth. We realized how clever our alumnae really could be, when the toasts were introduced. But the best treat of all was having Mrs. Jackson with us that evening. We who have known her at a distance as the Editor of The Key, were especially glad to meet her. The banquet brought together a larger number of alumnae and actives than we have known for some time.

Adelphi has recently lost its president, Dr. Charles Levermore, who resigned in the spring. Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, the minister of the Central Congregational church of Brooklyn is acting as temporary president. He has been affiliated with Adelphi, in one way or another, for a long time, and has always taken a great interest in anything connected with the college.

Miss Sweeney has accepted the position of dean of the University of Minnesota, and her place has been taken by Miss Harvey, formerly head of the kindergarten department.

We are all looking forward to the return to college, and the reuniting of the Kappas.

AGNES ENGLAND.

PSI, CORNELL UNIVERSITY

On May thirty-first Psi initiated Mary McCormick and Martha McCormick of Troy, New York, thus raising the number of Kappas in the class of 1915 to nine. We had initiation at the home of Julia Melotte, and afterwards celebrated by an informal banquet at Sage College.

Soon after commencement, various events of importance to our chapter happened. Margaret Thorp, '12, sailed from New York on July fifth, to spend the summer abroad; Katherine Eaton, ex-'10, was married in July to Edson Nichols, Cornell '08; Wilhelmine Wissman, '11, was married on August third to Finis Ewing Yoakum, Jr., Cornell '12; and Jane Gouinlock, '08, to Leslie Van Arsdale.

Kappa was well represented in Cornell summer session this year. The girls from Psi chapter who attended were, Charlotte Baber, '08, Jane McKelway, '13, and Elisabeth Banks, '14. We

Psi girls did our best to find all the strange Kappas, and we had a "get together" meeting during the last week of summer school. Everyone talked of her own chapter, Kappa songs were sung and refreshments were served.

In two weeks the university opens again, and we enter upon a long non-rushing season. Pledge day will probably be during the week just before Easter vacation.

Greetings to all Kappas and faithful wishes for the best of luck for the coming year.

JANE MCKELWAY.

BETA PSI, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

The graduation exercises of the class of 1912 were held early in June and were most interesting. Convocation was held in Convocation Hall, and was immediately followed by a garden party held in the university quadrangle. This was attended by all officially connected with the university and by the members of the graduating class. It was a remarkably pretty affair. The same evening there was a large reception held in Annesley Hall which was beautifully decorated. The evening before commencement a dinner was given for the graduating class by the Womens' Alumnae Association. About six hundred were present among whom were many noted Canadian women, several of whom addressed the gathering. Seven of the Beta Psi girls graduated this year and took splendid standing.

We are all very enthusiastic about our house party which was held at Grimsby Beach on Lake Ontario immediately following examinations. Nearly all the girls were able to be there for at least a few days during the time while some were able to remain from beginning to end. About twenty of us were at Grimsby for the twenty-fourth of May and we had a glorious time. What with boating, bonfires, drives and dances the time passed all too quickly and we are now all looking forward to our house-party for another year.

Ethel Tait, '11, is spending the summer travelling on the Continent.

Lily and Laura Denton, '11, are still away in Switzerland where they have spent the summer but we hope to have them back in October.

Nell Graham, '07, was married on May first to Douglas Henderson B. A. Helen Paul was her bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson are living in Toronto.

MARJORIE FLANDERS.

BETA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

It is certainly a hard task to project one's thoughts into the working days of October, while the loafing days, the hot, sunny idle days of August are still here. As this letter is written, Convention is just upon us, yet I must needs tear my mind away from delightful memories of the Bloomington Convention, and imagine myself studying diligently at College, with vacation a mere beam of sunshine in the past, or a pot of gold in the future. Mixed metaphors, I know, but they express my meaning.

We have just been hearing (or so we shall imagine) of the mirth-producing Rowe Wright and her theatrical troupe; of the Wicked Washerwoman, who at the weird hour of dawn haunts the enchanted palace of the Grand Council; of the fearful puns that are launched disrespectfully at Their Highnesses on "Stunt Night."

And once again, as at the opening of every alternate college year, we sigh in envy of our delegates, and of those hospitable Middle-Westerners who can go to Convention so often.

But we haven't time to sigh for very long, for lo, we are following the old trail, searching for a place to put our goods and chattels for the winter. You chapters who can settle comfortably year after year in your own houses, think of the desolation of wearily seeking, each September, and often in February, for another chapter room. Something always happens to make us desert the old one; either the house is torn down, or the landlady departs for other climes, and every year our chances of finding still another room grow less and less. We seriously consider investing in a portable house, to carry with us on meeting nights, so that we may settle just anywhere on the campus. But there is a good time coming bye and bye, so they say. Probably they mean the millennium, but when it does arrive we shall have a women's dormitory at Pennsylvania, and there we shall hope to find a haven of rest at last.

This is the most important news that we have to tell; that

is why we fill our every fifth KEY letter with it. But we did have in June the usual happy Kappa house party that all the chapters seem to have. We have some very funny pictures of our doings, too, but we were rather afraid to send them to Convention, since they are not so very dignified. The last great event before the house party, was Miss Hollenback's visit to the chapter, and we enjoyed her visit exceedingly.

And so, farewell,-until December.

ALICE RODMAN.

BETA IOTA, SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

The last six weeks of college were busy, happy ones for the members of Beta Iota. On the second day of May, Miss Hollenback came to Swarthmore to visit us. She stayed until the fourth. We tried to make her stay longer but she could not. Our Grand Registrar certainly did win our hearts. While she was with us we gave a Pan-Hellenic tea in our chapter room and invited several members from each of the women's fraternities. They were all so glad to meet a grand officer of Kappa, and we were justly proud.

On May the fourth our freshmen gave us a picnic in the woods. It was a very jolly affair. We took our supper with us and cooked it over a roaring fire, and then we sat around and sang college songs till late in the evening.

The annual May dances were held on the ninth and the Kappas were well represented in all of them. The college on that day entertained many guests as May Day is one of Swarthmore's big days.

Our eighteenth annual luncheon was held on May the eleventh at the home of one of our charter members, Mrs. Joseph Pugh of Lansdowne, Pennsylvania. We were glad to have a large number of our alumnae and also Martha W. Blessing of Beta Chi; Elnita A. Jackson of Beta Gamma, and Mrs. Beck of Upsilon Chapter. It was very successful.

Pi Sigma, the local woman's fraternity, was granted a charter of Delta Gamma, and the chapter was installed on May the seventeenth. Every one was glad as the Pi Sigmas are a fine group of girls.

Then examinations were at hand, but even while they were going on, we Kappas had some very good times. On June fifth

we had our last fraternity meeting and Phebe Lukens, '12, offered her house for the occasion. She even gave us a fine little dinner party on her spacious veranda. So, although we knew we were together with our five seniors for the last time in their active career, we managed to have a very jolly time. Anne Haines, '12, gave the seniors a luncheon as a kind of farewell party and from all reports it must have been very successful.

On June the seventh Mrs. Jackson of Beta Gamma gave the Kappas a tea, at her home in Swarthmore. It was one of those nice informal times which Kappas enjoy.

And then Commencement week!

Beta Iota initiated a new member, Margaret Milne, '15, on June the eleventh. It seemed late in the year to have an initiation but we had just learned to know Margaret and so we wanted her right away.

All of our seniors took part in the senior play, "The Canterbury Pilgrims," given on class day. Loraine Fitch had a leading part and we were all very proud of her good work. Anne Haines, Martha Willets, Phebe Lukens and Elizabeth Bartlett were good in minor parts.

Anne Haines was made a member of Phi Beta Kappa and had the highest average in the class. Reba Camp, '15, was awarded the Anson Lapham scholarship for the general excellence of her work. This scholarship is valued at \$200 and is awarded to her for the year of 1912-1913.

And then Commencement being over and farewells said to our other friends, all of us went to our annual Kappa houseparty. There we stayed for one glorious week and forgot all the excitement and work of college.

When this letter is published, Convention will be over and those of us who could not go will have heard all about it from our luckier sisters. May this Convention be the most successful and helpful for all of us!

DOROTHEA FITCH.

GAMMA RHO, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

April twenty-fourth was a memorable day for Allegheny. It was then that the raising of the half million for endowment was successfully completed, and the foundation laid for a New and Better Allegheny. Interest in this work had been great all spring

and so when the success was announced, it was no little enthusiasm which led the college students to celebrate the event with a huge bonfire and a parade.

On June the seventh, just before examinations, Bess Ling entertained the active girls at her home for dinner.

On May thirty-first and June first, Klee O Kleet, the girls' dramatic club, presented "Pygmalion and Galatea." Two Kappas took part: Marion Carroll, '14, as Pygmalion and Frances Barnhart, '15, as Daphne.

Commencement week began on June seventeenth, and took away from us four of our dearest girls: Bess Ling, Caroline Lauffer, Margaret West, and Mary Sowash. About twenty of our alumnae came back for commencement week. We felt very fortunate in having so many with us and we were glad to know that they still give their support and interest to our chapter. They had good reason to feel proud of us too, for Bess Ling and Mary Sowash not only represented us on Senior Six but were also chosen for Phi Beta Kappa.

Our annual fraternity banquet was held Wednesday evening of commencement week in the parlors of the Methodist church.

Miss Helen McClintock, '04, returned home a few weeks ago from Europe where she spent the last year travelling and studying. She expects to take up her old position this fall as teacher of German and dean of women in Geneva College.

The announcement has been made of the wedding of Mary Nichols, '09, to Samuel Maxwell, Φ Δ Θ , which will take place September eleventh at Mary's home in Sharon.

There is to be no rushing this fall and pledge day will not be until December seventh.

Gamma Rho sends greetings and best wishes for a successful year to all the other chapters.

KATHERINE FOWLER.

BETA UPSILON, UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA

Beta Upsilon feels that the past year had indeed been successful and we were more fully convinced of this when our initiation was held. We initiated Romaine Theakston, Margaret Cady and Alfreda Carney, at the home of Mrs. Warren Hodges, Friday evening, May thirty-first, followed by a banquet at the



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Hotel Madera. The table was prettily decorated with fleur-delis and smilax and the fraternity colors. Hand-painted place cards marked the places for the twenty-six who attended. After an elaborate menu had been served, Miss Edna Arnold, the toastmistress for the occasion presided, and several witty and entertaining responses were made. Those at the table beside the active chapter were: Mrs. Ralph Thomas Thayer, Pittsburgh; Mrs. W. G. Bayliss, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. C. Edmund Neil, Mrs. O. P. Chittwood, Mrs. Warren Hodges, Mrs. Madison Stathers, Mrs. James Moreland, Mrs. E. F. Church, Morgantown; Elizabeth Stalnaker, Dorcas Pritchard, Jane Etta McKinney, Fairmont; Genevieve Stealey, Clarksburg; Edna Arnold, Weston; May Sullivan, Nell Steele, Margaret Buchanan.

The following morning the annual Kappa breakfast was served at the home of Georgia Hodges.

We are sorry to lose our two seniors this year, Susan Louise Smith and Pauline Theakston. Pauline is to teach in the Brownville, Pennsylvania, high school.

Elizabeth Stalnaker of Fairmont spent the summer with her sister, Mrs. Harriett Stalnaker Bell, at Greeley, Colorado. She will enter Columbia University this fall.

Mrs. W. G. Bayliss of Columbus was the guest of her mother Mrs. Wilson of Morgantown for a few weeks before Commencement.

Margaret Buchanan who has been teaching mathematics in the university will enter Bryn Mawr this fall, having received a scholarship.

Marjorie Patterson, who graduated from Jackson College in 1911, will teach in the Morgantown high school this year. We are all glad to have Marjorie in Morgantown again.

Mrs. Madison Stathers and young son, spent the summer at her former home in Connecticut.

Mrs. C. Edmund Neil in company with Prof. Neil has been spending the summer in Canada and at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Romaine Theakston has moved with her family from Morgantown to Pittsburgh. She will attend the Margaret Morrison School.

Bess Bell, Edna Arnold, Catharine Kumler and Alfreda Carney attended summer school at the university. Louise Stealey was elected associate editor of the Monongalian, the university literary paper.

Louise Kumler entertained several Kappas at a house party at her home in Carmichaels, Pennsylvania, the first week in August.

We are all anxious to get back to school again to start rushing and hear about the Convention from Louise Stealey, our delegate.

IDA WELLS SMITH.

BETA PROVINCE

LAMBDA, BUCHTEL COLLEGE

Another vacation has passed into memory-land, so Lambda's activities before the close of the spring semester, in a way, seem very ancient, but they are of a quality, the relating of which can only improve with age.

I think we told you of our little Saturday afternoon gatherings, and how beneficial we found them to be; in a college where so many are resident girls, there are necessarily a greater number of outside interests, making close comradeship more difficult than it is in dormitory life, but we found that by devoting an afternoon to each other we were able to surmount that difficulty quite easily, and continued them until the end of the term.

Lambda won many honors of which we are very proud. Katherine Otis, '12, was elected to the honorary fraternity of the Phi Sigma Alpha, and our other senior, Ethel Davies, led the grand march at the senior prom. May Rinehart, '13, was elected president of the Buchtel Y. W. C. A. and Ruth Fieberger, '13, president of our Women's League, while Mary Waters, 14, was chosen president of her class for the coming year. Adele Carpenter drew the cartoons for the *Tel Buch* (our Buchtel Annual). The illustrations are splendid and we are justly proud or her.

On Wednesday, May fifteenth, we had our Mother's Day, and of course the mothers turned out loyally.

On May twenty-seventh Hazel Hale entertained the active chapter at a dance in Cuyahoga Falls.

Our Kappa reunion was held at Silver Lake on June twentieth and our circle numbered fifty-one with six different chapters represented. Our toast mistress was Lottie Olin and Jessie Lowry, Mrs. Mallory, Mrs. Lowry, Mrs. Kolbe, Martha Ford and Harriet Hotchkiss responded.

Next came our house party. Ruth Fieberger gave us the use of their cottage at Turkey Foot Lake, so on Saturday, June twenty-second we went to camp for two weeks, where we went swimming, walking and canoeing to out heart's content.

Mrs. Kolbe chaperoned and Martha Ford was able to be with us, so it was with long faces that we finally broke camp and dispersed, each to our various vacations.

Ruth Harter went west for the summer; May Rinehart and Mary Waters, east, Lella May Hunter to her home in Tidioute, Pennsylvania, Katharine Otis to her summer home in Michigan taking Ethel Davies and Martha Ford with her. Dene Harriff was at home in Kent, Ohio, and the rest of us spent the greater part of our vacation at our homes in Akron.

Summer time and Cupid seems synonomous, for some reason, and he certainly did a rushing business among our girls. Ruth Fieberger is engaged to Aaron Gulick of Akron. Evelyn Church to Dolbier Smith of Perry, New York, Ruth Harter to Howard Hollinger of Los Angeles, California, and Martha Seward to C. D. Dietrickson of Atlanta, Georgia, and, while there may be others too timid to announce their intentions, the most of us—are still hoping!

Buchtel is opening with a large freshman class, containing many possibilities, and, in spite of the fact that quite a few of our girls are going to different schools, we are left with a staunch little band.

Ruth Lee, '13, is going south this winter, Adele Carpenter, '13, is going to Cincinnati to study art, Harriet Hotchkiss, '14, to New Haven, Connecticut, to a physical culture school, and Pauline Risch, '13, does not expect to return to Buchtel.

Our one local sorority has gone national Phi Mu, making three nationals for Buchtel.

Lambda is looking forward to a very successful year and wishes the greatest measure of success to all other chapters.

FLORENCE GERTRUDE CAMPBELL.

BETA GAMMA, WOOSTER UNIVERSITY

The first thing I want to tell you about is commencement week at Wooster. That always rouses Wooster enthusiasm and brings back many of our "old" Kappas. On Tuesday, June eleventh, our alumnae gave us a luncheon at the American House. This has become an annual event and the active girls look forward to it with great pleasure all through the year. This year we had about seventy alumnae with us, and we surely did enjoy meeting so many of our Beta Gamma Kappas. Then Wednesday we always have open house and entertain our alumnae, patronesses and friends. The only thing, which in any way marred the pleasure of the week, was the thought of losing our seven seniors.

I need not say anything about Convention, for I think we all feel alike about it—that we couldn't have a better time and that we are prouder than ever to be wearers of the key. After having such a good time together at Evanston, we shall all feel more like starting back to school and making it a happy and successful year for Kappa.

MILDRED Foss.

BETA NU, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Jeretta Taylor, Mabel Johnston, Hazel McKean and Marie Souder were initiated June sixth.

Aonda Smith and Barbara Williams have been elected to membership in Browning Literary Society.

We shall have four members on the Woman's Council this year. Helen Hayward was elected as treasurer, Margaret Beardsley will be secretary, Helen Gardner a senior representative, and Barbara Williams a sophomore representative.

July witnessed the marriage of two Kappas. Myra Sherman became the bride of Mr. George Gascoigne, Phi Delta Theta, and Florence Sackett the bride of Mr. Gates Oblinger.

The engagement of Gladys Walters to Mr. DeWeese Fuller, Beta Theta Pi, has been announced.

Ohio State is to have a dean of women this fall. Miss Brefogle has been appointed to that position.

We are to try second semester pledge this year. Rushing the first semester is limited to calling. At the beginning of the second semester there are to be ten days of rushing with only a few restrictions. We are hoping that this system will prove satisfactory.

Beta Nu sends best wishes for a successful year.

HELEN HAYWARD.

XI, ADRIAN COLLEGE

Six girls graduated in June: Helen Baker and Edith Neer from the liberal arts department, and Bertha Moore, Marion Hitchings, Adelaide Shepherd and Helen Brittain from the department of music. These girls appeared in recitals toward the close of the college year and we were justly proud of them all.

On the evening of June eighth, the "down-town girls" entertained the girls from the college with a picnic supper on the lawn at the home of Mildred Armstrong. Several alumnae were present and after supper we adjourned to the fraternity rooms for the regular meeting.

The annual Kappa banquet of Commencement week was held June twelfth in the dining room of the Presbyterian church. The rooms were beautifully decorated with the double-blue ribbons and the fleur-de-lis. After an elaborate six-course dinner, Miss Florence Reynolds as toastmistress introduced the following speakers:

"Double Blue," Anna Owens-Claffin.

"Kappa Ideals," Muriel Donnelly.

"Convention," Elma Ellis.

The singing of fraternity songs closed a most delightful evening.

Several of our alumnae returned for Commencement: Lena Beem, Margaret Matthews, Maebelle Price, and Florence Atwood-Myers.

Immediately after Commencement, Helen Baker, '12, left with her mother for a three months' tour of Europe. Harriett Tayler, one of our pledges, has announced her engagement to J. S. Gray, Alpha Tau Omega, the marriage to take place in September.

We shall start the new year with eleven girls, and although we shall sincerely miss those who cannot be with us, we shall not be lacking in spirit, and Xi sends her heartiest greetings to all Kappas for a happy, successful year.

KAPPA, HILLSDALE COLLEGE

Many things of interest have been happening in Kappa since our last Key letter and we feel that our sister chapters are interested in hearing of them. Surely we take great pleasure in telling them.

First of all we want to introduce to Kappa Kappa Gamma a new sister, Miss Besse Rogers from Illinois. Her mother was one of our own charter members. She was initiated on May eleventh.

Kappa was so unfortunate as to lose one of her first year girls, Marion Hine of Grand Rapids who had to stop work on account of ill health.

On June first, Kappa entertained their men friends at a progressive dinner party. At each place the double blue and the fleur-de-lis were in profusion. The last course was served on the spacious porch of our new patroness, Mrs. Frank Cook. It was an ideal night for such a party. All joined in singing our songs and with the call, the party disbanded.

Mrs. M. W. Chase, mother of Mrs. Winnie Hill McNabb, one of our alumnae, entertained Kappa at her home on June tenth. On this occasion she presented us with a beautiful loving cup in our colors, in memory of two of our members, Mrs. Stella Berry Arnold and Mrs. Cora Leggett.

On June fifteenth, the girls' glee club gave their annual concert. Miss Mabel Hodgman, one of our new girls, did the soprano solo work.

On June eighteenth, we gave our annual Kappa breakfast; Many of our alumnae and patronesses were with us.

Kappa was especially well represented in the annual college play. "Twelfth Night" was given this year. Doris Mauck took the leading part of "Viola" and Helen Mauck played the part of "Olivia."

Helen Mauck received second prize in a literary contest held in Michigan by the Daughters of Columbia. Miss Mauck also gave the class poem on commencement day.

We will lose six of our girls this coming year. Hallie Jennison, Loueze Hawes and Helen Mauck were graduated from college on June twentieth. Hilda Smith and Dorothy Richardson

will teach and Minnie Hawes will attend the University of Southern California.

"Last but not least" was held our annual house party at Baw-Beese Lake. We had four cottages on the beach. The party started on the twenty-first of June and lasted four days. We were chaperoned by Judge and Mrs. Stone. Mrs. Stone is one of our patronesses.

MARIAN WILLOUGHBY.

GAMMA PROVINCE

DELTA, INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Commencement at Indiana was held June nineteenth. Delta had six seniors:—Carrie Ong, Samuella Norman, Mary Wright, Ruth Edwards, Daphne Hoffman and Ruth Woolery.

Delta is very proud of Daphne Hoffman, Ruth Woolery and Carrie Ong, who were elected to Phi Beta Kappa and were graduated with honors.

Clara Pfimmer, '10, and Daphne Hoffman, '12, are to attend Wellesley next year.

Gertrude Brady, '14, will be at Ohio State.

Edith Headly of the active chapter and Guy West, Sigma Chi, were married July twenty-second, at Stonesville.

Kathleen Stillwell, '13, had the leading role in the opera "Babette" given at Indiana spring term.

The annual house party was held from August twentieth to twenty-seventh at Lake Wawasee. From there the girls went to Convention.

ELIZABETH GRIFFITH.

IOTA, DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

The summer is almost past and within three weeks we shall all be back at our studies again. We hope that this summer has been as busy and delightful for everyone as it has been for the Kappas here in Greencastle. We have had the pleasure as well as the responsibility of looking after the chapter house which is being improved this vacation.

Our Kappa landlady is putting in new hard-wood floors, papering most of the rooms, and making various other improvements.

We shall also have new curtains and some new furniture. The whole chapter has co-operated in sending in rags for our new rag rugs, in hemming and embroidering new table linen and making new scarfs, table covers, pillow tops, and so forth for the house.

With the improved house and the twenty-five members expected to return this fall, we consider ourselves in fine condition for a successful year and for our entirely new venture in spike, the sophomore pledge.

Sophomore pledge has finally been decreed here at DePauw by the trustees of the university. According to the Pan-Hellenic rules, sophomores may be pledged as soon as matriculated, but freshmen, not until the week preceding commencement. Consequently we are looking forward to this whole year spike, restricted, of course, by various rules, with a great deal of interest, and, even though we realize its difficulties, we are confident of our usual victory.

At present the all-absorbing topic of conversation is the Convention. Everyone who possibly can, is planning to go and is anticipating one of the most successful gatherings in the history of the fraternity. Those of us who are not so fortunate are equally interested in every feature of the program.

Iota sends best wishes for a delightful Convention and for a most successful college year to all.

LOTTA THOMAS.

Mu, Butler University

The new year will open Tuesday, September seventeenth, and indications point to a highly successful year for Mu chapter. Most of the members will return and the chances for numerous excellent pledges are good.

Under a new arrangement which the local chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi have adopted, there will be an eighteen week rush with pledging day February fifteenth. This agreement has been reached and it is thought that it will prove very satisfactory.

The feature of the summer season was a picnic and spread at the summer cottage of Miss Lena Diggs near Broad Ripple, Thursday, September first. A card party was given the following day at the home of Miss Clara Nelson. Both were delightful and it was decided to hold the summer reunions annually in the future.

Edna Trueblood was married to Clyde Hadley of Seattle, Washington, June twenty-sixth. The members of the active chapter were among the guests. Frank Brown has moved to Seibert, Colorado, and will attend the University of Colorado. Many members of the chapter during the past few years have taken positions as teachers.

The chapter awaits tidings from the National Convention.

MARGRETTE BOYER.

BETA LAMBDA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

On June the sixth, Beta Lambda ended the school year with many gayeties as well as study and final examinations. Our traditional senior breakfast held at Crystle Lake proved to be a great success. This year the juniors started a new custom for the chapter, namely that of junior picnic. On the last day of examinations, they hired a hay-rack and took the entire chapter out to a dense forest-plot about three miles east of town. In the midst of this thick woods we found a small clearing which immediately suggested itself as an ideal place for a camp-fire. Freshmen, sophomores, and seniors were then sent out to roam about until the welcome call summoned us to a splendid camp-fire supper. Kappa songs were sung around the dying embers and jollity and laughter were not amiss. The picnic ended with a delightful ride home in the moonlight.

Many of the girls enjoyed the usual festivities of commencement week which ended with senior ball, one of the three largest university social functions of the year.

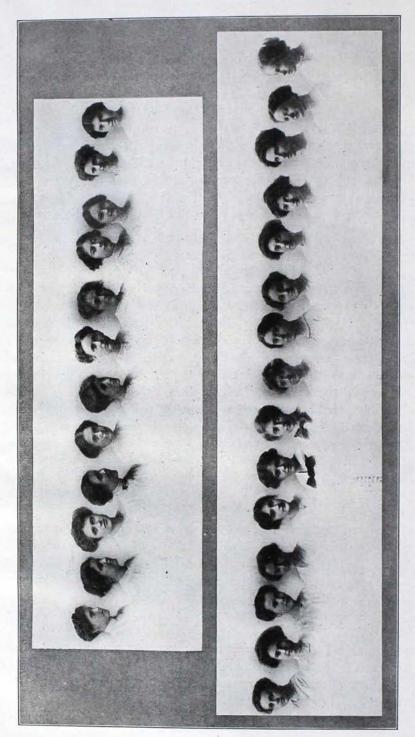
An announcement has been made of the marriage of Florence Hall, '15, to Frank Mitchell of Peru, Illinois.

Ladella Strong, '13, announces her engagement to Walter Turner of Toledo, Ohio.

Margaret Dupuy, '12, announces her engagement to Arthur Simpson, Phi Sigma Kappa.

Geneva Huntoon announces her engagement to Beverly Brewer, Alpha Tau Omega.

Fanny Noyes, who has been taking library work in the uni-



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versity for the past year, has accepted a position with the Evanston Library.

In expressing our regrets for the withdrawal of several of our girls from school we can express our happiness in having two splendid pledges for next fall, Gratia Reed of Warsaw, Illinois, and Laura Hirth of Quincy, Illinois.

We are now looking forward to an enthusiastic and successful rushing season.

AMELIA KELLOGG.

UPSILON, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

It seems hardly possible to be saying that Convention is all over, and that we are now making preparation for the opening of school. Margaret Raymond, our marshal, deserves much praise for her ability in managing the whole affair. Chapters were well represented and we are indeed very grateful for the loyalty shown by them. We sincerely hope that they enjoyed visiting us as much as we enjoyed having them. I wish that all my Kappa sisters could have been present.

We pledged Helen Williams, May twenty-third; she, Margaret Deming, and Naomi Nicholson were initiated at Convention.

The minstrel show, given by the Women's Athletic Association, was a new feature at Northwestern last year. Ruth Peterson had one of the leading parts.

On April twenty-first, the seniors gave a delightful spread at the home of "Peggy" Raymond, at which time Peggy's engagement to Dubois Marquis, Phi Gamma Delta, from Illinois Wesleyan, was announced; also that of Mary Hotchkiss to James Wescott, Phi Kappa Psi, from Northwestern.

On May first, the alumnae entertained for the active chapter at the home of Mrs. Fisk.

Our annual "mother's musicale" was given on May ninth at the home of Frances Steever.

"Senior ball" was held at the gymnasium on May tenth. On the following night "Trig" play was given at Ravinia Park.

The alumnae gave a reception on May twenty-third at the home of Clara Harris.

Helen McCarrell's engagement to William Shaffer, Phi Delta Theta, from Northwestern, has been announced.

On June seventh, we gave an informal dance at Ravinia Park for the seniors.

Mary Hotchkiss gave the senior class will at commencement. We are all very proud of "Peggy" Raymond, who played with the Thomas Orchestra during May Festival.

On June twenty-sixth, Mabelle Perrin, ex-'13, was married to John Manley, who is a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Northwestern.

The marriage of Clara Williams to Frank Earl Smith took place on June fifteenth.

Margaret Mather, ex-'13, is to be married in September.

The "old girls" back for commencement were Ethel Hard, Mary Hard, Marion Burnette, Polly Little, Emma Jones, Sue Markley, Margaret Deming, Isabelle Culver and Lenore Bruner.

We are fortunate in having Sue Markley and Ramona Harrod, both '14, with us this year.

Dorothy Sage returned from Europe for Convention.

Irene Farnham has been elected social editor of the Daily.

We are all very much pleased by the adoption of sophomore pledge day by the Pan-Hellenic. Of course it will mean a radical change in the fraternity situation and we are very anxious to see how it works out.

MARY ANN DAWSON.

Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan

School opens at Wesleyan this year on the seventeenth of September, and the girls are gradually getting back and ready for work. There will be no rushing for the first week of school, but, after that, we will all be kept busy. So many of our girls were fortunate in being able to attend Convention, that we are more interested in our affairs and more intent upon making this year a prosperous one for Kappa.

On Wednesday, August fourteenth, Mary Marquis, one of our alumnae, was married to Mr. Roscoe Roy Sidell, and on September eleventh Flora Warlow was married to Mr. Guy Moore. Irene Seibel was married to Mr. Ralph Green, Sigma Chi, on Tuesday, June twenty-fifth.

Myra Sinclair, a graduate with the class of 1909, who afterwards took a year of postgraduate work at Columbia University,

will be assistant librarian at Wesleyan and an instructor in the Academy.

Ruth Green, class of '10, who since her graduation has taught in the Fairbury High School, will teach this year at Lincoln.

Since Convention, we feel as though we know the most of our Kappa sisters, and we take the greatest interest in everything they do. We hope all our chapters will have a most successful rushing season.

CONSTANCE W. FERGUSON.

DELTA PROVINCE

CHI, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

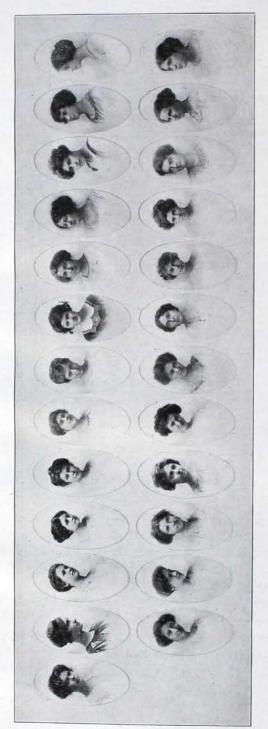
Chi chapter sends greetings to all Kappas, and wishes for the best sort of a new college year.

Since last spring most of the Kappas have been thinking about Convention: first planning for it, then enjoying it, and lately discussing it and telling those who stayed at home about it. For there is nothing so wonderful in making one appreciate Kappa as Convention. Chi chapter was most fortunate in having seventeen girls to represent her, and help bring hack to Minnesota the spirit of Convention. It was all such a wonderful success that we think the Upsilon girls should certainly be congratulated on their management.

Although our rushing season began a week before Convention opened this year, it it too early yet to tell anything of the outcome. Last year and this year we have tried a new system of planning the rushing. We have one "rush captain," whose duty it is to arrange what freshmen shall be entertained at each party, and help plan the parties if necessary. Then each week two other girls with the "rush captain's" assistance take charge. In this way the burden of the work is divided among a fairly large majority of the girls.

On the first day of September we left the house which we occupied last year, and moved into a larger one a short distance away. The reason for the change was that we had more girls to live in the house than we had room to accomodate. Now we will be able to have quite a family of Kappa sisters living together at the chapter house.

GLADYS PATTEE.



BETA ZETA CHAPTER

BETA ZETA, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

The much talked of "last week in August" has come! Loyal Kappas from all over the country are gathering at Evanston for the 1912 Convention. How every one of us would like to be there, and are, even though only in spirit. Several representatives from Beta Zeta will be there and among them our official delegate, Elizabeth Nutting.

Four weeks more and we will be returning to school, where between greetings and "visitings" we shall be getting our chapter house in readiness and perfecting our plans for rushing which will take place as usual the week before school opens. Our Pan-Hellenic rushing rules will be much the same as last year with the one exception that the mornings will be open to all the fraternities for rushing. Beta Zeta was lucky in drawing for her formal rushing dates Thursday afternoon and Saturday evening, for Saturday night is deemed just a little the best.

We are expecting a great many of the old girls back for rushing and our captain, Florence Reberry, reports exceptionally good material among the prospective rushees so, no doubt, Beta Zeta will be as successful as ever.

We regret the loss of our three seniors of last year, Ella Baker, Josephine Graham and Dean Newcomb.

Beta Zeta wishes every chapter a very successful year.

GERTRUDE LOUISE VANWAGENEN.

THETA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

The Saturday before commencement Theta initiated six freshmen who had been pledged at Christmas time, but could not become real Kappas on account of the twenty-four hour rule.

Mary and Caroline Southern, Gladys Garrett, Francis Yeater, and Katherine Smith were indeed, six freshmen to be proud of.

Theta's senior class was not very large, consisting of only one member. It has always been the custom for the senior class to give the chapter some present and our senior, Dorothy Thompson, gave us a coffee percolator.

We are going to be very well represented at Convention this year. Katherine Barnes was elected delegate, with Katherine Teasdale first alternate. Besides our delegate there will be Gertrude McLain, Marion Sanders and Anna Mary Mills of the

active chapter, and Edna Williams, Mary Isbell, and Mary Baskett of the alumnae. We are glad that so many are able to go and only wish it were possible for us all to be present.

ABBIE ELWANG.

SIGMA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

This summer has found the members of Sigma well scattered in different parts of the country. Some of the girls are spending their vacation at home, several are taking long trips, and some are enjoying themselves at lakes and summer resorts. Letters form a connecting link, however, and in these letters Convention seems to be the all-absorbing topic. How we wish each one of us might be there.

Registration at Nebraska University begins September seventeenth, and soon after that the eighteen of us who expect to return will be reunited, and our beloved chaperone, Mrs. Miller, who will be with us for the third year, will once more have her large family together. The Kappa house will be the same one we have occupied for the past two years, and it is one of which we are very proud.

Our three seniors who graduated last spring are Alice Kate, Doris Wood and Lora Smith, the latter having the honor of being elected to Phi Beta Kappa. We will miss them all greatly, but we hope to have frequent visits from them. We will lose several other girls also. Gladys Hanna, whose home is in Long Beach, California, will not return. Carol White will attend Wellesley, and Lenore Burkett will go to Dana Hall.

The Intersorority Council at Nebraska has adopted new rushing rules for the coming year which seems to be a step toward a sophomore pledge day. According to these rules, freshmen cannot be pledged until after registration for the second semester, although they may be rushed after the first four weeks of school in the fall. This rushing is restricted so that it will not interfere with school work, and we all feel that it will be a more deliberate and dignified method than our former custom of pledging at the close of registration week at the beginning of the school year.

Sigma extends best wishes for a happy and profitable college year.

DELLA LADD.

OMEGA, KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Omega was very sorry to lose three of her girls through graduation. Bertha Dack will teach at Anthony, Kansas. Josephine Walker and Brownie Angle will spend the winter at home.

The wedding of Maude Browne to Mr. Lee Judy will take place on August twenty ninth. Mr. Judy is a graduate of Kansas State University and is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

Alpha Delta Phi has recently installed a chapter. This makes five national fraternities for women in the university.

Our new chapter house which we are building is almost completed and we expect to have it in time for our two weeks of rushing. We are all very proud of it.

Omega sends best wishes to all her sister chapters for a most prosperous coming year.

HELEN F. TABOR.

EPSILON PROVINCE

BETA MU, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Our first annual May Festival, held May fourth, was a wonderful season. The Woman's League made \$1,400 for the proposed new Woman's Building. Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, who was very much interested in this building, died recently and the club women of Colorado are going to give funds towards the erection of a Woman's Building as a memorial to her.

May eighteenth was High School day and we had a reception in the morning and served buffet luncheon at noon, the same as usual.

Our mid-night session, which is always held the Thursday of final week, was a greater success than ever. Our freshmen afforded the entire amusement, a performance for every hour, so it was impossible to go to bed. The first performance was a wedding held at high mid-night with an elaborate wedding feast afterwards. At two-thirty A. M., a track meet was held on Gamble Field, (the dining room) and after this a Dutch lunch was served. Five of the freshmen remained up all night.

Since we have second semester pledge day, we do not have as many rush parties as usual. The one we had was a college euchre party at the home of Grace Frawley in Denver. We expect to have a few more just before the opening of school as there can be no rushing afterwards.

Beta Mu is going to have her share of representatives at the

Convention this year, as about eight girls will be there.

Greetings from Beta Mu to all her Kappa sisters. We hope they may have a successful rushing season.

MARGUERITE NELSON.

BETA XI, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Beta Xi was very, very busy the last two months of the college year, yet it had time for many things outside of the regular school routine.

The Tri Deltas entertained the Kappas first of any of the fraternities in their rooms with a delightful little Easter party. All of us came home the proud possessors of new Easter bonnets fashioned out of pieces of flowered wall paper.

The annual Kappa dinner was given at the Driskill, and the girls enjoyed it fully as much as the invited guests.

San Jacinto day is always a Texas holiday, and the student body spent the day either in New Braunfals or on the river.

As it grew warmer this spring, open house indoors became almost unbearable. Since our yard was very large and grassy, we decided to have our last open house out there. The lawn looked beautiful strung with electric lights.

In order to celebrate appropriately our tenth birthday, the active girls and alumnae gave a picnic supper to our two resident charter members, Katherine Searcy and Lucile Wathen Fisher.

A beautiful pageant was given for the first time this year on the university campus by the girl's gymnasium and dancing classes under the supervision of Misses Aden and Cosby, the physical directors.

The Y. W. C. A. senior luncheon was given under the able supervision of Rowena Barnett, one of our girls who is chairman of the social committee of Y. W. C. A.

"Pygmalion and Galatea," the annual play presented by the Ashbel Literary Society had Mattie Gooch and Lilla Donnan in leading roles. They were assisted by several more Kappas who were equally as good in their respective parts. The University of Texas Cactus is a splendid and representative book this year. Beryl Rathbone appears in it as Kappa's representative beauty.

Beta Xi had six seniors this year who will we be dreadfully missed in the active chapter next year. They are Mattie Gooch, Maydelle Campbell, Zelle Stephens, Nettie May Wilkes, Lyndall Finley, and Mary Broad.

Many of our old girls came back this year for commencement, initiation and the annual breakfast. We initiated into our midst the night before the breakfast Helen Lassiter and Dorothy West.

The breakfast was held at the Driskill on the morning of the tenth of June with Eleanor Brackenridge La Prelle as toastmistress. At this time the engagement of Cornelia Rice to Will Scarbrough, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, was announced.

Beta Xi announces the marriage of Mamie Searcy to Richard Kleberg, Sigma Chi; Mary De Val to Mr. P. J. Carter, Theta Delta Chi of Wisconsin; and Helen Grant to Mr. Raleigh Hortonstein.

Beta Xi announces also the birth of Wycliff Wathen Fisher, second son of Lucile Wathen Fisher; and Richard Wolfe Netzorg, son of Eva Sodekson Netzorg of Ithaca, Michigan.

Annette S. Hardwicke.

BETA OMICRON, TULANE UNIVERSITY

The most conspicuous and beautiful event of commencement week was University night, the annual festival of the University. This year the festival was a Hiawatha pageant, presenting seven scenes from the American epic. Newcomb College campus was an ideal setting and the great oaks, hanging Spanish moss, wigwams, and Indian characters made this student celebration very picturesque and beautiful.

One of the most interesting happenings of the year is the appearance of the Tulane annual, *The Jambalaya*. The new books came in May and the clever illustrations made us very proud of Flora Niel, the art editor.

Rushing at the end of the college year became less formal and more personal. We had several Thursday afternoon teas, after student body meetings. Some of the freshmen brought guitars and banjos, and songs came between courses. Our alumnae showed an active interest all year and in May gave a dance to the actives and rushees in the college gymnasium. This, we all agreed, was one of the most enjoyed events of the year. The last day of college we gave a farewell luncheon to our senior, Flora Niel. Kappa mothers, rushees, alumnae, and actives were present and this last gathering was a very happy one.

Flora Niel and Lucille Scott have spent the summer on their plantations and Helen Mouton and Joan Miller have been at their homes. Sylvia Norman took special music courses at Tulane summer school and after the session returned to her home at Pass Christian. Dorothy Hébert and Eleanor Luzenberg spent the summer at camp in Vermont, leaving there for Convention, where they were joined by Mrs. Monro Lanier (Katherine Leach).

Eleanor Luzenberg.

BETA CHI, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

First of all, we want to introduce our new pledge, Ella K. Porter, who entered college after Christmas, and who was pledged toward the end of the year.

Aubyn Chinn, head of our domestic science department, has been teaching summer school this term. She will have Mary Vimont as her student assistant next year.

Elizabeth Moore is to be a student assistant in the girls' gymnasium work for the coming year.

All of Beta Chi are most anxious for college to open. Needles have been kept busy this summer among our girls, each one making something useful and attractive for our house, and we expect to have our little abode quite inviting for the freshmen who are expected. This is a new plan we are trying, and we hope it will prove successful.

The prospects for the coming year are very promising. There are several girls coming who either have Kappa relatives or friends, and who are fine girls in every particular. The attendance of the college is to be greatly increased. Every room in both girls' and boys' dormitories has been engaged for weeks, and the question now is where to put the overflow.

We wish all of Kappa a very successful rushing season and a happy and prosperous year.

ELIZABETH GRAEME MOORE.

ZETA PROVINCE

PI, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Pi chapter is a constant and expansive smile this new semester, with enthusiasm sufficient to carry her through many a siege of work and final examination. The first and immediate cause is the addition of eight splendid freshmen to our number, whom we are soon to initiate into Kappa Kappa Gamma. The pledges are Ruth Smith, Alice Cook, Helen Breck, Marian Hook, Evelyn Dierssen, Dulcede la Cuesta, Eleanor Moore, and Mary Dixon. Then, too, we have been augmented by two sisters, Hazel Murphy from Beta Phi and Jülia Austin from Eta chapter, who have won already two very firm places among us.

The second cause of great joy is the anticipatory pleasure in our new house which is very rapidly gliding on to completion. A wonderful mansion it is going to be, and appreciative Kappas proudly survey its every crevice and corner many times a week. We are hoping to occupy it in all its splendor by October first.

To cope with the financial situation we are planning a fair to be participated in by alumnae as well as the active chapter, of which a jelly sale will be a feature. Another mercenary scheme is our prospective "moving picture show" in which we will display characteristic snap-shots from the strenuous vacation days of the sisters.

The annual pushball contest waged by the sophomores against the entering freshmen will take place on Saturday. Everyone is anticipating it with pleasure, as well as the exciting football season which is just now beginning. College activities are hardly yet in progress, but the enthusiastic interest already awakened must necessarily render many Kappas participants in coming affairs.

Ruth Sherman.

BETA PI, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

So many things have happened during the last months of college that I simply must speak of some of them.

On May tenth, we gave our annual formal dance at the home of President and Mrs. Kane on the campus. The ball room was decorated with great quantities of natural fleur-de-lis and asparagus fern and was very beautiful; the dining room, where we all



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BETA ETA CHAPTER

had supper together after the last dance, was in yellow and was equally attractive. We were very happy to have with us that evening Elizabeth Fox, of Beta Epsilon, of whom we have seen a great deal during the past year.

The girls were very busy in the spring taking part in the numerous activities which occur at that time. On April twentyninth the Women's League held their annual county fair in the gymnasium. Freshman and senior girls have charge of this. Jessie Lee Poole, Florence Gellathy, Geraldine Goodheart, and Helene Moore, all freshmen, were on committees. Campus Day came on May ninth; March McGlauflin was captain of the sophomore girls and Ruth Miller served on the freshman committee. Lucille Thompson was on the junior prom committee, and was also editor of the Junior Daily, quite an honor for a girl. Lucille has also been elected as one of the two senior representatives for the students' conference. Lottie Trenholm was elected vicepresident of the Women's League for next year. Ruth Miller, we are proud to say, captured the all-university women's tennis championship, and made the freshman girls' baseball team. Charlotte Seymour was one of the team too. Florence Gellathy has been appointed chairman of the Y. W. C. A. social committee; Florence Day, March McGlauffin, and Doris Bronson are also serving on the Y. W. C. A. committees.

We are very proud to have our two regular seniors elected to the senior women's honor society. Lottie Trenholm and Lucille Thompson were two out of ten university women who were elected to the Tolo Club this year.

The University chorus gave its annual opera on May eighth; this year they presented the "Mocking Bird." Lottie Trenholm, March McGlauflin, and Katharine Wagner were in the cast.

During the latter part of April, Alice Shelton visited the local chapter at Oregon, which is petitioning Kappa Kappa Gamma. She spent three pleasant days there, and enjoyed meeting the girls very much.

About this time Mrs. Roth made us a brief visit. As the time was so short, we could only entertain for her informally, but we became better acquainted with her in this way, and she probably was able to know us better. Mrs. Lovejoy, also of Beta

Delta chapter, visited us at this same time, and we enjoyed them both very much.

In May we pledged Roszelle Millburn, a splendid little fresh-

man, who hopes to wear the Key very soon.

Commencement came on June twelfth this year. After the exercises, the active chapter gave a luncheon for the seniors. Mrs. Walsh, our Kappa mother chaperon, who has been with us for nearly five years, was with us in that official capacity for the last time. Mrs. Walsh has moved into a home of her own, but is still in Seattle, so we hope to see a great deal of her anyway. She is a woman of wonderful personality and charm and Beta Pi can never repay all she has done for us. We are to have with us this year Mrs. Moore, another Kappa mother, and we are looking forward to a very happy year with her among us.

The last week in June the Beta Pi sophomores enjoyed the splendid hospitality of March McGlauflin at her home in Hoquiam, Washington.

Beta Pi loses one of her strongest girls this fall; Frantzel Coe is at Smith for her junior year, but we are hoping to have her with us for her senior work.

On June eleventh, Frances Stevenson, '12, was married to Edwin James Brown, Jr., Sigma Nu.

Marguerite Gage, '12, will be married September fourth to Victor Roth, Phi Delta Theta.

Jessie Campbell, '07, is to be married September twenty-sixth to Cecil Slexter.

The engagement of Alice Shelton, '12, to Lawrence Clayton has been announced.

Convention is in session this very minute and we are all waiting breathlessly for our girls to come home and tell us all about it. We are very proud to have five Beta Pis, besides our delegate, attend the Convention.

Beta Pi sends sincere wishes for a successful year to every chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Doris Bronson.

ALUMNAE DEPARTMENT

LALAH RUTH RANDLE, IOTA, ALUMNAE EDITOR

Most joyous greetings to the Alumnae, young and old, near and far away, interested or disinterested, of Kappa Kappa Gamma! The drowsy, energy-defying heat of summer has passed and the coolness of October has come! Pull your chairs a little closer to the light, give the fire an extra poke, tuck in another pillow behind your backs and prepare to read the plans of the Alumnae Editor for a splendid department—all for you! You may be a member of an Alumnae Club or you may not be blessed with the opportunity of belonging to such an organization; you may be living on a farm in Maine, or teaching in a little town in Kansas, you may be far away from home and college and fraternity friends; wherever you are, may we not, through the pages of The Key, recall the days of long ago to you—and help you to bridge the chasm between the Then and the Now?

The purpose of this department is one—and only one—to keep the inspiration of the fires of Kappa love and loyalty alight in the hearts of *all* its members. All! Yes—every one—for we want to make The Key so interesting that you *must* take it—and taking it, we feel sure that it will perform its mission. Will you help us?

In July, the editor of this department sent the following letter to the secretaries of the alumnae associations and clubs, and the response has been immediate and enthusiastic. The letter is here reprinted that it may reach those of the alumnae who are not members of formal Kappa organizations—for we need and want your help, too. Do not minimize the things that you can do. Every personal note, every suggestion, every notice of things accomplished or undertaken will help to make The Key more interesting and profitable. All can help if you will.

1354 HOLMES AVENUE, Springfield, Illinois, July 29, 1912.

As the newly appointed Alumnae Editor of The Key, I send to you and to your Kappa Alumnae Association, greetings.

May I count on you for help in making the Alumnae Department of The Key a thoroughly interesting and profitable one? Much will depend upon the secretary of each association but I feel sure that with your co-operation we can greatly increase the interest of the alumnae in The Key and in the Fraternity as well.

First—May I ask that each association have a letter in each number of The Key. Will you not give us complete accounts of all meetings, may we not know the character of these meetings, what work is done, and what new plans are projected?

Second—May we not have more personals? There is no phase of the department that is more interesting to the girls who are out of school and who are anxious to hear all the little details of the lives of their friends. Advertise for personals—get the other members of the association interested in collecting them, and send as many as you can.

Third—Will you please, whenever possible, send type written manuscripts, using only one side of each sheet of paper. The next copy should reach me by the first of September.

Fourth—For the October Key, I should like to have as many suggestions as possible for this department, from as many alumnae as possible. What would you, as an alumna, like to see in The Key? May I not have letters from many of the members of your association? This is a call to service for all. Send these suggestions directly to me, or let them be sent through the secretary of your association. Do not, however, enclose them with the news letter and personals.

Fifth—Do you not have in your association or among your Kappa acquaintances some women who are doing things that are notable and with whom the readers of The Key ought to be acquainted? I should be delighted to hear of such, and also of Kappas who might give us special articles along their lines of work or other topics of general interest. In this, too, I must ask your assistance.

With the fullest confidence in your co-operation and enthusiasm and hoping that Convention may offer opportunities for acquaintance with many of you, I am

Cordially,

LALAH RUTH RANDLE, Alumnae Editor of THE KEY.

Notice particularly the fifth paragraph in the letter. The editor is very anxious to find out who our distinguished Kappas are, in order that she may pass on to others the knowledge that she gains. Will you not keep her informed as to those among your friends and class mates who are doing unusual, interesting or notable things? Kappa Kappa Gamma is not a new organization; many of her women are playing important parts in life. Let us hear about them, and sometimes, from them.

We feel that by increasing the value of this department to the alumnae we can increase the number of subscriptions to THE KEY. In far too many of our chapters the support of THE KEY is left largely to the active girls, the very persons, who because of their environment and associations would seem to need it least of all, while the alumnae for whom it can and should be the connecting link between their college life, their source of inspiration, and their life of activity in the world outside, neglect it. Let us correct this at once-and make THE KEY the source of inspiration that our life in the active chapter was. Kappa Kappa Gamma does not exist merely for its active members; its Grand Council are alumnae, most of its other officers are alumnae, a large source of its social prestige and financial strength rests in its alumnae. Let us awaken to our duties and privileges! KEY subscriptions should be sent to Miss Elsie Kraemer, 620 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. Miss Kraemer is the newly appointed business manager of THE KEY.

CONVENTION

The Convention call to alumnae which has been so cordially and enthusiastically extended by Upsilon chapter and the North Shore and Chicago Alumnae Associations during the last few months, through the pages of THE KEY, was most heartily accepted, and scores of alumnae Kappas met at Evanston on the twenty-seventh of August and the succeeding Convention days. Perhaps one of the most pleasant features of the delightful week in Evanston was the meeting of old friends, college roommates whom we had not seen for years, girls who were dear to us in the days gone by, and meeting again friends made at other Conventions. All active girls and alumnae were equally welcomed, delightfully entertained and treated with charming courtesy. Often, to the evident delight of the alumnae, they were mistaken for active girls, and indeed, in spite of advancing years, and a few white hairs, none of the girls were old. A Kappa from Lambda, with snowy hair, and mother of a Kappa freshman of her own chapter, took part in the chapter presentation on "Stunt Night," while another alumna from Kappa chapter did a "stunt" all by herself!

Many women famous in the fraternity were present and many

others sent telegrams and messages of greeting. On the opening morning, messages were read from Katherine Swift Doty, Elmie Warner Mallory, Minnie Royse Walker, Mary Dechert Griffith Canby, Lucy Allen Smart and Ruth Fitzgerald..

On Thursday morning, the Convention was delighted with the charming personality and greetings of Katherine Ball Mauck, formerly Grand Treasurer, who has not only given her services to the fraternity but who has also given to it three daughters, all members of Kappa chapter.

Very naturally, the chief interest of the alumnae centered in Alumnae Day, Saturday, August the thirty-first. The morning session was called to order by the Grand President, Florence Burton Roth, and telegrams of greeting were read from the Adrian Alumnae Club, and from Margaret Brown Moore, Beta Gamma, who was chairman of the Committee on the Kappa Coat-of-Arms. The Grand President then gave the chair to Mrs. J. C. Hanna, Secretary of Alumnae Associations, who in the absence of Harriette Curtiss, Alumnae Supervisor, presided. The roll-call found the following alumnae delegates seated:

Beta Iota Alumnae Association, Rose L. Lynd.
Bloomington (Illinois) Alumnae Association, Myra Sinclair.
Chicago Alumnae Association, Mabel Hayward.
Denver Alumnae Association, Bina Burnham.
Falls Cities Alumnae Association, Alice Cary Williams.
Franklin Nu Alumnae Association, Laura O. Goodell.
Kansas City Alumnae Association, Hazel H. Albertson.
New York Alumnae Association, Florence Armstrong.
Pi Alumnae Association, Ethel B. Catton.
Syracuse Alumnae Association, Blanche Loomis.

Reports of the Alumnae associations were next given and plans for the coming year's work disclosed. New York Alumnae Association reported an average attendance of fifty-four. Syracuse Alumnae Association reported that seven chapters were included in its organization and spoke of the annual letter which the Association sends out to the Alumnae. Falls Cities Association reported twenty-five members and a growing interest and enthusiasm in all the phases of fraternity and college life. Franklin Nu Alumnae Association, ably represented by Mrs. Goodell, reported the maximum interest and enthusiasm. The

editor notes with pride the fact that this Association, composed of members of a chapter no longer active, my well be taken as a model Alumnae Association. Chicago Alumnae Association made special note of the fact that all Kappas are invited to its monthly luncheons and that a special invitation is not necessary. Kansas City Alumnae Association reported a membership of seventy, including girls from sixteen chapters, and gave a most interesting account of a Kappa Christmas party at which one hundred children from the slums were entertained. Denver Alumnae Association reported a membership of twenty-five, from fifteen chapters, and told of the presentation of a Kappa loving cup to the active chapter at Boulder, on which the name of the freshman attaining the highest average of scholarship is to be placed. Bloomington Alumnae Association presented a program for literary work on the general theme, National Movements, and gave a most interesting account of the work done by that organization. representative from Pi Alumnae Association gained an enviable reputation for wit of the most pungent sort by her report; and her account of Pi's method of "extracting" money for the building of the new chapter house at Berkelev will live long in the memories of most of those who heard it.

Informal reports were given by Lalah Ruth Randle, representing the Iota Kappa Club, Cleora Clark Wheeler, representing the Chi Kappa Club, and Elizabeth Bogert, representing the Indianapolis Alumnae Club.

The reports of the Alumnae Supervisor, Alumnae Secretary and Financial Officer were then given.

Of interest to alumnae associations was the rule passed, permitting the officers of an alumnae association with two other members to constitute an executive committee, empowered to cast votes for the association where circumstances prevent a full vote of the association.

Informal talks were given by the famous sisters, members of Iota chapter, Mrs. Pruitt of Evanston, Mrs. Wallace of Chicago, and Mrs. Fay of Champaign, Illinois; also, by Mrs. D. D. Otstott of Dallas, Texas, an ever-faithful attendant at Convention, and Mrs. Annie L. Payne Ader, Iota, of Chicago. The Alumnae Editor of The Key urged a renewed interest in The Key among the alumnae.

The following officers were elected:

Alumnae Supervisor—Minnie Royce Walker (Mrs. Guy M. Walker), Iota.

Alumnae Secretary—Sally Mark Barclay Mitchell (Mrs. Samuel B. Mitchell), Beta Alpha.

Financial Officer—Myra Sinclair, Epsilon.

A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring officers, and the alumnae session was closed by a solo given by Margaret Moore of Beta Lambda.

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The Alumnae Editor has been informed of the existence of informal Kappa alumnae associations at Adrian, Michigan, Lincoln, Nebraska, Missoula, Montana, and Iowa City, Iowa. May we not urge that these organizations apply at once to the Alumnae Supervisor and Alumnae Secretary for information that they may become formal Alumnae associations. In the meantime, however, letters from them intended for publication in The Key will be welcomed.

The Alumnae will also be interested in the contest which is being instituted for a new cover for The Key. Designs may be sent to Miss Mary L. Lowden, 85 Barrows Street, Dedham, Mass.

The Alumnae Editor urges that the alumnae associations enter upon the year's work with enthusiasm and renewed interest in all that concerns the fraternity at large. The meetings of some of the associations are simply luncheons held in the tea room of some store, and are merely meeting places for Kappas, resident or transient; others are purely social, others are doing philanthropic and educational work; others take a special interest in adjacent chapters, while still others are doing systematic club work. Let us learn from each other, and learn to do. More will be written in a subsequent issue of The Key concerning the possibilities for work open to alumnae associations. Have you not some suggestions?

Will the Alumnae Association Secretaries please send to the Alumnae Editor the dates and places of meeting for the coming year, that they may be included in the directory of Alumnae Associations.

ALUMNAE CRITICISM OF INITIATES

If criticism of the adverse sort were given due importance in the proper place, which is before initiation, not after, the tendency on the part of members to occasionally mention in an unsympathetic manner the faults of a Kappa sister would be much lessened, if it did not entirely disappear; and there would be a more perfect realization of the wonderful power of criticism of the constructive sort, beautifully illustrated by the "Third Floor Back," who, looking with the eyes of love which see no evil, always succeeded so admirably in bringing into prominence the innate goodness of others.

In the investigations and discussions which precede the presentation of names for membership, a nice distinction should be made between the essential and the non-essential characteristics of desirable candidates. This will give more weight to any violation of the conventionalities, indicative of good breeding and good morals, than it does to an apparent ignorance of the rules of fashionable etiquette.

In the selection of new members, the value of the friendly cooperation of the alumnae associations ought to be clearly understood and fully recognized. That these associations have a deep interest in the actual chapters is evident, when we think that every alumna has at some time enjoyed the inspirational life of an active chapter. Then the alumnae association necessarily accepts as life members the girls who have been members of an active chapter for any length of time however brief. For these reasons and others, an active chapter ought to hesitate a long time before it extends an invitation to a girl whom the alumnae do not consider desirable.

While the alumnae associations should have this influence, amounting to an unwritten law, in debaring girls from membership, their actions in determining who shall be chosen ought never to go beyond the formal recommendation of girls of exceptional personal merit.

For the alumnae associations to delegate to themselves any authority in the selection of new members, would not only greatly interfere with the freedom of the active chapter, an unwise thing to do; but it would also probably result in bringing together girls to a greater or less degree uncongenial, for a certain law of gravitation, an important factor in the wise choice of friends and associates, would often be unobserved. The elements of discord thus created within the organization could not help but seriously impair that harmonious atmosphere, which is so conducive to the high development of womanly character, the main purpose of the Kappa Fraternity.

DENVER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION.

KEEP UP WITH THE TIMES.

Why do the alumnae invariably criticize rather than encourage the active chapter? Is it because it is human nature to underestimate our successors? Is it the same spirit which prompts our older relatives of another generation to say, "Deary me, we never did such things when we were young!"

I am an alumna, but I do not take the average alumna's point of view. I am sorry to say that there is seldom the right spirit between the active chapter and the alumnae of any fraternity.

An alumna for instance receives a notice of a banquet. In her day the banquets were homemade little affairs, with sandwiches and cakes made by the members. She sees that the notice salls for \$1.50, as the banquet is to be strved by a caterer. She crossly exclaims that she will not go, that in her day it wasn't necessary to be so elaborate, that the chapter is running down. She expresses this to another alumna, and it soon reaches the actives. A bitter feeling between the two organizations springs up.

Don't you realize that the times have changed, alumna? Don't you know that the spirit of the age is extravagance? When you were at college didn't you say to your mother, "O mother, you don't understand,—times have changed since you were at school." Don't you realize that there is less difference between your ideas now, and your active chapter's, than there was between your mother's and yours?

Don't desert your chapter because they wear chiffons at parties and you wore dimities. Don't be such a pessimist. You are like the old man who has no more active part in the world, but who thinks the world is going to ruin. The world is not goin to ruin. It is a better world than it ever was,—even if we do have such atrocious new inventions as the telephone, the automobile, the wireless and phonograph.

Leave the management of your chapter to the active members. They will take care of Kappa. They take the pride in it that you did. You'll spoil their illusions as to Kappa spirit if you constitute yourselves as a committee of "carping critics."

Go to their meetings, their parties, but be one of them. If you can give your opinion without the "this-chapter-is-going-to-destruction" manner, give it, and they will appreciate it. There is nothing so tactless as ill-tempered criticism. It does no good. It tends to drive the object of the criticism further in the opposite direction.

Remember, times have changed, conditions are never the same.

The active chapters are just as good, bless 'em, as they ever were.

Progressive Alumna.

DIRECTORY OF ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

Western New York Association

meets in January, April, June and September. For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. Grace Bingham, R. F. D. No. 2, Rochester, New York.

Beta Iota Association

meets in January, March, May and October. For dates and places of meeting address Miss Elizabeth White, The Marlborough-Blenheim, Atlantic City, New Jersey.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For dates and places of meeting address Miss Grace Wight, 303 Marshall Street, Syracuse, New York.

PITTSBURG ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday of each month, except July and August, at 2:30 P. M. at McCreery's in the Tea Room.

FALLS CITIES ASSOCIATION

meets the second Saturday in January, March, May, September and November. For places of meeting address Miss Alice Cary Williams, 1387 South 2nd Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

Franklin Nu Association

meets in the Y. W. C. A. building at Indianapolis. For dates address Mrs. C. E. Goodell, Granville, Ohio.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

meets on the fourth Saturday of every month from September through June, at Marshall Field's, in the East Tea Room at 12:30 o'clock.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month. For places of meeting address Miss Amy Merstetter, 901 Ann Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas.

Denver Association

meets the last Saturday of each month from September to June. For places of meeting address Mrs. Richard H. Goddard, 1100 Colfax Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

meets twice a month from September to June. For dates and places of meeting address Miss Hazel E. Funk, Bloomington, Illinois.

NEW ORLEANS ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For particulars address Miss Hilda Phelps, 1523 Harmony Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

MINNESOTA CLUB

meets the third Friday of each month. For place of meeting address Miss Marjorie Edwards, 914 E. 19th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Beta Iota Association

Beta Iota Card Club was very enjoyably entertained at its April meeting at the home of Elizabeth Cadwallader, '11, in Yardley, Pennsylvania. Instead of just an afternoon meeting, an all-day affair was made of it, the girls going up in the morning and, after a delightful luncheon, playing cards and gossiping all afternoon.

The regular annual luncheon and Alumnae Association meeting was held on May eleventh at the home of Mary Janvier Pugh in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania. The alumnae meeting was held on the porch, as the morning was a warm one, and after it the alumnae and active chapter sat down to one of the most enjoyable luncheons in the history of the chapter. The table decorations were fleur-de-lis given us by the hostess.

Emma Jane Wilson, '05, entertained the Beta Iota Card Club on May twenty-fourth, at her home in Berwyn, Pennsylvania. The girls spent the day, thoroughly enjoying rambling over the farm, and, as the hostess expressed it, playing with the puppies and kittens.

There has been quite a gathering of Beta Iota alumnae at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, during July and August, Mary and Elizabeth Verlenden, '07, Elizabeth Cadwallader, '11, Elisabeth Bartlett, '12, and Elizabeth White, '11, having spent several weeks there.

Only two Beta Iota alumnae expect to be able to go to Convention this year. Several more had expected to go, but found at the last minute that they would be unable to attend. Our delegate is Rose Spencer Lynd, and Edna C. Jones expects to go also.

'10—Florence Wallworth Ulrich is spending several weeks at Lake George.

ELIZABETH WHITE, Secretary.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

The Columbus Alumnae Association held its last meeting before the summer adjournment, at Katharine Vogel's home, when the officers for this year were elected. Our meetings, which are held each fourth Saturday of the school months, are a combination of business and pleasure, beginning about half-past five o'clock with a spread, to which any or all of the active girls are invited and ending with discussious of fraternal matters.

By having the active chapter with us, we are able to know and enjoy our younger sisters and can better keep in touch with college and fraternity interests. Our September meetings will mean discussions of the Convention and of the girls who are entering college.

What a difference having a Pan-Hellenic association makes in rushing! When we alumnae were in college, some years ago, the first few weeks of school were a mad round of gaiety and fraternity rivalry.

This summer has brought the loss of four of our members, three going away as brides and one, Margaret Kauffman Barringer, moving to Buffalo, New York. Mrs. Barringer had just been elected our President, so her leaving will be doubly felt.

In June, Imogene McClees and Donald Acklin were married and have gone to live on their large stock farm near Toledo, Ohio.

August brought two more brides: Florence Sackett was married to Gates Oblinger, an attorney-at-law of Dayton, Ohio, where they will make their future home; and Myra Sherman was married to George Gascoigne, who has taken her to live in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. Jean Nelson Penfield was in Columbus, August twenty-

second, at the Equal Suffrage Convention and the girls took great pleasure in going to Goodale Park where she spoke. Her visit was such a hurried and busy one, that we could do nothing in a social way for her.

LILIAN H. Rose, Secretary.

FALLS CITIES ASSOCIATION

The Falls Cities Alumnae Association held its last meeting the second Saturday in May at the home of Mrs. Charles J. Robinson of Epsilon chapter. About twelve members were present, and for the most part the business session was given up to a discussion of Convention plans. We are planning for a big Pan-Hellenic meeting in the fall, to which we intend to invite all the other interesting Greek women in and around the Falls Cities.

Our delegate to Convention has gained many attractive and helpful ideas, and we hope for a very interesting and prosperous year beginning with our first meeting in September.

Jessie E. Jones, Beta Alpha, has spent the summer at Saranac Lake, New York.

Anna E. Heick has done splendid work in the children's playgrounds, which have become quite a feature in Louisville this summer.

Mrs. Samuel B. Mitchell, formerly Sally Mark Barclay, Beta Alpha, has been ill with typhoid fever this summer, which prevented her from attending Convention. She is now convalescent.

Louisville reports another Kappa alumna, Miss Helen Ruthenberg, DePauw, '12, who has very recently come to make her home here. She will teach in the New Albany High School this year.

ALICE CARY WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Franklin Nu Association

Our association celebrated its second anniversary on September the ninth in the Woman's Building on the Franklin campus. We heard a report of the Convention and then discussed our work for the coming two years. It is our aim to gather all the old papers and as much as possible from memory, bearing on the history of Nu, put these facts into writing and send them to the fraternity Historian. We will continue to solicit subscriptions for The Key. Some of us are hoping that we will be able to add something to the Student Aid Fund before the next Convention.

We know of a Kappa who needs the co-operation of her sisters in brightening the lives of small children, placed in her care. We want to aid her and shall go about it very soon. Other work wil come to hand as the months go by. Some of our numbers are enjoying honors that have come to them recently. For instance: Minnie Tracey Clark, who has two sons, Tracey and Harmon, both married, is now the grandmother of Eugene Mondell Clark.

Nora Whitesides Essex, whose daughter Maud married a year ago, has joined the grandmothers' class since the arrival of Helen Louise Titus.

Nettie Craft was recently elected assistant principal of the Franklin High School.

Jennie Thompson is now the manager of the woman's department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in Indianapolis. Her home address is 531 Charleston Inn, Indianapolis.

Alice Russell Howard expected to attend the Convention, but her daughter Gladys was taken to the hospital for an operation for appendicitis and of course Mrs. Howard remained at home.

Since Kappa has no chapter at Franklin some of the daughters of Nu Kappas are in other fraternities at Franklin—Eva Payne Ott's daughters are Pi Phis; Madge Jones' daughter, and also Jennie Payne Keay's daughter are Delta Delta Deltas.

The daughter of Jessie Grubb Coons—Fern Coons— attends Michigan University and was initiated into Kappa by that chapter last year.

Dorothea Erther, a talented musician, was married in July to a representative of the *Indianapolis Star*. Her mother is Claude Keely Erther.

As we close our report an interesting letter comes to hand from Cora Casper Harvey. She has recently moved to 506 Vine Street, Leavenworth, Kansas. Her son, P. Casper Harvey, a graduate of William Jewell College, is teaching English in the schools in Leavenworth, and at the same time studying law in Kansas City. Her daughter, Gustav, has taken her A. B. and

is resting at home this year. Mrs. Harvey expresses her interest in the women of Nu and wishes she might be among them in Franklin.

We brought from the Convention some clean cut, enjoyable memories of strange faces, sweet personalities, marked talents, delicate courtesies and cheering words. We remember with pleasure also the admirable dispatch with which Upsilon discharged her duties and the pretty setting which Evanston afforded the Convention. We cannot have the space to mention in detail the kindnesses extended to us by the Grand Council, the delegates and visiting Kappas, nor can we mention by name the faces and graces of those whom it delights us to recall. However, mention must be made of that feature of the recent Convention which we genuinely admired, viz—the pleasant, courteous manner in which the delegates differed. Self control and a spirit of tolerance characterized the Convention proceedings and increased the pride we have always had in Kappa.

LAURA OGLE GOODELL, Secretary.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

Kansas City Alumnae Association is looking forward to the September meeting eagerly as no meetings have been held during July and August. We meet in September with Miss Mc-Fadden, Miss Cahill, Miss Warren, and Miss Snodgrass and the entertainment will be in the nature of a bridge luncheon to which prospective freshmen may be invited at the request of active girls from Omega and Theta chapters.

We are greatly interested in the building of the much talked of and long wished for chapter house at Lawrence, Kansas. Omega chapter's new home promises to be all that has been hoped for it.

Frank Parker, Sigma Chi, '09, of Kansas University, and Lucy Wright Parker, Omega chapter, '09, are living in Omaha, Nebraska.

Miss Evelyn Burrell of Beta Lambda chapter and Mr. William Lewis were married in the spring. They will make their home in Kansas City.

Miss Maude Browne, Omega, '10, and Mr. Ernest Lee Judy, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, '11, of Kansas University will be married

August twenty-ninth. They will live in Kansas City, Kansas. Marriages to take place in October are: Miss Mary Lambert, Omega, and Mr. Sidney Hodge; Miss Maude Olander, Omega, '06, and Mr. Clarence Waring.

We are very glad to welcome into our association Miss Margaret Siegel and Miss Brownie Angle of the class of 1912, Kansas University.

We have with us, also, Mrs. W. O. Millar, a charter member of Alpha chapter, and Miss Ida Timmons, a pianist of note.

AMY MERSTETTER, Secretary.

BLOOMINGTON (ILLINOIS) ASSOCIATION

Miss Mabel Brock was married June fifth to Mr. William Mickle. They will make their residence in Deland, Florida.

Miss Irene Seibel, corresponding secretary for last year, was married to Mr. Ralph M. Green, Sigma Chi, of Illinois Wesleyan, on July fifteenth. They will live in Normal, Illinois.

The engagement of Flora Warlow to Mr. Guy Moore of Brooklyn, New York, has been announced.

The Sigma Kappa national convention was held in Bloomington in July, and the Kappas entertained them with a garden party at the home of Mrs. Van Leer.

Miss Mary Marquis was married on August fourteenth to Mr. Roscoe Sidell of Ohio. They will live in Mansfield, Ohio.

Miss Charlotte Probasco spent the summer traveling in England, Ireland and Scotland.

Miss Letta Brock, according to her usual custom, conducted a party abroad during the summer.

Miss Myra Sinclair, '09, will be assistant librarian and will teach in the preparatory department of the Illinois Wesleyan this year.

Miss Bernadine Brand will teach in Gibson City, Illinois.

Miss Ruth Green, '10, will teach English and mathematics in the high school at Lincoln, Illinois.

Gladys Miner, '11, is teaching domestic science in Britt, Iowa. Myra Jarrett, '11, returns to Rochelle, Illinois, to teach domestic science.

Irene Cunningham, '10, returns to Arcola, Illinois, to teach German.

Eulalia Robinson, '10, will teach in Casey, Iowa.

Mrs. Albert Vasey (Maude Kilgore) and her children, of Cimmaron, New Mexico, spent the summer in Bloomington.

Dr. and Mrs. Edson Hart (Louie Howell) are the parents of a daughter, Jane Milbourn, born May sixteenth, 1912.

Emma Parker Robinson, and her family of Louisville, Kentucky, spent the summer in Bloomington.

In accordance with custom, on June sixteenth, the alumnae joined the active chapter in a picnic, at the home of Mrs. Benjamin Cost of Bloomington. Sixty-five Kappas of Epsilon chapter were present.

The Bloomington Alumnae Association will begin its regular bi-monthly meetings in September, with a membership of thirtysix. The subject for the year's study will be a continuation of last year's program, "National Movements."

HAZEL E. FUNK, Secretary.

ADRIAN ASSOCIATION

The Adrain Alumnae Association extends greetings and best wishes for a happy and prosperous year to all Kappa sisters.

We have an association of seventeen members who are as loyal and enthusiastic as in college days. Some of the members have watched with pride the development and prosperity of the fraternity since the founding of Xi chapter thirty years ago; others have brought to us the inspiration of recent college days, giving us fresh enthusiasm so that the love for Kappa Kappa Gamma never grows less.

Our monthly meetings, held in the homes of the members of the association are looked forward to with as much pleasure as in the days when we met in the chapter hall. While it is not the same as then, there is a joy in these meetings never experienced by the undergraduate. In college days it is the meeting of the special group; now it is the reunion of friends—busy women who have put aside the present day task to enjoy for a few hours the communion of kindred spirits. The home, the office, the school room are bettered because of these times.

Now that vacation days are over we are looking forward to our September meeting with Miss Blanche Van Auken in her suburban home. Miss Van Auken has just returned from "Les Cheneaux" where she visited Mrs. Grace Hitchcock Mann, Phi chapter.

Mrs. Louise Burr Hood returned from an extended trip in Europe and the Orient early in the summer and will be with us the coming year.

· Miss Fannie Condict spent the summer with Mrs. Alberta Oakley Chrysler, of Xi, in Petoskee. Mrs. Chrysler and her husband have recently returned from a sojourn in Alaska.

SADIE J. PALMER, Secretary.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

I believe that the conditions under which Chicago Alumnae Association has to hold its meetings must differ greatly from those of other chapters.

It is hardly possible for us to make our meetings long enough for more than a hurried glimpse at each other and a bite to eat.

Held on the fourth Saturday of each month in the tea room at Field's store, they are, you see, in a public place where the opportunity is small to have any privacy or leisurely method.

Then too, Chicago women are always busy. It seems a concession for them to drop in and eat luncheon at the Kappa table. They do it, but they must eat and run. Some come early and go before others arrive.

Those who attend naturally are from chapters all over the country and many of them entire strangers to each other.

There is little unity of interest, and small opportunity to project plans and carry them out. Such work we must leave to others, but Chicago Association may fill a niche of its own—it may give a warm welcome to Kappas new to Chicago, make them meet friends and feel at home.

ANNE DE WOLF MACK, Secretary.

BETA GAMMA

Mrs. Robert A. Elder (Margaret Hanna) is the mother of a fine boy, Bobby Junior, born in March. Mrs. Elder's address is 5565 Tulmar Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

KAPPA

Merle McIntosh, '09, and Mr. Cercil Holliday, Δ T Δ , were married June twenty-seventh, 1912, in Hillsdale. Mr. Holliday is superintendent of schools at Bellaire, Michigan.

Fern McLeod, '11, stopped off for the house party on her way to Los Angeles.

On June twenty-first, a baby girl, Frances Lydia, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Walrath, née Ruth Mauck, of Macomb, Illinois.

Mabel and Gertrude Mauck of Madison, Ohio, were in Hillsdale for commencement.

Joy Mauck and Faith Elliott, '11, are home from Simmons for the holidays.

We mourn with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rowe, (Della McIntosh, '07) in the recent death of their son, Graeme.

On Tuesday, June eighteenth, occurred the marriage of Bertha Van Aken to Mr. Arthur Snodgrass of Auburn, New York.

Sarah Hamilton, '11, came for the annual house party in June. Mrs. Florence Birdsall Miller and her children of Montreal, Canada, spent the summer in Hillsdale.

Mrs. Will Chappell (Ethel Gurney) and her two children of Buffalo are spending the summer vacation with her parents in Hillsdale.

Hattie Reynolds, '84, has charge of the domestic science work in the high school of Kansas City.

Daisy Blackman Galloway is living in Hillsdale, Michigan. Flora Woodward Harvey is with her husband, Professor S. B. Harvey, for many years professor of German in Hillsdale College, in Tientsén, China, where he now holds a responsible position. The recent uprisings have proven uncomfortable, though rich experiences.

Anna File, '83, took a postgraduate course at Wellesley, and taught mathematics for some years in the high school at Marion, Ohio, where she now resides, and where she has recently built a handsome business block.

Ella Van Aiken Augir and Mattie Mills Railsback are living on the Pacific coast.

Carrie Durgin Dugan, '85, lives in Springfield, Massachusetts, where her husband is superintendent of a Y. M. C. A. training school.

Sadie Benedict, '83, for some years dean of women at Parker College Minusota, is now lady principal at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia.

Cora Bailey Simmers has done valuable work for the state in organizing and establishing school playgrounds. Her home is in Hillsdale, Michigan. Near her lives Marion Alley Bailey, who has recently adopted two little girls.

Miss Stella Root, '84, who has been supervisor of music in the public schools of Springfield and Peoria, Illinois, and who is now teaching in the University School of Education at Chicago, has conducted a summer course for teachers in Evanston. She has spent September in Yellowstone National Park.

Mrs. Frances Ball Mauck, with her daughter Joy, '11, attended Convention at Evanston. Mrs. Mauck is the wife of President Mauck of Hillsdale College and is a source of great inspiration to the students. She was a member of the Grand Council, '84-'85, and is now the mother of three Kappa daughters.

Mrs. Ruth Mauck Walrath, '09, with her little daughter, Frances Lydia, has spent the summer with her parents in Hillsdale. Her husband is professor of sociology in the Western Normal College at Macomb, Illinois.

Joy Mauck is taking a course in domestic science at Simmons College, Boston, and will take her degree in 1913.

Winifred Root Dewey lives in Bellevue, Ohio. She is the wife of a prominent physician, and she has one daughter. Her father, Dr. Root, was one of Michigan's pioneer physicians.

Winifred Hill McNabb is teaching in the public schools of Chicago.

Bessie Rogers has completed her course in domestic science at Hillsdale and will continue her course elsewhere.

Edith Cold, 'o6, holds a splendid position in a government school in Constantinople, Turkey.

Bessie Canahrun has taken her Ph. D. degree at the University of Chicago.

Cynthia Mills Moss, '82, one of Kappa's charter members, resides at LeMars, Iowa.

Mattie Mills Davis of Duluth, Minnesota, recently accompanied her daughter and the daughter of a friend in a trip around the world.

Xi

Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Hood have returned from a trip around the world.

Maebelle Price, '10, has accepted a position as instructor in music in the public schools of Mitchell, South Dakota.

Miss May McElroy spent the summer at Bay View, Michigan. Mrs. E. T. Morden (Florence Swift) made an extended visit in the east, spending some time with her cousin Vera Swift, '10.

IOTA

Mrs. Henry B. Lingden (née Johnson) has spent the last year in Germany with her husband, who is professor of German in DePauw University, and her son, Grafton.

Naomi Gregg, '10, has also spent the year in Germany. Her address is coo Frau Behrens, Sedan Str. 63, Hanover, Germany.

The address of Mrs. Edgar D. Wood (Lucie Poucher) is 1614 Lucia Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

Helen Ruthenberg, '12, is teaching Latin in the high school at New Albany, Indiana.

Mary Ann Baker, '12, is teaching in the DePauw Academy.

Helen Scearce, '12, has a position in the public library at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Elizabeth Rawls, ex-'10, is teaching in Brooklyn, New York.

Sara Darby Poucher spent several weeks this summer visiting relatives and friends in Indiana.

Mrs. Ralph Bridges (Martha Poucher) is living in Coffer Cliff, Ontario, Canada.

Mayme and Leola Trueblood, '07 and '12, have gone West. Their address for the present is Spokane, Washington.

Mrs. Lucy Black announces the marriage of her daughter, Helen, ex-'05, to Mr. Hamrick of Greencastle, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Hamrick will make their home in South America.

Mrs. Bruner, a charter member of Iota, and president of the Iota Alumnae Association, was in attendance at Convention, as were also the three far-famed Kelley sisters of Iota, Mrs. Pruitt of Evanston, Mrs. Wallace of Chicago, and Mrs. Fay of Champaign, Illinois.

MRS. WALTER TUKEY, Secretary.

Mu

Ruth Hendrickson, '11, will teach Latin and English in the high school at Melotte, Indiana.

Marguerite Hubbard, '12, and Gertrude M. Pruitt, '11, will teach at Iron Mountain, Minnesota.

Louise Stevenson, '11, who had charge of the domestic science classes at the Indianapolis Y. W. C. A., has been made general secretary of the Y. W. C. A. at Fargo, South Dakota.

Louise Guernsey of Chicago had several pieces of sculpture exhibited at the Herron Art Institute of Indianapolis last winter. Miss Guernsey also had classes in modelling at the Institute.

Ета

Eta announces the following engagements:

Helen Swenson, ex-'12, to Charles Harding, B Θ Π, Wisconsin. Henriette Slade, ex-'13, to Edgar Wilson, ex-'11, Ψ Y, Wisconsin.

Marion Bell, '05, to James Chamberlain.

The following weddings have taken place recently:

Minnelein Riess, '05, to John Detling, '05, Φ Γ Δ, Wisconsin.

Letta M. Fuller, '05, to Dr. Jones Boscobel.

Marie Threman, ex-'12, to Arthur Raah.

Mary Cornell, ex-'12, to Mr. Neuman.

Eva Wallis, ex-'13, to Harold Detienne, & Y, Wisconsin.

Lois Wakefield, '12, will teach history at Bloomington, Wisconsin.

Adelaide Evans, '12, will teach English at Tomahawk, Wisconsin.

Honora Frawley, '12, will teach Latin at Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

Marie Damon, '12, will teach English at Plymouth, Wisconsin.

BOOK NOTICES

Notice has been received of the approaching publication of "My Mountain Tops, The Romance of a Journey Across the Canadian Rockies," by Lalah Ruth Randle, Iota, Alumnae Editor of The Key. Miss Randle's short stories and verses are known to a large circle of readers, and her book, a charming little romance of travel through a wonderful and little known section of the North American continent will be welcomed by many. It will appear in October and will bear the imprint of The Neale Publishing Company, Union Square, New York City.

A little brochure of verse, "Only Today," by Eva Donaldson, Beta Gamma, '87, was issued some years ago by Annie Laurie Payne Ader of Iota. After Miss Donaldson's death, Mrs. Ader compiled the book as a souvenir with only a private circulation, but she still has a few copies which may be secured by writing to her at once. Address Mrs. Frank Ader, 5810 Washington Avenue, Chicago, Ill. Price, 50 cents.

"The Hand of God," by Cora Bennett Stephenson, Iota, gets its name from Rodin's statue. Despite its name, it is not a religious novel, but an absorbing symbolic love story, interwoven with the rich imagery of the Orient and the historic religious festivals of both pagan and early Jew.

Mrs. Stephenson is at work on a second novel which will make its appearance in the early spring.

A little book, "Errors in Every Day Speech," has been compiled and corrected by Letta Brock, Epsilon. It will be sent prepaid on receipt of 25 cents. Address Miss Letta Brock, 504 E. Bloomington Street, Bloomington, Ill.

EXCHANGE NOTES

By KATHERINE TOBIN MULLIN

Exchanges that receive three copies of The Key are asked to send theirs to Miss Eva Powell, 2703 Dwight Way, Berkeley, Cal.; Mrs. Ralph T. C. Jackson, "Hearthstone," Dighton, Mass.; Mrs. Howard B. Mullin, 62 Van Buren Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

OWED TO AUTUMN

The autumn leaves upon the hills
Are brilliant chrome and red,
For frost has touched,—but why these thrills?
I should have writ, instead:
The autumn leaves in thirty books
Are waiting to be read,
So now to give them thirty looks
And put them all to bed.

Isn't it marvelous to what heights the human intellect can soar? But no nice self-respecting intellect could help soaring after it had associated with thirty tomes every three months on the average, one hundred-twenty a year, two hundred-forty in two years. That's what has come to previous exchange editors who are now sitting "rocking, rocking, always knitting grandpa's stocking," and that's the fate of you little future exchange editors, who have just had your hair "bobbed" for the first time. You simply can't escape a soaring intellect when you are obliged to read the soarings of hundreds of others of our best little intellects—one hundred-twenty times a year, two hundred-forty in two years, four hundred-eighty in—but you see we can even multiply.

Speaking of soaring, the May *Delta* of Sigma Nu has a poet, one Warren Piper, who has three pages of pipings under the heading "Chapter House Ballads." The first is a punning thing about names of men's fraternities and poker terms, both of which would be Greek to our little Kappa sisters, but the others are really good. Here is one of his verses:

When Greek meets Greek, it is no matter where
The stranger comes from, we are welcomed there—
Although our badge be Star or Shield or Square,
For hearts beat ever high and hands clasp true,
Though Delta Tau he be or Sigma Nu,
Phi Delt, Phi Gam or Deke;
And college dreams that bless and sometimes burn,
Like half-forgotten melodies return,
When Greek meets Greek.

The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma for July gave with it a panel picture of the men at convention at Louisville, July 11, this summer. The picture is just one yard long, and framed would fill up any big space in any Kappa Sigma wall. The publishers are to be complimented on getting the picture out so soon after convention.

One of the best and most practical departments we have ever seen in a woman's fraternity magazine is one called "The Professions of Women" in *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi. It was in the February and the May issues. The point it makes is that there are many other professions suitable and profitable for women besides teaching. The possibilities of secretarial work are ably set forth by Elizabeth I. Toms. She says:

The choice of a life work is becoming a more and more complex matter to the college girl who is preparing to earn her own living. Teaching, once the almost inevitable choice, is now only one of many things a girl may do. There is a greater opportunity than ever before for her to follow her natural bent in choosing a life work. No work that a girl can do will bring her into closer touch with the activities of the world around her than secretarial work. If she has the inspiration and insight to see opportunities and seize them, she can get close to the main spring of many a large movement that is going forward.

The preparation for such work cannot be too broad. Every bit of knowledge of people and things gained will have its useful place at some time and every bit of power gained by doing things—whether managing college plays or learning the meaning of team work in basketball, will make for just so much greater efficiency later. In the matter of special preparation a knowledge of stenography and typewriting is usually an essential. A brief course thoroughly done will be far more profitable than a half-knowledge gained at random. One may take this up in a regular business school or in some of the branches of the Young Women's Christian Association. Courses are also offered in some of the Universities. This is simply a tool of the work, and if one would work quickly

and save time for higher things, one must have a good tool. In many of the large organizations and foundations where a great many secretaries are employed, a good knowledge of stenography and typewriting and a good general education will be the "entrance requirements" and once in, there will be opportunity for whatever initiative one has, to develop itself in original and constructive work.

As compared with teaching, the secretary's daily hours of service are longer and the vacations are shorter. To balance this, there is less home work, and in most cases the daily strain is less than in teaching. The salaries follow no fixed schedule, but in general, range from \$700 or \$800 up to \$1500 and for special or exceptional ability go higher.

Advertisement making as a profession for women is also described in *To Dragma* by an experienced woman advertiser, Stella G. S. Perry. She describes the advertising game in all its phases, and warns her readers about the common mistakes. The article unfortunately is too long to be quoted, but in concluding, Mrs. Perry gives this general advice:

I cannot close this outline without again beseeching my sisters to avoid entering into advertising,—avoid it like a plague, if they have the least bit of superficiality in their composition; and to avoid,—like all the plagues,—coming from a distance to New York or Chicago to try, until they have first done advertising in the offices of their own home-towns or neighboring towns and have made good there. The great cities deal tragically with the unsuccessful in any line. And they are full of bitterly disappointed women who think they can write advertising because they can construct a fairly good advertisement. My dears, anybody can write an advertisement who can write at all. All college women can. I hope I have made you feel that to play the real game one has to buckle down and learn it from the beginning.

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Governor Woodrow Wilson is Phi Kappa Psi's most important member just at present. In the *Shield* they boast that he is the second Phi Psi to receive a nomination for the presidency of the United States—the first being one John G. Wooley of Indiana, who was nominated for president on the Prohibition ticket in 1900. We are not proficient in politics, but we venture to prognosticate that Woodrow has more chances than John had for winning the race. In fact, maybe it is a tactless thing to say, but this is the first time we have ever heard of John. Here's to Woodrow Wilson!

Other Phi Psis in the political arena at present are Governor Hadley of California, James E. Watson, Senator Kenyon, Congressman Palmer, Senator Chamberlain, Judge Dillon and several others.

The Mask of Kappa Psi is the organ of a medical fraternity which we read four times a year and learn a lot of symptoms to worry about. In the June number is a long and convincing article on "Pellagra," the disease which has only recently been discovered in the United States. Better watch out,—it's very prevalent. Two of the symptoms are "loss of memory" and "slow and dragging gait." We used to have daily attacks every day at college, only we didn't know the name of the disease then.

A chatty little department known as the Editorial Mail Bag is one of the features of the *Trident* of Delta Delta. It is composed of paragraphs from friendly letters to the editor, much more personal than chapter letters. It is an interesting innovation.

Tri Delt convened at Columbus, Ohio, in August.

Fitting tributes to Major Archibald Butt who went down with the heroes of the Titantic are given in the June Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta. Even the most skeptical who would not believe that there was anything but forced heroism on that awful night in April, admit that "Archie" Butt played the part of a "soldier and a gentleman." Delta Tau Delta must be proud of him.

The Rainbow has a good sensible editorial on rushing, a much discussed but always important subject. Part of it is here quoted. Chapters please read:

No matter what the rules may be a certain sort of rushing is always active. No matter if they know that a fraternity bid will not be extended to them for four months or a year, the freshmen will be all the time observing and studying the different fraternities; and their preference will have been reached a long time before the formal bidding. Our chapters should appreciate this fact, and while they are taking their time to size up the new material, they must realize that they are also being scrutinized. Under these conditions any lack of harmony in the chapter's

life that might be hidden during a short strenuous rushing season will be discovered.

In fact whether pledging is postponed or not, a chapter can adopt no wiser policy than to live always and at all times its natural everyday life. The man it bids will have to live in that chapter for four years in the closest relations with its members. If he has selected the chapter with a full knowledge of the real type of its personnel, its atmosphere and style of daily life, he is pretty certain to fit in and to find his chapter life happy and congenial. Chapter misfits result far more often from a lack of thorough understanding of each other by both parties to the contract than from precipitancy.

In selecting their fraternity few freshmen pay much attention to the national standing. The personnel and character of the particular chapter of which they are to be a part for four years is of much more importance to them. To a freshman four years seems an endless stretch of time ahead and he is inclined to pay little attention to what is really the most important part of his fraternty life—the alumni years with their rich privileges of service, fraternal associations and mutual brotherly help and encouragement. He is thinking in the present and if he likes a crowd of fellows personally and finds their house life homelike and congenial he seldom looks further. In many cases a man has joined a fraternity almost solely on account of a strong liking for one of its members. It is a wise rushing principle to watch for these attractions and entrust a large part of the care of a desirable freshman to the man, or men, in the chapter for whom he shows an instinctive liking.

We think the past ten years have seen one great improvement in rushing methods throughout the country. In the not very distant past the largs sums of money spent on rushing and the lavish incidental entertaining were a serious problem and furnished our detractors with a very just objection to the fraternity system in general. It was objectionable from every standpoint. The competition between the different fraternities kept making this expenditure greater each year, and in an effort to out-do its rivals a chapter would often so seriously cripple its finances that its very existence would be jeopardized. We believe there has been a very great improvement in this respect. Perhaps the fraternities have come back to a saner state of mind as a reaction from these frenzied excesses.

By such over-done efforts at entertaining, a freshman was given a false and exaggerated idea of his own importance, and his head was often so turned that he was never of any value afterwards to the fraternity he did finally condescend to join. Such undignified rushing methods made the fraternities objects of ridicule to the whole college world and brought the entire fraternity system into disrepute with faculty and students alike. No worthy new man was ever secured by placing him under obligations for lavish entertaining. The right-thinking freshman would be embarrassed and rendered uncomfortable by such attentions that he could not return; the other sort would pull the legs of competing fraternities and

delay making any selection until his possibilities of free treats were exhausted. In either case no real advantage accrued to the fraternities. After all, joining a fraternity is a business proposition. It is a contract for mutual advantages between the fraternity and the new man. We hope that all chapters of Delta Tau Delta will handle this matter with the dignity it merits. Delta Tau Delta offers too many privileges and benefits on her side of the bargain to justify any unseemly scramble for new material.

College girls of today are constantly being urged to seek some other career than teaching if they do not care for teaching. We have quoted *To Dragma* on the subject, and the *Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly* also deals with it. In an article called "Vocational Opportunities for College Women," it recommends the learned professions,—medicine, law, theology, and especially, social welfare work, pharmacy, journalism, library work, institutional positions in domestic science, trained nursing, the stage, photography.

Besides this list, from which any of us could find something we like, this same magazine devotes five pages to a detailed description of library work. It makes the work sound attractive and although the writer bemoans the fact that as yet inadequate salaries are paid to librarians, she finds comfort in this, "the reward to the individual is an added mental growth in a deepening of sympathy, in a keeping up" of the whole person to her highest possibilities.

Sigma Chi has in one of its chapters nine brothers named Leavell.

Are your chapter meetings all they should be? Do you "split hairs," or are you careless about the proceedings?

There are always a few in every assembly of a dozen or more who like to split hairs; they are, in other respects, just as good fellows as any other sort, but they are of that class who, if they were elevated to a judgeship would order a re-trial in a case appealed to them because in the lower court's summary an "a" or a "the" was omitted. There are always people everywhere who will forget the spirit of the matter before them and make mountains out of molehills in order that the mere letter of the law or rule may be adhered to.

But on the other hand, there are many who lean too far in the other direction. They can not see that it makes any difference whether a matter is disposed of legally or according to the rules, so long as they get it out of their way. They would be perfectly contented with mob primary methods, even though they have seen it demonstrated that such methods mean grief in the long run. They cry down those who attempt to bring about reasonable exactness in language and procedure. "Bickering" is a favorite word applied by this class to the attempts of those who demand legality. The main trouble with these people is that they fail to see the difference between squabbling over a technicality and fighting to see that a simple rule of the game is being enforced or followed. For example, one member was accused of filibustering because he insisted that all committees of great importance should consist of an odd number instead of an even! Here the member who raised the cry of technicality failed to appreciate the whole theory of committees and would have made a minority or majority report on an important question like that under discussion-a new house-impossible. What he considered a technicality was one of the vital principles of committee workings.-Phi Chi Quarterly.

Do we need this little preachment?

Slang. And while we are discussing extravagance, there is another branch than the financial which is threatening seriously the college woman of today in general and the fraternity woman in particular—the extravagance of slang. Of all places on the face of this globe, one where pure English and an elastic vocabulary should flourish, is the university. But how often are our sorority luncheons a veritable babel of tongues and the outsider invariably requires frequent translation. This has spread to the class room and even to the professor's chair until instead of leaving college with the great culture and advantage of a beautiful and elastic language we leave it with one full of colloquialisms that have to be immediately discarded, and cheap "short cuts" which can no longer be understood. We realize with a shock, but too late, that we have graduated from a seat of learning with a pauperized vocabulary.—To Dragma.

George W. Bellows, Beta Theta Pi, is a depictor of New York as he has seen it. Four of his best pictures are printed in the Beta Theta Pi for April. Any one of them is worth cutting out and framing. Mr. Bellows is the youngest member of the National Academy of Design. The four pictures shown are, "Men of the Deck," "Forty-two Kids," "New York Street Scene," and "The North River." His style is realistic and rugged.

Alumnae associations are often prosperous, even though your own association treasury contains at present just 79 cents,

Take New York for example. There are seventeen flourishing fraternity alumni associations in Manhattan, many of which own houses. Alpha Delta Phi has one thousand members and a large house on West Forty-Fourth Street. Beta Theta Pi with eight hundred members, occupies a fine club house at Gramercy Park. Delta Phi, the St. Elmo club, recently moved into a larger house on East 29th Street, Phi Gamma Delta is most comfortably located in West 44th Street. Delta Tau Delta has taken a house in West 36th Street, while Sigma Chi, Theta Delta Chi, Psi Upsilon and many others occupy headquarters more or less pretentious.—Beta Theta Pi.

Theta Alpha Journal for May contains a collection of "rushing" hints. The outdoor suggestions are good,—a "bacon bat," a walking party, a camping party, but several of the other suggestions seemed more like lassoing than rushing. It seems to us that any rushing party at which one fraternity ridicules another is not effective or kindly, and young freshmen who make their choice as a result of tactics of this kind are not the sort that Kappa wants. For instance:

A most successful plan was our house party. About twenty alumnae and active girls entertained the rushees at a favorite house party rendezvous about twenty-five miles from St. Louis. Besides the usual frolics, the alumnae gave a wonderful (!) play portraying the green little freshman, her first few strenuous weeks as a rushee, and her eventual reception into the right fraternity. The names of the fraternities were disguised, but hits made at all of them, added to the fun.

Since our May number we are indebted to our contemporaries for the following:

March: Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho.

April: Beta Theta Pi, Caduceus of Kappa Sigma, Trident of Delta Delta Delta, The Mask of Kappa Psi, The Bent of Tau Beta Pi.

May: Kappa Alpha Theta Journal, The Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, To Dragma of Alpha Omicron Pi, Phi Chi Quarterly, Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly, Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta, Caduceus of Kappa Sigma, Garnet and White of Alpha Chi Rho, Sigma Kappa Triangle, Aglaia of Phi Mu, Delta of Sigma Nu.

June: Caduceus of Kappa Sigma, Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Phi Quarterly, Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, Trident of Delta Delta Delta.

July: Mask of Kappa Psi, Caduceus of Kappa Sigma.

August: Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Chi Quarterly, Delta of Sigma Nu.

COLLEGE NOTES

BY KATHERINE TOBIN MULLIN.

The equipment of the crew of Syracuse University was demolished in a tornado which swept across the outskirts of the city in September. All the shells were broken. The loss is \$8,000.

Cornell University has decided not to have a stadium, as was originally planned. The trustees claim that the stadium at Harvard and Syracuse have not been a success.

There is a seventy-four year old student at the University of Kansas.

With the hundreds of youthful high school graduates who will seek admission to the University of Kansas next week will come one applicant who was twenty-six years of age when the university was organized in 1864.

William Augustine Munson of Mound City, who was born November 14, 1838, is the prospective student. A graduate of Wesleyan University in the class of 1867, Mr. Munson received his master of arts degree from the same institution in 1870, and in 1882 two divinity degrees from Yale. Mr. Munson says he desires to continue his education in spite of his seventy-four years, in order "to be busy in the very best way and keep the mind awake and active."—New York World.

It is said that American women have the largest feet in the world, and that among Americans college wonen hold the record. It is due to athletics. We do not object to this, but wish to state that the largest feet we have ever seen on a woman belonged to a prominent English suffragette, not to an American college woman.

Mrs. Russell Sage has donated \$50,000 to the Agricultural College of Syracuse University. It is her first gift to Syracuse, and the first that has ever been given to the Agricultural College.

As a means of preserving the languages, legends, religions, traditions and lore of the North American Indians, the department of anthropology of the University of California has engaged the services of Achora Hungara, a Majave Indian, and Capt. Jack Jones, one of the interpreters of the tribe. The two will hold positions in the faculty of the university.

Hungara is known throughout the Southwest as one of the wisest of the "medicine men." His knowledge of the history of his race is great. Graphophone records will be made of his lectures.—Palm.

Purdue has started a poultry department. We shall now have educated eggs.

President Hill of the University of Missouri has made the following announcement of Fraternity Regulations:

The Board of Curators of the University of Missouri at the June, 1912 meeting amended the rule concerning fraternity initiates to read as follows:

No student having less than 24 hours credit toward graduation shall be permitted to become a member of any fraternity or sorority, or live in any fraternity or sorority house; except that the Committee on Student Activities may at its discretion waive this rule in the case of any student who has made 15 hours credit in his or her first semester in the university.

At the same time the Board of Curators passed these resolutions:

- 1. That as regards the question of admitting new students under the 15 hour regulation, the Committee on Student Activities shall especially favor the fraternities having a creditable standing for scholarship.
- 2. That the fraternities should be made to understand that next year or not later than two years hence, the right of any fraternity to initiate members will probably, be made to depend upon its scholastic record.

Eighty-six years ago Edgar Allen Poe registered at the University of Virginia. The room which he occupied is now the head-quarters of the Raven Club—a society founded in his honor at the time of the semi-centennial of Poe's death. The Zolnay bust of the author was unveiled there.

A farmer of fifty-nine is a student in the agricultural course at the West Virginia University.

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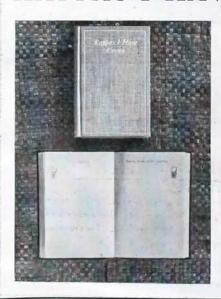
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