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## HOMES OF OUR NEW CHAPTERS.

### PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

On the top of College Hill is the main college building. This consists of a central portion where are located some of the recitation rooms, the library, the museum, the rooms of the literary societies, the President's office and the Registrar's rooms. The two wings—as the dormitory system prevails here—contain about two hundred rooms for the accommodation of the young men.

The town clock in a neighboring tower strikes four. All recitations and lectures now close for the day. For a while work continues at the laboratories; students in the technical courses are held, either by the charm of original investigation or by ill success in obtaining proper results, for a few hours longer. Most of the students, however, have already laid aside educational cares and labors and now feel free to follow the bent of their inclinations. At this hour two Pi Phi girls emerge from class-room number five. They have just finished their recitations in French and with light hearts they step out of the Main Building upon the broad stone walk in front. Here now are merry groups of boys and girls, chatting, laughing, for the cares of another day have passed away.

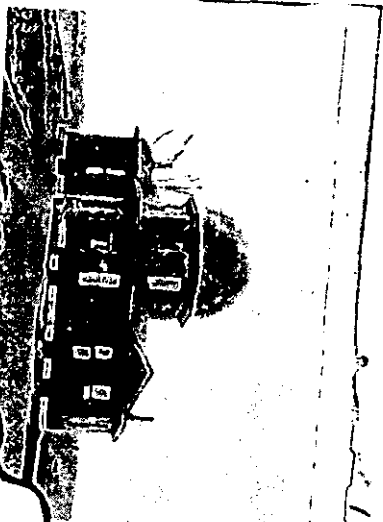
But times have changed; ten or twelve years ago girls were thought to be utterly out of place in and about the college halls during school hours. Bucknell University at her founding and for forty years afterwards flourished as the most prosperous Baptist college in the Middle States—for men only. However, as time went by, educational prejudices against girls wore away at Bucknell, and

ten years ago her doors were thrown open to women. It was quite an event when in the fall of '84 three girls, Annie Hay, Lizzie Laning and Frances Rush climbed College Hill and, as students, entered class-room number four, hitherto held sacred to men. The professor in charge at the time tells us that the recitations then and for days afterward were unusually good. The deportment of all was perfect. With the entrance of women came a little more of the light of civilization in and about the old college halls. Old-time barbarities began to be laid aside; the harsh chorus of college horns, which from time immemorial was sure to greet any one who the boys thought had no business within their sacred precincts, gradually became silent, and we trust so forever. Live stock, which in some mysterious way was wont to invade halls and class-rooms, now kept their proper places in the neighboring pastures.

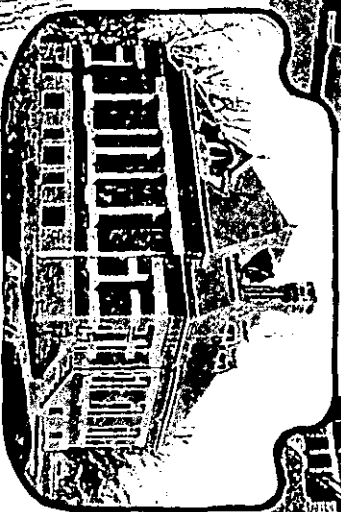
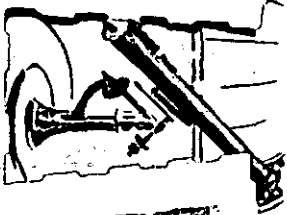
Our two Pi Phi girls can then feel perfectly at home as they step out upon the walk in front of Main Hall. From their elevated point of view on College Hill they look out upon the broad Susquehanna, justly regarded one of the most picturesque streams in America. The view extends up the river to the town of Wilton; the spires of the town show plainly above the intervening trees. The view down stream includes Montour mountain gradually rising for a thousand feet from the river's very bed. Directly in front across the stream, stretching away as far as the eye can see, lie the rich farms of Buffalo Valley—a valley celebrated in Indian history and Colonial times.

Ah! this beautiful river, so often a source of pleasure and yet sometimes a source of vexation to the Pi Phi girls! The boating parties in the cool June evenings with songs and the sounds of the guitar are pleasant indeed. But sometimes they occur when fraternity would call us to chapter meeting. What is a Pi Phi to do then?

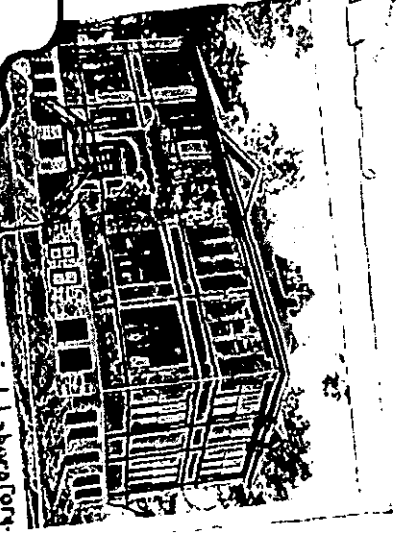
At the foot of College Hill only a few hundred yards away is a wooded ravine, cut out by the sparkling stream which perpetually flows from Pat's spring. There is a tradition that once there was a hydraulic ram incessantly forcing the clear cold waters of this spring



Observatory.



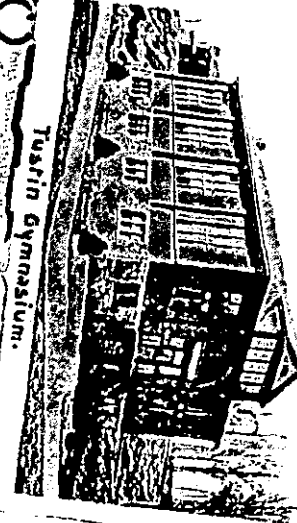
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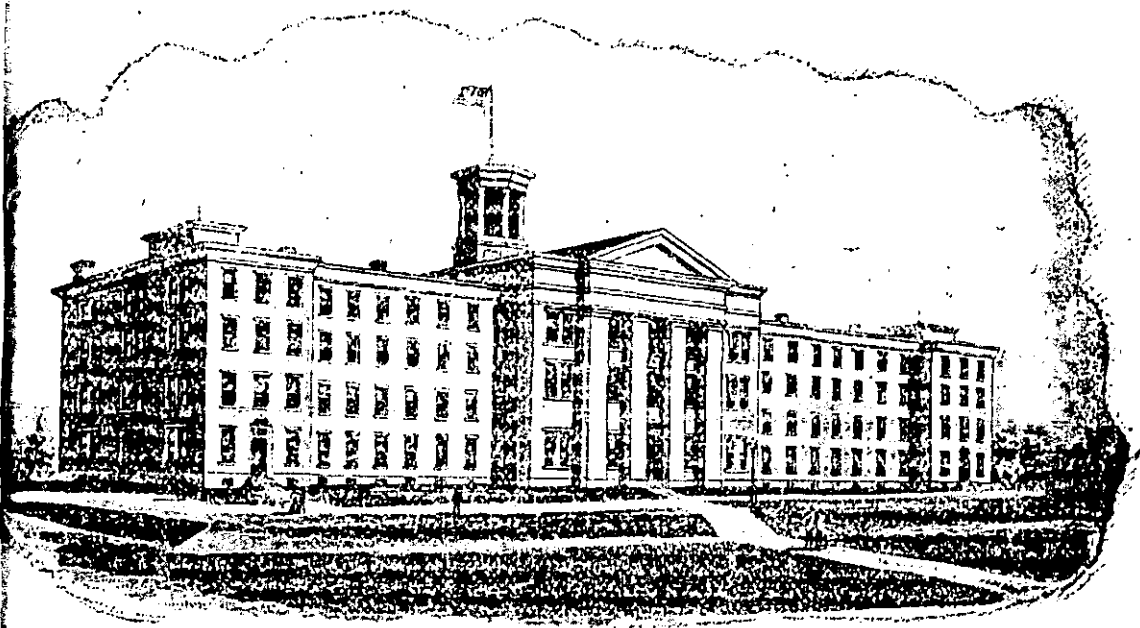
Section Athletic field.



Tustin Gymnasium.



up the side of the hill into the college rooms, and that the students would persist in tampering with this useful animal until in a spirit of retaliation the college authorities removed it, and for years afterward the boy who wanted water must needs carry it up the steep pathway leading from the spring. Now-a-days our buildings are supplied with city water cleansed by passing through Pasteur filters. This quiet, shady ravine is frequented by the botanical student in search of wild flowers. For here abound spring beauties, dog tooth



MAIN BUILDING—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

violets, Jack in the pulpits, etc. Indeed, on our college grounds I have found more than sixty varieties of wild flowers..

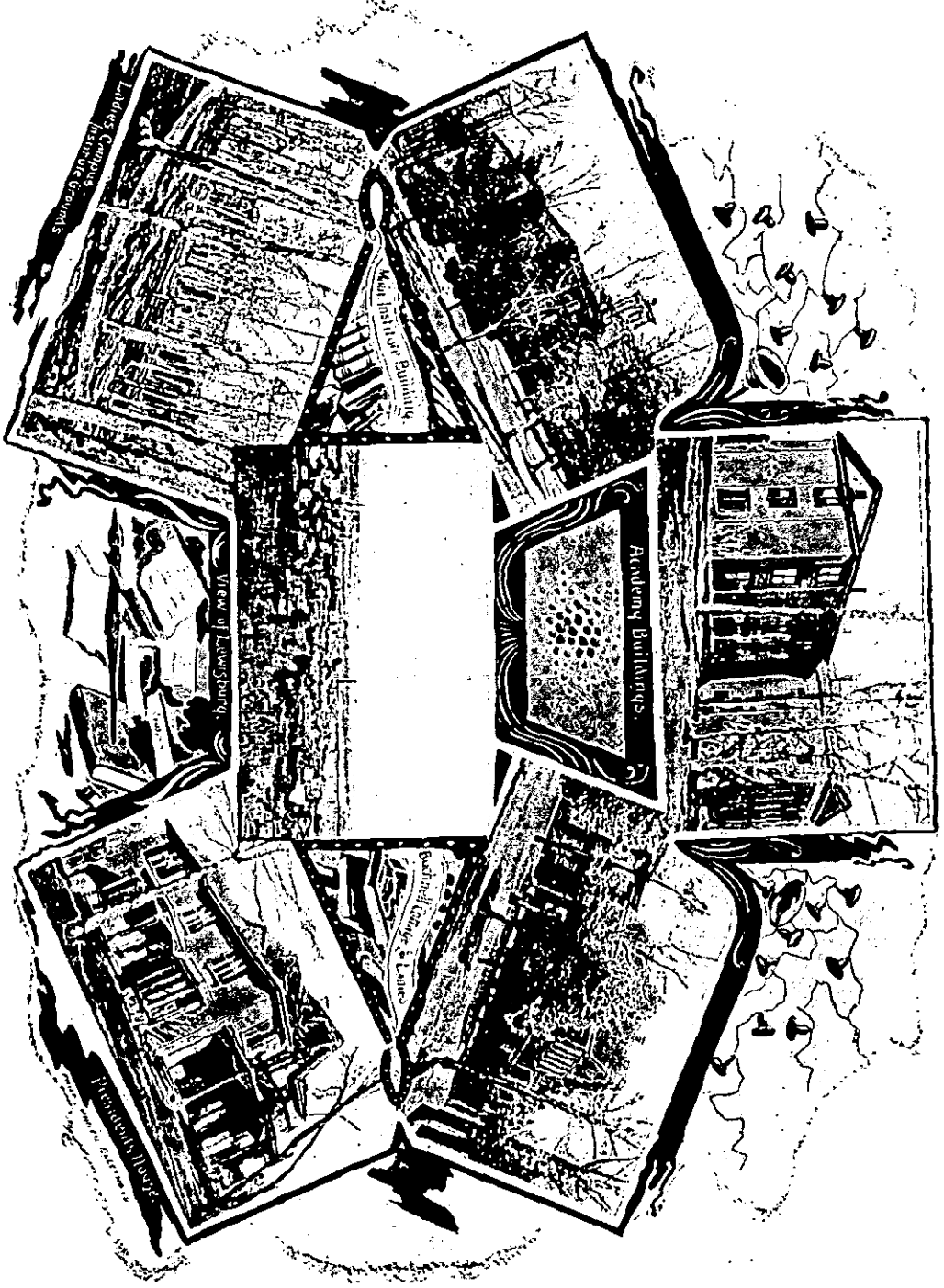
Our two Pi Phi friends move out from the college building, a hundred yards perhaps, and join one of the merry groups seated upon the slope of College Hill. At the base of the hill are the athletic grounds carefully graded and prepared for field sports. At one end is the Tustin Gymnasium. Our girls are under the spreading oaks which shade a grand-stand of nature's making—a beautiful place from which they have a bird's eye view of the contests on the athletic field just below. The base-ball diamond is not a stone's

throw away, and the teams are battling for supremacy. The crack of the bat against the ball, the loud, cheery voices of the coaching captains, the shouting and the jeering make an exciting scene.

Just beyond the diamond the field athletes are at work training for Commencement field day. The tall form of the director, Brownley Smith, is the more conspicuous for his blue shirt. Smith is a senior and he holds the college record for numerous field events. Accordingly, his disciples listen to him with close attention as he coaches them for great tests of strength and endurance. Just now occurs something of unusual interest. The men gather about Baker, a giant student in our academy. It turns out that he has proved mightier than all before him. He has thrown the heavy hammer over a hundred feet and broken the college record. Now all eyes are on Bradley making a try in the hundred yards dash. He clears the distance in a trifle over ten seconds.

The tennis-courts too are in sight. These are called the boys' courts but sometimes the girls play upon them. The girl championships in tennis have always been won by those who are now Pi Phis. The tennis tournament is now in progress and the chances are that our Professor of Hebrew, Dr. Hulley, will come out victor in the singles. He is an enthusiastic tennis player with a record of many victories away from home. Such is the scene from College Hill upon this evening in June.

At a distance of seven miles down the river are the famous Blue Hills. Shikellimy, a sheer precipice of a thousand feet, rises from the river's bed. This cliff is named for the famous ruler of the six nations who lived in this neighborhood a hundred and fifty years ago. Enterprising capitalists have recognized in this bluff possibilities for a fashionable summer resort. Accordingly on the level top a large hotel has been built. Here are dense woods alternating with sunny fields. Looking up the river from the top of Shikellimy we see Northumberland and beyond that the junction of the north and west branches of the Susquehanna, while toward the south stretch checkered fields of brown and green. The drive to Shikellimy from



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Lewisburg is a very pleasant and popular one with Bucknell students.

There is a certain part of the campus into which the boys do not intrude. It is an open well-kept grove of about ten acres called the Institute grove. In it is located a large old-fashioned building called the old Institute building. All the college women are expected to live with the Institute girls in this building. The Institute grove is perhaps the most beautiful part of the campus. A tiny brook runs through this grove of native oaks and hickories. The girls sitting under the trees or swinging in hammocks enjoy the beauty there. Here is a grassy mound over which twine old ivy vines. It is a mysterious-looking object. I can remember when I used to think it was some sort of a relic of the ancient mound-builders, and I recall too my chagrin when I learned that this beautiful grassy mound was a potato-house. In the old Institute building there are recitation rooms, music rooms and the rooms for the Institute and college girls. In the third floor is the gymnasium, where from four to five every afternoon one may see the girls in their "gym" suits—divided skirts and blouses—working diligently. First are the class-drills in dumb-bells and Indian clubs—and sometimes the clubs do fly and hit some luckless girl. After a run the girls are ready for the work on the parallel bars, where there are many strange and ridiculous performances, but none the less enjoyable ones. Most of the Institute teachers live in the Bucknell Cottage, also located in the Institute grove and built through the generosity of the late William Bucknell, Esq., of Philadelphia, after whom the University is named. Here too is the Art studio, a large and well-lighted room occupying half of a floor; pupils have rooms in this building also.

During the year receptions are given in the Institute parlors by Mrs. Larison, the Principal of the Institute, to the graduating classes of the University. The Institute seniors give a reception to the college girls, and the latter always receive the seniors. Then there are the many receptions given by the President. But perhaps far pleasanter than the memories of receptions are those of Thanks-

giving parties, whether they are those of "ye olden time," or Mother Goose or Witch parties. Ingenious plans are formed and cleverly carried out. Nor must the Hallowe'en festivities be forgotten with their attendant pleasures of apple bobbing and roasting chestnuts.

There are five fraternities at Bucknell, and three secret organizations of a local character. The oldest, in the order of establishment at Bucknell, is the Phi Kappa Psi. Among the prominent alumni members of her Pennsylvania Gamma chapter here is Dr. Robert Lowry, the song-writer, who was at one time a professor in Bucknell University, and in whose house the writer of this sketch now lives. The second in order of establishment was the Sigma Chi. Phi Gamma Delta has a chapter here also, and a chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon was established here in 1893. Sigma Alpha Epsilon has leased a house near the college grounds. The first chapter to build its own house is the Phi Kappa Psi. This chapter has bought some ground near the University and expects to have a house begun this summer. They will have a tennis court on their lawn. In the fall the Pi Beta Phi girls expect to have a chapter hall. Formerly secret societies were under the ban at Bucknell. All students were compelled to sign the "iron-clad oath" promising to never join a fraternity. A member of one of these fraternities has told me of the moving his chapter once had. It was at twelve o'clock at night. A band of very quiet and strange-appearing students could be seen, each man carrying his share of the chapter property, whether it be a table or chair or lamp. They just escaped being arrested as thieves by the night watchman who saw them prowling stealthily through the streets at midnight.

The University has recently established a School of Music. This is under the direction of Dr. Elysée Aviragnet. The University has an orchestra and a brass band composed of its music students. Mandolin, banjo and guitar clubs are in a flourishing condition. A choral union under the leadership of Professor Aviragnet gives various cantatas during the year.

*Mary Bartol, Pennsylvania Beta.*

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## WOMEN AT SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Friends, as a sect, have ever been firm believers in the advantages of co-education. This theory they put in practice in the numerous primary and preparatory schools under their care; and in 1864 Swarthmore college opening its doors to young men and women alike gave another proof of the belief of Friends, not only in the right of higher education for women on an equal plane with men, but of their conviction of the mutual benefit derived from such association.

The life of a young woman at Swarthmore, therefore, while as carefully guarded and protected as in the midst of her family circle, is far from being confined and exclusive. She acquires no false nor foolishly romantic ideas of what should rule the social intercourse of men and women; neither does her character become narrowed by continual association with only those of her own sex, but by loving counsel and personal experience she learns of the duties which every woman owes to society, of the qualities of character most to be desired in men and women, and of the influence which a cultured and attractive woman exerts on those around her. She goes forth from her Alma Mater with strength and courage gained from the friendships which she has formed with worthy men during her college course, able and desirous to fill an honorable position in the world, to be a positive force in the movement for purer and nobler living—a truly womanly woman.

This is what co-education, under the wise and careful supervision of a dean unusually well fitted for her position, does for the young woman. She has practice that fits her for her place in society. In the "social hour" after dinner, when the reception parlor is open to the girls and young men of the college, time passes pleasantly, in conversation or social games; at the class receptions where committees of young men and girls take turns in presiding, she is made to feel the responsibility of her position and acts as "Moderator."

Any marked departure from the ideals of conduct set for her is either corrected by a gentle private word of advice, or alluded to in an impersonal way in the weekly "Talks" which the Dean has with

the girls, in which lessons of refinement and culture are given in a most motherly way. In fact, the life at Swarthmore is peculiarly a home life and the influence a home influence, and this, together with the close association which the comparatively small number of students necessitates, gives rise to a most loyal patriotism for the college which never leaves her alumni even after years of separation.

Swarthmore, in itself, is an inspiration. The principal college building is a massive grey stone structure consisting of a central building five stories high containing lecture rooms, museum, library, reading rooms, parlors, dining-hall, etc., and is separated by fire-proof compartments from the two wings in which are situated the dormitories of the young men and women. Standing on a high hill, it has perfect drainage and pure air, and commands a fine view of the surrounding country for many miles. On the Campus are Science Hall (containing lecture rooms, chemical and physical laboratories, draughting rooms, work-shops, and machine shop), the astronomical observatory and house of the Professor of Astronomy, the President's house, the West house (birth-place of Benjamin West, now used as a professor's house), the farmer's house and commodious farm buildings, the laundry and bakery, the boiler house, gymnasium for girls, and meeting-house, all of which buildings are constructed of stone. In the meeting house the students assemble every Sunday, or Firstday morning, for the simple, but beautiful worship peculiar to the society of Friends, where no creed or dogma is obtruded upon the individual, but the spiritual nature is appealed to, and high, moral rules for practical right-living inculcated.

The new gymnasium for the girls, which has recently been erected will be fitted out with a full set of apparatus for exercises according to the Swedish system, and is supervised by an excellent gymnasium teacher who works under the direction of an experienced woman physician. Regular outdoor exercise is also required of all the girls, excellent tennis courts being provided for the purpose, and Crum Creek, which forms the western boundary of the college property, offering splendid opportunities for skating and boating. Bicycling and long walks over the many beautiful roads in the

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vicinity of the college are also favorite forms of recreation, and help to secure the glowing health and vigorous life characteristic of Swarthmore girls.

In the class room the girls carry off the honors equally with the men, for as has been proved in all co-educational institutions, there is a constant stimulus in the association of the sexes which provokes the young men and women alike to their best efforts.

The courses open to women are the literary, scientific and classical, offering the degree of B. L., B. S., and B. A., the degree of Master being given after a required amount of post-graduate work. Excellent libraries and laboratories are always open for the use of the students.

The Faculty of Swarthmore, composed of men and women, is one capable of carrying out the most advanced ideals of the institution—men and women whose names are known and respected by the outside world for the contributions by which they have enriched the fields of science and literature. Swarthmore is wide-awake, energetic and progressive, and when she takes the place in the highest rank of educational institutions which will undoubtedly some day be hers, it will be as largely due to the sterling worth and earnest efforts of her Faculty as to the broad and liberal principles which are the corner-stone of her foundation.

*Emma S. Hutchinson, Pennsylvania Alpha.*



## A LEGEND OF PI BETA PHI.

Once a little maiden with hair of golden hue  
Lay sound asleep upon the grass beneath a sky of blue;  
When merry Infant Cupid with arrows in a sling  
Came swiftly flying through the air upon his golden wing.

When, lo! he spied the maiden sweet, and softly down did dart,  
Aiming his shining arrow straight at her pure young heart.  
At once he saw that she, his presence did not feel  
And then this wicked Cupid thought he a kiss would steal.

So standing on his tip-toes, he gently o'er her bent,  
The shining sun around them, its golden beauty lent;  
And o'er the maiden's face the gentle dream-smiles flew,  
While softly, sweetly o'er them, the cooling breezes blew.

When suddenly a robin in front of them did light,  
And naughty little Cupid was thrown into a fright;  
He quickly spread his little wings, and flew off towards the west,  
But his arrow, all forgotten, lay upon the maiden's breast.

And she a moment after awaking from her dream  
Saw upon her own fair bosom a tiny arrow gleam;  
Its little wings of purest white, its shaft of golden hue,  
While around it hung the colors, dregs of wine and silver blue.

So now in memory of Cupid and this dainty maiden fair  
We Pi Beta Phi the shining arrow wear.  
And may we all so true and noble be  
That all may know we've sprung from love and purity.

*Margaret Sutherland, Ohio Beta.*

## Alumnae Department.

### IDEAL FRATERNITY LIFE.

READ AT A BANQUET IN COMMEMORATION OF FOUNDERS' DAY.

I am asked to speak to you of ideal fraternity life. I, who never experienced the half—indeed but a mere smattering—of what there is in the real. Fraternity life knocked at my door after I had passed the mature period of three decades, and been a married woman for one of them—when indeed to get all the good there is out of Fraternity, one must be in it in very early life, when tastes and habits and attachments are forming.

However, one may have an ideal. I think an unmarried woman may have a very true ideal of married life—and a childless woman may have a very true ideal of the care and tender solicitude of a mother. Indeed the loss, or rather, want I have sometimes thought, softens and refines the unexperienced ideal. It is perhaps with some thought like this that you have asked me for my ideal. I may fail you sadly—but I never was good at denying a young girl anything she asked, and so promised to do this to-night.

Fraternity bonds are the nearest and closest semblance to family ties of any associated obligation. You all have your ideal of perfect home life. Its attributes are kindness, consideration, charity, helpfulness. Do you not recognize all these, you who have clasped the hand, taken the vows, worn the badge, sat in the councils, eaten at the spreads?

The primary, personal objects of a fraternity are not alone pride in the integrity and perfect self-reliance in action of all those who wear our colors, nor kindly sympathy for the sorrow that comes from no fault of the sorrowing, but to protect, defend, and support in times of trouble through misdemeanor or indiscretion. Under such circumstances fraternity life as nearly as possible represents home life. It is of the greatest importance to the erring or indiscreet young girl that she have some one to whom she may freely go

for advice and consolation and from whom she may have honest friendly criticism, such as one sister may freely give to another. There are perplexing questions that come up in the every-day life of the oldest of us, and especially must they arise in the pathway of the young stranger among strangers. The college freshman girl needs help in her solution. Within a fraternity there is experience and judgment, gained in the long stride made in the two or three years between freshman and junior or senior, and the help that comes with such experience bound about with loyal love and affection represented by fraternity ties is of the utmost consequence.

Man is a social being and woman too. It is impossible to live apart from all the world and at the same time reach the highest manhood or the noblest womanhood. People associated together naturally form themselves into parties or cliques. The fraternity meets this want, and girls should first learn to associate with girls, each receiving good from the other, and then they will be better prepared for meeting young men on a purely sensible footing, without the foolish simper of one who knows nothing whatever of society.

The spirit pervading the social life of a fraternity should not be frivolity manifested by trifling talk and incipient giggle, but wholesome earnest sentiment warmed by genial rays from cultured charitable hearts, whose mission it is to raise society in general out of mere forms and empty display to a recognition of pure individual worth.

The mission of the college fraternity—I quote from a fraternity publication—is threefold: “To cultivate the higher social nature, to secure a high grade of scholarship, and to fortify the ambitions and aspirations toward nobility of purpose and purity of heart.”

Of the first of these missions I have already spoken. Take the second, “To secure a high grade of scholarship.” The success of any undertaking rests upon the individuals composing it. A member of a fraternity feels this keenly. She is jealous of the college reputation of her fraternity, and a healthy ambition for honors both for herself and her sisters will spur her to her ablest and best. There is too that friendly rivalry between college fraternities that is an incentive to honest, faithful, even brilliant work. Without a

careful regard for this second mission, no college fraternity has attained its ideal. The good times had at school will long be remembered, but the good work done there becomes more than a remembrance, it is a part of one's life.

Of the third mission, I believe that fraternities among college girls have a future, in that their influence will reach to the home life, to society, to the world, educating, elevating, ennobling, securing a truer, grander, purer womanhood.

A fraternity should be an inward experience, not an outward show. Ideal fraternity life insures to its possessor a true and kindly interest in all her efforts, in all laudable aims and ambitions; a tender sympathy in sorrow or affliction; a staunch friendship in misfortune and at all times a strong true loyalty. The members of an Ideal Fraternity must ever strive for the highest and best. There must be before each, a "star in the East," a perfect ideal womanhood. In the race for that goal helping hands should be reached out to those groping in darkness—out beyond fraternity circles—out beyond college walls—far out into the great world, making the life struggle easier for those whose cup is bitterness.

Fraternity—it should be a magic word, that should quicken the pulse, open the heart, lift us out of ourselves into a broader plane of thought and action, pledging us to all that is kindest, noblest, wisest, and best.

*Mrs. Emma H. Haddock, Iowa City, Ia.*

## College and Fraternity Notes.

The Senior Society elections at Yale this year emphasize the importance of athletics in the eyes of the students. Some years ago the men who had distinguished themselves in scholarship, the prize speakers, editors of the *Lit*, etc., were apt to be elected to Skull and Bones or Scroll and Keys. This year the prize speakers and writers received very little recognition, but the great athletes, men from the crews, the foot-ball team, the base-ball team are the favored ones.—*The Shield*.

Dr. Asa Mahan, the first president of Adrian College, conferred the first regular college degree upon a woman. He often remarked that this was the proudest act of his life.—*Anchora*.

Zeta Chapter has established a loan fund in the Women's College of Baltimore, which is to be known as Alpha Phi Loan Fund, and is for the purpose of assisting students who need financial aid to enable them to pursue the college course.—*Alpha Phi Quarterly*.

The first colored woman to receive the degree of A. B. in the United States was Miss Mary Patterson, who graduated from Oberlin College in 1862. When Oberlin opened its doors to women, she was courageous, indeed, who dared to brave public opinion by taking what was commonly called the "gentleman's course," on the principle that it belonged exclusively to the lords of creation, and no women need apply. Only young women of the loftiest ambition and the keenest thirst for knowledge presented themselves as candidates for the degree A. B. Miss Patterson was the first to prove to the world that Greek and Mathematics could be mastered not only by young women of the favored race, but by their sisters of the oppressed race as well.—*Harper's Bazaar*.

A writer in *The Religious Herald*, of Hartford, relates the following incident, which occurred in the theological department of Berlin University. "One of the professors, coming rather late to the lecture, found the students in an uproar, and when it continued,

begged to be informed of the cause, and amid roars and hisses and shuffling of feet was told that there was a lady in the room. The professor said politely that he would continue as usual, but the students would not let him, and he was forced to ask the cause of the trouble to retire. She had to walk up in front of the students and pass by the desk to reach the door. When that closed, peace was at once restored. That was the theological department, too."

The students at Princeton have adopted a constitution establishing a committee of six members to deal with all cases of violation of the honor system in examinations. The committee is to report to the faculty on all such cases with a recommendation of the penalty to be imposed.—*The Shield*.

#### WOMEN AT THE GERMAN UNIVERSITIES.

Miss Grace Chisholm, an Englishwoman, a scholar of Girton College, has actually received a degree from Göttingen University. She is the first woman to take a degree in a Prussian University for a hundred years, and she had to obtain the sanction of the Minister of Education in order to be admitted to the oral examination. Her success is a remarkable fact and will be a precedent for Berlin University as well.

But this does not yet mean that women can be freely matriculated as students in any German university. The trouble is not so much in the degree as it is in the matriculation. A hundred years ago one woman, the learned Dorothea von Schlöszer, attained the dignity of a doctor's degree at the early age of sixteen, and it has taken a hundred years for such an event to occur again. In Germany there have been no schools which would fit a girl to enter a university, and only lately have classes been arranged by the Victoria Lyceum in Berlin which would fit a woman to be a head teacher. There have just been started gymnasia or classical schools for the girls at Berlin, Leipzig and Carlsruhe.

The proposal to admit women students at Berlin has been discussed in the University Senate and rejected; and yet occasionally a woman has been admitted to lectures. At Göttingen a number of

Englishwomen and Americans have been admitted to lectures on showing certificates from some foreign university, and under these circumstances are now allowed to take part in the seminars and present themselves for the degree of Ph. D.; and under this regulation there are now twelve women studying at Göttingen, of whom two are Germans, but they pursued their preparatory studies in other countries. At Leipzig women are admitted to lectures if the professor will permit it, but are not allowed to proceed to a degree. At Heidelberg women are admitted to the lectures, but each case is considered by itself and is not allowed to be a precedent. Heidelberg has granted the degree of Ph. D. to one woman, and another woman received an honorary degree at Freiburg last year. At Tübingen one woman has actually been matriculated, but this was due to special private interest.

We may now look for an organized attack by the great army of women on the German universities. There is no proposition in Germany to establish a separate university for women. The pressure which will be exerted upon the University Senates and the ministers of education will soon be too heavy to resist. Even Germans cannot always slap women in the face. It will be strange if Germany, a country whose reputation for courtesy to the sex is lower than that of almost any other nation, should after all set the example to our own lagging universities.

*The Independent.*

## Chapter Letters.

### VERMONT ALPHA—MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE.

Among ourselves the principal social event of the term was our reception to the girls of the Alpha Chi Fraternity. Our little "home" was prettily decorated with ferns, roses and carnations, and the piazza opening from the parlor was transformed into a dainty, cozy corner with screens, rugs, chairs, cushions and Japanese lanterns. Our sisters, Misses Roseman, Gerould and Allen received our guests, assisted by one of our patronesses, Mrs. Stewart, who presided at the tea table. During the refreshments of salad, sandwiches, chocolate, lemon sherbet, lady fingers and macaroons, Lena Roseman, accompanied by her banjo, and May Barton, one of the Alpha Chi girls, sang very pleasingly.

May 11, at the invitation of Luella Whitney, of the class of '98, we enjoyed a drive to Lake Dunmore to celebrate her birthday. A row on the lake, a visit to the Cascades, and a picnic on the shore made up a very busy day. We had just such fun as you all know a lot of jolly Pi Phis can have, and we could not refrain from wishing that Luella's birthdays came oftener than once a year!

During the third week of June we were delighted to have with us Miss Grace Wing, one of the National Secretaries of the Y. W. C. A., and a graduate of Radcliffe. She addressed the young ladies of the college and a mass-meeting of the students. The association gave a reception in her honor at Battell Hall and Miss Wing entertained us very charmingly with Hawaiian songs.

Mrs. McGilton, the wife of our Professor of Chemistry was "at home" recently to the young ladies of the college and the wives of the faculty. She was assisted in the musical entertainment of her guests by several of the young ladies from town, among whom was our own Mrs. Stewart who is a loyal Pi Phi. In her charming way she says she is doubly a Pi Phi for the carnation was her wedding flower.



Among the pleasures incident to the spring term may be recorded driving, boating and tennis. During the term several of the young men of the college and town have given a number of informal hops at School House Hall to the young ladies who during Commencement week played hostesses to the gentlemen by a Reception Waltz. Several enjoyable parties have been given by the Chi Psi Fraternity, at all of which our girls have been present. During the festivities of Commencement week must be noticed the rides given by the men's fraternities. Chi Psi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Delta Upsilon were represented.

Among the dainty things added to our rooms this year are our little wicker tea table where we should be delighted to serve you all a cup of tea, a wicker chair, an oak chair, a picture of St. Cecilia, a crayon by one of our '97 girls and a water color.

Our convention delegate is to be Lena Roseman and we hope that two others of our chapter may be able to accompany her. As we make our plans for our summer's work and pleasures, we cannot refrain from the wish that we all might be delegates.

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Alpha is now looking forward to Commencement with both sorrow and pleasure; sorrow because our three seniors will leave us, and pleasure because our work will be finished and we expect to have our Alumnæ with us, some of them for several days.

Since the last ARROW letter was written we have gained a valuable addition to our chapter, and we are proud to introduce to you Sarah Bancroft.

There have been two other important incidents in our chapter life lately. The first was our celebration of Founder's Day in a delightful banquet; and the other was a picnic that we gave to ten little boys from the slums of Philadelphia connected with the college settlement. Some of them had never been in the country before, and at first they almost ran wild with delight. After a walk through the woods and a nice long play we brought them back to the girls' gymnasium, Somerville Hall, where we had prepared a

lunch for them. But the boys were so delighted with our running track and apparatus that they would hardly take time to eat. It was very interesting to watch the boys play, for they were bright and lively, and climbed about in our gymnasium just like monkeys.

One of the most important of college events was the State Oratorical contest in which Swarthmore received the second place through the oration of Emma S. Hutchinson, Pi Beta Phi. We were made still more happy on hearing that many of the audience thought she should have had first place. Another of our members, Lauretta T. Smedley, won the first prize in the Junior oratorical contest.

Our athletes were again so successful as to receive a majority of points in the State contest, giving Swarthmore the privilege of keeping the cup. They also made five points in the Inter-collegiate sports at New York.

Several of us hope to attend the coming convention and all are looking forward to it and the meeting with other Pi Phis with a great deal of pleasure.

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity-at-large, Mary Belle Harris, whom it was our privilege to initiate June 15th. We met in the afternoon and after the mysteries of Pi Beta Phi were divulged to our new sister we laid aside our dignity and had a lively cooky shrine. This distinctly Pi Beta Phi rite, as celebrated by Pennsylvania Beta, is peculiarly marked by the absence of cookies, for we always forget to include them in our preparations, so we console ourselves with sardines and olives.

One of our patronesses, Mrs. S. Hopper, lives in Philadelphia, and consequently very few of us had had the pleasure of meeting her, although we knew her very well by reputation, but at commencement she was with us for a short time and on June eighteenth with our other patronesses we passed a pleasant evening, and on a cool dimly-lighted porch, chatted gaily over our ices and fruit. We were glad of one more evening spent together, for the time for

us to separate has come all too quickly and we can hardly realize that six months have passed since Pennsylvania Beta received the long-wished for charter.

Next September our circle will be small but there are several girls here who will make good Pi Beta Phis some time and we know that the chapter cannot fail to flourish under the care of enthusiastic members who will return; there will be besides the added inspiration of the convention which Cora Perry, Eliza Bell, Mary Bartol and Flora Siegel will attend.

Two of our girls, Kate McLaughlin and Cora Perry graduate and we will sadly miss our senior members. Michigan Beta is to be congratulated but we would much rather keep Mary Bartol here—she and Mary Harris who both received A. M. this year, will take further graduate work next fall. Another Alumnae member, Eliza Bell, has been elected to the Institute Faculty and very glad we are to have her with us. The number of dainty arrows is increasing at Bucknell and their wearers are doing their utmost for Pi Beta Phi.

We are heartily glad of the success of our junior, Mary Wolfe, who received the prize for oratory at junior exhibition. Honor for one of our girls is honor for the fraternity, so we feel glad for ourselves as well as for our successful sisters.

In six months we have learned and experienced much, and although we have not always been successful, if we have strayed it has been "toward a star," and we separate loving Pi Beta Phi and proud of the Wine and Blue.

#### OHIO ALPHA—OHIO UNIVERSITY.

On the 22nd of May, we initiated Lucie Murdock and Mable Towsley. We held our initiation in the double parlors at the home of Grace Gist, and the ceremony, always beautiful, seemed never more impressive than on this occasion.

Several of the girls wrote songs for Founder's Day celebration. We met the night before to enjoy a "spread" and sing songs for

Pi Beta Phi. We serenaded several alumnae members who could not be with us that evening.

Miss Caroline Schwefel is our delegate to the convention. A number of the girls expect to attend and look forward with great pleasure to the time.

Our fraternity is represented on Society Contest this year by Lucy Weethee. We are confident that she will do honor not only to her Literary Society but to her fraternity.

Miss King, instructor in the Musical Department, recently gave a song recital in which the Pi Phi girls were well represented. A number of our girls devote a good deal of attention to the study of music, aside from the regular college work.

Minnie Roach, who has been studying, during the past year, in the Boston School of Expression, will soon be with us once more.

Miss Sara Stinson, teacher of Art, has just returned from a year's study in Paris and elsewhere on the Continent.

Thursday night, June 20, we gave a reception to three gentlemen's fraternities of the college, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta and Delta Tau Delta. The reception was given at the home of our Grand Vice-President, Miss Grosvenor.

Our president called a special meeting, saying that there was a secret connected with the meeting. When we entered the hall the first thing that met our eyes was a beautiful chair that had been given us by our kind sister, Mrs. Dora Chapin, wife of Prof. Chapin, of the Department of Science.

The end of the college year brings with it the usual number of parties, banquets, picnics and certainly not least, though mentioned last, the examinations. In the midst of all these Ohio Alpha would still remember the bonds of the Wine and Blue.

#### OHIO BETA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

During the Commencement week, Ohio State University celebrated her twenty-fifth anniversary, at which time speeches were made by Professor Orton, State Geologist; ex-Governor Campbell, of Ohio; and several other prominent men.

We feel proud of our record, during this quarter of a century and hope to take up our work again next year with renewed energy, on account of the broader prospects presented to us.

In the first place, we are to have a new president and the trustees have secured the services of James Hulne Canfield, ex-Chancellor of the University of Nebraska. We rejoice in having obtained a man so well able to work for the best interests of our college.

Another change to be made next year will be the erection of a new Observatory, named in honor of Emerson McMillin.

With the growth of our college Ohio Beta is planning the growth of Pi Beta Phi.

Two of our girls, Leona Humphreys and Agnes Chalmers have graduated, Miss Chalmers being the class poet. Although we have not as yet comprehended how we are going to do without them, we will try to learn, and endeavor to get some others to fill their place. Not to fill them perhaps, but to rattle around in the cavity left by the departed ones. This sentiment comes from the historian of the class of '95.

A hopeless task has been set to Ohio Beta's delegate. She has been commanded, by every member of the chapter to "tell us all about the other delegates, what they look like and everything." Our representative may have all the qualities enumerated in the last ARROW, but she has not the power of personal description. So please all come prepared with good descriptions of yourselves and thereby make one sad maiden indebted to you.

There was an editorial in the April ARROW about new songs. In our next song book let us have the music as well as the words. Delegates, think this plan over and let us take action upon it at the convention.

#### INDIANA ALPHA—FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

We wish at once to introduce our new sisters initiated May 4, Misses Nelle and Kate Graves. We now number fourteen members.

Our delegate to the convention is Viola B. Lukens.

Two of our professors have gone to Europe to spend a few months—Miss Thompson, teacher of mathematics, and Miss Jeanette Zeppenfeld, a Pi Phi, modern language teacher. We received in honor of them on the evening of June 8th. About 130 guests were present. The reception was held at the home of one of our girls, Alva Gorby.

June 1st the Phi Delta Theta fraternity gave a reception in honor of their senior members. Our girls were invited and enjoyed their hospitality to the fullest extent. June 12th we were again entertained by them. They entertained about 100, and it was a delightful affair.

June 13th the Sigma Alpha Epsilon boys were entertained by Miss Martha Sturgeon at her handsome home just out of town. She also entertained the Pi Phi girls. Miss Sturgeon is an excellent friend to the students and is often planning pleasant surprises for them.

The levee of the faculty was a pleasant affair, where all met to say a few parting words and spend a few pleasant moments with friends. Four of our girls were of the graduating class this year—Viola Murphy, Nannie Drybread, Viola Lukens and Frances Dean. There were sixteen in the class.

We look forward to a number of new sisters next year. We must have several to take the places of those who will go out from among us.

President W. R. Harper, of the University of Chicago, delivered the address before the class.

There will be a summer school here, and it is hoped it will prove a success. History, chemistry, latin, and in fact all the higher branches will be taught, and the work done will count on the course. The best of instructors will be had.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon boys are to have a chapter house. A pleasant location has been chosen, just across from the college campus. Everything will be arranged with a view to the greatest convenience, and they will be able to entertain their many friends handsomely.

Miss Dode Monroe, a Pi Phi of Indiana Alpha, and Mr. W. H. Whitaker, a prominent lawyer, both of Sullivan, Ill., were married at high noon, June 5th.

The following Pi Phis of other days visited us during commencement: Misses Lettie Blue, of Peru, and Lizzie Burton, of Mitchell; Mrs. A. R. Stark (nee Clark), of Shelbyville; Misses Mabel Abbott, of Lebanon, Lottie Ward, of Peru, and Edna Stuart, of Indiana Beta.

Sallie Covert, who has been teaching in Peru, has returned home and will leave soon for Minnesota.

Misses Ethel and Marcia Miller will go to Boston in July to attend the Christian Endeavor convention.

Miss Viola Lukens will spend the summer at Roann, with her parents. She will return here before going to Washington.

Miss Nannie Drybread and Miss Nellie Graves will teach the coming winter.

Miss Murphy will spend the summer in the northern part of the State.

#### INDIANA BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Although only two of our girls will receive degrees this year, one B. A. and the other M. A., yet there are several who will not return in the fall. One of the girls whom we are to lose has been granted a fellowship by the University of Pennsylvania where she will go next year, while the rest of the girls will become Hoosier school marms.

There have been many social events this term and all of the fraternities have entertained. In April the fraternity girls at Indiana University held their annual Panthygatric Banquet. In June Pi Phi gave an informal reception and a party. The night of the party some "naughty boys" stole the refreshments, but we immediately ordered some more and the pleasure of the evening was not interrupted.

This term three of our old girls returned, and we had one initiation. We are happy to introduce our new sister, Alice Pittenger. One of our seniors, Jessie Fraylor, was ill and had to go home early

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in the term. We are hoping that she may be able to return next year.

Although none of our girls have severed their connection with Pi Phi, yet to one uninitiated in a way we have at Indiana University, it must seem very strange that during these last days so many golden arrows have been replaced by tiny jeweled shields. Anxious Pi Phis feared lest there should be an immediate call upon their pocket books, but they were assured by blushing maidens that they would be given two or three years in which to save their pocket money and select the wedding present.

MICHIGAN ALPHA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

O, that someone would stop this cycle of time in its flight! Can it be that another year has gone, another Commencement? After the hurry and bustle of Commencement, to calmly sit down and write is almost a difficulty—difficult because there are so many events fresh in the mind and to know just what will most interest the fraternity sisters is indeed puzzling.

First, I want to introduce to the Pi Phi circle Gertrude Branch of Omaha, Neb., and Effie Brown of Marion, Ohio. The latter has been pledged for some time, and was initiated in the presence of about a dozen Alumnæ who were visiting us.

We have two brides. In June Minnie Zell and Mr. L. S. Shoemaker, Phi Delta Theta, were married at Richwood, Ohio. A few days later occurred in La Rue, Ohio, the wedding of L. Mae Copeland to Mr. C. S. Reynolds, also Phi Delta Theta.

Minerva Naylor and Mayme Fuller recently gave elocutionary recitals, indicative of completion of work in that line and each will go next year to Detroit to study at Mrs. Noble's School of Oratory. Etha Smith gave her graduating recital with two piano graduates. Many were the compliments given her as a vocalist.

Elizabeth Robinson goes to Lake Geneva as a delegate from the Y. W. C. A.

Our representative at the Convention will be Grace Higbee. A few days after her election she very pleasantly entertained the Pi Phis to dinner at the Lake. Such a jolly time as we had.



Among the lectures recently, was one on "John Milton" by Will Carleton. Hillsdale feels very proud to claim Mr. Carleton as her own. He wrote a poem for the dedication of the Alpha Kappa Phi monument which occurred on the campus Commencement afternoon. It is of bronze and stone about twenty feet high and was given by the old Alpha Kappa Phi boys to the present active society in honor of the men of this literary society who fell in the war. The acceptance in behalf of the society was given by Paul Chase, Delta Tau Delta. The honor of unveiling this monument was given to our own Isabel Bentley. It is very unique and pretty and an ornament to the campus.

Of the honors for us this term, Miss Bentley was made President of Germanæ literary society; at the anniversaries, etc., we were represented by four speakers. It was necessary to equally divide the French prize between F. B. Fox, Phi Delta Theta, and Anna G. Closson, Pi Beta Phi. On account of this, these two entertained their fraternity friends and a few others at a lake party.

The annual intercollegiate field day sports were held here this year. Large delegations from the other five colleges were present, and of course Hillsdale students were out in full force. One evening a special train carried us out to Baw Beese lake. In the pavilion the indoor sports were held. College enthusiasm ran high and Hillsdale scored third in number of points.

In May, Alpha Tau Omega fraternity gave a banquet in honor of the guests who were attending a Province Convention. It was a very pleasant occasion and Pi Beta Phi was well represented. Another pleasant evening was spent with the Kappa Kappa Gamma's at a five o'clock tea. The Kappas always entertain well and this was no exception. But the reception which most interested us was the one given by Pi Beta Phi, June 21st, at the beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lawrence, in honor of our alumnae who were back for Quinquennial. The house was beautifully decorated with smilax and carnations and wine and blue ribbons. The cool evening, spacious rooms, sweet mandolin music, pleasant youths and fair maidens prettily dressed made a very pretty scene. That which

most pleased us was that so many of our alumnae were present. They were Edith MacDougal, Catherine Smith, Lena Judd, Evelyn Smith, Josephine Graham, Mae Lansing (now of Nebraska Beta), Adah Brown, Lile Lane Smith, Grace Higbee Marks, Estelle Greene, May Austin Kelley, Frances Randolph and Mae Copeland Reynolds. We hope our guests enjoyed the evening as much as we did.

A great many of our girls will not return in the fall. We will commence the term with about ten, but hope to add some new ones then.

#### MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

By the time this letter is printed, Ann Arbor and the University will be, for the most of us who make up the chapter of Michigan Beta, but a pleasant memory. However it will not be hard to recall the associations of the past year and especially those of the fraternal life, by a glimpse at the familiar covers of the ARROW. At once it all comes back to us and we are very apt to take out again the chapter picture and wonder once more why the circulating letter does not reach us. We are more anxious than ever to receive it and know something of the whereabouts of the various members. Surely then, the midsummer ARROW performs well its mission in keeping fresh in the midst of the distractions of vacation, the thought of fraternity interests.

The prospects for the welfare of the chapter during the coming year are unusually good. The membership is comparatively large and unless the unforeseen occurs, active work can be begun early in October, under most favorable conditions. It has been thought best to make no change as regards the fraternity quarters—a fact which will in many ways be of assistance in starting out upon the year's work.

Everyone regrets, of course, the break in the ranks which graduation has made and the absence of Miss Thompson, Miss Purdum and Miss Dunbar will be severely felt. However, there is still a chance that a change of plans at the last moment may bring them back for another year's work at the University. And so we cannot

tell definitely of our members until the summer is over and October is once more here.

Nina M. Tobey, '92, was married on July 3, 1895, to Mr. William Coburn, '90, superintendent of the Battle Creek schools.

LOUISIANA ALPHA—NEWCOMB COLLEGE.

Louisiana Alpha sends greetings to all Pi Beta Phis and wishes them a pleasant summer. Our work this year has been very good. The twelve girls that form our chapter here have worked together with true friendship all through the busy school terms, and now that we have parted for the summer we look back with affection to our fraternity meetings. Seven of our members will be missing next year, leaving only five of us to begin our work in the fall. The last two weeks have been taken up at college in class plays and preparations for graduation. The class plays were introduced this year and were received with great applause. Indeed the college hall, which was turned into an impromptu theatre, was in danger several times, for the Tulane boys gave their special clap, which is louder and more powerful than any clap that has ever been heard outside of Jove's domains. The plays were all original and the depth of plot and scenic effect showed the great dramatic powers of a southern girl's mind. The Senior play in which were five of our girls was the greatest success of all, showing a deeper plot than any of the rest.

The class of '97 sent the Seniors off with a farewell song to the tune of Dixie, and the seniors responded by leaving the '97 girls their Basket Ball. Noel Forsyth and Irene Cannon were two of our girls of whom we were very proud. Noel Forsyth graduated with distinction and Irene gave the address to the Alumnæ.

ILLINOIS BETA—LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

We shall always have a pleasant remembrance of the last meeting of Pi Phi, May 22, 1895. Our four seniors gave a banquet consisting of fifteen courses at Andersen's restaurant. The occasion was one of jollification and one never to be forgotten by those present.

On April 27th, a novel event occurred. Our girls of Illinois Beta took their luncheon to the woods north of Galesburg and after devouring the edibles we tendered our baby, Kittie Martin, the second degree. Many strange incidents occurred on that day that I will not attempt to enumerate.

As usual our girls won many honors during Commencement.

Miss Nellie Tompkins received the first prize in the Townsend contest.

Misses Mabel Dow and Grace Conlee won honors that will long be remembered in "Merchant of Venice"—the former as Portia, the latter as Jessica.

Our girls also took the most prominent parts in the class day exercises. The play was, "A Scrap of Paper."

We had every reason to feel very proud of our Seniors throughout the entire week.

We were very happy to welcome the following former members at commencement: Ethel Tompkins, Mary Townsend, Grace Harsh, Mrs. McConnel, Daisy and Vada Wiswell, Ella Grubb and Alice, Elizabeth and Delphia Durston.

The Phi Delta Thetas dedicated their new chapter house to a deceased brother as the "Sam D. Harsh Memorial Hall," June 3, 1895.

On June 4th, the boys gave their first Phi Delta Theta banquet in their new home. This banquet was served by a caterer, after which many toasts were given by present and former members.

A change has been made in Lombards's Faculty and a new ladies' hall is to be constructed next year.

Cupid has been busy among our alumnae. Miss Margaret Titus was married to Mr. Rhet Olmstead, Phi Delta Theta, May 29, 1895. They are making their home at Earlville, Ill. Miss Medora Bradford and Mr. Allan Moore, Phi Delta Theta, were married March 20, 1895. At home at Monticello, Ill.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA—KNOX COLLEGE.

Our college is just over for this year and the girls are all scattering for the summer. Three from our chapter are beginning to plan for the delightful trip to convention, where they hope to meet

again many familiar faces and become acquainted with as many new ones. The Knox chapter held a grand reunion this commencement and a great many of our Alumnæ returned to be with us. The elegant home of Col. Clark E. Carr, late minister to Denmark, was filled with fair faces on the 10th of June, and a most delightful afternoon we spent together there. Dainty refreshments were served in the dining-room by Miss' Julia Carr, assisted by several of the younger members.

Commencement honors were as usual given to Pi Beta Phis. The first honor, with oration and valedictory of the graduating class were given Addie Gentry, who also took the leading part in the class day play—Rosalind, in "As You Like It." Miss Frances Arnold made a charming Celia, and several other Pi Beta Phis took minor parts. The play has been generally considered one of the finest if not the best amateur production ever given in this city, and there is considerable home talent.

Frances Arnold also received second prize on the ladies' declamation contest, while Ruth Montgomery took third place.

The president of the Ladies' Literary Society this year has been Loretta Hood, while two other offices have been filled by Pi Beta Phi girls.

But very few other honors remain to be taken, and in every other case a "Barb" has taken them.

Nine Pi Beta Phi girls graduate this year and leave us—Grace Ferry from the Conservatory, and Addie Gentry, Frances Arnold, Loretta Hood, Margaret Montgomery, May Brotherton, Helen Brinton, Della Robbins and Edith Hackett from the College. But though we lose so many, we still have a large chapter to start in with next fall. In "The Mosaic Club," the leading literary society among the young ladies, three of our girls are on its roll of officers—Margaret Sisson and Mary Frost, president and vice-president, Anna Hoover, treasurer—and we might mention that the majority of its members are chosen from our alumnæ.

Pi Beta Phi girls we find, wherever stationed and in whatever work, are always to the front.

The 9th of July a very beautiful church wedding takes place in Englewood, Chicago, where Eva Chandler, who left us last year, is the one most interesting, and her maid of honor and one of her bridesmaids are Pi Beta Phi girls, Frances Arnold and Mary Wiley.

Happy wishes for a delightful vacation for every Pi Beta Phi.

ILLINOIS EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Commencement week is here, and every one is heaving a sigh of relief after the examinations. Since our last letter we have been very busy, and long for vacation.

We celebrated Alumnæ Day by a cookyshine, ending with a musical program, two of our number being quite skillful musicians.

On May 25th we had the pleasure of entertaining Miss Payne, of Indiana Alpha, and the Misses Lewis, of Michigan Beta, all now at Chicago University. We showed them around the campus and college buildings, and enjoyed meeting them very much. June 9th Laura Trumto, of California Alpha, spent the day with us on her way to her home in Ohio. June 10th, Lina Morris, of Illinois Beta, stopped over night on her way to Wisconsin and visited the class day exercises with us the next morning.

Our little freshman, Clarice Lytle, assisted at the anniversary exercises of the German department, at which we also had the pleasure of listening to the German Mænnerchor. Clarice recited "Hans Euler."

At the last senior recital of the Conservatory of Music, one of our sophomores, Hilda Verbeck, rendered two difficult violin solos, though she is only a junior in the musical department.

We lose only one of our girls this June, Maude Van Sickle, our president and one of our charter members. What we shall do without her we don't know, for she is very enthusiastic and an indefatigable worker. At the end of this week the girls will scatter, though at least two, and perhaps three or four, will be here in Evanston all summer.

We received the charming designs for a Pi Phi banner, and concur with the originator in preferring the second design. The only fault with it, it seems to us, is that it is so very dark and sombre. If the colors were reversed, a wine monogram on a blue ground, we think it would exactly reflect the cheerful Pi Phi spirit. Long may it wave!

We hope to meet all the chapters at the coming convention through our delegate, Ada Griggs. In the mean time we wish a very happy vacation to all Pi Phis, wherever they may be.

IOWA ALPHA—IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Vacation is here, and once more Iowa Alpha sends greetings to her sisters.

We lose two of our girls by graduation—Mabel Milner and Clara Byrkit. We are anxious to introduce our two new girls, of whom we are justly proud—Clara Everts, '97, and Alma Law, '98.

Our annual banquet was held at the home of Ida Van Hon. We had a very pleasant time. A number of our alumni were present, among whom were Mrs. Laura Crane Woolson, Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Lulu Ambler Officer, Denver, Col.; Mrs. Ricketts, Chicago, Ill.; Miss Lena Bereman, Aurora, Ill.

Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah," was given June 11th, which was the finest musical entertainment given this year.

IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

Another Commencement has passed and the class of '95 has been launched on the cold world. We lose one member by graduation this year, Lena Hatfield. Her graduating oration was highly spoken of by our head professor, Dr. Hamilton.

Three of our pledged girls became freshmen and were duly initiated. Misses Edith Riggs, Myrtle Ried and Inez Henderson are now happily wearing the golden arrow. When Inez was initiated all members of our fraternity residing in our little city were invited to be present, several of our old girls responded and a pleasant time we had together. A short time after seven of us were initiated in the mysteries of the "second degree" by our married girls. Mem-

bers of Iowa Beta cannot appreciate the wonders and mysteries of Pi Beta Phi until they have taken this degree. Never before did we realize the strength and persistency of our goat, may he live long!

We were all much interested in the senior preparatory contest in oratory for a prize of twenty-five dollars' worth of books, for our latest initiate, Inéz Henderson, competed with six young gentlemen and won the prize from them all.

Harriet Smith was complimented very highly by her instructors for a recital she gave one week before Commencement day. She has decided musical talent and hopes to continue her work at the Boston Conservatory.

Our dearly loved Mrs. Elsie Conser of Knoxville, Ill., who has been vocal instructor at Simpson for the past four years, has severed her connection with Simpson College and will spend the next two years at Boston Conservatory studying voice culture.

We are hoping much good may come from having our national convention sooner than we anticipated. Effie Bussell will be our delegate and perhaps two more of our girls will find it convenient to visit Washington at that time.

#### IOWA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Another school year is over and our girls in their various homes are enjoying the vacation. This has been a prosperous year for Iowa Zeta, for we have had fourteen active members and hearty co-operation from our many resident sisters.

Since our last letter many social events have come to make this year one that will long be remembered.

On Founders' Day Mrs. Ball, one of our sisters, opened her home to us and we passed a quiet but pleasant evening with all the sisters in the city.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma's entertained their many friends at the home of Prof. Currier May 1, and Pi Phi had the pleasure of being among the guests.

Toward the end of the term, Mrs. Ball again threw open her



home to Pi Beta Phi and our girls, assisted by the city members, gave a reception to the faculty of the University, fraternities and friends. The parlors were tastefully decorated with carnations, wine and blue, and ferns. To you sisters we would whisper that it was a complete success and Pi Phi won laurels for herself.

At our last regular meeting of the term, held at the home of Jessie Remley, we were agreeably surprised by dainty refreshments.

Two of our girls, Mittie Pile and Bertha Remley took part in the Freshman Girls' Declamatory Contest.

Five of our new girls rejoice in the possession of new pins. Now all but three of our active members have pins and many in town have pins too.

In honor of our three seniors, L. Anna Robinson, Jessie Remley and Zulema Koctomlatsky, we gave a breakfast at the home of Myra Troth. Each senior was given a spoon engraved with Pi Beta Phi. The girls responded by repeating a few lines of poetry gotten up by them for the occasion.

During commencement week we had the pleasure of having Bessie Parker, a graduate of two years ago, with us.

Clyde Cobb has been elected to represent Iowa Zeta at the coming convention. We hope that the next convention will be nearer us so that more of our girls may derive benefit from it.

#### MINNESOTA ALPHA—MINNESOTA UNIVERSITY.

We seize this last opportunity of thanking all of the chapters for their kind letters to us during the year—especially do we thank Colorado Beta for her very kind and courteous attentions to Nettie Palmer and Mildred Rosger.

Without wishing to boast we would mention that Susie Felch and Rose Eaton, both of '95, are among the honored students—the latter also wears the Phi Beta Kappa pin.

Franc Potter, '93, took her degree of M. A. this commencement week.

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condole with poor Wisconsin University on her defeat in the recent oratorical contest. Truly Wisconsin was out-talked.

WISCONSIN ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

During the past term our chapter entertained friends at a musicale which was given at the home of Mrs. Barnes, one of our patronesses. The house was decorated with wine and blue ribbons, carnations, simlax and red roses.

On the following night an informal party was given at the home of Mrs. Smith with "ice cream left over" as an explanation.

The spring term has been by far the most enjoyable for all students of our university. Madison is surrounded by lakes and the scenery is unusually fine.

One of the important events of the term was the regatta which took place on one of our pretty lakes. Mrs. Barnes invited the Pi Beta Phis and their friends to watch the races from her home which overlooks the lake.

Our boys beat Minnesota in a boat race not long ago. Perhaps it is a little cruel to mention it but the temptation is strong.

COLORADO ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

At this time of the year the girls of Colorado Alpha have sought their homes in various places in and out of the State, and most of those having homes in Boulder have departed to have a change during the months of summer, so that it is rather difficult to arouse any enthusiasm for a chapter letter. However, we are all anxiously awaiting the July ARROW to hear more of the coming convention, and are hoping to accomplish many things before that time. There are so many questions to be considered, that it seems as though the chapters should keep up a more vigorous correspondence, that each might know the others' ideas in regard to such matters as pledging, secrecy, agreements with other fraternities, et cetera, for it does not seem well to go to convention, with only our own ideas in mind, and the chapter letters cannot be taken up with these private matters. But, I happen to know from experience how hard it is to get time for so much correspondence during school days,

so cannot with my own so sadly neglected, urge others to do more writing, but wish that some ingenious girl would give suggestions as to ways and means.

We have just had one of the busiest years of our existence and while we claim only four girls added this year, we feel richer in possession of these than though we had swelled our ranks by three times as many and been able to discover one among them who was not true blue. The year has been a successful one; our invitations either to become members or pledges, have all been accepted; our girls have done excellent work in the university, our meetings have been well attended and much enjoyed, though our literary work has been lighter than usual; our few entertainments pleasant ones; we graduated three members in a class of five girls and six boys; and the chapter disperses, each member feeling that there is vastly more in fraternity life than any one outside can realize.

One of the happiest days of the year was that spent on Reunion Day with Colorado Beta in Denver. We have organized now and shall meet regularly once a year making an effort to have every Pi Phi in Colorado come to the reunion in April, which will be held probably alternately at Denver and Boulder.

We girls are afraid that we can never treat our visitors quite in the royal manner that the Betas entertained us, for our opportunities are so much more limited, but we do not worry for we know we shall be doing for Pi Phis and that takes away all uneasiness.

Our president, Elizabeth Gamble, who has done so much for us this year is not going to travel this summer as usual, but will remain in Boulder, much to the delight of resident Pi Phis.

#### COLORADO BETA—DENVER UNIVERSITY.

Commencement is necessarily the gayest time of the college year, because then, there is need of an extra amount of life and brightness to deaden the pain of parting and to buoy up despondent spirits. Our little group has been no exception to the rule—that we meet but to part—which is as unchangeable as the law of gravitation; it is now scattered to the extremes of the continent. One

maiden has wandered to the shores of the Atlantic; another to the great Pacific; two are exploring the antiquities of Europe and the rest are still in sunny Colorado.

Although we are so far away, we are able to keep in touch and sympathy with each other through our system of circulating letters, which has been very successful heretofore, and which promises to be a source of pleasure during the summer months. Uncle Sam doubtless may charge us heavy postage for Pi Phi letters are voluminous.

On her way home our corresponding secretary had the unexpected pleasure of meeting three Pi Phi sisters from California Alpha, on the steamer running between San Francisco and Seattle. In spite of sea-sickness and sundry other abominations they had a good time together and doubtless will indulge in a cookyshine or two this summer.

On alumnae day we entertained our neighbor, Colorado Alpha. The train from Boulder was met at the depot by a special car, which carried us to the "Hill," from thence to University park, where we visited the college buildings. After having seen the "sights," we went to the Brown Palace Hotel where lunch was served to thirty-five hungry girls. There were the usual toasts and exchange courtesies, after which we ended by drinking long life and prosperity to our beloved Pi Beta Phi. This gathering was so profitable and delightful that we decided to have a state reunion every year.

In Denver, lunches are placed next in importance to cookyshines and are fast becoming popular. Pi Phi appetites are proverbial and in order to sustain our reputation we do ample justice to the good things our hostess provides. One of our alumnae members entertained in this way a short time ago and was followed by the "Infant," as she is called because she is our youngest member, counted in Pi Phi years.

We have had several visitors from other chapters recently, among whom were Miss Palmer from Minnesota Alpha and Miss Lowe from California Alpha. There is another Pi Phi in the city,

Mrs Mary Barnes from Lawrence, Kansas, who edited the first copy of our fraternity magazine. We are glad, indeed, to meet such friends and Colorado Beta always has a welcome for any wearer of the wine and blue.

While our chapter has been gaining knowledge and common sense our University has gained dollars and copper cents. A gift of \$10,000 has been given and a promise of \$25,000 more if the college can raise \$50,000. We are all very anxious that this sum may be realized, for the hard times have not slighted us and we know that the more our Alma Mater prospers, the better it is for us.

So at the close of a happy and successful year, Colorado Beta wishes all a happy vacation and a complete reunion in the fall.

#### KANSAS ALPHA—KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY.

Once more vacation has broken up University circles. Four of our girls graduated this year, Lucinda Smith, Adelia Humphrey, Mabel Scott and Elizabeth Lingard. Although we are always glad to be represented among the graduates, we will miss the girls next year.

We have been justly proud of our Senior girls, Lucinda Smith having been elected to membership in the honorary fraternity Phi Beta Kappa. This fraternity was established in Kansas University in 1890 and on June 4th, 1895, a motion was made to elect to Phi Beta Kappa graduates who were worthy of this distinction, prior to the establishment of the chapter at Kansas University. Among those elected were five Pi Phis, Miss Hannah Oliver, class of '74, Mrs. Mina Marvin Wilcox, class of '81, Miss Ethel Allen, class of '82, Mrs. Cara Fellows Sterling, class of '83, Mrs. Mary Maulay Parmalee, class of '89. Kansas Alpha has now nine members who are Phi Beta Kappas.

On April 19th Miss Bertha Pehler was united in marriage to Mr. Louis Blane of Burlington, Iowa.

Ruth Plumb will not be with us at the opening of school in the fall as she sails for Europe the last of June. We hope, however, to have her with us the second term.

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## CALIFORNIA ALPHA—LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

Once more the college halls are silent and deserted and the Pi Phi girls of Stanford are scattered from the east to the west. For those who have graduated there is left only a recollection of the happy college days and of the festivities tendered to the pioneer class. It was the first class to complete the entire course in the University and as such all honor was done to its members. A splendid reception was given by our President and the faculty, and on the following day Mrs. Stanford graciously received the Seniors and the Professors at her home in San Francisco, where we wandered through the beautiful rooms admiring the gems of art collected and chosen from all Europe. As the afternoon wore away we were regaled with delicious refreshments and then followed speeches in which were expressed gratitude, farewells and good wishes. Not a few in the room were on the verge of tears and more than one Senior privately wished he were just the greenest kind of a Freshman that he might live the college days all over again.

The Commencement exercises were very simple. The white gowns and conventional essays on "Character" are unknown at Stanford. Prof. Stillman, who is by the way a loyal Pi Phi man delivered a scholarly address, the diplomas were presented and Dr. Jordan closed the exercises.

One evening during the last week a concert was given in the Quadrangle. The arcades were illuminated with Japanese lanterns and each of the girls' fraternities received its friends in one of the rooms or arches. The Pi Phi room was pretty and artistic and perhaps the most popular of all. The Senior hop was also an event to be remembered. The music could not have been excelled and the maidens of the golden arrow were among the gayest of the gay.

From California Alpha we send Anna Weaver to the convention. She is one of our brightest and most popular girls and we know she will bring us interesting accounts of the meeting at Washington.

Our chapter is decidedly opposed to making the fraternity non-secret. We feel that such a step would utterly destroy much of our

pleasure in fraternity life. We love to think that we have bonds and ideals and hopes into which the outside world cannot pry.

NEBRASKA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Since our last letter we have been very busy getting our new chapter in good condition for September. We have initiated one delightful girl, Miss Mary McGahey, and have pledged two others.

On our Anniversary Day we gave an informal reception, at the home of one of our girls, to which we invited about thirty friends. Mrs. A. J. Sawyer gave us a very interesting talk on "Mexican Art." Then we had music and refreshments. We also gave a party for the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity soon after they were organized. June 1st, we gave a reception to introduce our patronesses to which we invited the other girl's fraternities. We wish you all could meet our patronesses, Mesdames W. J. Bryan, C. H. Morrill and A. S. Raymond, as three more charming ladies are not to be found. We are the only fraternity here that has patronesses.

This spring, both the Delta Gammas and the Tri-deltas gave large dancing parties to which Pi Phi's were invited.

Miss Mae Lansing has gone to Hillsdale for Commencement and the Pi Phi Reunion. We know what a lovely time she will have visiting her former chapter. She will represent us at Grand Alpha this summer.

This has been a wonderful year for fraternities in the U. of N., as since March chapters of Phi Kappa Psi, of the Sophomore society, Theta Nu Epsilon, and of the Law fraternity, Phi Kappa Phi, have been organized.

The Commencement exercises were exceedingly interesting. Bishop Vincent delivered the Baccalaureate sermon and Dr. Gunsaulus the Commencement oration. Class Day was more elaborate than ever before.

All were sad to think that Chancellor Canfield will not be here another year. Ohio State University is to be congratulated on securing such a fine president. Our new chancellor has not been chosen yet.

## CONVENTION NOTICES.

The Fifteenth Biennial Convention of Pi Beta Phi will meet in Boston, Mass., August 27th, 28th and 29th.

This change in time and place has been made necessary by some trouble about railroad rates which was not anticipated when the convention call was issued.

It is believed by the Grand Council that the change will be a fortunate one. Delegates and visitors can take advantage of the extremely low rates secured for the Knights Templar conclave, and it is hoped that there will be a large attendance.

Notice about headquarters for the convention will be sent the delegates within a short time.

All others contemplating going can obtain information about fraternity headquarters by applying to Miss Anna S. Hazleton, 1215 Ninth street N. W., Washington, D. C.

The first meeting will be Tuesday evening, August 27th, when an informal reception will be given. On Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock the first business session will be held, and the business meetings will continue Wednesday and Thursday, two sessions a day. On Wednesday evening the model initiation will take place, and on Thursday evening the convention will end with a banquet.

HELEN SUTLIFF, Gr. Pres.

The Alumnæ Association of Pi Beta Phi will hold its second convention at the same time and place as Grand Alpha, Boston, August 27th, 28th and 29th. Address all inquiries to Dr. Phebe R. Norris, 708 Tenth street N. W., Washington, D. C. All alumnæ are urged to attend.

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## Editorial.

We wonder how many of the chapters are going to have circulating letters this summer. This plan has been carried on by Michigan Beta for several successive summers, and so successful and altogether delightful has it been that we want to call the attention of the other chapters to it. The

Some Suggestions  
for the Summer.



plan is as follows: Some member of the chapter writes a letter and sends it on to the next member, who in turn adds her letter, and so on through all the members of the chapter, each adding a letter of her own. By the time it returns to the first member the letter has assumed gigantic proportions and contains a letter from each member of the chapter. The first one then takes out her first letter, which has been the rounds, and adds a new one and sends it on as before. Thus an endless succession is kept up. If the chapter is large and scattered over a large territory, it will be necessary to limit the length of time each one shall keep the letter, in order that it may go the rounds speedily. The order of succession should also be arranged with reference to geographical locality.

This is the most economical method of keeping the members of a chapter in touch, of which we know. By this means every member of the chapter hears from every other member, but writes only one letter herself. Then there is such a charm about the great fat letter when it comes! Think of getting ten or fifteen or more letters at one time, all from dear friends!

We hope that all the chapters who have not already used this method of summer correspondence will try it this year.

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Particular attention is called to the change made in the place where the convention is to be held. It is hoped that the change

**The Convention.** will not interfere with the plans of any who expected to attend. The extremely low railroad rates should enable a large number to be present.

Every effort is being put forth to make the convention of unusual interest and profit. Besides the regular business sessions, there will be a reception, a convention address, a model initiation and a banquet.

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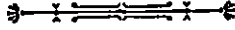
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