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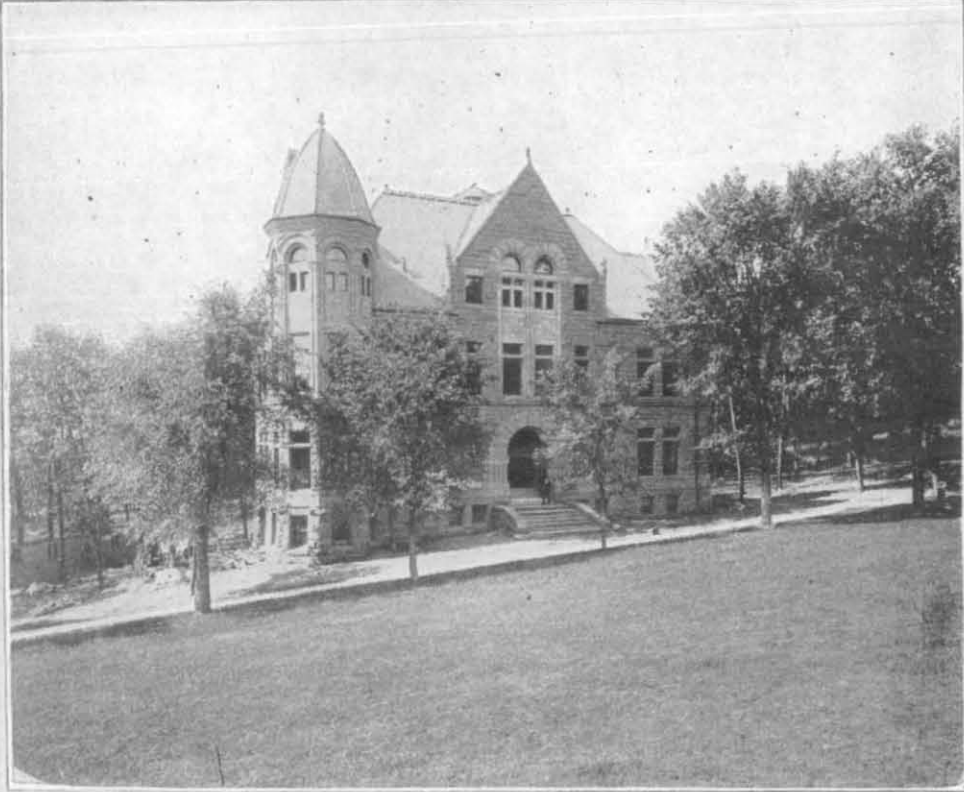
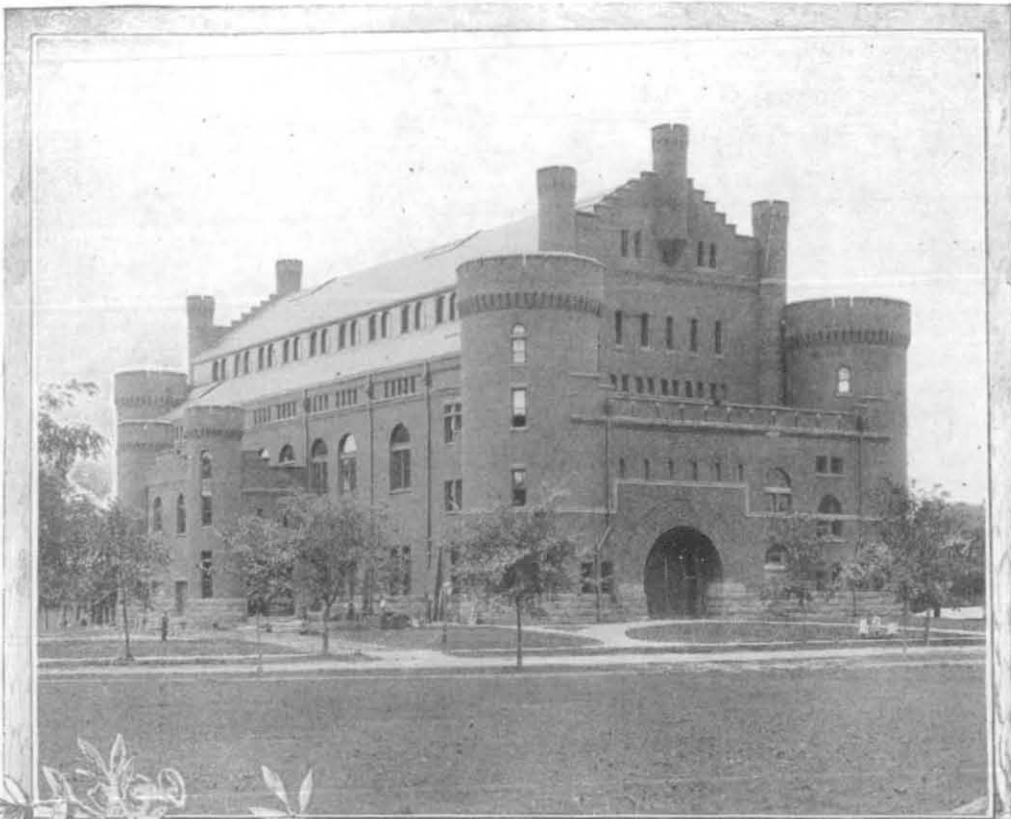
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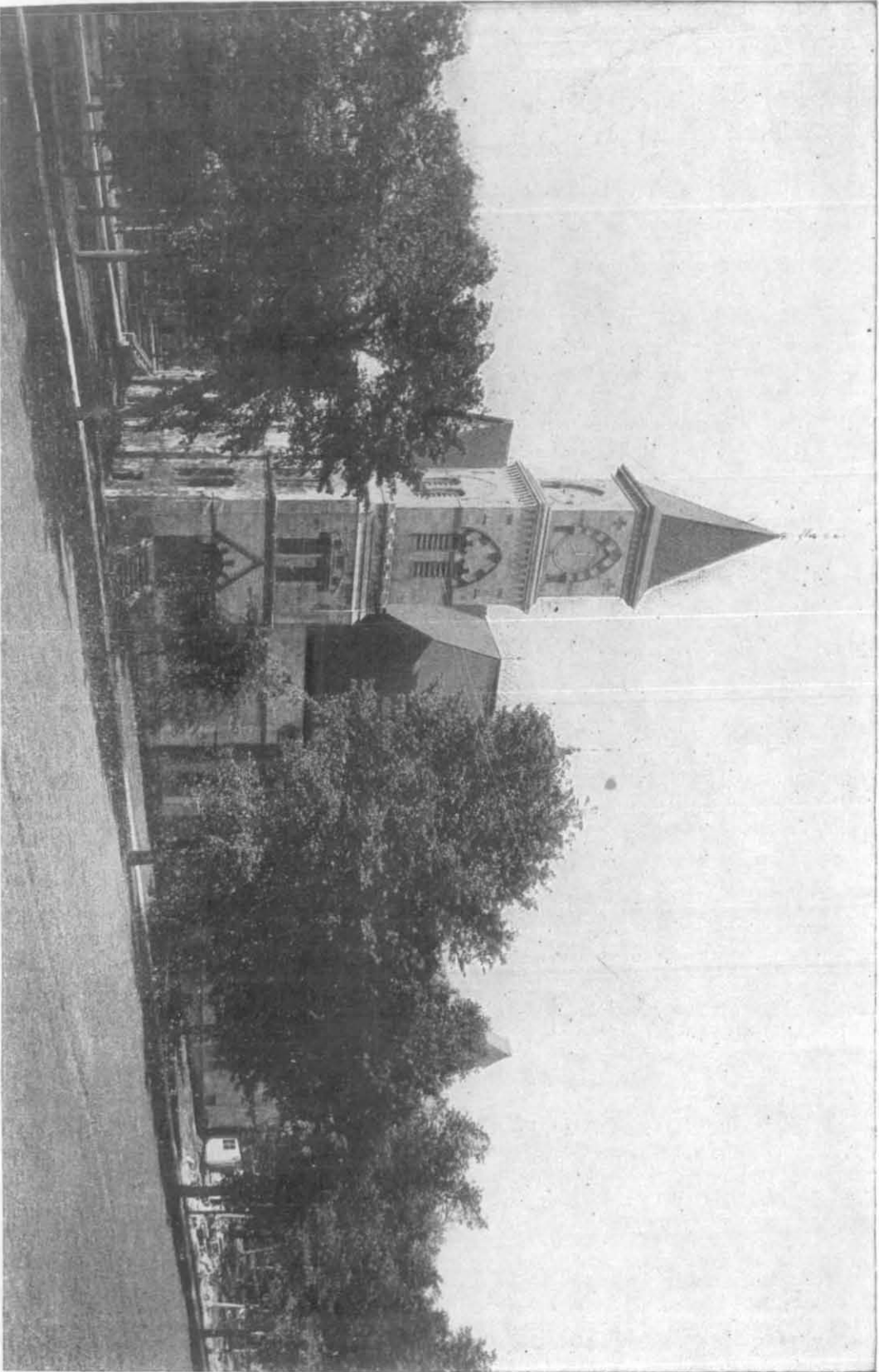
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## FIFTEENTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION PI BETA PHI.

THE fifteenth biennial convention of the Pi Beta Phi fraternity was formally opened Wednesday morning, July 7, 1897, at Madison, in Library Hall of the University of Wisconsin. Twenty-six delegates from the different chapters, all the members of the grand council, the editor of *The Arrow*, chairman of the Literary Bureau, president of the Alumnae Association, and forty-eight guests were present. The one chapter not represented was Louisiana Alpha. After the opening remarks by the grand president the convention proceeded at once to business, the first in order being the reports of the chapters and of the province presidents. These reports were disposed of, and after this all the business sessions were devoted to discussion of the internal workings of the fraternity.

Tuesday evening before convention opened, an informal reception was held in order that the delegates might become familiar with the faces and names of those friends newly met. The initiation took place Wednesday evening; Thursday evening the large reception given in our honor to the friends of Wisconsin Alpha, and on Friday evening came the banquet. With this final effort our hostesses fairly excelled themselves. Miss Grosvenor presided as mistress-of-toasts. We made toast for the girls of '67, the ideal Pi Phi, our friends the enemy, our hostesses and all other good people. Then, when the night was far spent, Miss Robinson, "the feeble mouth-piece of the convention" (to use her own phrase) presented a slight remembrance of

the good wishes and congratulations of the Pi Phis there assembled to Mrs. Grace Lass Sisson, our grand president.

Saturday morning the convention adjourned to meet two years hence with Colorado Alpha.

One of our visitors was Mrs. Emma Parmelee Kilgore of Monmouth, Ill., a charter member of the original I. C. Those who were permitted to see and hear Mrs. Kilgore will never forget her; and it certainly was the privilege of a life-time for representatives of chapters far removed; for we heard from "one who was there" of how I. C. came into existence; how the ARROW happened to be adopted; how the first extension chapters were organized, and many other delightful things we all desired to know. On behalf of the I. C.'s of the old Monmouth chapter, Mrs. Kilgore presented the convention with a silver mounted gavel, expressive of the fundamental ideas of the first I. C.'s, that women should be well-drilled in parliamentary law.

The delegates were:

- Vermont Alpha — Fannie Sutton.
- Colorado Alpha — Elise Bradford.
- Pennsylvania Alpha — Edna Richards.
- Pennsylvania Beta — Grace Slifer.
- Ohio Alpha — Florence Craig.
- Ohio Beta — Blanche Moss.
- New York Alpha — Clara G. Hookway.
- Massachusetts Alpha — Helen Eldridge.
- Maryland Alpha — May Kellar.
- Indiana Alpha — Waunda Hartshorn.
- Illinois Beta — Helen Mackay.
- Illinois Delta — Elizabeth Reinmund.
- Illinois Epsilon — Mary I. Reynolds.
- Illinois Zeta — Edith Weaver.
- Indiana Alpha — Adda Wyrick.
- Indiana Beta — Rousseau McClellan.
- Michigan Beta — Bertha Myers.
- Iowa Alpha — Olivia Ambler.
- Iowa Beta — Nettie Erickson.
- Iowa Zeta — Norra Allin.

Wisconsin Alpha — Agnes Perry.  
Kansas Alpha — Edith Snow.  
Nebraska Beta — Anna Lytle.  
Colorado Alpha — Blanche Squires.  
Colorado Beta — Martha Kimball.  
California Alpha — Anna Weaver.  
Michigan Beta — Rebecca Finch.  
The Arrow — Jessie C. Craig.

We cannot close without some expression of our keen appreciation of the royal hospitality extended to us by the members of Wisconsin Alpha, and especially by Mrs. Gertrude Clark Sober, our grand guide.

MARTHA NUTTER KIMBALL,  
Colorado Beta.

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#### THE BUSINESS SESSIONS OF THE FIFTEENTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION.

THE Arrow is not the place for a full report of the business transacted at a convention of Pi Beta Phi, since much of that business is intended to reach only members of the fraternity. Yet it is possible in this place to give some account of the work reported and plans made at Madison.

The first business session was opened Wednesday morning, July seventh, by the grand president. A large part of the day was given over to the reading of the chapter reports by the delegates. These reports were most satisfactory, showing, as they did, a marked increase in the size of the chapters, and a decided tendency on the part of our active members to stand for the best things in university and college life. Social and scholarship honors were reported from the majority of the chapters.

While listening to the chapter reports was a great pleasure, and a help in associating in the mind the delegate with the chapters she represented, yet there was a general feeling that the time of the convention might be spent more

profitably, and that it would be an advantage to future conventions if chapter reports were printed and circulated among the delegates.

On the afternoon of the first day came the reports of the literary bureau, grand treasurer, grand secretary and grand historian. These were of interest as indicating progress made by our active members in educating themselves in fraternity matters, and in maintaining a sound financial condition. At the close of this session one of our founders, Mrs. Kilgore, presented the convention with a gavel from the original I. C.'s now living in Monmouth. Mrs. Kilgore was received with great enthusiasm, and Mrs. Sisson, our grand president, most gracefully expressed the thanks of the convention to the Monmouth ladies.

At the Thursday morning session Miss Turner presented to the convention matters of great importance which should be fully reported by the delegates to their respective chapters, and faithfully considered by all active members of Pi Beta Phi. Miss Craig followed with a report on *The Arrow*, and made some valuable suggestions, which, it is hoped, the corresponding secretaries will take into consideration. The convention then adjourned until Friday morning.

Thursday afternoon a meeting of the National Alumnae Association was held. Miss Turner, the president of the association, made an exhaustive report of the work of the last two years. Much has been done in re-awakening interest among the alumnae, in hunting up records of the fraternity and in assisting the grand historian. The work of the association has devolved upon a few. To Miss Turner is due the gratitude of all true Pi Beta Phis for her untiring and able efforts. The meeting of the association closed with the election of the Alumnae Council for the next two years. Miss Miriam Prindle of Evanston was elected president with instructions to choose the other members of the council.

Friday was a busy day for the delegates. Dr. Peery's generous offer was reported to the convention, and reports were listened to from The Arrow committee and the committee on resolutions. The Arrow committee recommended that The Arrow be left in charge of Wisconsin Alpha with Miss Florence Robinson as business manager and editor-in-chief, also further details of management which cannot fail to work for the improvement of the quarterly. The report was accepted.

The report of the committee on miscellaneous business called forth considerable discussion. Through this committee each chapter was privileged to bring before the convention any matter it wished to have considered.

Saturday morning the report of the committee on resolutions was read and accepted, and resolutions passed thanking the grand officers, the chairman of the literary bureau, Miss Jessie Craig, the Wisconsin chapter of the Sigma Chi fraternity, and Mr. and Mrs. Sober for services rendered to Pi Beta Phi.

The convention closed with the election and installation of officers as follows:

President, Mrs. Grace Lass Sisson.

Vice-president, Miss Grace Grovesnor.

Secretary, Miss Ethel B. Allan.

Treasurer, Miss Lucinda Smith.

Guide, Mrs. Farnsworth.

It may be said of the convention as a whole, that it was conducted in a most orderly and business-like manner. Not only the officers in charge, but the delegates exhibited a good sense and knowledge of parliamentary principles which were very gratifying to those interested in the growth and prosperity of Pi Beta Phi.

ALICE PEIRCE.

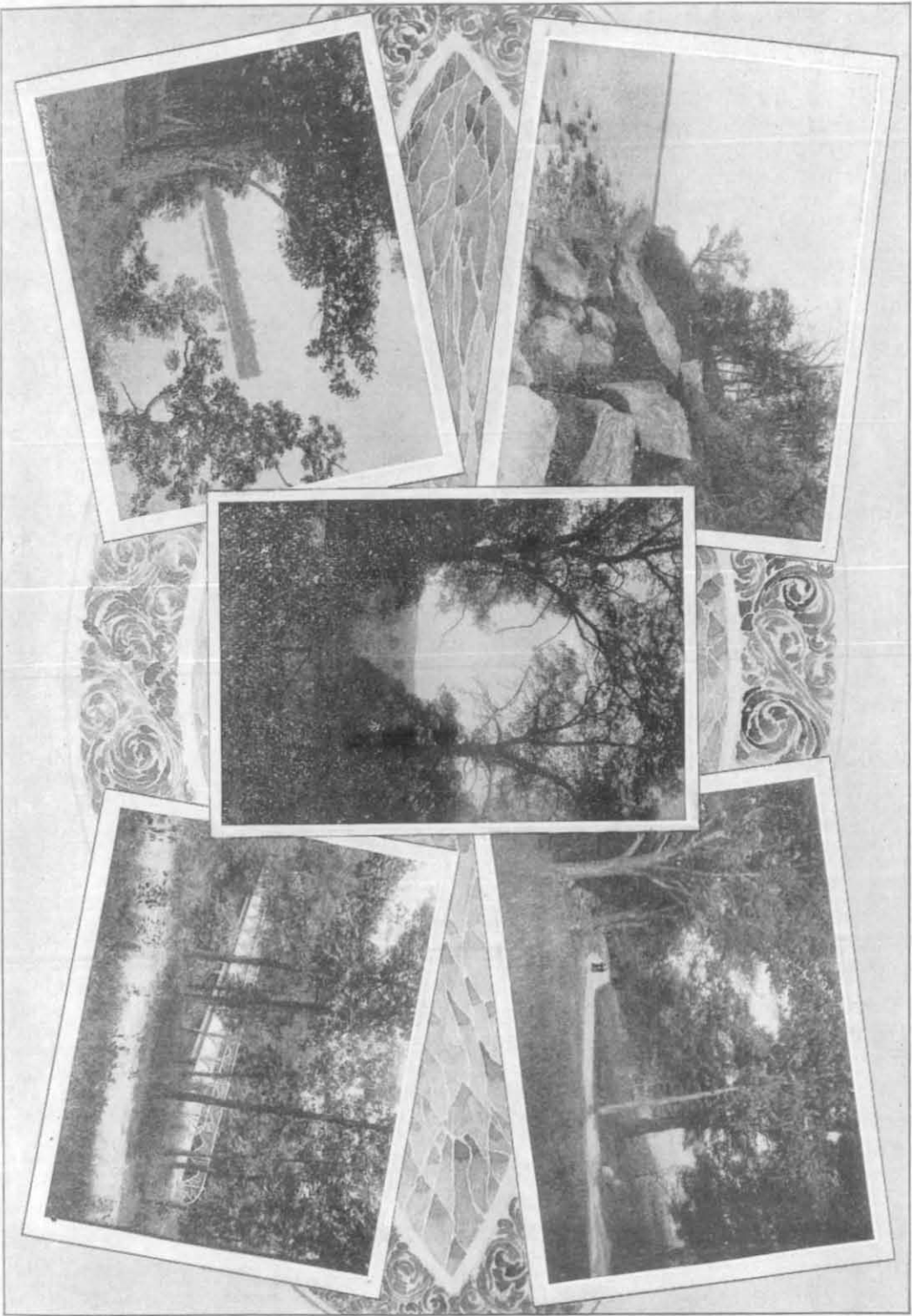
## REMINISCENCES OF THE CONVENTION AT MADISON.

**A**s a convention centre Madison is almost ideal. With its beautiful surroundings, its massive halls of learning, and the atmosphere of aloofness, from the active world of business, it is the place *par excellence* for the fostering of noble ideals, the renewing of vows of friendship and the consideration of problems of vital interest to the fraternity.

Unfortunately some one blundered about the weather for convention. We are informed that the typical Madison weather, clear, cool and bright, was ordered in advance; the failure to comply with these directions may be accounted for by the fact that just at the beginning of the college vacation, Madison always nestles down among her four lakes and takes a nap. This year she evidently forgot to leave word about the weather and the heat grew more and more intense without remonstrance from headquarters. Just at the close of the convention the city roused herself and the result was a charming change for the guests who stayed over.

One advantage afforded by having the convention in a small city is that the delegates and visitors have a better chance to become acquainted. At Madison some of the various fraternity houses were secured as lodgings for the delegates and the latter being all near together found many opportunities for social intercourse.

There are those who think that the convention should be devoted to business alone, while others are convinced that the interchange of ideas in quiet conversation and the discussion of individual chapter regulations, add to one's knowledge of the fraternity, furnish many good suggestions and thus benefit the fraternity almost as much as the actual business transacted, while the personal acquaintance with these many exponents of the fraternity ideals cannot



VIEWS ON THE MENDOTA DRIVE.

fail to broaden the minds and revive the hopes of those enjoying it.

Social life during the five days of convention took on many phases; besides the quiet chats and little visits already referred to there were boat-rides, receptions, parties and a banquet. The festivities began with an informal reception held in the parlors of the Beta Theta Pi lodge, the convention headquarters. All the delegates had already arrived and were introduced to each other during the course of the evening.

Wednesday evening a model initiation was given in Guild Hall and every effort was made to do full justice to that beautiful and impressive ceremony. The writer has never participated in the initiation ceremony without a feeling of exaltation and an inspiration toward the attainment of nobler ideals. On this occasion Miss Mabel Moore of Chicago was initiated into Wisconsin Alpha. After the ceremony refreshments were served and the entertainment was evolved into an informal *conversazione*. During the evening Mrs. Kilgore, one of the founders, answered the many questions of those present in regard to matters of historical interest to the fraternity. Mrs. Kilgore is a charming little woman, abounding in reminiscences of those early days of '67, and her explanations and elaborations were much enjoyed by the listeners, as she is possessed of a quaint humor and a ready wit. Her relation of the origin of many of our traditions and ideals did not detract at all from our present appreciation of them, but rather were we impressed with the high conception of things ideal to which our founders struggled to give expression in spite of the difficulties which they had to overcome as pioneers in the woman's club movement. Of all the pleasures of convention this of meeting and talking with Mrs. Kilgore was one of the greatest.

Early Thursday morning sixty delegates and visitors were taken round the lake in a steamboat. About half way



round the lake a stop was made for breakfast at Black Hawk, the beautiful summer home of Mrs. C. R. Barnes, one of Wisconsin Alpha's patronesses.

Thursday evening a reception was given in order that the visitors and delegates might meet some of the town folks. It was a very brilliant affair and certainly a complete success. Guild Hall was beautifully decorated with palms and ferns; the refreshment rooms with carnations and smilax, and the stairways with trailing vines. After the formal reception many of the young people remained for dancing and though the night was very warm all reported a very enjoyable time.

The convention banquet was held Friday evening also in Guild Hall and seventy-five girls sat down to the tables which were arranged in the form of a U, and decorated with palms, ferns and carnations. After the banquet the following toasts were responded to, Miss Grace Grosvenor gracefully presiding as toastmistress.

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| The Girls of '67,   | Olivia Reubler, Iowa Alpha.        |
| "Here is some token from a newer friend."   |                                    |
| The Golden Arrow,   | Alice Dacy, Wisconsin Alpha.       |
| "Let those love now who never loved before,<br>Let those who always loved, love thee the more." |                                    |
| The Ideal Pi Phi,   | Lucinda Smith, Kansas Alpha.       |
| "Friend to truth of soul sincere;<br>In action faithful and in honor clear."                    |                                    |
| Our Friends the Enemy,  | Elise Bradford, Columbia Alpha.    |
| "When Greek meets Greek then comes the tug-of-war."   |                                    |
| Our Hostesses,  | Fanny Maroa Sutton, Vermont Alpha. |
| What lies beyond,   | Grace Lass Sisson, Illinois Delta. |
| "Thus far our fortune keeps an onward course,<br>And we are graced with wings of victory."      |                                    |

These were followed by impromptu talks from Miss Emma Harper Turner, Dr. Bessie Peery, Miss Florence P. Chase, Miss Jessie C. Craig, Mrs. Gertrude Clark Sober and Mrs. Charlotte Farnsworth. On behalf of the convention, Miss Florence P. Robinson, of Wisconsin Alpha, then

presented Mrs. Sisson with a silver ladle because, as she said, "Spoons were stingy as well as too suggestive."

These are some of the memories the Madison convention has left us, and there lingers with us a vision of a city almost buried in trees, of beautiful walks and drives, where glimpses of the lake are caught through the foliage and the shadows shift noiselessly and restlessly across the path. "Madison the fairest of them all!"

A DELEGATE.

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### GREETINGS — FOR THE CONVENTION BANQUET.

DEAR SISTERS IN PI BETA PHI:

The cares of matrimony, of house building, and planning for our annual vacation on the beautiful Muskoka Lakes of Canada, together with a trip West in the early part of the month will prevent my attendance at the convention in July. It would afford me great pleasure to meet with you and tell you again the story of the girlish venture at Monmouth College. Those were jovial days as yours are now, but they were no better than the blessed kindly ones of active life which have come in later years, such as those to which each of you, I trust, are coming whether you write Mrs. or Doctor before your name, or Esquire after it.

The world is good to those who seek to serve it, because the Providence over it rules the world for good. May it be your good lot and mine to do honor to every virtue embodied in the ideas of our sisterhood under the letters upon The Arrow, and may we each have the "white stone with the new name written in it" when we come to the end of our pilgrimage.

With cordial greetings to all, the old and the new,

I am your sister,

(MRS.) ADA BRUEN GRIER.

REPORT OF THE LITERARY BUREAU OF PI BETA  
PHI.

JULY, 1897.

MADAM PRESIDENT AND LADIES:

The report of the Literary Bureau this year is very meagre and one-sided, as the present incumbent did not enter upon her labors till November, 1896, when the papers of the Third Annual Examination were sent her by her predecessor. These papers were most disheartening to mark; the handwriting was frequently bad, the grammar more frequently worse, and the spelling simply scandalous. Of the twenty-five chapters, nine were graded excellent, eleven very good, four good, and one medium: of the two hundred and sixty papers, eighty-six were excellent, one hundred and seven very good, sixty-two good, twenty-five medium, and two poor. None the less, there were some sets that it was pleasure to mark; Kansas Alpha, Nebraska Beta, and Michigan Beta's papers were in excellent shape, with a high average grade of excellence; five papers were accorded special mention, three of them from these chapters. Early in 1897, the new questions were sent out, with an earnest remonstrance on the subject of spelling; the new papers, when they arrived, showed a most gratifying improvement. They were in better shape, better written, and the spelling generally quite respectable — in fact, only one chapter failed to show a marked improvement in this respect, and this one was very much worse than the previous year. Of the twenty-seven chapters, nineteen were excellent, six very good, and two good; of the three hundred and eleven papers two hundred and three were excellent, seventy-two very good, twenty-three good, ten medium, and three poor; eight deserved special mention, being absolutely perfect.

The most interesting part of the examination was the

last four questions, asking for the date of charter, name and chapter of organizer, charter members, prominent alumnae of the chapter, the place, time and character of its meetings, and suggestions for improvements. One fact elicited was the deplorable ignorance prevailing, especially among the older chapters, as to the exact date of their organization and the names of their charter members, also of their alumnae. In asking the question about the place and character of meetings, the aim was to discover how many chapters had rooms of their own, and how many were doing the regular literary work required; also, incidentally, their feeling on the subject. In regard to the first point, three chapters have chapter houses, and one has half a house, rented by four of the girls and used as a chapter-house; eight have chapter halls or rooms, sometimes in the college building, sometimes not; three use vacant class-rooms in the college building, and one the parlors of a college officer; ten meet at the homes or dormitory rooms of members. As to literary programs, twelve chapters have regular literary programs prepared by their censors, six made no systematic effort in this line, but stated that the girls all belonged to the college literary societies, and nine made no pretence to literary work, their meetings being purely business and social; in some of these the president occasionally read aloud from the last Arrow, or a story or article from some magazine while the girls sewed. One of the chapters whose members belonged to a college literary society said that in the chapter their literary work consisted of a study of English grammar and of attempting to eliminate slang from their conversation; which laudable effort might well be imitated by some sister chapters. Imagine the feelings of a reverent Pi Phi, when in answer to a request for suggestions to improve the fraternity, she finds the remark, "Pi Phi is all right, she is the only peach-tree in the orchard." Seven of the chapters had refreshments regularly at their meetings, either a

spread, or tea, served by their hostess; this was sometimes due to the hour of their meeting, as at noon, or from five to seven.

One or two of the chapters gave suggestions of their usual topics; one said they were to have a paper and discussion of Faust at their next meeting, another mentioned Shakespeare as their next subject, and one sent the entire program of their next meeting:

- 1 — The regular order of business.
- 2 — A chapter of *our original story*.
- 3 — Fifteen minutes discussion of news of the week.
- 4 — Five minute paper on fraternity spirit.
- 5 — An original song. Closing with a spread.

With many the literary program consists of readings from current literature and magazines.

It seems to me that this is at the same time one of the most important and perplexing questions before our fraternity; personally, I am strongly in favor of literary work and that of good quality, but it is plainly evident that in a fraternity embracing chapters in widely scattered institutions of various grades and aims, it is simply impossible to make a hard and fast rule, the conditions surrounding the various chapters are so different. Then, too, there is a most distracting diversity of feeling on this subject, often girls in the same chapter holding directly opposite views. Some want the literary work (and the examinations, too, generally) abolished; some are anxious lest Pi Beta Phi shall deteriorate into a mere literary society; some want light literary work made compulsory; some want heavy literary work, also compulsory; some are like the horse-leech's daughter, crying "More, more," and others want much less, and that easier; some want a uniform literary program for all the chapters; others do not see much use in a literary bureau, anyway, but they all want a fraternity history, and they want it right away. About the only subjects on which all the girls unite are: a fra-

ternity history, a song book with notes, and an improved Arrow, published promptly and regularly.

On other lines the opinions are equally diverse; some want more chapters, "one chapter at least in every state, and more in colleges where there are now no sororities;" some think the time has come "to build up within our gates, not extend the walls;" some want more eastern chapters, others more western chapters; and many cry "Conservatism, conservatism, our chapter roll is long enough!" Some want larger chapters, others want all chapters limited to not more than twelve.

Then again, in regard to membership, some wish more stringent requirements as to scholarship, or at least a clearer statement of the qualifications for membership, that more care be taken to ascertain whether a girl is quite congenial before pledging her; that the relation between the chapter and pledgling be strictly defined, so that an invitation cannot be withdrawn except for grave reasons; that no girl be pledged merely because she is a relative of a fraternity member; that a national, formal, solemn pledging ceremony be adopted; that no girl be pledged till she has been at college at least one month, whether there is any inter-fraternity compact or not; that a pledgling be initiated not more than two months after pledging, the active chapter being responsible for the initiation fee if she can not then meet it; that mock-initiations be abolished; that the second degree be compulsory, and on this latter point one girl says: "I do not think it is right to fill the candidates' minds with tales of horror until their nerves are so unstrung that they are wholly incapable of appreciating the beauty and sublimity of the real ceremony."

Almost all the chapters also complained that there was not enough *national* fraternity spirit, and that they knew almost nothing of what their sister chapters were doing. This ought to be remedied; we should weld ourselves to-

gether into a *solid* organization. The girls are divided as to whether province conventions or a visiting delegate would be most effective. But this is the most important part.

MIRIAM E. PRINDLE,  
*Chairman of Literary Bureau.*

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### LOYALTY TO THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

**A**S Pi Beta Phi we surely have won the right to rejoice in our past history and our prospects for the future on this our thirtieth anniversary.

In the midst of convention enthusiasm, however, and fraternity pride, we must remember that our ideals are not completely realized yet, that there are heights to which we would still attain, and that if we are to triumph, we must constantly strive.

I wish to bring to your serious consideration to-night, on the eve of convention work, an important element of success—an element on which we must largely depend if we are to stand in the front rank of women's fraternities. I refer to loyalty to our national organization. I do not mean by loyalty a mere indefinite stirring of the emotions when Pi Beta Phi is mentioned, nor a general feeling of affection for all that pertains to the fraternity. This is desirable in its place, but it is not loyalty. Loyalty is not feeling, it is *doing*. It finds expression *not* in sentiment, but in definite deeds and in the performance of particular duties.

The chapter which has true loyalty to the national fraternity shows it by the cheerful performance of all duties connected with our national organization, by a hearty cooperation with the grand council in its plans for fraternity progress, and by support of *The Arrow*; that such loyalty does not exist in all the chapters has been the saddest lesson that our grand officers have to learn. Again and

again they meet with lack of interest and positive indifference from chapters who are flourishing from a local point of view.

Believe me, this is one of the most serious problems before our fraternity to-day: How shall we eradicate the indifference of some of the chapters to our national organization; how shall we foster fraternity loyalty?

It has come to my knowledge lately that several, who know well the history and workings of our fraternity, believe this to be our greatest weakness — the worm gnawing at the heart of the tree, that in time will rot it of its mighty strength. Let us cure this fault before this fatal harm has been done.

Remember that in all convention measures and in all chapter life we are to consider first, the good of the fraternity — our beloved Pi Beta Phi.

— A. A.

## What a Fraternity Girl Thinks.

### I.

What shall we publish in The Arrow? Hardly an account of the Graeco-Turkish war; the war has been fully discussed in the daily papers. Not a discussion of the president's policy in regard to the tariff. Such discussions are to be found in the "Review of Reviews." Not the latest fashions for there are fashion magazines galore. "But," some one impatiently exclaims, "No one ever dreamed of publishing such things! Shall the articles be restricted to college and fraternity subjects or shall any subject of an educational tendency be discussed? This is the question." Politics and fashion should be excluded from The Arrow because they are ably discussed in magazines respectively devoted to such subjects. For the same reason articles which have nothing to do with fraternity and

Shall Arrow Writers be Restricted to Subjects of College and Fraternity Interest?



college life, and are meritorious simply from an educational standpoint should be excluded.

There are hundreds of magazines in the United States devoted to literary and educational topics. The Arrow cannot hope to compete with these magazines. Wm. Howells and Richard Harding Davis will hardly contribute to its pages, and in all probability Gibson cannot be secured as an illustrator. As a literary magazine The Arrow will be buried hopelessly under the ever-increasing heap of cheap periodicals and cheap literature.

Again, the banker does not expect to find an article on the "Cultivation of Strawberries" in his Bankers' Journal. He is looking for something on "Loans and Discounts." So Pi Beta Phi as they open The Arrow are not looking for articles on the progress of the world in general, but are looking for something in regard to fraternity and college life, subjects which they are not apt to find discussed outside the pages of their own fraternity magazine. Not everything in regard to fraternity life is worthy of publication. The magazine of one of our leading fraternities, unusually good in its general make up, has several times cheapened itself and lowered its tone by publishing tenth-rate amateur stories. Fraternity stories to be sure, but stories which could not in any sense of the word be called literature.

The Arrow can publish bright articles in regard to the colleges, not merely descriptions of buildings and grounds, but articles from New York Alpha, Louisiana Alpha or California Alpha which shall seem to the Wisconsin chapter a veritable breath from the east, the south or the west. It can publish helpful words from our Alumnae and patronesses who have passed from College Halls into the broad road of life and can tell us from their experience the things it were well to do and the things it were well to leave undone. It can publish news from fraternities and sororities, not necessarily discussions of old topics, but

up-to-date accounts of progress in fraternity life. It can aim to be, not a literary magazine, for as such it must be ever insignificant, but a fraternity magazine of first rank, such an aim certainly being possible of realization.

M. H., WISCONSIN ALPHA.

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## II.

Restrict Arrow writers? *Yes*, but only by the scope of the fraternity which *The Arrow* represents. I repeat it The Scope of  
The Arrow. over and over to myself — "Whatever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely and of good report — if there be any virtue and if there be any praise, think on *these* things" — of character, clearer views of life's responsibilities and grandeur, keener appreciation, coöperation. I take it whatever makes for the *broader*, higher culture along the lines of social intercourse among college people is clearly within the bounds of Pi Beta Phi.

I still believe in "line upon line and precept upon precept" in talking over and over again the principles for which we stand, our right relations to the college world and the world in general, — our ideals for Pi Beta Phi — strong in the conviction that from their very reiteration these will finally take possession of us and permeate the very being of our organization. However, if by sheer force of any necessity we must be restricted in our work, wisdom would suggest for Arrow pages what of all things our girls need *most*.

T. H. E. — A. A.

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## III.

It seems to me unwise to aspire to make the fraternity journal a literary magazine *per se*, — to have articles on The Limitations of the  
Fraternity Journal. purely literary subjects unless they in some way pertain to fraternity matters or are of especial interest to fraternity or college girls.

"But" it is said, "college girls are, or ought to be interested in many and various subjects." To this I would re-

ply, avoid articles which can be found readily in the literary magazines; there are so many of these at such reasonable prices as to be within the reach of every one.

The articles published in *The Arrow* should emphasize the ideals of Pi Beta Phi and stand for the policy of the fraternity as a whole. I venture to quote the editorial on the "Aims of *The Arrow*" given in the October issue of 1893 as voicing my sentiments: "The *Arrow* wishes to take its stand for everything definite, specific, and practical in fraternity journalism as opposed to the general, vague and abstract. With this aim, it will more frequently present articles on definite, practical subjects than ethical or general discussions. It aims especially to be of actual value to the college girl and to form a practical link between the Alumna and her college and fraternity life. Therefore articles on different colleges and different phases of college life, sketches of Alumnae members, opinions of prominent members on practical subjects, etc., are freely employed. *The Arrow* means beside to keep its readers in touch with all college and fraternity life, and to give a general review of woman's work of all kinds, not merely educational. Above all, *The Arrow* wishes to be an exponent of that culture and womanhood which makes the college girl a power to-day."

G. C. S.

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#### IV.

Shall we restrict *Arrow* writers to matters of college and fraternity interest? It is argued with some show of reason **Shall *Arrow* Writers be Restricted?** that matters of general interest should have no place in a fraternity magazine. Were the fraternity an end in itself this might be so; but is it not rather but a means to an end? Should we not look to the fraternity for that mental and moral culture which our college training in itself too often fails to give.

Again it is said that matters of general interest are treated of so well and so freely in current publications that

it is merely vain repetition to give them in the fraternity magazine. Yes, but how many of our girls find time to look through the monthly magazines and select the articles they should read? Were it not well to put where they are apt to find and read them those things which they as women representing the higher education ought to know?

How often do we feel our utter lack of culture, our inability to converse upon anything but college affairs when we come to talk with people of broader interests away from college. It seems to me therefore that the fraternity magazine while giving first place to fraternity subjects, which are in the nature of things rather limited, should be a veritable educator of our girls, full of suggestions which may be utilized in their college life and articles giving them some idea of the movements of that world from which they are for the time being shut in.

J. C. C.—A. A.

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At the risk of appearing presumptuous I wish to enter a protest against the views of an Alumna, given in the January Arrow, in reference to the necessity of the investigation of the financial standing of a girl before inviting her to join the fraternity. Firm in the conviction that we ought not only to think on "whatsoever things are lovely," but also to *talk* on these things, I am going to say frankly that I believe it never has been and never can be Pi Phi doctrine to consider the pecuniary condition of any girl whom congeniality and noble life make desirable for the fraternity roll. Rather let us, as a fraternity *never* own chapter houses than shut out the helpful and ennobling influence of claiming in that life the intimate companionship, the heart to heart friendship of the rich with the poor.

The greatest service that fraternities can and do render

is to satisfy that longing for home life which every normal man or woman must feel. But what sort of a home is one built on anything but true kinship of soul, what peace, friendship, love could ever be born from any other union? No, Pi Beta Phi was founded on broader lines than those of wealth; her bonds stand for nobler purposes.

The second greatest service that fraternities, or any other organization can render is to raise the standard of living among the class of people from whom its members are drawn.

Can the college standard be raised by turning fraternities into wealthy clubs? Surely the fraternity house built by a chapter choosing its members with the thought of temporal qualifications above spiritual graces would be one built on the sand, which the winds of discord, and the floods of envious rivalry would soon destroy forever.

Too long has the tendency toward establishing an aristocracy of wealth been felt over this broad land of ours. Let us, as a fraternity, turn our faces resolutely against this, and any class distinction which hinders the coming of universal brotherhood and that supreme wisdom ever teaching.

"It is in loving, not in being loved, the heart is blest;  
It is in giving, not in seeking gifts we find our quest."

MARY E. SEAMAN, Pa. A.

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### Alumnæ Department.

#### PERSONALS.

Miss Persa Morris, of Nebraska Beta, and Mr. Arthur Weaver, Delta Tau Delta, U. of N., '94, were married February 23rd, 1897. Miss Morris graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan University in 1896, and while taking graduate work in the University of Nebraska was initiated into Pi Beta Phi.

Miss Oda Closson, of Nebraska Beta, Miss Ana G. Closson and Mrs. Kittie Closson Greene, of Michigan Alpha, will spend the summer at Vine Valley, N. Y., on Lake Canandaigua.

BRIEF NOTES CONCERNING THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN CONVENTION DELEGATES.

(CONTINUED FROM APRIL ARROW.)

COLUMBIA ALPHA.

'90.—Dr. Phoebe R. Norris, 613 Florida Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Dr. Norris is practicing medicine, and is a very active worker in "Columbian Women," a society composed, as the name implies, of all the women, both college and alumnæ, of Columbian University. The main object of this society is to furnish scholarships to women who could not otherwise attend the University. Dr. Norris is also the secretary of the Alumnæ Association.

'92.—Edna Clark, 1424 Eleventh St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Miss Clark is teaching in the Business High School of the city, and is a member of Columbian Women and the Current Topic Club.

'93.—Clara A. Crew, 1532 Ninth St., Washington, D. C.

Miss Crew is at present making a specialty of French. The two clubs just mentioned claim her also as an earnest worker.

'95.—Lillian Pace, 1308½ N St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Miss Pace is just completing her collegiate work in Columbian University, where she has specialized in physics and mathematics.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA.

'95.—Mary Bartol, Lewisburg, Pa. Miss Bartol was the prime-mover in the establishment of Pennsylvania.

Beta, doing all of the correspondence and serving as the first president of the chapter. At this convention she was made chairman of the committees on flag designs, song book and motto, as well as being appointed a member of the Literary Bureau from Alpha Province. Her work on each of these committees is worthy of note—especially that of the song book, where her energy has been untiring in her desire to have a collection of songs which will prove a pleasure to the members of the various chapters.

In June, 1895, Miss Bartol took her Master's degree from Bucknell College, and in the fall of the same year, went to the University of Michigan to study for a doctor's degree in Greek, French and Italian. In the winter of 1896-97 she was sent by the Michigan Graduate Club to the Federation of Graduate Clubs held at Baltimore, and was there elected corresponding secretary of the federation for the ensuing year.

#### CALIFORNIA ALPHA.

'95.—Anna Frances Weaver, 1807 Market St., Logansport, Indiana. Miss Weaver received her A. B. degree from Stanford University in January, and is now doing graduate work in Latin.

#### OHIO BETA.

'95. — Mary B. Porter, 162 North Ohio Ave., Columbus, Ohio. Miss Porter completes her collegiate course in the Ohio State University this year, having made a specialty of Political Science in addition to the required studies.

#### ILLINOIS EPSILON.

'95 — Ada May Griggs, Crown Point, Indiana. Miss Griggs is now teaching at Batavia, Illinois.

#### INDIANA ALPHA.

'88 and '92.—Larona Hamlin Payne, Franklin, Indiana. Miss Payne is teaching Greek in the Indianapolis Indus-

trial School, and is secretary of the Indiana State Association of  $\Pi B \Phi$ .

'90.—Harriott Palmer, Franklin, Indiana. Miss Palmer is doing post graduate work in history in Franklin College.

'93.—Elsie Holman Neal, Franklin, Indiana.

'95.—Viola Lukens, Franklin, Indiana. Miss Lukens is teaching history in Franklin.

#### WISCONSIN ALPHA.

'95.—Elizabeth Smith, Madison, Wisconsin. One of the founders of Wisconsin Alpha and their first delegate to convention.

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### Editorial.

While the active membership of Pi Beta Phi for 1897 shows but little increase over that of 1896, and the chapter roll none, one charter having been withdrawn and one granted, we have no cause for anxiety lest our fraternity should have been at a standstill during the present college year. To the editors of The Arrow at least, there is apparent an awakened interest, increased enthusiasm, and promptitude in responding to the requests of the aforesaid high functionaries, and the majority of the chapters seem to be taking hold of the idea,—frequently suggested, in a mild sort of a way, in Arrow pages—that they owe some allegiance to the national organization from which they derive their prestige. All this is hopeful, yet we groan inwardly when we think of the futility of our efforts to impress upon the remaining few chapters the needless anxiety and worry which their delays and carelessness impose upon those having the magazine in charge. Could the editorial staff but take possession of Gabriel's trumpet for the brief space of a month or so and speak with a mighty voice to each of the delinquent chapters, their agonized tones might melt



the hearts of the latter. Alas, even then we fear it would be forgotten! We are conscious that they who stand most in need of this admonition will never read it for themselves for these are they who scorn the editorials; still we persist in the hope that someone will tell them of it. This year has seen so much of improvement and development, an awakening, as it were, to the opportunities which lie in Pi Beta Phi, that we may surely hope for all things. To many of our girls attendance at the convention was impossible; let these lend a heedful ear to the report of the chapter delegate and carefully follow out the suggestions brought by her from the convention. May we not hope for the coöperation of all the chapters, for the hearty striving together toward the attainment of Pi Beta Phi ideals. We don our rose-colored spectacles and predict for our fraternity, fresh from the inspiration of the fifteenth biennial convention, that the forthcoming year will be one of steady progress, when the corresponding secretaries shall realize the responsibility which rests upon them to prove themselves active and reliable bureaus of information and shall reply to editorial queries and demands *by return mail*.

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To the graduate there comes a time when she feels that she no longer has a part in the chapter life in which she has had an active interest for four years. This feeling of isolation is almost inevitable; it may not come through the long vacation which follows graduation, but when the active members have returned to college and find themselves again in the whirl of rushing, of making new friends, and of study, it is scarcely possible for them to keep up correspondence with their alumnae. Through the neglect of the chapter the alumna may lose interest in the national organization; yet but a keener appreciation of the benefits derived from the fraternity comes after graduation, and much of its sweetness is then realized. The graduate feels that the fraternity has done much for her and that

she owes something to the fraternity at large, to the organization which gave her the Pi Beta Phi ideals and opportunities. To be sure she can do much in the way of aiding her own chapter, financially and otherwise, and in working for a part thus advance the interests of the whole. There are those who recognize no limitations to the work of the college fraternity; to this view we must take exception. Leaving out of account the proverbial lack of time of the college student, even where no financial stress may be felt it is frequently the case that the under-graduate has been sent to college by her parents and feels that the money has been given her for a definite purpose and that she is not at liberty to spend it as she herself may please. The members of the National Alumnae Association of Pi Beta Phi are, however, for the most part, free from such considerations and to them many undertakings which seem impracticable for the active members, such as the establishment of fellowships and loan funds for needy students, may be possible. The work of the Alumnae Association and the large part which it plays in promoting the welfare of the fraternity must be familiar to the majority of our active members as well as to our graduates. All graduates of Pi Beta Phi are eligible for membership in the National Alumnae Association and we should like to see many of this year's graduates join its ranks and thus, while maintaining the fraternity associations and friendships, aid in securing the mutual co-operation of the alumnae in the advancement of the fraternity.

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We wish to call attention to the prizes offered by Dr. Bessie Peery, Iowa Zeta, A. A., for contributions to The Arrow. The first is a Pi Beta Phi pin, not to exceed twenty dollars in value, for the best article written by any Pi Beta Phi, active member or alumna, and the second a Pi Beta Phi stick pin, five dollars in value, for the best chapter letter written by any *active* member. The prize for

the chapter letter must be presented by the successful candidate to her chapter. The contest will be open during the subsequent college year, at the close of which decisions will be made by a committee consisting of Mrs. Mary B. Reid, Mrs. Susanne S. G. Tyndale and Miss Robinson. The articles and chapter letters are to be judged on subject-matter, style and treatment. The articles should be sent to Miss Robinson, Arrow editor, to be used at her discretion, for publication in The Arrow before the award is made.

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With this issue of The Arrow we lay down our blue pencil; not entirely without regret for we have enjoyed our work in spite of many drawbacks, yet with pleasure, too, for we feel assured, that, under the supervision of the newly-elected editor, The Arrow will advance with long strides toward the goal of perfection. Success to the new editor and to The Arrow!

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## Chapter Letters.

### ALPHA PROVINCE.

#### VERMONT ALPHA — MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE.

Life seems very beautiful now that the long, bright summer days are here, and even to the most studious minds study is something of a bore.

Middlebury is surrounded by beautiful drives, which afford extensive views of the Green Mountains, with their adjacent foothills in the east; the majestic Adirondacks in the west; and between, the green expanse of the Champlaine Valley dotted here and there with farm buildings, each a tiny village in itself; then, just below, the Otter Creek murmuring contentedly. From three windows, high up, in one of the prettiest blocks in town, the Pi Beta Phi girls can look directly down upon this river, which, winding in and out among the overhanging willows, makes a "feast for the soul."

But the attention does not need to be directed without to dwell upon beauty, for behind the window draperies the scene is just as enchanting. The rooms are large enough for all occasions, but on this account are

none the less abounding in the dainty trifles so dear to woman's heart. Vermont Alpha would be very proud to show her new home to all Pi Phi's.

We opened our rooms for the first time to the faculty the evening of Founder's Day. Refreshments were served from the dining table, one of the latest additions, which was decorated with smilax and white roses. Carnations, roses, arbutus and nasturtiums we had in abundance, and these with the dainty evening gowns made a pretty picture. We gave some of the new songs, ending with our call, which proved very attractive in its novelty.

The convention is, of course, the most interesting thing of the summer months, but we are unfortunate in that only one of our girls can participate in that. However, every cloud has its silver lining; the majority of the remaining girls, with many of our alumnae, are planning to open a *II B Φ* camp for two weeks after college closes. The cottage in which we are to dwell is about fifty miles north of Middlebury, pleasantly situated among the trees on Lake Champlaine. It is an ideal camping ground, and we cannot fail to enjoy every moment of the time we spend there. Those who know nothing of camp life are anticipating it with all the intensity of a glowing imagination, while those who have formed this acquaintance have the experience of past joys and jolly times to heighten the pleasure in store for Vermont Alpha.

Best wishes to all *II B Φ*'s for a happy vacation.

FANNY MAROA SUTTON.

COLUMBIA ALPHA—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

Another month will see Columbia Alpha well launched upon the lazy sea of a long summer vacation. At present we are a very busy crowd of girls. The seniors are taking their examinations. The others are lending their sympathies and at the same time thinking of the near future when they too will be dealing in fools-cap and ink.

There is a feeling lurking in all our hearts, that we would like to make a practical demonstration of some of our theoretical ideas. Hedonism might be so ably illustrated by a hammock, pillows and a good novel. Even our mathematicians would enjoy studying the circle from the saddle of a bicycle. What advantages this offers for the further comprehension of the parabola!

*II B Φ* is well represented this year in the graduating class. Two will take the degree of Bachelor of Science and three that of Bachelor of Arts. It is hard to break college and fraternity ties so some will come back in the fall for graduate work. Truly, "a little learning is a dangerous thing" for the more one learns the more one wants to learn.

We are now looking forward to the convention in July. While we cannot all be there, we feel just the same interest. We had a suggestion of all that such a gathering means when the Alpha Province Convention was held here last summer. The pleasant time we had then is still fresh in our minds. But what must a convention composed of delegates from all the chapters be, if this one aroused so much enthusiasm! May all the success that our most loyal members could wish attend the convention, and may a still more glorious future await *II B Φ*.

FLORENCE LOBBRAINE BINGHAM.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Is it time for another "Arrow" letter? How time must have flown since the last one, nor has it flown on wings of ease and idleness in Swarthmore. Pennsylvania Alpha meanwhile has had a very delightful initiation which introduced Amy Mabelle Young into the Greek world to partake of all its pleasures and duties, which are after all the same.

Our pleasure in the celebration of the 28th was surely unalloyed for there was not a vestige of duty about it for us. Our Alumnae gave the active chapter an evening party at which each one represented some geographical feature, a state, or city or river. Some of the representations were very good and required much ingenuity to penetrate them. We were so pleased to have Miss Culver of Colo. Alpha with us. After a lovely supper we returned to college by a late train and we sang Fraternity and College songs all the way home. But as we had the car to ourselves that was not so shocking after all, was it?

We are making arrangements for having the College Settlement children at Swarthmore for a day as usual this spring. We enjoy so heartily this annual invasion of the children of Saint Mary's, the worst street in Philadelphia, a street entitled as yet to nothing but the pity of its Patron Saint. Mary Seaman, a *II Φ* of the class of '99, has just been made Swarthmore College settlement elector for the coming two years. Sarah Bancroft, '97, has held the position heretofore, so we have been brought into at least warm sympathy with the work.

That reminds me of the honor that has lately been accorded to Sarah Bancroft, our one senior. She won the Lucretia Mott Fellowship, which furnishes the means for a year's study in some foreign University. Mary S. McDowell, *II Φ*, '96, has been enjoying this privilege during the last year. We are sorry to lose another of our active members this year, J. Margaret Kyle, who sails for Germany the 4th of June, where she expects to remain four years.

How I wish all *Π* Beta Phi might see Swarthmore now though I fear they would hardly esteem her, the modest little Quaker College she is,

so gay does she appear in her spring dress. Her grey walls alone, like those of the castle in the "Vision of Sir Launfal," resist the transforming sunshine of spring and retain the sober color favored by the "Early Friends."

The Swarthmore Chapter wishes all Pi Beta Phis a truly happy summer and a delightful time at Convention.

EDNA H. RICHARDS.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA — BUCKNELL COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Beta has still another initiate to present to the fraternity at large through The Arrow, Lillian Foust, 1900, who was initiated April 30th. We also take pleasure in making you acquainted with our new patroness, Mrs. Bartol, wife of the Professor of mathematics in the University. Her daughter, Mary Bartol, formerly of Pennsylvania Beta, now of Michigan Beta, is known to you all as chairman of the new Song Book committee.

The chapter is rejoicing over its present prosperous condition and its bright prospects for next year. We have taken in nine girls this year, and they are all enthusiastic fraternity workers. At the same time, however, we feel sorry that with commencement time we shall lose three of our girls.

We have had several receptions and concerts this term, and a very entertaining course of lectures by Dr. Lincoln Hulley, George Nox McCain and Dr. Enoch Perrine.

But we especially enjoy our own little chapter parties. One of these, a "Fudge" party at the home of Mrs. Hulley, one of our patronesses, was particularly pleasant.

The new Song Book of the University, edited by the class of '97, has just made its appearance and reflects much credit upon the class.

The college annual is now in the hands of the publishers and will be issued in a few weeks. Of course, as is always the case, the student body awaits the appearance of the annual with much interest.

One of our girls has been chosen to speak in the Junior Exhibition in Oratory to be held May 31.

Pennsylvania Beta celebrated Founder's day with a picnic, an initiation, and a party given by one of our alumnae. It was the most delightful day of fraternity life we have enjoyed for some time and we all appreciated it heartily.

We are glad that Pi Beta Phi is to convene this year and are anticipating the convention with eagerness. We wish Bucknell were so near to Madison that we might all attend.

Greetings to all Pi Beta Phis.

GRACE SLIFER.

## OHIO ALPHA — OHIO UNIVERSITY.

During the spring term Athens is a "thing of beauty and a joy;" the O. U. students contend that no where else are the trees so tall and stately or the grass so green as on the college campus. Dangerous to the attractions of biology, chemistry, calculus, etc., are the allurements of the "Asylum grounds" and the irresistible tendency these sunny days to "meander down the primrose path of dalliance."

Just now, however, everyone is looking anxiously forward to the near approach of examinations and the weeding out of tares which said examinations are supposed to effect. But after the week of "Exams" will come commencement week and all expect a share in the festivities. Pres. Zollers of Hiram, O., will deliver the annual sermon and Gov. Asa Bushnell will deliver an address some time during the week.

We have two seniors, Linna Hill and Nell Cobb; Miss Cobb has been chosen by the faculty to speak on commencement day. Both girls are exceptionally good students and we shall be sorry to lose them.

Our usual banquet will be given Friday evening, June 11th, at the Barry House. Miss Grace Grosvenor, who has just returned from Washington, will act as toastmistress upon that occasion. Miss Grosvenor, our grand vice-president, was one of the charter members of Ohio Alpha; we are all glad to have her with us again.

Amy Herrold entertained the active chapter and resident Alumnae at her home last Thursday evening. Mrs. J. D. Brown, one of our patronesses, gave us a reception recently in honor of her guests, Miss Minnie Williams of Columbus and Miss Georgia Williams of Kansas City. The same evening we had pledged Lucille Lovell and we took advantage of this occasion to present her to our friends. The evening was very enjoyable and the thought came to us again that it was good to have a patroness; all four of ours have been very kind to us and are interested in our welfare.

Lyllian Casto, who has a very good contralto voice, is to spend the summer at Bay View and study vocal music under the well known singer, Mr. Otto Engwerson.

High school day at the O. S. U., Ohio Beta invited Ohio Alpha to visit them; several of the girls accepted and had a lovely time. Friday evening, May 21st, Miss Weisman entertained for them and in the afternoon they enjoyed a base ball game between Oberlin and the O. S. U.

Florence Craig, class of '98, will be our delegate to the convention. Ohio Alpha extends best wishes to the other chapters for a very pleasant summer vacation.

GRACE REAH.

## NEW YORK ALPHA — SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

We can hardly realize that another college year is gone and vacation here again. With vacation we naturally associate the biennial convention. How we all long to be in Madison those few days! Only one of us can go as we are so far away, so we have chosen one of our best girls to represent us, and through her report of the convention we expect to derive much inspiration, and hope next year to put into practice some of the good ideas she will bring back to us.

We are eagerly looking forward to next fall, when we will have a chapter house; fraternity will mean so much more to us when we really have a home. The house is to be built during the summer. The mother of one of our girls will be our chaperone.

As a university we recently suffered a great loss in the death of our vice-chancellor, Dr. John R. French. He had taught in the University a number of years, and was beloved by every one. Dr. French was also dean of the Liberal Arts College. Two of our deans have died within the past year. We can scarcely realize how great our loss has been.

During the vacation the new members of our chapter hope to keep in touch with each other by means of a circulating letter.

New York Alpha wishes all the Chapters a pleasant and happy vacation.

OLIVE REEVE.

## MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA — BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Commencement festivities have already begun at Boston University. The faculty have given their annual reception to the graduating class, and the theological students have entertained their friends, while the trustees' reception, the senior reception, and the sophomore-senior picnic are yet to be enjoyed. Although we are not represented in the class of '97, yet many of us are to share in these good times.

We observed the twenty-eighth of April in a somewhat unusual way—by taking an early breakfast together at "Marstons"; and though only a few of us could go, those who did had a very merry time. Our real celebration came a week later in the form of a reception to the faculty and about one hundred of our friends. We received in the parlors of the Hotel Bellevue, which were prettily decorated for the occasion. The carnations, which lent so much brightness and fragrance to the rooms, were the gift of one of our patronesses. We were assisted by two of our patronesses; to our great regret, illness prevented the others from being present.

We have pledged Mabel Moore, '00, and we celebrated the occasion by giving a "Five Senses Party," to which a few friends were invited.



This letter would seem to be a mere chronicle of pleasures past and to come; but college work has received its due share of attention. However, our third term is so short that we seem to accomplish all too little, and must lay aside our books just as we are becoming thoroughly interested in the various courses offered. The faculty seriously contemplate adopting the two term system; and we all hope earnestly for the change.

One of the pleasant features of our summer term is the weekly gathering of all who will, to spend a half hour before chapel in singing German songs under the lead of our genial German professor.

Those of us who are juniors have been much interested in the animated discussion going on in the class of '98 concerning the adoption of the cap and gown for the senior year. As usual, the girls are determined to have them, the boys not to have them; and at last a compromise has been effected by which each side is to have its own way.

May all the Pi Phi sisters have a most happy and restful summer.

LUCY ALLEN GARDINER.

MARYLAND ALPHA — WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE.

It is with a feeling of relief that we turn from construing Latin and "cramming" German to write a few words for *The Arrow*. It will now be scarcely necessary to say that the girls of Maryland Alpha are preparing to go through the ordeal of final examinations, which the faculty regard as a necessary evil, in order to make more enjoyable the festivities of commencement week.

We observed Alumnae Day in a very quiet but profitable manner. A literary meeting was held in the evening at which a number of the girls reported on topics bearing on the founding of Pi Beta Phi, and upon women's and men's fraternities. The evening ended with a cooky-shine — our first — and we assure all Pi Phis that we consider it a "great institution."

Donnybrook Fair, '98, the College Annual, has recently been published by the junior class, and the girls feel quite elated over the reception which it has received. Two Pi Beta Phis were on the board, this year and on the staff for Donnybrook, '99, our chapter will be represented by Helen Doll.

Easter Monday Maryland Alpha was given a luncheon by the Alumnae club, of Washington. Eight of our girls were present, and a most enjoyable occasion it proved to be. We met many members of the Alumnae association, and almost all of the active chapter, and we can return the compliment so gracefully paid us by the Columbia chapter in their *Arrow* letter for April. We were charmed with everybody and everything, and indeed we had a little thanksgiving meeting occasionally to

congratulate ourselves on having the Swarthmore and Washington chapters so near.

Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Davidson, our patronesses, entertained the chapter in March, our pledged girls being with us on both occasions. Just how good a time we had can not be expressed in words; personal participation alone could give a fair idea of the charming entertainment furnished.

Next year we lose one of our patronesses, Mrs. Jones, who is going to Boston to live. We are very sorry to lose her, but we congratulate the girls of the seminary to which she goes.

May 21st the freshmen entertained the juniors at the home of Miss Shaw, one of the members of their class. Seventy-five freshmen and thirty-seven juniors were taken by the electric cars to Miss Shaw's home; supper was served on the lawn, and a play rendered in the evening, followed by a genuine country dance in a barn. The freshmen exercised their ingenuity, and the result was about the most unique and enjoyable entertainment ever given in college.

Maryland Alpha takes this opportunity to thank all the chapters for the warm welcome they have extended to her, and for their interest in her welfare, and sends to all members of Pi Beta Phi cordial greetings and best wishes.

MARY L. KELLAR.

## BETA PROVINCE.

### ILLINOIS BETA — LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Another year is almost completed and commencement is drawing near. We will soon leave our Alma Mater, some of use never to return. Our campus at this time of the year is very beautiful and it is with regret that we think of deserting its cool shade during the summer months.

As the convention approaches we have been very busy reading old records and searching in dusty archives. Our chapter is the oldest now in existence and it is a very interesting pastime to look over the letters written years ago, and think of what the chapter life was when Pi Beta Phi was in its infancy. Old invitations, letters of acknowledgment and a mock initiation ceremony all help to form the picture of those early days.

But Illinois Beta has not been living altogether in the past. The evening of April 28th, we celebrated Founder's Day by initiating Leora Crabtree and Edna Flinn. The initiation occurred at the home of Miss Della Myers, one of our alumnae, and was followed by a banquet.

A few weeks ago the corner stone of our new gymnasium was laid, and the building will be ready for use next September.

The Pi Phis will take a prominent part in the entertainments of commencement week and one of the girls Nina Harris, has won class honors and is appointed to speak commencement day.

LOETTA BOYD.

ILLINOIS DELTA — KNOX COLLEGE.

This issue of *The Arrow* will doubtless find all the girls at home for the summer. What a relief we will all feel when we lay aside our textbooks for a time to enjoy our vacation at home! But we shall all miss the girls of '97 upon our return to college, and there will be many times when we shall long for them.

Illinois Delta Phis have been enjoying themselves this spring term. A luncheon was given by Mildred Brown, one of our active members, to the chapter. An excellent lunch was served after which we were entertained with a game very similar to the penny game, which you all have played many times, likely, but our pin, the arrow, was used instead of the penny. The decorations were red carnations. Founder's Day our alumnae, patronesses and active chapter went out to the Club House at Lake George in the afternoon and returned in the evening after having had a "cooky-shine" and a splendid time.

Miss Grace Terry of the Conservatory, class of '95, gave a recital in Whiting Hall chapel, May 17. All of the selections were well rendered, and the whole program enjoyed by all. Miss Maynard, also a Conservatory student, of the class of '97, was graduated with honors from both the instrumental and vocal departments of the Conservatory.

Illinois Delta wishes each one of you a most enjoyable summer.

KATHRINE BARTLESON.

ILLINOIS EPSILON — NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Northwestern is just at present undergoing a sudden and unprecedented reform. The faculty has suddenly decided that society has of late been playing too great a part in college life and as an outcome of this unforeseen awakening it has been decided that each fraternity shall give but *one* party a year, that party to close at eleven or twelve o'clock. Of course the Junior Promenade is exempt from all such restrictions.

The poor girls at Woman's Hall feel the reform much more than the rest of us for all doors there are locked at eight o'clock each evening and the names are taken of all those who come in afterwards. Moreover each girl is *expected* to be in her own room at eight o'clock.

Our students have been enjoying a course of lectures by Professor Basil L. Gildersleeve of Johns Hopkins' on the classics and Greek

studies. His lecture on Sappho was especially interesting and instructive.

Northwestern is now the proud possessor of a new building occupied exclusively by the department of music. It is a very attractive structure, and though it does not stand on the campus, but beside Woman's Hall, it adds much to the University.

A new custom has been introduced among sororities here this year: that of inviting to parties members of other sororities. The same plan has been adopted in some cases by fraternities, and is certainly a step towards breaking down all interfraternity barriers. However, little but good-will exists between the different chapters among us.

Louise Logeman, ex-'93, who was with us last year, was married April seventh to Mr. William Frederick of Chicago.

Illinois Epsilon received with delight notice that the place of convention had been changed to Madison, for Denver seemed so very far away. Let us congratulate Wisconsin Alpha and also assure all other Pi Phis of a right royal reception at the hands of our younger sisters for we know them to be most hospitable hostesses.

With best wishes for a happy, restful summer.

MARJORIE LUCILLE FITCH.

ILLINOIS ZETA — ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY.

The school year is almost over and despite the many hindrances the U. of I. has had, we are just closing a prosperous year.

In June the new library building will be completed. It is a handsome brown stone structure and when finished the library course which the University has just obtained from Armour institute will be moved in, making the U. of I. one of the three colleges in the United States which offer this course.

In a social way Champaign has never been gayer. Next Saturday the battalion gives a military German. All the figures and favors are to be strictly military. Last week Mrs. H. H. Harris, one of our patronesses, gave a charming German for the Pi Phis and Kappa Sigmas. We never have had a more delightful time. Commencing next Friday the military band of the U. of I. will give a promenade on the campus, which now is beautiful. The faculty does every thing to make the student life enjoyable here, and we appreciate their efforts.

Illinois Zeta hopes that every Pi Beta Phi will spend a happy vacation and that a number of us shall meet at the convention.

EDITH M. WEAVER.

## INDIANA ALPHA — FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

The rush of commencement is already making itself felt. It has been the custom of the Franklin Greeks to have their receptions after the regular college entertainments, Commencement Week. This year the fraternities have taken the week before. It was really amusing to see the rush and hurry for first place. Our girls have been looking on with pleasure as the Alumnae asked to give the June reception. They were not aware of the excitement until it was over, and lo! Pi Beta Phi had the choice, and to the surprise of several has decided to take the initiatory by giving a reception at the home of our patroness, Mrs. R. V. Ditmars, June the second.

Gertrude and Anna Morris, '00, have been wearing the arrow since April tenth.

Alumnae Day, at the home of our patroness, Mrs. J. W. Ragsdale, we entertained about one hundred guests. A short program, consisting of Gibson pictures, was given, after which refreshments were served in the dining room which was artistically decorated with wine and blue, carnations and ferns.

As a fraternity we entertained our men friends at Minnie Weyls. Later we were entertained with the Alumnae at the home of Bertha Fletcher at a National Party. The prize, a beautiful silk flag, was won by Adda Wyrick. A few weeks ago Sigma Alpha Epsilon very pleasantly entertained the faculty and all the Greeks of college. Last meeting we were pleased to have a visit from the Alumnae. When we had adjourned they went out into the hall and each brought in a basket. The result was an elaborate spread which was much enjoyed by all.

We regret very much to lose Prof. Henry of the English department, who has recently been appointed State Librarian, and who will enter upon his duties at once.

Bertha Miller, '99, will represent us Commencement Week in the annual oratorical contest between Greeks and Barbs.

Indiana Alpha has chosen as her delegate to the convention Adda Wyrick, '98.

LAURA LUKENS.

## INDIANA BETA — INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

Last Saturday evening, Mrs. L. M. Grimes, our sole alumna in Bloomington, entertained us in a most pleasing manner at her new home. We held an open meeting last Saturday evening to which we invited the faculty with their wives and our men friends.

We celebrated the birthday of our fraternity, April 28th, by a "cookie shine."

Since our last letter, we have again been shown how closely trouble brings together all working for Pi Phi. We have been given an opportunity to show our love and sympathy by the death of little Paul, the son of one of our patronesses, Mrs. E. E. Griffith.

One of the pleasant things in store for Indiana University is a May festival, given for the benefit of our glee club.

Our president will give a reception to the seniors next week. This reminds us that we will lose two of our girls this year. This is the saddest part of fraternity life, the losing of our girls — but there is consolation in the fact that each year brings us new sisters.

We have added one more to our number this term. Let me introduce to the Pi Phi world Miss Nell Hadley, of Mooresville, Ind. We believe in quality, not quantity.

In reading the last "Arrow" I found, to my great surprise that my letter had been divided into two parts and the latter half given to Illinois Zeta. The first part did not speak well for the secretary of Indiana Beta. While I love Illinois Zeta dearly, I am not willing to divide my letter with her, and I hope this one will not meet with the same fate.

CAROLINE CLARK.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA — HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

We have spent much time in our meetings lately discussing the coming convention. Our chapter is to be represented by Bertha Myers. We hope to profit much by this convention in every way.

Our rivals and we have been discussing the feasibility of an inter-fraternity agreement concerning pledging. We do not yet know what plan will be adopted.

Our most important social event was a formal reception given Alumnae Day to the faculty and fraternities of the college. The reception was held at the home of Mrs. Sutton. The house was tastefully decorated with carnations; dainty refreshments were served, and music by the mandolin club added to the enjoyment of the evening.

Michigan inter-collegiate field day is to be held at Hillsdale in a few weeks. One of our girls, Lora Marsh, will compete for the tennis prize. So, of course, we are all intensely interested in tennis at present, and we hope Miss Marsh will be successful.

We are represented on the editorial staff of our college annual, the "Wolverine," by Effie Browne and Lora Marsh. Also, two Pi Phis are members of the Students' Lecture Association.

EFFIE BROWNE.

## MICHIGAN BETA — UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity our initiates, of all of whom we are justly proud: Mary Anderson, Nancy W. Bentley, Grace P. Hunt, Jessie Keith and Ethelberta Williams, together with our pledging, Mabell Leonard. Our active chapter now numbers twenty-three.

We were especially glad to welcome at initiation two of our charter members, Mrs. Lucy Parker-Huber, of Ann Arbor and Miss Fanny K. Read of Saginaw.

We are to lose one of our honorary members for a time. Mrs. Albert A. Stanley sails early in June for Germany, with her husband, who is head professor of music in the University. They expect to be abroad two years.

The beautiful etching which adorns our parlors, the gift of Joanna Hempsted, is a very substantial reminder to Michigan Beta that her alumnae do not forget her.

Fannie E. Sabin, '95, sails for Europe July third.

In April we had the pleasure of entertaining for a day Miss Mary B. Harris, formerly of Penna. Beta, and now of Chicago.

It is with regret that Michigan learns of President Angell's acceptance of his appointment as United States minister to Turkey, although she rejoices in the honor done her president. During President Angell's absence Dean Hutchins of the law department will serve as president *pro tem*.

The May festival was never so successful as this year. For three days the entire university gave itself up to music. Mlle. Emma Calvé was of course the star and was received with great enthusiasm.

A "penny social" was held in the women's gymnasium Saturday evening, May 8th. Each guest was asked to contribute on this occasion as many pennies as he or she had lived years. That the financial side of the social was a success is evident from the three hundred and seventy-five dollars received during the evening.

MARY BARTOL.

## GAMMA PROVINCE.

## IOWA ALPA — IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

As commencement time approaches and we look back over the work of the past year, while we see many places where there was room for improvement, still we can honestly say that we have made some progress toward the attainment of our ideals.

At the beginning of the term Leland T. Powers very pleasantly enter-

tained the students with his impersonation of the Rivals. We celebrated Founder's Day by a cooky-shine at the home of Mrs. Lillian Kendig Rogers, '93, and we can truly say that it was one of the most successful informal affairs of the college year. Miss Alice Haw, one of the most brilliant pianists of southern Iowa, was with us and contributed much to the enjoyment of the evening. Informal social events have been numerous, and now with the advent of warm weather, picnics, boat rides, excursions to the lily pond, open air concerts, etc., have interfered sadly with the studies of the socially inclined student.

There is much beautiful and wild scenery near Mt. Pleasant, the woods are full of flowers and ferns and it is not to be wondered at, that the ordinary student prefers to learn his lesson from "Nature's Open Book" rather than to con over dry text books.

The seniors finished their classroom work May 20th, and at six o'clock the next morning started on an expedition to the celebrated "Geode Beds" near Lowel. This is one of the finest "Geode Beds" in America.

Our athletes are busy preparing for the field meet June 5th. Our new dormitory is rapidly approaching completion and by next fall will be ready for occupancy.

The first warm Saturday in May we celebrated "Campus Day." This takes the place of the college picnic, and is equally enjoyable. The boys rake the lawn and make flower beds, and the girls prepare supper. As a gentle reminder that all must work it was announced by the girls that tickets bearing a suitable inscription would be given all those who worked faithfully and only those having tickets would be given supper.

Mr. J. P. Helpsey, '98, has been elected president of the Inter-State Oratorical Association. As there are ten states in the association and the presidency passes in turn from one state to another, we think it quite a triumph when our college carries off the palm from sixteen other colleges in the state, most of whom are larger than our own.

The Phi Delta Theta fraternity gave a very enjoyable picnic on the banks of the classic Chicaqua, at which nearly all the Pi Phis were present.

We wish to present to the fraternity at large through the columns of The Arrow our two new sisters, Mary Brenholts and Emily Young, and hope that some day you may become personally acquainted with them.

Miss Mary Snider is visiting in Washington, D. C. Miss Jessie Brenholts Jeffrys visited her sister recently.

We are looking forward to commencement week as a time when we shall meet many of our alumnae, and hope that as many as possible may be present to participate in the ceremonies.

EVA FREEMAN.



## IOWA BETA — SIMPSON COLLEGE.

We were pleased recently to form the acquaintance of Mrs. McMichael a Pi Phi from Cleveland, Ohio, who was in Indianola attending a national convention of the Ladies' Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian church.

Wednesday, June second, is class day. We are jutly proud of our seniors, and are expecting the class day of '97 to be one worthy of remembrance.

Inez Henderson, one of our most dearly loved sisters, is seriously ill from overwork in college. She is a sophomore, and one of the brightest members of her class.

Our college annual will soon be issued. The juniors, who have it in charge, promise great things.

A new college song-book has also been announced. Class and college spirit is high.

Our commencement, fast approaching, promises to be exceptionally fine. Already contest winners and recipients of class honors are being prophesied.

MYRTLE REID.

## IOWA ZETA — UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Iowa Zeta is looking forward to the close of this college year with mingled feelings of pleasure and pain, for while it has been a successful year for the chapter, we know that at its close we shall lose five dear girls, all of whom have been loyal Pi Phis and an inspiration to our chapter. We are planning now for our annual Senior Breakfast, which we will give May 29th. This has been for some years a sort of farewell occasion for our senior sisters, so of course we have no guests unless they be alumnae. We are to have all resident alumnae present this year. We will serve the breakfast at nine o'clock at Brighton-Beach boat-house, a delightful little summer house about two miles up the river. We simply invited our seniors and they are wholly ignorant of where we are going to take them, and that is the part of it we like. After the breakfast we shall enjoy the woods and the river, until we are ready to come back to the city.

We celebrated Alumnae Day by inviting our alumnae to attend with us the minstrel concert given by the S. J. I. boys for the benefit of the athletic association. It just happened to come on the evening of that day. We wore our colors of course at college that day.

One thing we have enjoyed so much this term has been "our boat." We rented one for this term and the fall term, and we have had some

most delightful rides. We generally go about five in the evening and take our lunch with us, spend a couple of hours on the water and come back ready for study.

We are hoping to gain many new ideas and much enthusiasm from the convention this summer. Besides our delegates, three or four of our girls are planning to be in attendance, and we know they will come back to us in the fall just brimming over with Pi Beta Phi spirit.

Iowa Zeta sends best wishes to all sister chapters for a pleasant and restful summer vacation, and will be glad and happy to hear from them all again when the summer is over and they come back to life in college.

NANNIE G. CARROLL.

WISCONSIN ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since our last letter to The Arrow our corresponding secretary has been compelled, on account of illness to give up her work for the rest of the year. We were very sorry indeed to lose her but we hope to have her with us again next year.

Wisconsin Alpha is glad to introduce to you Miss Alice Friend of Milwaukee, as her last initiate of the year. The initiation was held at the home of one of our town girls, Genevieve Smith, and was fine.

One afternoon several weeks ago we were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Barnes, one of our patronesses.

The election of the board for the publication of next year's Badger, our college annual, passed off quite peaceably this year. There is usually a strong contest between "non-frats" and "frats" at these elections.

Have you heard of the work our boys did at the Western Intercollegiate Athletic Meet held at Chicago this spring? They carried off a large share of the honors — for we had 47 points almost two and one half times as many as the next greatest number of points — won by Michigan.

In literary work also the University of Wisconsin has been most successful. We won almost all the debates this spring into which our boys entered.

One of the features of the girl's gymnasium work this year was the organization of several basket ball teams. Two of our girls played on the freshman team. The girls were obliged to go into training for several weeks before the final game, but girls' training — well, you can imagine what that is.

Wisconsin Alpha was happily surprised to learn a few weeks ago that we were to have the convention here. Well, that pleasant assembly has now come and gone — its many incidents still lingering with us in memory. Our sisters hailing from some of the more southerly located states

who came to Wisconsin expecting to be obliged to wear ear muffs, or at least to escape the sweltering heat of their native climes, were, we regret, quite disappointed. We were so glad to have the convention with us for more than one reason. In the first place it gave our girls such an excellent opportunity of attending the convention, which opportunity we certainly embraced almost as a body, all of our active members that were with us at the close of the college year were back again, and all but one of our charter members, and including Miss Mabel Moore of Chicago, whom we initiated into our chapter, at our model initiation, there were in all twenty-five girls to represent Wisconsin Alpha.

We are looking forward with great interest to the opening of the next college year, for as a chapter we certainly have bright prospects.

We shall begin next year's work with possibly as many as twenty active members. We are to have the same fraternity home we had last year. Wisconsin Alpha sends heartiest greetings to all sisters Pi Phis.

LIVIA SEILER.

### DELTA PROVINCE.

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA — TULANE UNIVERSITY.

By the time this letter is in print all the trials and tribulations that are now agitating the minds of the Newcomb girls, in the shape of examinations, will be things of the past and the Louisiana Alpha Pi Phis will have taken their departure to the north, south, east and west. Six of our girls will not return in the fall; some going to the different northern colleges, some to their homes away from New Orleans and some I regret to say will join that frivolous part of the world — society.

April 21st Edna Hellwig, *II B Φ*, was married to Mr. John Nelson Stewart, and May 25 Elizabeth Henderson, one of our charter members was married to Mr. Lebron, of Louisville, Ky.

The few weeks between examination and commencement are well taken up with the different class days of Newcomb and Tulane, and June the sixteenth six of us will bid farewell to our dear old Newcomb, and then the glorious final hop will end the year of Germans, tennis, teas, football, baseball and hard study.

LYDIA FINLEY.

#### KANSAS ALPHA — UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

We have looked forward to the coming of commencement this year with the divided feelings of pleasure in the anticipation of an unusually attractive program for the commencement season, and sorrow at the thought of parting with our senior girls; for there are five Pi Phis who

are to graduate this year, and they are all girls who have grown dearer to us with each of the four years that we have had them with us. Fraternally we are not to lose the five at once, as two of them live in Laurence, and next term may find them doing post graduate work.

Since our last letter there have been many social happenings. During commencement week we entertained in honor of our seniors with a tally-ho ride and supper at Lakeview, a charming resort about six miles from town.

The three sororities have given their large spring parties and the first one after Easter was our own party given the evening of April 23rd, as near our anniversary date as possible. We will leave you to imagine its success and proceed to tell you how delightfully we were entertained at a dancing party by our patroness, Mrs. J. W. Green, the night of the fourteenth of May. Everything seemed to combine to make it one of the most pleasant evenings we had ever spent.

You will surely envy us when we tell you of another of our good times—that is the luncheon given us by our Alumnae in honor of our thirtieth anniversary. Mrs. Smithmeyer's home was thrown open to us and over sixty loyal Pi Phis, from our charter members to our pledged freshmen, were there. We had with us, from out of town, Mrs. Herbert Armstrong and Miss Mary Frost, Illinois Delta, from Topeka, and Miss Ethel Allen from Kansas City. Miss Scott acted as toastmistress.

Kansas Alpha has had a wedding, too, since our last letter. April 29th Belle Roberts was married to Mr. Herbert Armstrong of Topeka, a former student of this University and a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

We are happy to tell you that in July you will have the pleasure of meeting Edith Snow, our newly-chosen delegate. We feel sure that she will represent every phase of our chapter life.

Commencement included the usual round this year, with the addition of class day exercises, which were revived for the first time in several years. The class of '97 is also the first class to wear caps and gowns during commencement week. The senior play was a very clever dramatization of *The House Boat on the Styx*. Four of our girls were in the cast, and helped make the play one of the most successful ever given by a senior class here.

GERTRUDE W. HILL.

NEBRASKA BETA — UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Looking over the year's work, Nebraska Beta views the result with much satisfaction. She has now an active roll of nineteen members, each one of whom is earnest in the desire that Pi Beta Phi shall draw nearer and nearer to the fraternity ideals.

The university is making great preparations for commencement week. Dr. Edward Everett Hale is to deliver the address. We lose by graduation Kate Snow Walker, one of our charter members. Soon we must all say farewell, for during the long summer vacation that stretches before us we shall be widely separated. However, our jolly "Merry-go-round," as it brings us news from each girl, will make the distance between us seem less.

We are glad convention is so near at hand and shall look forward to our first meeting next fall when we may hear all about it from our delegate, Miss Anna Lytle.

Since our last letter to *The Arrow* our girls have participated in many gaieties but we shall not stop to tell of any but our own celebration of Founder's Day. April 30th we gave a large dancing party at Lansing Hall, to which we invited representatives from all the fraternities here. Our decorations were greatly admired. The first room was decorated in the scarlet and cream of the University, while the second room was all in our fraternity colors, even to the pretty wine and blue gas shades which lent a subdued light to the scene. At the end of the room, in a booth of palms stood the ice table, over which in smilax and carnations, were the dates '67-'97. In both rooms were inviting cosy corners, and the divans heaped with pillows were in great demand. We were very happy in having with us Gertrude Branch of Omaha, an alumna of Michigan Alpha, Gertrude Wright of Schuyler, and our Pi Phi bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Weaver.

ADALINE M. QUAINANCE.

COLORADO ALPHA — UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The State University of Colorado closed a very successful year when on June 3d, fifty-three diplomas were granted from the various departments. Of the nineteen graduates from the College of Liberal Arts five were Pi Beta Phis.

In addition to the usual addresses, receptions, banquets, concerts, etc., the class of '97 gave a representation of Shakespeare's "As You Like It." It was given on the east lawn of the campus. Evergreens had been brought from the mountains, and with the trees and lawn made it seem, indeed, "The Forest of Arden." Three of our girls, Charlotte Farnsworth, Edith Weymouth, Gertrude Fitz-Randolph, took the parts of Rosalind, Celia and Phoebe, respectively.

Colorado Alpha has two marriages to note — that of Daisy Davis, B. A., '95, to Mr. Patrick Carney A. T. LL. B., '96; Grace Whitmore to Mr. George H. Rowe, professor of electrical engineering in the university, and before this Arrow reaches us Lulu Hankins, Ph. B., '97, to Mr. Daniel McAllister.

Though our best wishes for a happy and profitable summer will be late in coming to you, nevertheless Colorado Alpha sends hopes for the first half of vacation and wishes for the last.

CHARLOTTE FARNSWORTH.

COLORADO BETA — UNIVERSITY OF DENVER.

So the convention will be held at Madison! We congratulate the girls of Wisconsin Alpha, and will try not to be disappointed; 'tis fortunate for us that youth is full of hope.

Alumnæ day we celebrated as usual with a state convention — this year in Denver. Thirty-three Pi Beta Phis were present and Colorado Beta surprised the guests with an initiation. We therefore may introduce to the fraternity Wilhelmina Macartney, '97, and Margaret Davis, '98.

After the fall term we do not indulge in rushing — usually; but this spring we found a pressing necessity for vigorous action. We are rejoicing in the fruits of our labors, and thereby hangs a tale. For in addition to our twin infant prodigies we have also a new "spike" who is developing finely.

Our girls have had the pleasure of meeting Miss Mabel Latimer, a pledge of Pennsylvania Alpha, who is visiting in Denver; consequently we feel somewhat acquainted with the Swarthmore Pi Phis.

We recently revived our drooping spirits — spring fever is prevalent — by means of a most successful cooky-shine at the home of Mrs. Viola Edwards. We also anticipate another jollification against the swift approaching exams. Louise Foucar is going to have a birthday, and a surprise party, of which she knows nothing. So there is no end of good things in store.

Our base ball team is coming out first in the state! The boys look like perfect Mephistos in their red suits with the letters "U. of D." in blazing yellow upon their loyal breasts. Yet some, at least, have shown themselves tender-hearted and susceptible to wiles.

Miss Margaret Davis of the junior class has received a recognition of her work in mathematics and astronomy in the shape of an appointment to a fellowship in a college of Iowa. Miss Davis has been for some weeks working at reductions of the last series of observations made at the Chamberlin observatory and is now preparing them for publication in the *Astronomical Journal*.

Our two seniors are about to leave us and "step out on life's unknown sea;" and from one quarter comes the distant sound of wedding-bells.

MARTHA NUTTER KIMBALL.

## CALIFORNIA ALPHA—LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

Greetings from California Alpha! As commencement approaches and separation is thought of, it does not seem to mean dissolution this year, because of the convention. Fraternity spirit will not grow less during the vacation, but rather, much stronger. Judging from the interesting letters received from the other chapters touching convention, the subjects of discussion will be not only lively, but profitable.

The newest bit of fraternity news at Stanford, is the successful Pan-Hellenic picnic given in honor of the new chapter of Delta Gamma. A good proportion of the fraternity girls of the university attended and all voted it a most enjoyable occasion, except perhaps a few of the Delta Gammas who could not have been expected to be enthusiastic over their own mock-initiation.

Our chapter spent a delightful evening at the home of our bride, where we were very pleasantly entertained, at cards. We are very proud of our first resident alumna.

One of our girls of last year — Dorothy L'hote made a very successful debut in April at San Francisco as an actress, in the comedy, "An Unequal Match." She graduated from the Columbia Theatre School of Dramatic Art this winter. She has since gone to New York to enter into her profession. You may be sure California Alpha was in a box by herself proud of her distinguished member, and glad to be able to send her carnations.

Our new patroness, Mrs. Matzke, whom we are glad to introduce to you, gave a very pleasant afternoon reception for us a week or so ago, where we became better acquainted with the "postscript to our chapter," as she likes to call herself.

Events at Stanford have been crowded thickly together during this latter part of the semester: Junior day, with its hop and a most successful farce, the intercollegiate debate, in which Stanford was victorious, intercollegiate athletics, the second annual concert by the Stanford Choral Society, besides many interesting lectures and addresses, the next one to be by Mrs. Annie Besant. And then will come commencement week with its gaities, and then the vacation, with convention. California Alpha sends best wishes for the success of convention which cannot fail to be of great help to all of us.

HELEN WILLIAMS.

## Directory

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Hills, May .....	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
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Payne, Blanche .....	Trenton, Ia.
Robinson, Martha .....	Northfield, Ia.
Swan, Grace .....	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
Woods, Ella .....	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
Young, Emily .....	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.

## IOWA BETA.

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Hancox, Alice .....	Tingley, Ia.
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Hatfield, Florence .....	Indianola, Ia.
McGee, Clara .....	Indianola, Ia.
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Reid, Myrtle .....	Indianola, Ia.
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Sigler, Flora .....	Indianola, Ia.
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Foster, Mabel .....	Iowa City, Ia.
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Reynolds, Belle .....	York, Neb.
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**College Notes.**

Radcliffe college has received a bequest of \$20,000 by will of the late Henry L. Pierce of Boston.

The college Greek-letter fraternities in the United States have a membership of one hundred thousand.

When Stanford University receives its final share of the Stanford estate, it will be three times as rich as Harvard.

— *Ariel*.

Wellesly college has abolished compulsory attendance at the college church, and has adopted a system of college preachers.

Professor Munsterberg, the leading experimental psychologist of Germany, has accepted the chair of psychology at Harvard University.

A flag ninety feet long and sixty feet wide has been voted to Princeton as the most popular college in the United States.— *Chaffey Argus*.

The smallest university in the world is in Africa. It has five students and fifteen instructors. The largest university in Africa at Cairo, Egypt, has ten thousand students.

It has been proposed by several railway presidents to establish a college course for the education of young men in the science of railroading. This would be a new departure in America.

France expends nearly six times as much per capita for military as for educational purposes. The United States expends five and one-half times as much per capita for educational as for military purposes.

A novel course of college instruction is offered by the Louisiana University, which in its Audubon Sugar School gives students practical and scientific tuition in sugar cultivation. The course extends over four years and has become popular with students from Cuba.—*Exchange*.

The winner of the recent oratorical prize contest at Wash college has been found to have plagiarized one of Dr. Lyman Abbott's sermons. He won, however, on the point of delivery, the judges having docked him on composition and thought, nevertheless he is to be expelled from college.—*Bowdoin Orient*.

In spite of the fact that several of the men's fraternities are well established at the University of Chicago, women's fraternities are excluded by the faculty. How long will the youngest of our universities remain twenty-five years behind other co-educational institutions in granting the same social privileges to women as to men?

A medical student at Warsaw has recently obtained his degree at the age of seventy-five. He matriculated when twenty-one years old, but was obliged to tutor for twenty years in order to save money enough to take up his studies. In 1863 during the Polish rebellion he was exiled to Siberia. Two years ago he was pardoned, and has now taken his degree.



### Exchanges.

Kappa's *Key* note for the month is the unanimity question; that is, how far a member is justified in voting against a girl when she alone of her chapter finds the proposed member uncongenial. Both Alumnae and undergraduate departments take up the discussion which the editor sums up so ably that we are tempted to quote at length.

The question whether a member should exercise her prerogative and backball a candidate to whom she alone objects has provoked considerable discussion. The prevailing impression seems to be that a member has such a right but that she should be very careful about using it. Those who argue most strongly that she possesses the right, at the same time assert that she should be able to give a reason for the faith that is in her. They are inclined to make a list of the reasons which may be given with impunity and there is a tendency to limit her to these. If she oversteps the bounds and discovers some reason perfectly satisfactory to herself but not palpably rational, what follows? Her chapter will rise up and tell her "—well—not blessed." They are also likely to insist that a great injustice is being done them. Any one who has had experience in fraternity life can attest to the truth of this statement.

A little reflection shows that this view of the case is entirely wrong and that the injustice is really on the other side. A chapter has no right to force one of its members to vote for a candidate or even to urge her strongly to do so, when she feels that the proposed member will be detrimental to the chapter or will destroy her happiness in it.

If she consents to a new member against her better judgment, she is placing herself in a most perplexing position; she is compelled either to take upon her lips promises which she does not mean, or to altogether abstain from taking part in the initiation service. A chapter has no excuse for placing a member in this position or feeling aggrieved if she objects to putting herself there.

If the matter is regarded in this way, the solution of the problem is comparatively simple; and, to one person at least, it seems the only way in which it should be regarded. If we are to make vows to new members and to each other let us make them from our hearts and live up to them. If we can not do that, let us be honest with ourselves and

ask that the fraternity vows be made less binding. Nothing is more degrading to character than to make promises with no intention of fulfilling them.

It is unusual to find a real, genuine, original idea in a chapter letter, but Kappa's Allegheny correspondent has actually furnished one which is capable of being expanded into a whole article or at least a paragraph for the Parthenon. Such prodigality!

I wonder if the professors realize that they owe a great deal to fraternities. Do they know that it is the strong desire to be a Kappa in full which urges many a girl to go on with her hated preparatory work and become a freshman when it would be far easier to drop out and become a music scholar? Do they know how often a girl comes back to school for the sake of fraternity love and intercourse when otherwise she would remain at home? If they do not know this, sometime during rushing season or when a favor is to be asked for the chapter as a whole, it would be well to tell them.

One of the burning questions which is agitating the minds of our esteemed contemporaries in these days, is now to hold their Alumni to active interest in and support of, the fraternity work. It is interesting therefore to note that Alpha Phi alone of the Greek world, seems to be suffering from too much Alumnae. Much of the space in the *May Quarterly*, is filled with discussion of the problem of how to meet this unique condition. The active member complains that the Alumnae chapters have too much power, the Alumnae that they have too little time for active work, and in fact nobody seems quite happy in the situation. The whole is summed up in an editorial which so well states the problem that we were sore tempted to quote entire.

The situation seems to be this: We now have five Alumnae chapters, and nine active, both upon apparently the same footing so far as legislative power is concerned. But let us see—we choose our governing board from the Alumnae; we place the QUARTERLY in their hands, and from their midst select the visiting delegate. The Alumnae also have practically the initiative in the matter of extension. This condition

of affairs prevailed up to the last convention, and even then it looked as if the Alumnae came pretty near controlling the whole fraternity machinery. But at the convention the last check was removed, and the Alumnae were given a vote upon extension. Where is the balance of power that should prevail, even when we rule by love.

The principal objections are first the question of adjustment, that is that an Alumnae chapter to take rank with the active chapters should have a working membership of at least thirty, a difficult thing to obtain — second that the fraternity is of less importance relatively speaking, to the Alumnae than the active member and that her limited time must be further subdivided among a multiplicity of new interests, that a meeting oftener than once a quarter is impractical, and that the expense of sending a delegate is a burden often too excessive.

The editor closes with this summing up:

The conclusion forces itself irresistibly upon the writer that the alumnae chapter on the same basis as an active is an anomaly. We certainly cannot do without the work of individual and enthusiastic alumnae, but sufficient scope was given to such under our previous regulations, and it was not necessary to load the whole burden of responsibility upon the alumnae chapters as such, and to delay the routine of business by waiting until they can collect their scattered forces to act upon matters whose efficiency requires the utmost promptness. Time will test the value of these conclusions; meanwhile, further comment is solicited.

The May *Kappa Alpha Theta* opens significantly with an exposition of "The Married Graduate Point of View," which proves so conclusively that a college education does not unfit women for the duties of matrimony, that we shall look for an epidemic of weddings among the Thetas at the close of the college year. In regard to the college woman as housekeeper we clip the following:

If there has been no opportunity to acquire this accomplishment do not be anxious. It would be strange indeed if an intellect which has mastered a broad college course could not cope successfully with these new questions; strange if a mind accustomed to acquaint itself with ex-

act science could not apply itself intelligently to the minutiae of daily life; above all, strange if a girl who has been loving and courageous, tactful and true all the way through her college life, who has been beloved by her mates and admired and respected by her instructors, should not adopt a wise and considerate policy in the administration of her household.

Be assured then, that far from being a hindrance, a college course is the greatest help toward a happy domestic life. Enter it with zest and enthusiasm for its own sake and with thankfulness for its influence upon your future. You will forget its details, but they will have helped life's details to be less irksome. Abstruse theories and even historical facts will grow vague and unimportant, but they will have had their bearing upon the questions of today. Above all know that whatever experience aids you to attain exact (not exacting) and strong womanhood, whatever discipline helps you to conquer, whatever breadth of view teaches you to be tactful and loving toward your neighbor, by so much have you increased your hostages to fortune and by so much are you more thoroughly equipped for the battle of life.

The *Kappa Alpha Journal* for May is somehow not so quotable as usual, although well up to its usual excellence of workmanship. We are glad to see it in its familiar livery of white and gold again, instead of the weakly pretty red and white which seems not to have survived a single issue. Thank you, Kappa Alpha, for your stalwart plea for a dignified initiation. We will even forgive you for calling it a drama, though we vastly prefer the word "service" ourselves.

I take it that our initiation *is* a drama, and a drama in the very best sense. It is not, therefore, a *comedy* but a *tragedy*. My observation is that in too many cases this tribute to our ritual is denied by our chapters. I think the intent of our initiatory ceremonial is too apparent to call for argument. If the assuming of the responsibility of knighthood can be construed into an occasion for low comedy, then have I become very much mixed, not only in my interpretation of the purposes of our Order, but also as to the meaning of words and phrases.

One more word, and I shall "relieve your patience," as the preachers say. I have already intimated that in order to impress others we must ourselves be impressed: "If you would make others weep, you must first weep yourself," is the terse enunciation of a principle which applies just here. A careful study of our drama will, I think reveal that its intent is

not to *frighten*, but to *impress*; not to produce *fear*, but to stimulate *reverence*. I have not left myself space to emphasize this distinction, but I am sure that a little thought upon it shall reveal a difference as great as that which exists between the sentiments and service produced by gross tyranny and those called forth by conceptions of the purest religion.

The first article in the *Sigma Chi Quarterly* is entitled "Ritualistic and Constitutional Sources of the Sigma Chi Fraternity," and consists of an account of the discovery and presentation to the fraternity of its original constitution and ritual, with letters and comments relative thereto and facsimile pages reproducing the cipher used and early signatures. The tendency of all scientific historians is to make as much use as possible of the original sources and documentary and inscriptional material, and surely the conscientious student of fraternity history can do no better than follow this method of investigation.

As the founders of the order seem to have pretty thoroughly forgotten the authorship or even the existence of this constitution, Sigma Chi owes a debt of gratitude to the painstaking student who has so carefully deciphered, collected and edited this text and set his results in a manner worthy of a Chicago university bulletin, or an article in the *Journal of Archaeology*. We are interested to learn that even this hieroglyphic constitution is not the original archetype but that there was a previous draft which was maliciously abstracted by some enterprising rival from the trunk of its custodian. This document also settles the important question of the date of founding of Sigma Chi as June 28, 1855, instead of June 20, which latter date, through some mistake not attributable to any change in the calendar, has been universally accepted as the correct one.

The *Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega takes the conservative view of conservatism and advocates a plan admirable as a working policy although admitting of some important ex-

ceptions both in the admission of new chapters and the retention of old and weak ones.

From our point of view conservatism does not mean the indiscriminate lopping off of weak chapters in order to bring the general tone of the fraternity up to the standard of one of our strongest chapters. No, on the contrary, true conservatism means the fostering and encouraging of our weak chapters, to the happy medium, to the very desideratum of the fraternal idea.

It must be plainly evident to a thorough fraternity man that the addition of new chapters to his fraternity, while there are yet within that fraternity chapters so weak that even the revocation of their charters is imminent, is a suicidal policy. It is the greatest clog in the fraternity machinery; it distorts the principles of the fraternity as the weight of the infant's body distorts its soft, immature bones when allowed to walk too young. Would it not be the height of folly to further handicap the babe with burdens before its feeble limbs can support its trunk? And yet this is the policy opposed to conservatism.

The desire to see your fraternity in the lead as regards numbers will cause you to cast a vote which if there is no rivalry you would never have cast. Remember that the largest is not necessarily the ideal fraternity. We saw the statement in the April *Cosmopolitan* that although belonging to one of the largest and oldest fraternities in America, the D. K. E.'s of Yale often refused to recognize their own fraternity men from other colleges. Is this the ideal fraternity? And yet it is, as we have said, one of the largest. No, the ideal fraternity is not over strong in numbers; it is strong in the quality of its members and to be strong thus, it must be conservative. There must be perfect organization, perfect centralization, and lastly there must be perfect harmony.

The *Caducens* of Kappa Sigma announces editorially that that fraternity has about reached the limit of chapter extension, so we presume that the able article regarding the location of chapters is rather a statement of experience or of the nature of advice to other fraternities. Here are five of the questions to be asked and answered regarding colleges from which charters are petitioned:

1. "Are the requirements of this college rigid?" In judging of the worth of a college the element of the amount of work required of its students, and the severity of the tasks imposed upon them has great merit. A college that is easy to get into, and hard to stay in, is better than one that is hard to get in and easy to stay in.

2. "What is its scholarly and personal character?" The scholarship of original research belongs to the university proper, which is not an ideal home for fraternities, as its students have, for the most part, lost the enthusiasm of under-graduate youth, which is the mainspring of Fraternity.

3. A further inquiry pertinent to the question at issue is whether the college under consideration provides dormitories for its students, or leaves them to board in private families all over the town. The intimacy of friendship that the dormitory system conduces to is one of the most important elements that go to promote Fraternity spirit. Where men study the same subjects, eat at the same tables, discuss the same topics, love and hate the same things, there we find the most valuable means by which men give education and culture and inspiration to higher living to each other; and these are the ends and aims of the Fraternity system.

4. The main object of a Fraternity Chapter is, or should be, to aid its college in making of its members lofty types of the scholar, the citizen, and the gentleman. A man cannot become the most successful student, the most valuable citizen, or the ideal gentleman unless he has a strong body. To this end the college must provide exercise for its students, and enjoyable exercise at that, since it is most helpful; athletics is the means to this end. Hence we think it pertinent to ascertain the attitude of the college authorities toward athletics before finally approving the petition for a charter from a set of its students.

5. No Fraternity should make choice of a college for its Chapter on the simple ground of its being either a large or a small institution.

Kappa Sigma seems to find necessity for a secret publication and has just issued the first number of the *Star and Crescent* to be circulated among the chapters only. We shall be interested to notice what effect, if any, such a publication has upon the *Caducens*, as it seems to us that the inevitable tendency of such a publication would be to absorb all official business, leaving the regular organ a purely literary magazine, which would be in every respect undesirable.

*Beta Theta Pi* has recently begun enlivening her somewhat severely statistical pages with the lighter element of the story, and the April issue contains a strong bit of fra-

ternity fiction called "At the Eleventh Hour," which is more than reminiscent of Kipling, while to the May number is lent a touch of the eternal feminine, (or the everlasting girly-girly, as you please to render Goethe), by a story from the loyal "Beta Girl" who has hitherto contributed to her pages. Would that a kindly providence might vouchsafe to us a brother as loyal, as fluent, and as obliging, when time is pressing and copy scarce.



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