

THE ARROW



TALOLA, DES.

BOORMAN ENG. MIL.

THE ARROW.

Official Publication of the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity

*Edited and Published by the Wisconsin Alpha Chapter,
University of Wisconsin, Madison.*

[Entered at the Madison, Wis., post-office as second-class matter.]

PUBLISHED IN OCTOBER, JANUARY, APRIL AND JULY.

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE, \$1.00 PER YEAR. SINGLE COPY, 25 CENTS.

TABLE OF CONTENTS.

ARROW EDITORS (BIOGRAPHIES),	63
FROM OUR FIRST EDITOR,	70
OUR IDEALS,	72
THE CHAPTER LETTERS,	74
SOME CHAPTER CONVENIENCES,	78
THE FIRST SORORIS,	80
WHAT A FRATERNITY GIRL THINKS—	
THE CHAPTER LETTER AGAIN,	82
POST-COLLEGE FRATERNITY SPIRIT,	83
WHAT IS NOT BUT SHOULD BE,	84
FRATERNITY SELFISHNESS,	85
ALUMNAE MEET,	87
EDITORIALS,	88
CHAPTER LETTERS—	
ALPHA PROVINCE,	92
BETA PROVINCE,	100
GAMMA PROVINCE,	108
DELTA PROVINCE,	111
PERSONALS, (MARRIAGES, IN MEMORIAM),	114
EXCHANGES,	115

EDITORIAL BOARD.

Editor-in-Chief—FLORENCE PORTER ROBINSON, 228 Langdon Street, Madison, Wis.

Business Manager—GERTRUDE CLARK SOBER, 23 Mendota Court, Madison, Wis.

DEMOCRAT PRINTING CO.,
MADISON, WIS.

BOARDMAN ENGRAVING CO.,
MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Fraternity Directory.

GRAND COUNCIL

PRESIDENT — Mrs. Grace Lass-Sisson, 584 North Cherry St., Galesburg, Ill.

VICE-PRESIDENT — Grace Grosvenor, Athens, Ohio.

SECRETARY — Ethel B. Allen, 1313 Penn Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

TREASURER — Lucinda Smith, 21 E. Lee St., Lawrence, Kas.

GUIDE — Mrs. Charlotte Farnsworth, Boulder, Col.

ASSISTANT.

HISTORIAN — Susan Lewis, 5605 Madison Ave., Chicago, Ill.

LITERARY BUREAU.

CHAIRMAN — Olivia Ambler, Mount Pleasant, Iowa.

ALPHA PROVINCE — Anna Hazelton, 1215 9th St., Washington, D. C.

BETA PROVINCE — Amelia Alpiner, Champaign, Ill.

DELTA PROVINCE — Elizabeth K. Culver, 2339 North Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.

Alumnæ Association Directory.

COUNCIL

- PRESIDENT — Miriam Prindle, 1622 Wesley Ave., Evanston, Ill.
VICE-PRESIDENT — Alice Peirce, 5464 Washington Ave., Chicago, Ill.
SECRETARY — Mary Belle Harris, Chicago University, Chicago, Ill.
TREASURER — Margaret Ransome, Foster Hall, Chicago University, Chicago, Ill.
MARSHAL — Mrs. E. S. Reid, 5540 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

THE ARROW.

- ALUMNÆ EDITOR — Emma S. Hutchinson, Chappaqua Mt. Institute, Chappaqua, N. Y.
COLLEGE NEWS — Alice Peirce, 5464 Washington Ave., Chicago, Ill.
ALUMNÆ PERSONALS — Fanny K. Read, Richland, Mich.

SECRETARIES.

- NEW YORK — Emma S. Hutchinson, 311 West 84th St.
CHICAGO — Mrs. Mary B. Reid, 5540 Drexel Boulevard.
BALTIMORE — Elizabeth Lamb, 1432 McCulloh St.
CINCINNATI — Mrs. Emma B. Davidson, 5 Whittier St., W. Walnut Hills.
INDIANAPOLIS — Mrs. Lelia Kennedy Galpin, 618 Broadway.
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. — Mrs. Sara Riford Worth, 49 Lyon Place.
GALESBURG, ILL. — Anna Hoover, 540 N. Cedar St.
CRESTON, IOWA — Grace S. Harsh.
MADISON, WIS. — Elizabeth C. Smith, 145 W. Wilson St.
CAMPBELL, TEXAS — Anna Lena Lewis, care Henry College.
SAN FRANCISCO — Dr. Alice M. Gross, 741 Sutter St.
HELENA, MONT. — Mrs. Cora Thompson Edgerton, 508 Benton Ave.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

- PRESIDENT — Mary Bartol, Lewisburg, Pa.
VERMONT ALPHA — Middlebury College, Sara V. Mann, box 312, Middlebury, Vt.
COLUMBIA ALPHA — Columbian University, Elise Bradford, 1522 P. St., Washington, D. C.
PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA — Swarthmore College, Mary Seaman, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.
PENNSYLVANIA BETA — Bucknell University, Ruth Sprague, Lewisburg, Pa.
OHIO ALPHA — Ohio University, Florence Craig, Athens, Ohio.
OHIO BETA — Ohio State University, Ora Blake, 1070 E. Long St., Columbus, Ohio.
NEW YORK ALPHA — Syracuse University, Welthy B. Housinger, 805 Walnut Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA — Boston University, Florence N. Flagg, 12 Somerset St., Boston, Mass.
MARYLAND ALPHA — Woman's College of Baltimore, Hellen Doll, 1518 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.

BETA PROVINCE.

- PRESIDENT — Ona H. Payne, Indianapolis, Ind.
ILLINOIS BETA — Lombard University, Ruth Nash, Galesburg, Ill.
ILLINOIS DELTA — Knox College, Mabel W. Aylesworth, Whiting Hall, Galesburg, Ill.
ILLINOIS EPSILON — Northwestern University.
ILLINOIS ZETA — Illinois State University, Nell L. McWilliams, 38 Second South St., Champaign, Ill.
INDIANA ALPHA — Franklin College, Jeannette Martin, Franklin, Ind.
INDIANA BETA — University of Indiana, Mabel C. Fertich, 120 East 4th St., Bloomington, Ind.
INDIANA GAMMA — University of Indianapolis, Annie McCollom, 2808 Illinois St., Indianapolis, Ind.
MICHIGAN ALPHA — Hillsdale College, Frances French, Hillsdale, Mich.
MICHIGAN BETA — University of Michigan, Edna Bevans, 406 Packard St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

- PRESIDENT — Elizabeth Smith, 145 West Wilson St., Madison, Wis.
IOWA ALPHA — Iowa Wesleyan University, Katherine Lundgren, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
IOWA BETA — Simpson College, Florence Hatfield, Indianola, Ia.
IOWA ZETA — University of Iowa, Leda Pinkham, 335 Clinton St., Iowa City, Ia.
WISCONSIN ALPHA — University of Wisconsin, Livia Seiler, 148 West Gilman St., Madison, Wis.

DELTA PROVINCE.

- PRESIDENT — Louise Foucar, University Park, Colorado.
LOUISIANA ALPHA — Tulane University, Clara A. Matthews, 2929 Prytania St., New Orleans, La.
KANSAS ALPHA — University of Kansas, Winslow Hutchinson, 1122 Ohio St., Lawrence, Kansas.
NEBRASKA BETA — University of Nebraska, Jennie Barber, 1414 L. St. Lincoln, Nebraska.
COLORADO ALPHA — University of Colorado, Ethel M. Wright, Boulder, Col.
COLORADO BETA — Denver University, Lida Burkhard, University Park, Col.
CALIFORNIA ALPHA — Leland Stanford University, Mary Thompson, Stanford University, California.



MRS. EMMA HUMPHREY HADDOCK.

MRS. ISABELLA HUDSON CARTWRIGHT.

MRS. MARY MILLER BARNES.
(Taken in 1884.)

ELLA M. HAM.

MIRA TROTH.

JESSIE CATHERINE CRAIG.

MRS. MARY THOMPSON REID.

THE ARROW.

VOL. XIV.

JANUARY, 1898.

NO. 2.

ARROW EDITORS.

MRS. MARY MILLER BARNES was born in Findlay, Ohio, and in 1870 moved with her parents to Lawrence, Kansas. In 1877 she entered the so-called "sub-prep" class of the university, and in 1880 was enrolled as a regular freshman. She was initiated into Pi Beta Phi in the winter of 1881-'82. Social life at the university was very gay at that time and the Pi Phis took an active part in it.

Mrs. Barnes received her degree of A. B. in 1884, and the following year attended Wellesley, making a specialty of literature. The winter of '87-'88 was spent in Abilene teaching, and in '88-'89 she was assistant to her father, then professor of mathematics and later dean of the School of Arts of Kansas University. In October, 1889, she married Mr. Charles D. Barnes of Abilene, Kansas, and the following year they moved to Denver where their only child, Anna, was born. Since 1883 Mrs. Barnes has traveled over the United States a great deal and has seen this great country in the north, east, south and west. Her home at present is in Denver, where she is a member of the Alumnae club.

The portrait of Mrs. Barnes which appears in the frontispiece is from a photograph taken in 1884, the year she became editor of The Arrow.



(Reprinted in part from Arrow of July, 1893.)

EMMA HUMPHREY HADDOCK, through her parents, has a right to all the sturdy qualities that the state of Connecticut has always been said to confer upon her children. From this nursery of educated men of every class, Mr. and Mrs.

Humphrey moved first to Ohio, then to Iowa, where, in Cedar county, Emma was born, and where the father, as a pioneer minister of the Methodist church, showed himself to be a man of ability and marked character.

It is clear that in the interests and anxieties of western farm life the love of study and intellectual pursuits was not absent. Miss Humphrey early finished the course of the high school in her native town and reached out for the advantages of the State University of Iowa, from which she was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Didactics in June, 1865.

Two months later occurred her marriage with William J. Haddock, an event which usually puts an end to all intellectual activity in a woman. But it was not so in this case. Mr. Haddock, always a man of pronounced liberality of opinion, was a companion and inspirer of intellectual activity, and made it possible for the favorite career of teaching to engage Mrs. Haddock's interest for two years. Eight years more of domestic life served to enrich the character and love of study that was constantly being nourished by superior companionship.

Under the encouragement of her husband, Mrs. Haddock entered the law department of Iowa State University in September, 1874, and was graduated the next June, one of ten out of a class of nearly one hundred, to represent the class on Commencement day. An advanced law class of seven was graduated in 1877 and here again Mrs. Haddock was chosen as representative and honored with a certificate of special ability in the law. When in the fall of 1877, Judge J. F. Dillon administered the oath that admitted Mrs. Haddock to practice in the United States courts, it meant much more than the same fact would mean today in any state in the Union. She was the first to gain this distinction in her state, for which all women owe her a debt of gratitude. Mrs. Haddock's vigorous intelligence and critical acumen soon marked her for public usefulness and for three consecutive years the supreme court appointed her examiner of the law class.

When in the last fifteen or twenty years literary clubs

brought to women new fields of labor with increased facilities for study, no one showed herself more ready to grapple with historical and literary problems or evinced a keener relish for getting at the bottom of a question than Mrs. Haddock, and for executive ability, no one showed in the government of her club more wisdom or tolerance.

In the fall of 1886 Mrs. Haddock became editor of *The Arrow*, and for two years much of her best effort was given to its maintenance and development.

I should be drawing the portrait of a cold, one-sided nature should I forget the large element of sympathy that makes of this talented woman the helpful friend and neighbor.

To her friends she is always the symbol of the girded loins and the lighted lamp. Yet the singleness of eye which makes the accurate business woman, the steadfastness of plan which never distorts the moral order of things, does not dwarf the sympathetic interest in the world of men and women. And to come into direct personal relations with Mrs. Haddock is to enjoy the friendship of a most womanly woman and to be stimulated to some productive activity,—the best office a friend can perform for us.



IT WAS the beautiful college town of Ithaca, New York, which was the birth place of Isabella Hudson Cartwright. Most of her life, however, has been passed in the west. After completing her preparatory work she entered the Iowa State University in the autumn of 1882, leaving in 1885 at the close of her junior year. In the fall of 1884 she joined Pi Beta Phi and became one of the most loyal and enthusiastic of workers for her fraternity and chapter.

After leaving college, Miss Hudson taught, first in the school for the deaf at Omaha, Nebraska, and later in the graded schools of Iowa.

In 1887 she became editor of *The Arrow*. Two years later Miss Hudson became the wife of Mr. Cartwright, a merchant of Omaha. She is the mother of two children, one of seven

years and the other an infant of one. Mrs. Cartwright resides in Omaha and is a prominent member of the large and flourishing Woman's club of that city.



ELLA M. HAM has, aside from her summer itincrarries and one year of her teacher experience, spent her life thus far in Iowa City, Iowa.

She was graduated in 1884 from the Iowa State University and has taught constantly since. She is now doing her eighth year's work as Latin teacher in the Iowa City high school, and the frequent comments upon the thorough preparation of her pupils for University classes indicate her peculiar fitness for her work. Still it is her way of doing things.

She was a charter member of the chapter of I. C., founded in the State University in 1882, and has been a foundation member ever since. From 1884 to 1888 were the years that decided the fate of the organization. Should we be a social organization and be spread broadcast as such, or should we be a college fraternity and found chapters in the best colleges and universities? Miss Ham was one of those who helped carry through and make firm the college fraternity idea.

She was editor-in-chief of *The Arrow* for one year, 1888-'89, and business manager from 1889 to 1892; she represented *The Arrow* at Galesburg, Illinois, in 1890, and again at Lawrence, Kansas, in 1892.



MISS MIRA TROTH was born near Cincinnati, Ohio. She, with her family, came to Iowa in 1872 and located near Hampton.

In childhood Miss Troth met with an accident that rendered her lame for life. But it did not curb her spirits nor lessen her determination to take a full college course. In 1876 we knew her first here as a young girl on crutches in the preparatory department of the State University of Iowa. Her most intimate

friends know how at times she suffered, but to all others she was a bright, happy, laughing girl without a care or a pain.

She took the full six years' course, two years in the preparatory and four in college, and after the first year, worked her own way through school. She taught one year, then in 1880 filled the place of post mistress at the legislature, and in 1882-4 was engrossing clerk there; and all that time keeping up her university work, so that she completed the six years' work in seven years. It would be hard now to find a man in perfect health who could or would work as she worked to attain the goal towards which she labored, and which she reached in June, 1883, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

In 1882 she became a member of Iowa Zeta—originally the Kappa—chapter of the Pi Beta Phi fraternity, and from that time till 1896 was an active member, always ready with sympathy, help, advice for the young girls who composed the school chapter here.

In 1885 she was sent as a delegate to Lawrence, Kansas, to the Pi Beta Phi convention at which commenced the struggle for the new constitution, and Miss Troth was one of the earnest workers for eliminating the fraternities of lower grade schools, and making the fraternity strictly collegiate; and although she was unable to attend the Indianola convention in 1886, where the change was perfected, she was largely instrumental in the result.

In 1888 she was a delegate to the Ottumwa convention, and again was found in the front ranks for advancement, and it was she who put the motion making us a Greek letter fraternity; so for all time she was has left for those who come after a monument of her labor and love.

From 1889 to 1892 she was editor in chief of *The Arrow*, doing all the work of the literary department.

At the Lawrence convention in 1892, the highest honor that could be conferred on any member was given her, when she was elected Grand Vice-President, and faithfully performed the duties of that office for one year.

Her active work with the fraternity closed about two years ago. But her home is still a resort for the young girls; and if they need help or advice, they know where to find it given freely and kindly.

After Miss Troth's graduation she was employed as clerk by the Holstein-Frisian Cattle company, and from 1884 to 1892 held the position of head clerk with a salary of \$1,000 a year, and when the company moved from Iowa City to Boston she was persuaded to continue her work. She, however, remained in Boston only six months. She was called home to take care of her mother who had for many years been an invalid, and under her especial care. In a short time her mother's sufferings were over and she laid her to rest. Since this time, with the exception of a summer in the White Mountains, she has made her home here, known and loved in club life and social life. The under-current of suffering, of sadness, and of that struggle for an education that has filled her life, has left no ripple on its surface—cheerful, bright, happy always.



MARY THOMPSON REID, whose able work as editor of *The Arrow* we all appreciated during the years in which she held that office, came originally from the old and honored state of Massachusetts. She was born at Foxboro in 1871, and lived there until 1884, when her family moved to Adrian, Michigan.

She attended the Adrian High School and did so well in her studies there that at the end of the four years she was awarded a scholarship which gave her a year at Adrian College. After spending a year at that institution, she entered the University of Michigan, in the fall of 1889. She was always an active, interested member of Pi Beta Phi, and her excellent work at the university was an inspiration and a spur to the younger members of the fraternity. She accepted the position of editor of *The Arrow* in 1892 and held it for three years. That she

filled the office acceptably, I need not tell any reader of *The Arrow*.

She completed her work at the university in the middle of her senior year and left Ann Arbor to accept a position in the Grand Rapids High School, returning at the end of the year to receive the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Her parents soon after moved to Grand Rapids, and she taught in the high school there until December, 1894, when she was married to Mr. Reid, also a graduate of the University of Michigan, from the engineering department. Since their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Reid have lived at Harvey, Illinois, until this spring, when they moved into a cozy little flat on the south side of Chicago. They have a son, Jasper Reid, nearly a year and a half old. When he is a little older we hope he will be more considerate and allow his mother time to contribute occasionally to the pages of *The Arrow*.



JESSIE CATHERINE CRAIG, editor of *The Arrow* during the years '96 and '97, is of Scotch Canadian parentage, and was born in the pleasant country town of Russell, Ontario, her present home. Her home life was always such as would form a fitting environment for a studious mind. Reared in an atmosphere of culture, where books were revered, and the best of literature generously provided, and where right thinking was cherished above all things, it was little wonder that a love of study and an appreciation of the best in the world of letters was early and almost unconsciously imbibed.

After attending the public schools at her home in Russell, Miss Craig fitted for college at the Ottawa Collegiate Institute. It was at this time that her thoughts first turned to journalism as a life work, and with a view to preparing herself in its practical details, she worked for a year at a printer's case in Toronto, with the largest publishing house in Canada. After mastering the essentials of printing, she entered the University of Wisconsin in the fall of 1892, as a member of the Civic-His-

toric course, and was graduated with her class in 1896. During her college course Miss Craig won an enviable reputation as a student as regards both brilliancy and thoroughness. Particularly in the lines of history and sociology was her work exceptional, and her graduating thesis on the "Social Settlement Movement" is significant of the line of her greatest interest.

Almost from the outset of her college course, Miss Craig was prominent in the literary and journalistic work of the university. She was a faithful and enthusiastic worker in her debating society, and was one of the originators of the Fortnightly Club, devoted purely to literary work. At different times she served on the staff of the "Daily Cardinal," was one of the editors of the "Aegis," Wisconsin's monthly magazine, and also was on the editorial board of the Junior Annual. Every honor that was bestowed upon her was discharged with conscientious fidelity to her college or class, and gladly utilized as a means of training to herself.

A few weeks after the founding of Wisconsin Alpha in the fall of 1894, Miss Craig was initiated into Pi Beta Phi, and became one of its most loyal and best beloved members. She brought to her fraternity work the same earnestness and devotion which she gave to everything she undertook, and was one of the girls always to be relied upon.

A year later, when Wisconsin Alpha assumed control of *The Arrow*, Miss Craig became its editor-in-chief, and during her two years of service gave her best efforts to its maintenance and improvement.



FROM OUR FIRST EDITOR.

IN NOVEMBER, 1884, the convention of the I. C. Sororis was held in Iowa City. Jean Oliver and I were representatives from the active and alumna chapters at Lawrence. Our instructions were positive along three lines:

- First. To persuade the girls to publish a magazine.
- Second. To secure the next convention.

Third. To place before the convention the advisability of adopting our Greek name.

It is needless to say we gained our first two points. But we found the girls were neither willing nor ready to even consider the change of name. That had to wait till the times were ripe.

However, we went home jubilant, for the magazine was *ours*. It was to be published at Lawrence.

The girls honored me by making me the first editor-in-chief. My assistants were Mary Gilmore, '84, and Nettie Hubbard (Bolles), '85.

We had hoped to send out the first number early in January, and then three months later to present the second number more in the form of an historical catalogue. The object of the latter can easily be seen. We met with great difficulties and discouragements, for the sister chapters were exceedingly slow in responding. But we struggled on, and finally—much later than we anticipated—the first issue appeared.

We girls at Lawrence were very proud of our efforts, although they seemed very small and inconsequent to an outsider to us they were the seeds which afterwards we hoped to see grow and bloom into something of value—not only from a fraternity standpoint, but a literary one as well.

The ice was broken and the beginning made.

That long life and continual growth may be always to The Arrow is the wish of her

First Editor-in-Chief,
Mary Miller Barnes,
Kansas S. U. '84.

OUR IDEALS.

“SEEK ye the beautiful and the good.” Girls, let us for a moment today each turn back to a certain memorable day in our college life when one of us agreed to take as our ideals, the ideals of Pi Beta Phi, when we agreed to work for those ideals, and to help each other in whatever way we could towards attaining them. For some that contract was made years ago; for others, months or only weeks ago—but no matter how long the time, let us ask, have we conscientiously and faithfully borne in mind these promises? How often have we thought of these words which we repeated then; of their meaning and their beauty? They were not new thoughts, not new ideals to any girl. What girl does not strive for a noble womanhood! What girl does not seek for the pure and good! To any Pi Beta Phi the meaning of ideals embodying such principles could have been nothing new. Then together with the hundreds of others with those same lofty aims what good could we not do today! But, alas! That possible good is not done, for the trouble lies right here in the fact that we forget too often that for which we are striving. Too far above our heads, lost among the clouds, wave our ideal banners. Too often our eyes are made dim by our close scrutiny of the earth and its treasures and become unaccustomed to the upward gaze. What will we not do sometimes for a little gold! What principles and truths will we not sacrifice that we may gain some selfish, weak and foolish end! To make an earthly gain we resort to measures selfish, unkind and cruel. We pass without a sympathizing word, without a helping hand, a brother or sister stumbling in the way easy for us. Without mercy, without charity, we judge those weaker than ourselves and those in entirely different circumstances of life. Girls, too often this is true. Is this the ideal of pure womanhood; is that the truth for which we are striving? What is the lasting gain of

such actions? Our banner by every act of such a kind vanishes still higher among the clouds and we must again, if we would mount higher, pass over the same ground where we have been before.

For the active chapter, if there is such a forgetfulness, the cause lies in the fact that there is always a constant effort to keep up the chapter that it may stand well both in the social and intellectual life of the college. That it may have such a standing, is it necessary to sacrifice those principles of virtue and for one moment to forget the banner stamped with noble womanhood? By no means. Let it ever float before us and let it be the means of making the chapter strong. If within the chapter's domains are girls of such ideals, who are faithfully working for them, bound together by the knowledge that each and every one is working for the pure and good, there should be and is no need for the forgetting of such ideals. Let us not forget them. Not consciously, I am sure, do we so, but it is rather a negative striving, we apparently are not retrograding, but yet there is no gain. Let us then arouse our sleeping energies. let us make a positive gain, a perceptible one—one which will be felt in the class-room, the home, the world. Let us stand for something. Let us be something. The world has need of women who are beautiful, pure and noble, need of women who are ever upward striving, and from our ideals such women should ever be found among us.

We cannot at once gain the pinnacle of those heights which we are attempting to scale—but each attempt brings us nearer to the end. For

“Whoever with an earnest soul,
Strives for some end from this low world afar,
Still upward travels tho' he miss the goal,
And strays—but toward a star!”

Though sometimes our feet may slip and we may lose our hold, yet we should be willing and eager to try again, remembering that there are hundreds of other girls working for those

same ideals; girls bound together by "the silver link, the silken tie" of friendship; girls who are ready and willing to extend the helping sympathizing hand.

As we strive earnestly for these ideals, as we strengthen our own lives, from us will radiate those sweet and silent influences which tend to strengthen and help those whose lives come in contact with our own. "No life can be pure in its purpose and strong in its strife and all life not be stronger and purer thereby."

Let us bind our lives upon strong and everlasting foundations, upon the rocks and not upon the sands.

Let the arrow fastened upon our breasts ever upward point as a symbol of our ambitions and our aims and as a reminder of those ideals for which we have determined faithfully and continually to work; ever remembering that above us waves the wine and blue stamped with the pure and noble womanliness which is an inspiration, strength and blessing to those whose lives are touched by it.

L. T. S., A. A.



THE CHAPTER LETTER.

AMONG the various fraternity publications a difference of opinion seems to exist as to what use in the magazine the chapter letters should be put. One editor desires that they partake of the nature of miniature essays, that something "instructive" be set forth therein; and the corresponding secretaries of another publication of good standing seem to accomplish nothing, instructive or otherwise, but to cover space. Even within our own fraternity, opinions as to the proper function of the chapter letter are divided. Some desire the vague abstract instruction here to be afforded, and others do not. Some object to the local flavor, while others regard it the seasoning the whole. Meanwhile, The Arrow letters have not been above reproach.

Some years since, the writer served an apprenticeship of

considerable length at writing chapter letters. She aimed to give the whole subject careful study. Every available fraternity magazine was borrowed, begged or stolen, and the department of chapter letters eagerly scanned to see how others wrote. Very often a suggestion of some value was found. Yet in *The Arrow*, the idea as to what should be the nature of the letters is good—judging from the letters themselves.

The general tone of a letter should be dignified. Women should strive for that quality in all their writing. Smart phrases and anything that gives an appearance of cheapness should be avoided. Much of the slang in common use is in existence because it is apt, and people are mentally too lazy to express themselves in good English. It belongs to us as college women to set a standard for better things. Have you ever thought how the common use of slang cripples one when trying to write something that should be really fine? What dearth, what poverty of expression is there.

With dignity should go ease and fluency. We have all seen a most dignified woman perfectly charming in her spirit of utter unaffectedness and her way of doing trivial things. It is just this spirit that should pervade the whole chapter letter—that of doing small things in the best possible manner, with plenty of reserve force.

But what shall be put into the letter? Surely, not long-drawn out discussions. If a chapter has strong convictions about non-secrecy, for example, let a separate article be written. Yet suggestions of any sort would not be out of place in the letter. Chapter letters should be essentially concrete. They should be chatty and breezy, should endeavor to show the spirit of the chapter life. Careful discrimination as to matters of local interest should be observed.

Very few of us care whether or not Mary Jane Smith is kept home for two-thirds of the term by the illness of her sister-in-law. If Mary Jane has won a prize for literary work, or has done anything else that thousands of girls do not do, tell us about it. Caring for indisposed relatives may be the harder work, and

the future reward may be greater, but we who are unacquainted with her are not interested in such personalities.

If any chapter has found a novel method of entertainment or some little plan for smoothing the rough places in our fraternity life, give the benefit of the discovery to the rest, in the chapter letters, if it be discreet to tell it.

It is possible for the letters to keep those who read them informed as to the colleges where chapters exist. There are so many really good institutions which are not at all well-known, that a loyal chapter may greatly increase the reputation of its own college by bringing it before the fraternity world. Let us know what improvements are being made in the college, what departments are especially well equipped, when changes are made in the faculty, and where the new instructors come from and the old ones go.

Every fraternity member is entitled to individual mention in her fraternity magazine at least two and perhaps three times—upon her initiation, her marriage—when she becomes known by another name—and her death.

And now that matrimonial question. The custom of promiscuously announcing engagements of marriage in the fraternity magazine—usually as appendages to the chapter letter—is simply obnoxious. Few of the individual members of a chapter are even known by name to the fraternity at large, and it is scarcely conceivable how a refined young woman will allow her private affairs to be thus bandied about from Dan to Beersheba. From the appearance of some letters—not in *The Arrow*, thank fortune—it looks as if a premium were tacitly set upon the chapter that could produce the greatest number.

And when in the course of human events a wedding ensues, ah, me! Clippings from the local newspapers abound, in fact there was once one half a page long in a certain magazine. The bride's dress, the length of her train, the bridesmaids and their dresses, the gift of the groom, what the whole happy party had to eat and drink and be merry upon—all these and many other details "too numerous to mention" are elaborated at great length.

To flaunt one's self wantonly before strangers in order to attract their attention marks the extreme of vulgarity. College women are supposed to be above such things.

The army of trite phrases to be found in chapter letters is amazing. In the fall letters, vacation has slipped away on wings and "our girls" are hard at work again. Later, all are in sack-cloth and ashes over "exams;" while at the end of the year two or three girls—as the case may be—are "lost this year by graduation," and they don't know how they're ever going to get along without them. There is a great lamentation chronicled at weddings, and Pi Phi babies are dwelt upon in ecstatic terms, while the "baby chapter" even surpasses the natural infant. All such phrases were undoubtedly very good the first time they were used, but that was so long ago nobody remembers when. Their continued repetition has somewhat exhausted us.

Perhaps I have expressed myself too emphatically on some points, but the whole subject of chapter letters is one on which I have felt very strongly. True, we of The Arrow are not such great sinners in every respect, but we do need to put more thought upon our chapter letters. It is not easy to write chapter letters; any one who has ever tried it will say that. But there is no reason in the world why a girl of ordinary common sense and a good command of her mother tongue cannot write a creditable chapter letter, if she is willing to think and to spend time upon it. Without time and thought we can not expect anything to be a success.

K., Colorado Beta.

SOME CHAPTER CONVENIENCES.

T WAS only the other day, when there came to my notice the melancholy phenomenon of a club vainly searching for an object, that it was borne in upon me that organization for organization's sake is becoming far too frequent, and while undoubtedly having an educational value, is strongly to be deprecated. Too frequently, furthermore, when there exists an end to be accomplished, even a highly desirable one, so much good, valuable energy is spent in devising and perfecting the means to that end that the end itself is quite lost sight of.

Granting all this, yet if a work is to be accomplished in the best possible way, time spent in sharpening the tools is time saved in the long run. Now chapter life, its smoothness, its fullness, its interest, are ends worth striving for, at least in the mind of every fraternity woman, therefore anything which will help to these it is no waste of time or strength to use. Despise not, therefore, ye poetic souls, the very plain and practical suggestions here laid before you. They have little to do with fraternity ideals, they will probably not help you to a nobler womanhood, some of them have not even the merit of being very new, but each one may act as a wee drop of oil to prevent or soften friction, to make the wheels of chapter machinery run more smoothly.

I suppose all chapters, besides the secretary's minutes, are keeping a history, a formal record of chapter happenings and chapter members. My first suggestion is for something more informal, more intimate than that—a sort of log or journal, which while of course not supplanting the history will serve as a most diverting appendix to it. In this let the various adventures and misadventures of the different girls be perpetuated, the chapter jokes and chapter nicknames, the little social and class-room triumphs, and the numerous small happenings which it would be such a pleasure to look back upon, did not memory so often play us false. Let the log book be

kept in some convenient place with pen and ink handy by, and let the brightest girls in the chapter be appointed from week to week to keep it written up.

The keeping of a chapter scrap book is a second suggestion. Into it may go such memorabilia as banquet menus, souvenirs of chapter spreads and dances, and newspaper clippings pertaining to the fraternity or chapter or any member thereof. Alumnae may be asked to send clippings or news of absent members, and in short the scrap book can be a sort of "omnium gatherum" where may be found those little mementoes which taken collectively form no unimportant part of a chapter's history.

Kindred in interest and value to the scrap book is the chapter photograph album. As photographs vary so much in size and shape nowadays, on many accounts some sort of portfolio might be deemed preferable, but for purposes of durability the good old-fashioned album stands unrivalled. Chapters of some of the men's fraternities require seniors to have photographs taken of a specified size with sole reference to the chapter album. At any rate, no member should be permitted to leave the chapter without paying tribute to album or portfolio, and contribution should also be levied from time to time upon the alumnae. If the album be adopted, it should be built for use and not for show, and red plush should be eschewed for utilitarian if not for aesthetic reasons.

Few who have not tried it, (and most women's fraternities have not), can properly estimate the convenience of a bulletin board in chapter house or hall. Furnished with plenteous thumb-tacks, with a small block and pencil hung conveniently beside it, it saves many a weary step, helps out many a capricious memory and insures the speedy delivery of many a message, the prompt performance of many a duty. A bulletin board by all means, girls, especially such of you as dwell in chapter homes.

Finally every chapter ought to be urged, one might almost say compelled, to own a box for the chapter archives. This should

be a substantial, well made affair, resembling somewhat the old-fashioned chest, provided with lock and with stout handles for convenience in moving. This should be kept in the place where meetings are held, be it chapter house or hall or a private dwelling. It can be so oiled and polished, so be-cushioned and be-pillowed as to be transformed into a luxurious low seat, a thing of beauty as well as of utility. Into it should go all records, constitutions, rituals, Arrow file, (unless, better still, that be bound), official communications from grand officers, circulars and reports of general or of province conventions, and during vacations, the song books, photographs, journals and whatever of that nature is for convenience kept elsewhere during term time. The chapter president and secretaries should be provided with keys and the box kept sternly locked between whiles.

I believe this is all the suggestions for the present. If any chapter pays the compliment of adopting any or all of them the writer will feel that she has not descended to the level of the sternly commonplace in vain. A. A.

THE FIRST SORORIS.

FROM the Shield we take the following in regard to the origin of Ladies' Fraternities:—

We do not dispute the statement that Pi Beta Phi may be or is the oldest now in existence. But as to the society being the first ladies' Greek letter society established, and the inference that sororities had their origin in or are the outcome of the present system of co-education, we beg leave to take issue, and, in support of our position, call attention to a society which long antedated any of those mentioned.

Between 1850 and 1860 and for some years preceding and following that decade there existed at Troy, N. Y., a school for the instruction of young ladies, called the Troy Female Seminary. Mrs. Emma Willard, a lady of marked ability and

estimable character, was the founder and under her management it became a leading institution of its kind in the country, the wide celebrity it acquired drawing to it a large attendance, many being daughters of the first families in different sections of the Union. Among the pupils then attending were several who were relatives or friends of members of the Delta charge of Theta Delta Chi at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the same city. Naturally the acquaintance caused the young ladies and gentlemen to be thrown much in each other's society, and to become to a certain extent intimately acquainted. It happened also that the ladies found each other congenial, and became bound together by ties of close friendship. The latter, observing the intense regard for each other and for their fraternity manifested by the gentlemen, were led to attribute it to the mysterious bond by which they were united, and became desirous of a similar means to intensify their already warm affection for each other and, if possible, of participating in the benefits to be obtained from a connection with the fraternity. Their first idea was naturally to become connected with Theta Delta Chi.

At the time mentioned there were several among the pupils who were relatives of members of the Delta charge of Theta Delta Chi at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the same city. As natural guardians of the former the latter were more or less privileged in regard to visiting and association, and, in consequence of the liberty, were thrown much into the society of the young ladies and their school friends. Intimacy naturally followed between these members of the two institutions and from congeniality and association (being more constantly together) a close one resulted among a certain few of the seminary thus brought together. The alliance existing between the members of the Delta was then as close as it is now. The young ladies observing this and the great regard for their fraternity held by its members were attracted and led to attribute it to the mysterious bond the latter afforded. Naturally they too became desirous of participating in that which produced

such pleasant and desirable effects each one not only for the benefit of herself, but to cement and perpetuate the affection held for the other. In time their desire found expression and in 1856 took form by combined action on their part to secure admission into the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. This course, however, proving impossible, a separate organization was determined upon and the aid of the Delta men invoked to secure that end.

The society was organized either in 1856 or 1857 and was instituted by a delegation of Theta Delta Chi from the Delta charge, which included also some from the Alpha. When the Troy seminary ceased to exist as a boarding school "Chi Theta Delta" disbanded.

What a Fraternity Girl Thinks.

Just a thought on this old reproach so often levelled at fraternity life—its selfishness and exclusiveness, for because we hear so much of the evils consequent, many conscientious girls feel it right to give up what to them would be a happy experience because all girls may not share it. Do you remember where Mrs. Whitney says "Do you think everybody ought to take the hardest thing they can do? Do you think everybody ought to eat drumsticks? We'd have to kill an unreasonable lot of fowls to let 'em. No, the Lord portions out breast and wings as well as legs. If he puts anything into your plate, take it." That does not mean never to take a drumstick nor does it mean to get up and grab, but that often joys come to some which may not be shared by all and it is in the divine order that we welcome our share and get the best from it that we can.

Fraternities are not charity organizations, reformatories or development clubs as many seem to think. They are primarily the creators and nourishers of friendships—friendships which make life sweeter and brighter and eventually help to bring

more of humanity into brotherly touch. And because some of the world's children must live in dismal alleys it is not meant that you should come in from the sunshine. The world does not need martyrs and hermits so much as loving, living men and women with open, joyous hearts to receive, and their kindly hands to dispense the blessings that await them—for where the heart is open, happiness must ever flow out again in loving service to others not so blessed. So accept, dear girls, this bright experience of fraternity life which although not given to all, is yet not selfish in its purpose or results; treasure the friendships and use the opportunities which it brings to you; and if you are the warm hearted girls we know you are, the love will go forth in happy over-flow to those outside.

E. S. H. A. A.



Were it true that fraternity spirit ended with one's graduation, or leaving college, the value of that word would be lessened an hundred fold. As graduation is the commencement of a broader life so is it the commencement of a broader realization of humanity—broadened, deepened, heightened by a feeling of fraternal love, duty, thoughtfulness. There are, at the most, four years of college fraternity life, but who can say how many of the world fraternity life.

**Post College
Fraternity
Spirit.**

It has been my sad, sweet experience to minister to the needs of a suffering sister to whom I was drawn only through the bonds of Pi Beta Phi, since before her affliction we were unknown one to the other. Since her entire recovery to health she has written to me saying—"I never realized what Fraternity meant until I met a fraternity girl in the hour of darkest need. Heaven grant you may never need the assistance of any one, but should you do not hesitate to send word to a Pi Beta Phi; it will teach—as it did to me—the true meaning of Fraternity."

There is another side to the question, and that is that of a kindred feeling, an interest, a respect, felt for fraternity peo-

ple, before acquaintanceship has given cause for such feeling—not narrowed to love of only our own sisters but spreading to women of all national organizations. That broad, all-reaching humanitarianism which makes the world better for its existence. Let us strive toward such a fraternity spirit—let us imbue our chapters with it—let us practice it upon every occasion—let us show the world that the fraternity alumnae is neither dead nor sleeping.

Amelia Darling Alpiner,
Lit. Bureau, Beta Province.



Every one who has experienced the trials and pleasures devolving upon the chapter correspondent, will appreciate a discussion of the chapter letter, for this is the most neglected branch of fraternity work and yet the most potent factor in the unification of the national organization. It is the letter which brings us news of north, south, east and west and makes us feel that we belong, not solely to a local society, but that all over the United States are girls who wear the same badge and have the same ideals as do we. I should have said it is this which *ought* to connect and unify the fraternity but alas! how many regard this privilege as an irksome task and feel that their duty is done when they snatch a few minutes to say—

Dear Friends in Pi Beta Phi—We have a chapter here, but must close.

Sincerely yours,
Corres. Sec.

This is not utter nonsense or mere exaggeration, you all know the type. We turn the page with no more knowledge of the chapter than we had before, with no feeling of kinship with the writer.

In direct contrast to this is the other letter we know so well, the bright, cheery informal newsbringer, from the girl whose name we never heard before, but whose letter has brought the chapter in touch with the whole fraternity.

Essentially the letter should be a true reflection of the chapter life, and this need not be so difficult as many of us imag-

ine. We must first disabuse our minds of the idea that our duty is done when we have completed a stereotyped account of the principal events occurring since the last issue, for it is a letter we want, not a report, and there is no reason why it should not be as bright and newsy as our private correspondence.

We are all interested in the college home, the relation of the chapter to the college, in short, in every thing that bears on fraternity life and work. The good times must not be overlooked, for the social element is an important item in the total of college experiences. By no means least is the personal news, for by this means we learn to know the girls whom we are pledged to love and support.

But when all this has been considered, let one thing more receive our earnest attention and that is the literary style of the letter. It may just as well be graceful and artistic as hard and crude, and we must remember that no more accurate index can be found of the literary standard of the writer, and indirectly of the chapter, than the letter which has received the chapter's sanction. Our journal is open to all, and other than carefully worded, well expressed letters, we cannot afford to offer to public criticism.

Pennsylvania Beta.



Letters are of various kinds. There is the letter of congratulation, which often says so much and means so little; the letter of condolence, which is never able to express a small fraction of what the writer feels; and the formal business note, which should express

in the fewest and plainest words the author's meaning. But there is another form of letter and it is of this kind of which we wish to speak. It is the letter of friendship, a heart to heart talk, telling of that which is of interest to both writer and recipient, and this interest it cannot fail to arouse if it is friend writing to friend, for what is of moment to one is of moment to the other.

This is what the chapter letters should be—heart to heart

Fraternity
Selfishness.

talks between Pi Beta Phis. They should not be literary compositions, neither should they be mere historical chronicles simply stating that on such a date, at such a place, a reception or banquet was given. We do not mean by this that receptions or banquets should not be spoken of, but the mere fact of ones having been given is of little moment to the other chapters. Write about social events but write of them as you would to a friend. Tell what would be of particular interest to sister chapters. If any novel mode of entertainment made the evening particularly enjoyable tell of it. If your refreshments were unique or the manner of serving them out of the ordinary, describe it. That will be of practical benefit to other Pi Beta Phis. If it was merely a formal reception or banquet a few words would of course tell it. Even in that case an original mode of decoration may have been used which it would be well to describe.

The chapter letter should surely not speak only of social happenings. Any plan which has been tested by a chapter and has been found of value should be described. Just now a question which is being agitated not only by Pi Phis, but by all fraternities, is—the importance of the literary work of fraternity life and of what it should consist. If any chapter has solved the problem and has devised a plan which makes the literary part of the chapter meeting not only beneficial but interesting it should be given to the fraternity world.

The subjects treated in chapter letters should not be confined to the local chapter and its work. Anything of general interest to Pi Beta Phi should be mentioned. College news should not be omitted. A word of commendation upon the work of the Grand Council or the publication board of *The Arrow* might not be amiss occasionally. Deserved praise from a friend is always acceptable and it should be a principle of all Pi Beta Phis to give praise whenever it is possible and criticism only when it is necessary.

The greatest fault with our chapter letters we believe to be that they are too stereotyped. There is too much of a same-

ness about them. The corresponding secretaries write them for The Arrow and not for the girls. The fact that they are to be printed seems always to be uppermost. That they are letters to friends—friends in the truest and best sense, because united in the bond of Pi Beta Phi—ought to make them less formal. The chapter letters should be the means of communicating our deepest and sincerest thoughts regarding Pi Beta Phi ideals and plans for realizing them to our fraternity sisters. They ought above all things to strengthen the bond of friendship in Pi Beta Phi by making us better acquainted with each other.

Jeannette Martin,
Indiana Alpha.

ALUMNAE MEET.

On the evening of the 27th of December, the Washington Club of Pi Beta Phi Alumnae entertained the "Baltimore Girls" and the active chapter of Columbian.

The drawing room and banquet hall at Freunds were tastefully decorated with the fraternity colors and flower. Under the glamour of light, the perfume of roses and carnations, and the sparkle, we almost felt ourselves to be only "such stuff as dreams are made of."

Rarely have twenty-two happier girls sat down to dine. The menu, toast list and name card, combined in an exquisite little book whose cover was blue and tied with the "wine," remains with us as a beautiful souvenir of the evening.

At one end of the long table sat Miss Anna Hazelton, president of the Club; the other was occupied by Miss Thomas as toast mistress. Miss Mary A. Wood of Maryland Alpha responded to the toast, "The Value of Fraternity," in a very thoughtful speech. Miss Maguire of the Club toasted "Our Guests" in her happiest manner. Miss Bradford of Columbian spoke to "The Future of Pi Beta Phi" in a way to add to an already made reputation as an "after dinner speaker." Miss Brewer of the Club, and for the past two years its president,

spoke to "The Washington Club," in the best of spirits, showing our aims, our desires, our very heart.

This is the second of a series of social meetings planned for the year. Not long ago we had a Pan-hellenic evening, where several fraternities were represented. May Pan-hellenism grow!
C. DeLaM. T.

Editorials.

To the present members of Pi Beta Phi it is both an honor and a pleasure to be able to introduce through their portraits and biographical sketches the former editors of *The Arrow*. It is to this little group of bright, earnest college women, to their energy, persistence and cleverness that we owe the founding and upbuilding of our fraternity magazine.

Their terms of service cover a period of thirteen years, almost the whole period of woman's fraternity journalism. What it must have meant of pluck and energy, in the early days of few chapters and small means, to organize and carry on a magazine successfully, only such pioneers as our first editor could tell. What it has meant during the later years to put *The Arrow* on a firm financial basis and carry it well to the front rank of fraternity journalism is a story to be told by her successors.

The present editor feels the burden of an especial debt of gratitude for setting so high a standard of excellence. That she may be able to add one stone to the structure already reared is the hope that shall spur and direct her efforts.



Several contributions have this month excellently discussed the chapter letter, what it is and what it should be as regards style and subject matter. It remains, however, for the editor to say a word as to the form in which the letter should be sent in.

Perhaps for this a foreword of apology is necessary for dwelling on a subject already too often brought into prominence. Chapter correspondents change, new chapters are formed, and

to the old ones fraternity tradition is often an untrustworthy and insufficient guide. Whatever the cause may be, certain it is that too many of the chapter letters are sent in in such shape that they need a pretty thorough revision before they are fit for publication. For instance, such graceful vagaries of polite correspondence as covering the first and third pages of the sheet, and then criss-crossing the second and fourth are hardly appropriate for chapter letters, as they entail the editor's copying the entire letter before her self-respect will allow her to submit it to the printer.

Will each corresponding secretary therefore do us the favor to cut out the following directions, put them in her mirror or other oft-frequented spot, and follow them slavishly when the time for writing the chapter letter comes round:

First:—Write on but one side of the paper.

Second:—Do not address the editor or any other individual, but begin merely with the heading as in the chapter letters of this issue; for instance:

Wisconsin Alpha—University of Wisconsin.

Third:—Write all proper names *very plainly*, or better still, print them.

Fourth:—Arrange your matter in some logical order, either by subjects or chronologically.

Fifth:—Pay reasonable attention to spelling, punctuation and the structure of the paragraph.

Sixth:—Whoever may chance to have written the letter, let it be signed by the corresponding secretary and countersigned by the president of the chapter.

In the correspondent so doing will the heart of the editor safely trust, and her readers shall rise up and call her blessed.



The *Anchora* regretfully quotes from the report of the literary bureau in the July Arrow those portions which refer to the diversity of opinion among the chapters regarding conservatism in chapter extension, requirements for membership,

and literary work in chapter meetings. The comment is as follows:

"If variety of views is conducive to growth, our Pi Beta Phi sisters would seem to have every reason for encouragement with regard to their progress. Personally, however, we are inclined to scent danger ahead for them. Too great diversity of opinion among members of the same fraternity is calculated to dissipate, in prolonged discussions, energies which, united, might work a lasting good to all concerned."

While we are grateful for the warning premonition which "scents danger ahead," we are decidedly skeptical regarding the need for apprehension. It is doubtless true that one of the inevitable consequences of a long chapter roll is the differences of opinion which may very naturally arise, but that these differences are other than wholesome in their results is a point which is at least debatable. Of course when they touch vital subjects or concern matters of fraternity principle, it may well be time to take alarm. So long as they are confined to questions of practice, they are at worst but merest ripples on the surface of fraternity serenity, while usually and at their best they are the manifestations of a very healthy and vigorous life.

No chapter, at least no wise one, strives to have all its girls fashioned in the same mould. Indeed, what it should most demand from them is an individuality, an ability rationally to form judgments and courage to express them when formed. Having gained girls of this stamp, to bind them into a cast-iron policy, a non-elastic "fraternity standard" were purest folly, checking in its incipiency all hope of rational development. We have seen more than one chapter hopelessly weakened by blind adherence to a ready-made fraternity policy. "True, serene deadness tries a man's temper," saith Browning, and certainly it tries the vitality of a fraternity more than endless difference of opinion. Instead of less discussion we want more, instead of fewer opinions we want everybody aroused to form and express any ideas which may lead to fraternity development.

The founders of Pi Beta Phi did not realize all the possible good in fraternity life. We ourselves have not seen it or embodied it all in our standards. Let us not cut ourselves off from the possibilities of growth by a too rigid pruning of new ideas. If the existence of parties is a source of strength in bodies politic, why a source of weakness in bodies fraternal? There is something higher than uniformity and that is unity, and while this unity exists in the highest measure and for the highest aims, no mere differences of fraternity views shall ever cause us one moment of uneasiness.



The Arrow is glad to reprint from *The Shield* of Theta Delta Chi an article on "The First Sororis." It is interesting to discover that there was a movement in the direction of the woman's fraternity some ten years before the founding of Pi Beta Phi, interesting, too, to observe that this took place not in a co-educational college, but in a "female seminary." If, however, the education was not "co," the fraternity certainly was, being evidently no more than a sort of "trailer" to Theta Delta Chi. Of course the previous existence of such an organization as this in no way affects the precedence of Pi Beta Phi, but it is an interesting bit of fraternity history nevertheless, and as such we thank Theta Delta Chi for it.



It is a pleasure to be able to announce that arrangements have been made with *The Key*, *The Anchora*, and *The Kappa Alpha Theta*, in consequence of which each of our chapters, as well as the grand officers, will hereafter receive a copy of each of these quarterlies. They will of course be sent to the corresponding secretary of each chapter and it is desired that she report promptly to the editor of *The Arrow* any failure to receive her copy.

It is difficult to over-estimate the advantages of such an exchange of publications. The clearest picture of fraternity life is in the fraternity journals and there is no better way to judge

of the national standing and general tone of a fraternity which we know perhaps only by a single chapter. Best of all, these journals are full of suggestion to us and are well worth reading in and for themselves.



The alumnae editor, Miss Emma S. Hutchinson, would suggest that all regularly organized Alumnae clubs should hold themselves each responsible for at least two articles a year for publication in *The Arrow*, through the alumnae department. Needless to say, all private subscriptions will still be highly appreciated, and if *The Arrow* is flooded with material it will only prove momentum to send her further up the stream of successful journalism.



It is desired to issue *The Arrow* hereafter on the first days of October, January, April and June. In view of this fact all chapter letters or matter intended for publication must reach the editor by the tenth of the month preceding date of publication, instead of the twentieth as heretofore. This notice in *The Arrow* will be considered sufficient notification, and all chapters failing to submit letters or articles by the above named dates, will be subject to fine by the Grand President.

Chapter Letters.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

VERMONT ALPHA — MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE.

An unusually large number of receptions marked the beginning of our college year, one of the most enjoyable of which was one tendered the freshmen by the sophomores. This amicable beginning may be the reason for the infrequency of class quarrels this year.

Among others, the Pi Phis received, at different times, the freshmen girls, the mother of one of our seniors, Mrs. Fletcher Chapman, our new patroness, and the "pledglings."

As soon as our freshmen were pledged, we entertained them at a corn roast to which a number of the college boys were in-

vited and Professor and Mrs. McGilton attended as chaperones. The fire was built on a bank of Otter creek and just below the falls; so that, with the view of the town above, and the strange almost weird appearance of the trees about us in the glare of the fire light and lanterns, the scene presented was a most unique one. After partaking of the corn and other refreshments, the young men asked for Pi Phi songs; and many a laugh and shout went up, mingling itself with the roar of the falls, as we sang of our spreads, our fun and our goat.

At four o'clock in the morning of October thirtieth, our eight new girls were initiated. They are Florence Andrews, Clara Andrews, 1900; Nellie Button, Nellie Hadley, Florence Walker, Charlotte Johnson, Mildred Weld, and Marianne Landon, 1901. We were somewhat in doubt as to the success of our venture, but everything passed off so smoothly that we all pronounced it the very best time imaginable for Pi Phis to be initiated. We were very much honored to have with us the fiancée of our college president, Miss Mary Wright, whose home is in a neighboring town. Miss Wright was an I. C. girl at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, but she seems to possess all the charming characteristics of the newer Pi Phis.

In the evening following, twenty-two Pi Phis sat down to the initiation banquet, which was held in the Pharetra. Miss Wright was present and responded to a toast on her former fraternity life. We also had with us Mabel Ware and Lena Roseman, '96, Bertha Collins, '00, and Ada Hurlburt, '99.

Since that night of Pi Phi merriment and feast, fraternity spirit has steadily increased, and, tho' we are seventeen, we know of not one to whom we could say good-bye. Four of our number did not return to college this year, but we have one of our '96 girls who holds the position of teacher in the Middlebury High school.

The girls who visited camp on Lake Champlain report so pleasant a time that we have about decided to purchase a share in the camp and keep it exclusively for Pi Beta Phis, to occupy in the summer months. The spot is quiet and secluded, but one of the most charming in the neighborhood, with its beautiful scenery of lake and mountain.

May you all be as happy in your fraternity life as are the Vermont Alpha girls.

Sara Vincent Mann.

COLUMBIA ALPHA — COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

While all our various sister chapters have been "rushing" with untiring energy and rejoicing over their new conquests, Columbia Alpha, with no zealous rival to hinder her course, has been pursuing a modest and conservative policy. As a result of this, we have only one new girl, who has braved the terrors

of the far-famed goat, Elsie Parpuison, whom we are proud to include in our list of active members. Moreover, Columbia Alpha feels confident that in the next letter to The Arrow she may have the pleasure of introducing several more new sisters.

We find that our evening meetings are a great pleasure and for some time we have confined the business details to our afternoon meetings and we have had a great deal of business to attend to lately.

One of our girls lives in a beautiful suburb of Washington, Cleveland Park, and we have had visions of a fraternity house there. Whether it would be practicable or not has been a subject of discussion and the riddle has not yet been solved.

Mary Huiman entertained the chapter very pleasantly December 16th, and some of us displayed the results of a higher education, in a geographical game which was a great source of amusement to all the participants.

One Saturday three or four girls spent their holiday in Baltimore with Maryland Alpha and came back enthusiastic over their cordial reception. Columbia Alpha is fortunate in having such charming neighbors, and a visit to the Baltimore chapter is an inspiration. Though only a year old, they have had great success in their first "rushing" and are in every way a model chapter.

All of the fraternity girls in Washington are at present looking forward to a banquet which is to be given on the twenty-eighth of this month at which there is to be a reunion of all resident Pi Phis.

Last year's graduates are busy in various ways:

Lillian Pace is teaching in a private school and at the same time continuing her post graduate work, in which she is making mathematics her specialty.

Florence Bingham and Mary Keely are making investigations in the science of domestic economy.

Ruth McGowen is studying art under a competent Washington artist.

Nan Keeton is taking a library course in the Corcoran Scientific School.

To each and every Pi Phi "Columbia Alpha sends best wishes for a Happy New Year."

Elise Bradford.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA — SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

We came! we saw! we conquered! we initiated! is now, I doubt not, the cry of all our chapters over this broad land; and I know that if the fall has been the same kind of fall that ours has been we can grasp one another's hand and return thanks for the blessings we have now. What a comfort it is, too, to have

constant and enthusiastic reminders that the "we" of the fraternity includes more than the active members. What would we do in the sharp fall fight without our alumnae? One of our rushing plans, this year, took the form of an opera party, celebrating at the same time our Founder's day. The "old girls" met us in Philadelphia, one Saturday afternoon, and after treating us and our "rushes" to a most delightful musical feast, they filled our cup to overflowing by escorting us to Blanks where we were served with a lesser feast of cream and cake.

Pennsylvania Alpha has added four girls to her number, Mabel Latimer, Lenore Houston, Emily Carter, and Deborah Ferrier, and feels that she has an eleven to be proud of; one that need fear no grid-iron whatever.

But football is over, is it not, and touch-downs and goals are things of the past? With us, the Swarthmore-Haverford game is the event of the fall, and this year seven tally-hos left Swarthmore at noon to ride eight miles and watch the game at Haverford. It was, indeed, a sight worth remembering, as Kappa Alpha Theta, brilliant in black and gold, Pi Beta Phi, radiant in wine and silver blue, and Kappa Kappa Gamma serene amidst the blending of her azure shades went winding over the hills with many a bugle call and answering wave of garnet flags and echoing strains of garnet songs.

Yet many things have happened since that eventful day, and one of the pleasantest of our memories will be the visit paid by Wanda Hartshorn and Florence Reissinger from Maryland Alpha to Swarthmore during the Thanksgiving holidays. Many of us were away, but those who were not gave us such glowing accounts of our neighboring sisters, that we gladly sent three of our girls to Baltimore to-day, to accept the proffered hospitality of Maryland Alpha and incidentally to beg that another visit be paid to Swarthmore.

Two of our alumnae, Hattie Kent and Hannah Hilton, are at present occupying most of our attention as they have recently avowed their intention of committing matrimony; in our anxiety over bridesmaids, grooms and wedding gifts, we do not share the selfishness of him who said:

If it be not fact for me,
What care I how fact it be?

With best wishes for all Pi Phis both far and near.

Mary E. Seaman.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA — BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

Pennsylvania Beta has been reinforced by four girls whom we are proud to introduce to the fraternity. On October twenty-second we welcomed into Pi Beta Phi, Lile Bell, '00; Iza Martin, '00; Bessie Wells, '01, and Grace Williams, '01. After what

Kappa Kappa Gamma calls the "fraternity swing" had been administered we went to the home of May Wilson, who kindly placed her parlors at our disposal for the initiation proper. Afterwards we enjoyed a banquet in honor of our new members to which, of course, our patronesses were invited. Our pleasure was greatly increased by the presence of Lucy Bancroft and Lillian McDowell from Pennsylvania Alpha. We were so glad to know such charming girls and felt proud of our Pennsylvania sisters.

The "At Homes" at the Institute on "First Mondays" are delightful affairs. Three of our girls helped Miss Stanton, the Dean, to receive, at the last.

December sixth Miss Stanton gave a reception to the college girls at which Miss Schellinger of Edinboro entertained us with reading. Our rules are so strict this year that we appreciate all the more these opportunities to extend our acquaintance with our college friends.

Our literary society, Zeta, gave a very lively open meeting to its girl friends, at Thanksgiving. The gymnasium was made attractive with curtains and pictures and easy chairs, leaving however, plenty of room for the grand march and dance which followed a very spirited rendering of Kendrick Bangs' "A Proposal under Difficulties." Genevieve White and Mabel Wheeler took the parts of Barlow and Dorothy Andrews. Grace Slifer is president of Beta this term and Grace Woodward secretary.

Emelie Pooley was called to Toledo, Ohio, by the death of her father. We were so sorry to have her leave but we hope to have her back next term.

To all her sister chapters Pennsylvania Beta wishes a very prosperous New Year.

Ruth Sprague.

OHIO ALPHA — OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Alpha sends greetings and best wishes to her sisters in the bonds of Pi Beta Phi. We are delighted to welcome our new sisters of Indiana Gamma.

We are indeed sorry that we cannot indulge in that seemingly delightful contest called "rushing," which we hear so much about, but we have no rival. We only hope that we may have one some day.

We have had no hall this year but expect to have one soon, as the new administration building is about completed and we have petitioned for a room in it. If we do not succeed in that, we shall have to be satisfied with one elsewhere. We feel sure that we will appreciate our hall more now, having been without one for a year.

During the term Ohio Alpha has entertained several times with hay-rides and informal parties and receptions.

Florence Craig has recently been selected by the faculty as one of the six orators for commencement day.

Grace Grosvenor, grand vice-president, left about Christmas time for Washington where she will spend the winter. We regret that she is to be away as we do so enjoy having her with us.

Fourteen of our girls spent a pleasant day in Marietta on the occasion of the Ohio University-Marietta College football game, and since we were the victors we had every opportunity for a delightful time. Mrs. Super, one of our patronesses, and Miss Findley, instructor in physical culture, chaperoned our party.

We regret to lose from our faculty Dr. Arthur Allen, professor of psychology, who resigned his position here to accept a similar one at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

The state oratorical contest will be held here the last of February. Eight of the colleges and universities of eastern and northern Ohio will be represented.

On October the sixth Miss Katherine Crawford was married to Mr. W. E. Leonard. They will make their home in Athens, and we are glad to have another sister with us.

Florence M. Craig.

OHIO BETA — OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Ohio Beta sends the kindest wishes for the new year, to her sister chapters, and repeats the wish that the close of this year may find all of our chapters a step nearer the goal toward which we are working.

To make this effort we have enlisted in our cause six new strong girls, all of whom have entered enthusiastically into Pi Phi life. With so able a re-inforcement, the immediate future of our chapter is very promising.

Two initiations have been held this year. One in the evening at the home of Miss Sutherland, which was followed by a banquet more elaborate and beautiful than any we have had. At this time were taken into our chapter Edna Hatton, Ivy Davis, Allena Mitzenberg, Edna Murray, and Blanche Butler.

The second initiation took place in the afternoon, and was that of Alice Bratton; it was followed by a dancing party that evening, in her honor. The initiations were not complete until the new members were ushered into the mysteries of a Pi Phi cooky-shine. The first one was held at the home of Miss Porter. This has been followed by spreads and candy-pullings, so dear to Pi Phi hearts.

The beautiful and friendly intercourse existing between the members of our chapter, helps to lighten the hard work of college life, and will certainly make this school year a happy and profitable one.

Ora Blake.

NEW YORK ALPHA — SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

To New York Alpha, old things have passed away and all has become new; for our hopes and aspirations for the last year are actually being realized, and we are at last in our new home; it is certainly new to all of us, but we have talked and thought and almost lived in it for months before it was finished. Although we thought before enjoying it, that we appreciated what chapter-house life really is, yet it has gone far beyond our expectations, and we are all realizing our dreams to our heart's content.

We held the first chapter meeting in our new home on Friday, January the 7th, and it was the best meeting we ever have held. As you can imagine, every girl was there, and the city alumnae also encouraged us by their presence.

Our annual initiation and banquet were held November 27th, and at that time the mysteries of Pi Beta Phi were revealed to seven girls.

We were intensely interested in our delegate's report of the convention, which was delayed until after rushing was over. We all wish that we might have enjoyed the reality, but even the report filled us with enthusiasm and high hopes for our fraternity. Very recently one of our city alumnae, Clara Hookway, '97, has taken a fine position in a high school in Vermont, and although we regret her absence, since it will deprive us of her presence and great help to us, yet we are delighted for her sake, because it must be for the best. What is interesting, or perhaps I could more truthfully say, filling the minds of the students at present, is the preparation for the semi-annual examinations which will take place in about two weeks. There is a report that we are going to have a skating park on the football oval, and I am inclined to think the rumor is true; if so, we anticipate great times during the cold weather. There are only eight girls in our house now, but we expect more in a few weeks. The view from all the windows is superb, for we are so high that we can see the whole city and much of the surrounding country.

New York Alpha is now at home to any Pi Phi and will be more than delighted to see you.

Welthy B. Housinger.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA — BOSTON UNIVERSITY.

Massachusetts Alpha boasts of a distinguishing feature this year. We had no seniors to lose last commencement and have met this fall a united band,—a thing which will perhaps never happen again in our history.

Our delegate's convention report has strengthened our rela-

tions with the other chapters and made us realize that our fraternity has an extent and greatness of which we may be justly proud. It has also served as an inspiration during the rushing season.

Probably the result of this momentous time will be the most vital news in nearly all the letters. The five women's fraternities at our college this year again entered a contract to give no invitation until a date six weeks after the opening of college. The pledge was kept and the general opinion is that it was even a greater success than last year. It had the advantage that it was two weeks shorter and that it was adopted by every fraternity. Of course the season is a great strain but it has been comparatively pleasant and its result satisfies our hopes.

We held the initiation at the beautiful home of Olive Gilchrist in Melrose. Before the initiation we gave an amusing play. A banquet followed the ceremony. Singing and music ended an afternoon and evening that we all shall remember long. The ceremony itself impressed our initiates strongly, and as for us, more and more do we realize that our bonds and ideals are very real and worthy to become an abiding influence in our lives. Lelia Coolidge, of Michigan Beta, added much to our enjoyment by her presence.

We take great pride and pleasure in introducing to you our seven new sisters: Dell Brooks, '99; May McFall and Mabel Moore, 1900; Helen Barrett, Edith Taylor, Florence Thomas, and Retta Moore, 1901. The addition of these new members swells our number to twenty-two.

We are in hope that some more western Pi Phis will come to Boston soon, for the western girls have taken the place of alumnae to us. We miss very much Nell Turner, an alumna of Indiana Alpha, who has been with us since our founding and made us all fond of her, while by her loyalty and wider experience she has helped us greatly.

We have had the pleasure and inspiration of meeting Miss Gamble and with great regret we found her stay in Boston to be short.

College routine this term has been broken by the junior-freshman reception, by a Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. reception, by a play and various lectures and entertainments.

Massachusetts Alpha is deeply interested in Indiana Gamma and sends to her and all the other chapters sincerest wishes for prosperity and success.

Florence Flagg.

MARYLAND ALPHA — WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE.

Since Maryland Alpha's last letter was written to The Arrow, she has grown much older and wiser. Indeed we can scarcely realize that we are but eleven months old, for so many varied experiences have been crowded into our brief fraternity life. The most formidable of these, the long dreaded "rushing" season, is now a thing of the past, and we are all beginning to breathe freely once more and to "sleep o' nights."

Comparatively few of our chapters can realize what "rushing" means at the woman's college, with five national fraternities and one local all working their hardest and usually in the same direction. Do you wonder that we dreaded our first season? We came out well, however, for the close of pledge day, November twelfth, found four girls pledged to Pi Beta Phi,—Helen Mower, '99, and Cherrie French, Irene Rapalee and Nellie Biehn, all of 1901.

Just here, while we are setting forth our blessings, we wish to extend to Ohio Alpha our warmest thanks for the transfer of Grace Reah to our chapter. So snugly did she fit into our number that we have never, since the day of her arrival, thought of her as a stranger. We know that the girls of Ohio Alpha must miss her sorely, but their loss is our gain, and may not this fact comfort them a little?

We had still another addition to our number before pledge day, for Bess Gilder, who has been pledged since last January, was initiated the second week of the term, and has proved a helpful little worker.

We have set apart December fourth for the initiation of our four pledglings, and earnestly desire that when once they have donned the arrow, they may realize as deeply as have we, how manifold are the blessings of Pe Beta Phi.

Helen Benson Doll.

BETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS BETA — LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

In spite of the difficulties encountered by the correspondent who desires to make her chapter-letter worthy of the place it occupies in The Arrow, it is a pleasure to learn that the time for the letter has again arrived; for it indicates that before long, by favor of our country's ever wonderful postal service, we shall eagerly grasp the welcome booklet, and the words,

"The Arrow has come," will echo in more than one chapter hall.

How fast time flies! Our calendar has been re-arranged so that the Fall term ends at Thanksgiving, and we are hardly well started again, when the happy holiday season is upon us. Surely the thought delights us all, for a true Christmas spirit would do honor to every Pi Beta Phi; and I believe if we were to find among us a "Scrooge," he (or she) would promptly be ostracised.

Of course you are all ready to be introduced to your new sisters. In accordance with this desire we hereby present Marian Wilcox and Mabel Griffith, who we are confident will be loving, loyal sisters to us all. We had a very beautiful initiation at the home of Helen McKay, our convention delegate, and profited by several suggestions from the convention ceremony. We have also three new pledglings to make us proud. Shortly after the holidays we hope to be favored with the assistance of "Mr. Goat" in making full fledged Pi Beta Phis of them.

Our class in dramatic art under the instruction of a Pi Beta Phi, gave a very successful play last evening, in which Pi Beta Phis were cast for the four principal lady characters.

Galesburg was visited a few days ago by a fine heavy snow fall. The air is brisk, the sleighing good, and the merry bells keep time to the dancing of our hearts, jingling occasionally (or so it seems to our excited ears) into a rollicking "Ring-ching-ching." Under their infectious spell who could remain unresponsive? Surely not a Pi Beta Phi.

With hearts thus light, but in all sincerity, Illinois Beta wishes each of her sisters a Christmas the merriest, and a New Year the happiest that she has ever known.

Ruth Nash.

ILLINOIS DELTA — KNOX COLLEGE.

With the advent of the New Year, bringing with it increased activities and responsibilities, and at the same time greater inspiration, Illinois Delta takes time for a hasty glance backward at the term just closed, and although she finds it in many respects an unusually busy one, it has been none the less successful.

We have initiated only two girls, Edna Hood and Frances Fahnestock, both classical freshmen. However in the next number of *The Arrow*, we hope to introduce as initiates, our remaining pledged members, three in all.

Our college life has been especially pleasant. In November under the management of the Knox Conservatory, Mrs. Katherine Fisk gave a song recital here, which was greatly enjoyed. In December, as the opening number of the lecture

course, the students of Knox had the great privilege of hearing Anthony Hope give a reading from his works.

Although fraternity parties have been numerous, we have entertained but once, with an informal dancing party.

Mabel Whitford Aylesworth.

ILLINOIS EPSILON — NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

New Year's greetings to our sister chapters — and may they all "live long and prosper."

Illinois Epsilon has had two initiations since September, the first on October fifteenth, the second November sixth, and introduces the following new Pi Phis: Alice Clara Doland, Mary Edith Thompson, Minnie Starr, Florence Emma Reynolds and Abbie Florence Williams. We have with us also Sadie Leopold, a Pi Phi from Indiana University, who entered Northwestern this fall.

We have taken the initiative here in the matter of having patronesses and although our list, which we hope to have number five, is not yet completed, we present to you three: Miss Cornelia G. Lunt of Evanston, daughter of the late Orrington Lunt, one of the founders of our university; Mrs. Elizabeth Young of Oak Park, Illinois, and Mrs. J. R. Prindle of Evanston. Mrs. Young and Mrs. Prindle are both Pi Phi mothers and so feel a double interest in the welfare of all Pi Phis.

During the summer we had visits from Amelia Alpiner of Illinois Zeta and Lilian Cluell of Indiana Beta. We also had the good fortune to make the acquaintance of Amy Young, Swarthmore, ex-'98, who is not in college this year and in whom we know Pennsylvania Alpha lost a very strong member.

Many good times we have had this fall, being gloriously entertained by our Pi Phi sisters in and about Evanston.

We are now holding our regular meetings once in two weeks, on Monday from five in the afternoon on. We have jolly good times preparing our own suppers in regular college-girl fashion, which of course makes them all the more delicious. Our alumnæ members who are in Evanston always join us on these festive nights and our little fraternity rooms ring with merriment and Pi Phi songs.

The different women's fraternities of Northwestern, nine in number, have united in a Pan-Hellenic association and gave their first dancing party on the evening of December sixteenth, at Evanston. It is needless to say that we spent a most delightful evening.

Marjorie Lucille Fitch.

ILLINOIS ZETA — ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY.

This issue of *The Arrow* will, no doubt, find all of the girls back in school endeavoring to carry out the many resolutions made for the new year.

Illinois Zeta begins the new year with a goodly number of active members and before many days shall have passed one more will know the mysterious secrets of Pi Beta Phi. We take the greatest pleasure in introducing to you Grace Edwards of La Crosse, Wisconsin, and Edna Fairchild of Toledo, Ohio — both library students — whom we initiated in November.

We have spent a delightful fall term both from a studious and social point of view, and besides, the wedding bells have been ringing out, for within two months two of our girls have entered upon the joys and cares of married life. To all Pi Phis, Illinois Zeta sends best wishes for the new year.

Nell L. McWilliams.

INDIANA ALPHA — FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Indiana Alpha is enjoying one of the most prosperous years of her existence. We have eleven active girls. They are not only interested in their local chapter but are anxious that Pi Beta Phi shall rank first among women's fraternities, not first in wealth and social standing, but first in true womanly character.

The rushing season this year was unusually lively. As a result there are vivid recollections of porch parties, hay rides, bicycle parties and receptions. The most interesting result is that we have two new Pi Phis to introduce, Gertrude Kelley and Inez Gorby. Gertrude Kelley, and Eleanor La Grange, who was pledged last spring, were initiated on the evening of October 16th. The new rituals were used and the initiation was the prettiest and most impressive we have ever had, the girls having gained many new ideas from the initiation under the direction of the Grand President at Indianapolis last fall. After the initiation a cookey-shine was enjoyed by the girls, together with the patronesses and alumnae. Miss Gorby will be initiated after the holidays.

The Pi Phis have given two very pleasant parties. On Hallowe'en about fifty guests we were entertained at the home of Ethel McCollough. The house was decorated with shocks of corn, cabbage and autumn boughs, while grotesque jack-o'-lanterns threw a weird light over all. A fortune teller revealed the mysteries of the future to the guests, while Hallowe'en sports made the evening a jolly one.

On the evening of December sixteenth, the patronesses entertained for the active chapter at the home of one of their number.

It was a very pleasant affair and was the largest reception given in college circles this year.

Indiana Alpha has not only been enjoying the social part of college life but she has received pleasure and benefit from her literary work. A literary duty, usually a debate upon some question of interest to Pi Beta Phi, followed by a general discussion, is given at each meeting. On the evening of December fourth, a special literary programme was given to which the patronesses and alumnae were invited. The programme consisted of talks upon travels in England, Scotland and Germany, two of which were given by women professors of the college and one by one of our patronesses.

On the evening of December fifteenth at the home of Dr. P. W. Payne, occurred the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Payne, a member of Indiana Alpha, to Frank Martin, deputy auditor of state of Indiana. They will be at home after January first, at their home in Indianapolis.

Plans are already being made for Founder's Day in our chapter. It is our intention to entertain our friends with a Greek play if we can find a suitable one.

We have a new college paper and our girls are represented on the board of publication and on the editorial staff.

Our next chapter letter will be dated eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and Indiana Alpha wishes all of her sister chapters a pleasant and prosperous year.

Jeannette Martin.

INDIANA BETA — INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The first term of our college year is ended and Indiana Beta looks back upon it as one that has had its share both of successes and of failures. Of the latter we will say nothing, for who knows but that it was for our own good that we had a few failures? Our love and zeal for the cause of the little golden arrow are only increased and we mean to do our part in upholding the standard of Pi Beta Phi.

We started this fall with thirteen girls, two of whom came to us from sister chapters — Mary Whitson from Pennsylvania Alpha, and Mary Dunham from Colorado Alpha. During the term we have added to our number two girls whom we are proud to present as our sisters — Josephine Cox, of Huntington, and Anna Scott of Terre Haute.

Since our last letter one of our town girls, Frances Whitley, has become Mrs. E. C. Harris. Notwithstanding that fact, she has not lost her interest in Pi Phi but has been with us in our work as well as in our social affairs.

This year we have missed from our college and fraternity one of our patronesses, Mrs. Baillot, her husband, Prof. Edward

Baillet, having accepted a position at Northwestern University. In her stead, Mrs. Weatherby, wife of one of the professors of history, has proved a very kind and helpful friend and patroness to Pi Phi. Socially, Indiana Beta has been by no means dormant this term. One of our patronesses, Mrs. Griffith, kindly opened her home to us for an afternoon reception at which we entertained a large number of ladies. Later in the term we received our men friends and the college faculty in the parlors of one of the hotels. We ourselves have been very pleasantly entertained by the mothers of three of our town girls.

Next term we expect to have chapter parlors where we can hold our meetings and be at home to our friends. With best wishes to you all, Indiana Beta closes her January letter.

Mabel Clare Fertich.

INDIANA GAMMA — UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

We are glad to announce three new acquisitions to our chapter — Jessamine Armstrong, '01; Lena Maine Randall, '01, and Katherine Stevenson, '01.

Ethel Roberts, who has been ill for some time, will enter college at the beginning of the new term. All of the girls will be most glad to have her with them again.

Early in the school year, Mrs. Hilton U. Brown gave a charming afternoon reception for our chapter and the Pi Beta Phis in the city from other chapters.

On Hallowe'en, Mabel Hank gave a party for the fraternity. We were entertained with a guessing contest and dancing, followed by a "ghost supper" under the weird light of a huge jack-o-lantern. Then the usual Hallowe'en refreshments were served.

On the afternoon of December 17th, Pi Beta Phi was at home with Jessie Ludlow, in honor of our patronesses, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Benton. The guests were the mothers of the girls, the women of the faculty, and the wives of the professors. In the evening an open meeting was held.

We expected by this time to have had with us Mrs. Demarchus C. Brown, *née* Jessie Christian, who has just returned from her wedding trip abroad, but owing to Mr. Brown's illness, she will remain in New York for some time.

Lately the fraternity meetings are being a little hurried, in order to do Christmas shopping and to help put up the Christmas greens.

Indiana Gamma wishes every sister chapter a Merry Christmes and a Happy New Year.

Annie McCollum.

MICHIGAN ALPHA — HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Since the writing of the last chapter letter, Michigan Alpha girls have returned to college, have rushed, pledged and initiated, and are now counting the hours until the holidays, when they will have a two weeks' respite from study.

We have initiated three girls during the term — Grace Bailey, Carrie Dudley and Mabel Moore — and have pledged seven.

We entertained the "new girls" with a "Melon Party" early in the fall, and a week or two later, Delta Tau Delta gave a reception for Kappa Kappa Gamma and ourselves at Professor Martin's.

Thanksgiving day Delta Tau Delta gave their annual "dinner" at the home of Dr. Wood in Angola. A special car was chartered for the occasion and nine Pi Phis were in the party. Alpha Tau Omega also gave an informal party for their young lady friends at their chapter house the evening of Thanksgiving day. Friday evening, December third, Kappa Kappa Gamma gave a very enjoyable reception to the members of the faculty, the Greeks, and some others, at the home of Mrs. C. L. Albaugh. The rooms were beautifully decorated in roses and clematis vine, and ribbon knots of "double blue."

Saturday evening, December fourth, Mrs. Hershey entertained the Pi Phis at her home on Hillsdale street. Last week we had a "cooky-shine" at the home of the secretary, in honor of Miss Luna E. Tuxbury, Wellesley, '97.

Miss Lillian Pike of Colorado Beta, spent a few hours with Pi Phi friends Friday, December eleventh. Michigan Alpha girls are rejoicing over the fact that two of their alumnae will be with them next term. Miss Louise Randolph has returned home for a visit of some months, and Mrs. May Austin Kelley is to make Hillsdale her home, Mr. Kelley having been appointed traveling agent in the interest of the college. We received many helpful ideas and suggestions, from our delegate's report of convention, and are more than ever inspired by the aims and ideals of Pi Beta Phi.

Hillsdale Pi Phis send a most cordial welcome to Indiana Gamma, and to all our sisters best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Francis G. French.

MICHIGAN BETA — UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Having initiated five girls this fall, Michigan Beta counts nineteen members in her ranks, nine of whom live in the chapter house. We are experiencing a new pleasure this year, which consists, in its material entity, of a dining-room dedicated exclusively to our use. Here we enjoy a freedom of intercourse

not permissible at other tables, and we find that we can see and talk with one another on busy days as well as on play days. Provided colleges may not appreciate our present situation without some explanation, the social fabric in the town of Ann Arbor is, so far as the university is concerned, the same as that in any other town; every student makes provision for himself according to the resources that may be at his disposal, and the institution makes itself in no way responsible for students beyond the class rooms. This leaves the way open to the nineteenth century industrial system of competition, and throughout the town every alternate house, and near the campus almost every house, shows its placard "Board" or "Rooms." Ordinarily there is nothing to regulate one's associations in the home or at table, and chance may make the meal-hour a torment or a pleasure, and in almost every case a period of reserve. It is after sitting at large tables with strangers who come, and eat, and go, as at a public café, that we come with gladness to our dining-room this year.

Miss Ethel B. Allen made a little visit to the chapter one day in October — besides this no extraordinary events have occurred in our chapter life. The parlors of our house have hard floors and our form of entertainment is usually dancing and music.

Mary Bartol went to Chicago during the Christmas holidays as a delegate from the University of Pennsylvania to a convention of the Federation of Graduate Clubs. In her honor a number of Chicago Pi Phis gathered one evening at the home of two Michigan Beta girls.

As to our university, there is a larger attendance than usual this year, owing to the increasing prosperity of the country, and the college roll reveals the names of over three thousand students.

The woman's dean, Dr. Mosher, is ambitious to make the woman's building, which was new last year, the center of the social life of the college girls, as a means of producing some feeling of unity among them. The tendency is gradually growing toward that end. Also the attendance at the woman's gymnasium is large now although the work is not required for university degrees, nor is credit given for it in university figures. A girls' debating society has been organized here this year. It has the significance of being the first work of this sort that the girls of the university have undertaken. It is, however, attended for the most part by independents rather than by fraternity girls.

Edna Bevans.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

IOWA ALPHA — IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The fall term of the new school year has passed rapidly away, and the Christmas holidays and New Year will soon be upon us. The term has been an interesting and happy one for Pi Phi, and we look forward to a successful New Year. There was a great rushing season at the beginning of this term, the fraternities were all wide awake and full of activity. Iowa Alpha desires to introduce to the Pi Phi world their new sister, Alta Nusly, '99, initiated on October eighteenth. We expect to have with us next term two of our old girls, Blanche Payne and Maud Schular, who have not been in school for some time.

Iowa Alpha has two recent marriages to note, which were of great interest to our chapter. On October fourteenth, Marie Heins, initiated into Pi Phi in '96, was married to Mr. Edward Smith, a former student at our university and a member of the Phi Delta Theta. On the same day Lulu Baxter, one of our last year graduates, was married to Rev. Will Shearer, also a graduate of Iowa Wesleyan and a member of Phi Delta Theta. To the latter wedding the Iowa Alpha chapter was invited, and amid the showers of rice which were hurled at the departing couple, rose the inspiring strains of the "Ring ching ching."

On the evening of October ninth, our chapter entertained the new girls with a cooky-shine at the home of Dora McLaughlin, an alumna of '97. The moonlight drive and happy time which followed crowned the success of our cooky-shine.

Olivia Ambier entertained our girls and their friends at an old-fashioned taffy pull recently, and Elizabeth Griffith also entertained the chapter and its friends at a delightful party at her home.

We are greatly interested in the work of our alumnae at present. We understand that they are about to organize, and we feel that it will be a great benefit to our chapter to have such an organization in our midst.

Our new dormitory, Elizabeth Hershey Hall, is proving a most delightful house, and is indeed a beautiful structure.

We have recently heard that our professor of sciences, Prof. Mahaffie, is about to resign and accept a position as pastor of the Grace Methodist church at Burlington. We shall regret exceedingly to lose him.

Iowa Alpha wishes all her sisters a happy and prosperous New Year.

Katherine A. Lundgren.

IOWA BETA — SIMPSON COLLEGE.

At the close of the fall term, Iowa Beta introduced to her sister chapters, three new members, Alma Brown, Mertie Anderson and Katherine Jones, and two new pledges, Bonnie Baker and Ina McGee. We have been successful, this year, in getting every girl whom we invited to become one of our number.

Our annual Hallowe'en party for this year, was one which will not soon be forgotten by those who were present. It was given to the active members by our resident alumnae, and consisted of a very active administration of the Second Degree. After the ceremonies, Hallowe'en refreshments were served and a general good time was indulged in by all.

Iowa Beta has adopted a new method of holding her meetings. On the first Saturday evening of each month, we have a social meeting, at which we transact no business. Our pledged members are invited and a short literary program is given. At our other weekly meetings we have our business session first, followed by a "general pow-wow." So far, this has proved much more successful than uniting our business and social meetings.

By the time the January Arrow is received, we shall be rejoicing in the return of our sister, Inez Henderson, who will soon return from California, where she has spent several months.

Sometime during the winter term, the undergraduates of Simpson College will publish a song book, which will contain the college yells and songs, as well as those of the different classes. The most frequent literary productions at present, are written reviews and examinations.

Florence Hatfield.

IOWA ZETA — UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

As we gathered together last fall trying to plan our work for the term a feeling of weakness came upon us for we missed for the first time the loving guidance of the girls who left us last June. Of the five graduates only one, Nora Allin, is with us this year. At her pretty home, just after the rush of the first opening days had passed, Iowa Zeta gave a five o'clock luncheon to the new girls. A merry time we had, and successful, too! For an alumna who was present pronounced it the greatest triumph ever scored in a social way by our chapter.

Though we have not so many pledges as we had hoped, I think the girls all feel that they are well repaid for their toil. We have tried to work with two objects in view, school and fraternity. With the good of Pi Beta Phi always at heart, we have striven to accomplish all possible for her, without robbing our study hours.

We have thus far initiated two girls whom we were happy to receive into Pi Phi sisterhood; and another, Alice Howard, now pledged to us, we hope soon to see wearing the arrow.

To all the Pi Phi world, to the new girls just entering our realm, Iowa Zeta sends good wishes for a happy and successful New Year.

Leda Pinkham.

WISCONSIN ALPHA — UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Wisconsin Alpha is larger this year than ever before. We began the college year with twenty-one active members, and have since added two to our lists. They are Margaret Hutton of Whitewater, and Adah Applebee of Savannah, Illinois. Since our last letter to *The Arrow* we have lost one of our active members, for Genevieve Smith has dropped her work in the university and is now devoting her time to music.

Our chapter home is very cosy this year. With twelve of the girls in the house, you can imagine the jolly times we have together. Spreads of all descriptions seem to hold the foremost place with us this year.

Shortly before Thanksgiving we enjoyed the first of a series of suppers, which the town girls have so generously proposed to prepare for us during the year. This first supper was at the home of Mrs. Sober, and was for Pi Phis and their patronesses only. Verne McKenzie, our little pledgling for next year, was spending a few weeks with us at the time. We are now looking forward to the next supper of the series, which is to be at the home of Iva and Eunice Welsh.

We have two of the dearest new patronesses to introduce to you — Mrs. O'Shea, wife of Prof. O'Shea, who is one of the leading authorities on child study in the country; and Mrs. Olson, wife of Prof. Olson, who holds the chair of the Norse language in the university.

Our patronesses have been so good to us. Mrs. O'Shea has had most of the girls over to dinner at her home, while all of those that did not go home for Thanksgiving spent a very pleasant day with her.

Mrs. Olson also gave us a very enjoyable afternoon in her cosy new home a few weeks ago. We especially enjoyed Professor and Mrs. Olson's singing of Norse and Swedish songs.

We girls gave a very jolly Hallowe'en party at Mrs. Barnes' cottage about three miles out of town. It was the evening after our football victory over Minnesota, and this put the boys — and the girls, too, for that matter — in especially good spirits. The cottage was fitly decorated for the occasion, and between bobbing for apples and seeking our fortunes in empty bowls,

and — you know the rest — and eating our Hallowe'en cakes, the hours flew by only too rapidly.

By the way, perhaps you do not all know that our boys hold the Northwestern championship in foot-ball this year. We may justly feel proud of them, for they did not lose a single game this season.

The new position of the Dean of Women in the university is being filled by Miss Emery, formerly of Bryn Mawr. She is taking a great interest in the girls of the university and has suggested to them a plan of self-government. The new plan has been adopted and has already partially gone into effect.

Wisconsin Alpha hopes that the coming year may be full of happiness and prosperity for all its sister chapters in dear old Pi Beta Phi.

Livia E. Seiler.

DELTA PROVINCE.

KANSAS ALPHA — KANSAS UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have experienced the excitement of a rushing season and the fun of an initiation.

As the result of our rushing we proudly claim eight girls, Minnie Leach, Nettie Manley, Frederica Bullenes, Laura Poehler, Louise Moore, Grace Bangs, Adele Baker, and Eleanor T'Miller. The last five were introduced to the goat on the night of October 29. The initiation was one of the jolliest ever held here. We took the girls, blindfolded, to the train which by special arrangement stopped near the suburban home of Gertrude Hill. Until they were in the house they were completely in the dark as to their whereabouts.

After the initiation which was unusually impressive, we gave an original farce,—"In the Enemy's Country." It was a take-off on University life, and was full of local hits, which were fully appreciated by the new girls and the large number of Alumnæ Pi Phis, who were there. The week after initiation we gave the customary hop in honor of the new girls.

There have been very few changes in the faculty this year, but one of which Kansas Alpha is very proud. Florence Parrot, one of our girls, has been elected to the position of assistant in German. She makes the third Pi Phi in the faculty, while none of the other girl fraternities are represented. Professor Arthur D. Walker has succeeded Professor Holmes as head of the Latin department.

Miss Effie Scott was married last summer to Professor E. D.

Franklin, Phi Delta Theta, but is continuing her work in the University as instructor in German.

We are very proud of the election of Miss Ethel Allen as Grand Secretary. She is the third representative Kansas Alpha has had on the Grand Council.

Of our seniors of last year, Anna Shire is teaching in the Marysville, Montana, High School, Elizabeth Warren is teaching in Oklahoma, Harriet Ayres is taking post graduate work, and May Gardner and Ida Smith are at home.

We will be very glad to have Edith Snow with us again after a long visit with her brother at Leland Stanford.

Winslow Hutchinson.

NEBRASKA BETA — UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

When the January Arrow reaches its readers the members of Nebraska Beta will be in the midst of their semester examinations and envying, for the time, those who finished their finals before the holidays.

Since the beginning of the year we have had two initiations and have six new members to introduce. Catherine Sedgwick, May Dorrington, Lillian Dorrington and Florence McGahey were initiated October twenty-fifth, and Lulu West and Grace Andrews became Pi Phi December eleventh. They all belong to the class of 1901. We are very proud of these new sisters of ours. Grace Andrews is a cousin of Miss Miller, of Kansas Alpha. We expect Neva Morris, who was pledged last year, to return for the second semester and will initiate her then.

Some time ago we had the pleasure of spending a half hour with Miss Ingersoll, of Colorado Beta, as she was passing through our city. We only wished that her stay could have been more extended, but are anticipating a visit from her at commencement time.

One of the most delightful social events of the term was the reception to the seniors, given by Chancellor and Mrs. McLean.

Our football team has closed a very successful season and the boys are now the proud holders of the pennant.

Jennie Barber.

COLORADO ALPHA — COLORADO UNIVERSITY.

The year has brought us new Pi Phi, as we hope it has to all the other chapters. We asked six girls and all accepted our invitation. Four of them have been initiated — Fanny Plummer, Clare Williams, and Maud and Laeta Elden. Two are college pledges. Of course our baby Pi Phi are the very nicest girls you could find anywhere.

On the last of October we gave an engagement party at the

home of Mrs. W. H. Allison, a patroness. The name of our party, for some reason, aroused a great deal of curiosity, and the guesses as to its meaning were truly astonishing. It was rumored — and, I fear, believed by some — that an engagement was to be announced that evening. We were compelled to disappoint our guests in this, but we tried to make up for their disappointment in other ways.

Our foot-ball team lost the state-championship this year, but we hope to win it back next year.

The state oratorical contest occurs soon. Last year we won first and second place. We should like very much to do the same again.

Colorado Alpha sends to other chapters best wishes for a happy New Year.

Ethel Maryatt Wright.

COLORADO BETA — UNIVERSITY OF DENVER.

At last the rushing season is over and as the result of her labor of love, Colorado Beta has initiated into her ranks three enthusiastic girls, Jessie Poundstone, '01; Agnes Glasgow, '01, and Ethel Antrim, '01. At the first meeting after invitation, Martha Kimball gave us an interesting report of the convention. This report we had intentionally postponed for the benefit of our initiates.

In September, Miss Mary Snow, Kansas Alpha, made us a short visit on her return from Estes Park, where she had been spending the summer. Later we had a short visit from her sister, Miss Edith Snow, on her way home from California, where she had been visiting.

Our Glee Club is now preparing for its holiday trip, which this year will be through the western part of the state. On the 14th of December, we entertained them with the Mandolin Club at a musical party, where each one represented a popular song.

In the early part of the term we gave a conversation party to our first and second football teams at the home of Miss Martin. The house was decorated with Denver University and Pi Phi pennants and streamers of red and gold. One of our alumnae, Mrs. Edwards, composed a song to the football team, which proved to be a very successful feature of the evening. Our souvenirs containing the conversation topics and representing a football, were very much appreciated by the lovers of the pigskin.

Some very unique invitations were issued by the Beta Theta Pi fraternity for a mysterious Hallowe'en party which we surmised to be a hay ride partially from a little warning in one corner which read "Kome Kosily Klad for Klondike Klimate."

A severe snow storm changed their plans at the last moment. In place of the anticipated hay ride for which we were "Kosily Klad," we were ushered into the Banquet hall of one of Denver's large hotels. Though warm in mind and body our wrath was soon appeased by merry music and jolly toasts.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon entertained us at a Puritan party during the thanksgiving holidays.

To the lovers of the wine and blue Colorado Beta sends New Year's greetings.

Lida Burkhard.

Personals.

MARRIAGES.

On October the sixth, eighteen hundred ninety-seven, Katherine Crawford of Ohio Alpha, was married to William Leonard of Athens, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard will make their home in Athens.

Married, October the fourteenth, Marie Heins of Iowa Alpha, '96, and Edward Smith of Phi Delta Theta.

Lulu Baxter, Iowa Alpha, '97, and Reverend William Shearer, were married October the fourteenth, eighteen hundred ninety-seven. Mr. Shearer is a graduate of Iowa Wesleyan University and a member of Phi Delta Theta.

Elizabeth Payne of Indiana Alpha and Frank Martin of Indiana Delta of Phi Delta Theta, were married the fifteenth of last December at the home of the bride's parents in Franklin, Indiana.



IN MEMORIAM.

MARY EDDELMAN SAUNDERS.

Pennsylvania Beta feels deeply the loss of their charter member, Mary Eddelman Saunders, who died at her home in Alexandria, Indiana, September eighth, after only one year of beautiful married life. Hers was the lovely character which is in itself an inspiration and the charter members of Pennsylvania

Beta have very sweet memories of the two years' association with their sister.

In respect to her memory the following resolutions were spread upon the minutes of the chapter:

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to take to Himself our dear sister, Mary Eddelman Saunders, and

Whereas, Pennsylvania Beta chapter has met with great loss in the death of a beloved charter member, be it

Resolved, That the chapter extend to their sister, Elizabeth Eddelman, and to the bereaved family and to the husband of their sister, their deepest sympathy in this their great sorrow.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be incorporated in the minutes of the chapter and be published in the Bucknell Mirror and in The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi fraternity.

Exchanges.

The late convention of Delta Delta Delta seems to have been productive of much good in the way of organization and improvement to that fraternity. The fifteen chapters have been grouped into three provinces, with a vice president, who is also a member of the Grand Council, at the head of each. The constitution has been revised until it is virtually a new one, fraternity examinations are arranged for, the ritual revised and provision made for alumnae alliances. *The Trident*, too, has undergone what Aunt Dinah called a "clarin' up time." Typography and paper seem much improved, the size is enlarged to fifty pages, letters from alumnae alliances are given space and there is a noteworthy improvement in workmanship over the June issue. Perhaps one reason is that the grand marshal is now made responsible for the collection of subscriptions, thus relieving the editor of that worry.

The following extract from an alliance letter seems to bear the stamp and seal of the school-ma'am, but as many a college

woman is looking forward to that career of usefulness, it is wide-reaching as well as sound advice:

It is seldom that two or more Delta Alumnae live together. Each circulates in her own little world, each touches different lives. As we were constantly "taking in" and having our lives ennobled by our four years of college training, ought we not now to "give out" and ennoble and enrich some other life?

Doubtless most graduates do leave the halls of their Alma Mater with some such aim in view, but too often it possesses only a vague and shadowy shape and does not become definite action when the new duties come crowding in. The lessons of life that are becoming familiar to us now are still new to those younger. What an honor to be among the first to awake in a young mind the truth that it is not wealth and social distinction which crowns a successful life, but integrity and ability!

In order to make the aim just mentioned a less shadowy ideal, and a more definite part of the life of an Alliance member, let each one of our 214 graduates think of some young friend — school boy or girl — to whom kindly words of interest can be given; let them feel that you, a college graduate, do not feel an immeasurable distance between yourself and the high school pupil; talk with them of their plans and ambitions; rejoice with those who can see the way clear for their accomplishment; sympathize with those to whom the way seems blocked; perhaps furnish material aid in books occasionally; open to their minds the treasure houses of our literature. They will read anyway; they know mostly only of entertaining works of fiction; direct them toward a systematic, beneficial, but no less interesting course, which you can easily do from your wider experience. Make them feel that you are an ideal college woman, an ideal acquaintance, an ideal friend, and in all you will be an ideal Delta Alumna.

The Anchora, under the editorship of Miss Ross, of the Woman's College of Baltimore, comes to us trim and dainty in its new dress of delft blue and white. The articles are well written and the editorials bright and sensible. The dominant note of the January issue seems to be distinctly social. The college tea comes in for an article, and the chapter letters teem with the bright ideas of Delta Gamma's for amusing themselves and their guests. Witness the following suggestions culled at random:

"Our only entertainment thus far, besides a reception to the newcomers, was a dance on Hallowe'en. It was a children's party. The invitations

were sent in doggerel. Everyone was in costume; we girls in short dresses or Gretchens, the boys in every sort of rig. Two six footers came in short plaid kilts, while manly Lord Fauntleroy's abounded. Our refreshments were buns, doughnuts, pop-corn balls and stick candy. When we stopped dancing, a little before midnight, every one voted the affair a grand success."

"Girls who are not members of any fraternity are apt to think that those who are, are exclusive and they will continue to think so until the fraternity girls prove themselves inclusive. Lowell says "not what we give but what we share." Could not the fraternity girls give a reception once a year, to all of the girls in the college? This could be given at the home of one of the members and the sight of a pleasant home would mean as much to many of the girls as the reception itself. At this reception or entertainment, the girls could have some fine music or a talk by some one who would be glad to co-operate with them and with the college. Or perhaps, at this time, the entertainment could be given by the college girls themselves as by calling upon their own resources a most delightful afternoon could be spent."

"In college entertainments our girls have been particularly active this year. The college women gave a Hallowe'en party in the old dining room, which was decorated with corn, stalks and all, strings of red peppers, autumn leaves, festoons of colored bunting and paper "ropes," with an open grate and a fire-log as the crowning features. Screens made nooks and corners and crannies, while the inevitable Jack o'Lantern family "smiled and smiled" in their villainous, luminous way upon the fiddler and dancers in the Virginia reel. Of course we had apples galore, and nuts, and cakes with the fatal symbols concealed in their appetizing depths. Then in a room beyond, where, with

"Double, double, toil and trouble;
Fire burn, and cauldron bubble"

the invisible witches danced about a simmering pot and *tripod* (I can not write *tripod* for it had four legs instead of three), the mysteries of the future were divulged. The souvenirs were pumpkins tied with the college colors and bearing a verse from Burns."

"To a girl, who, owing to circumstances of birth or environment, never has seen and never will see anything of society—in the limited sense of the word—the college tea gives a taste of that phase of life which is to all more or less attractive. It is undoubtedly true that to a girl of this kind, no matter how stern or how studious she may be, it is an inward satisfaction to know that she can pour tea and can do it gracefully. For the girl who is to the manner born, and to whom after-life will be partly made up

of just such things, the tea at college offers a golden opportunity for the exercise of her wonderful tact."

"We are very well pleased with our three cozy rooms, overlooking dear Lake Michigan, decorated with our colors and furnished with the "household goods," which have been presented to the chapter by different members. A few slight deficiencies in furnishing are to be made up by a donation party, to which we shall invite our mothers and sisters, and allow them to bring such gifts as they see fit."

"Do you ever take walks at the "twilight hour?" Let us recommend our plan — nearly every afternoon about half-past four, three or four of us start out to walk for an hour or more. We usually go to Ruth Hobby's, a mile from our homes, and Ruthie says she is always glad to see us. We have gone so often that she does not need a reminder now, but offers each of us a glass of milk whenever we call. You may not have a Ruthie to visit, but you all have "twilight hours" when you can go together for fresh air and fun."

We can readily forgive the critic his little growl at the existing state of things, provided it is followed up by some good, practical suggestions for bettering matters. This is what is done by *The Key* in its article on "Chapter Records." The notion of printed blanks for records of chapter members is so good that we hope to see it universally adopted, and although *The Key* claims no credit for originating the idea, it has our thanks for bringing it to our notice.

It is the incompleteness of chapter records, the ignorance of the active members as to the doings and the whereabouts of their alumnae, that is most grave, and that suggests a critical condition of affairs from a fraternity point of view. There are several cases of unknown addresses in many of the chapters. There are many such cases in several of the chapters. This can only mean that interest is lacking either on one side or on the other; that the failure to know is due either to the alumnae or to the chapter; and that the chapter is most to blame, since the responsibility of keeping in touch with alumnae rests rightly upon it, when the alumnae do not take the initiative. One of many cases in point may be related here. I learn from a prominent alumna of Iota that the subscription which an alumna of one of our younger chapters is faithful enough to send yearly, is not even honored with an acknowledgment from the chapter in the form of a receipt. Of course, there are many more such cases, with plausible enough reasons for oversight on the part of the chapter. All this,

however, is not entirely germane to the question; the important thing is that there is a tendency on the part of the chapters and alumnae to drift apart.

To secure future uniformity and completeness in these records, the blank system used by some men's fraternities might be adopted. A book of blanks, numbered in order for each individual, with spaces for every desirable item in an individual record, should be placed in the hands of each chapter. An additional slip to be torn off might be attached, for use in case the member contemplated transferred membership in the chapter of another university. The institution of this system, or a similar system, might be taken under consideration and decreed by the next convention. Its establishment as an institution would be an expense for the time being. But, in view of recent necessary investments in postal cards and postage stamps, it would be economy when it came to publishing the next catalogue. By the establishment of this system, together with yearly communications with the alumnae on the part of the chapters, the accuracy, uniformity, and completeness in chapter records yet unheard of in our fraternity would be secured.

With a delight which is perhaps scarcely sisterly, we quote from the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*. It is a comfort exceeding great to us of the unbusiness-like sex to find that even in these matters we were "made to match the men," to repeat Mrs. Poyser's oft-quoted philosophy. That the finances of our brothers are sometimes at loose ends, that their chapter treasurers are sometimes careless in their accounts and tardy in their collections,—well, this is doubtless not particularly agreeable to the Delta U's, but it goes a long way toward restoring our toppling self-respect and sex-respect.

And that it should be Delta Upsilon, whose chapter letters have been exciting our warmest admiration as models of what such efforts should be,—that it should be they who should have to confess that nearly a week after the appointed date but half the letters are at hand, this verily is something to take comfort in. The fact is that we had heard so little complaint lately that we feared that everybody but ourselves had become models of promptness, so a decent reserve bade us keep our trials to ourselves, but now, now we can confess in the assurance which good company gives, that we too have suffered.

Every loyal Delta Upsilon man desires to see steady progress in the year before us. This can only be achieved by successful financial administration in each chapter. Your chapter treasurer should be a man absolutely accurate and careful in his accounts, prompt and business-like in his collections and one who will most thoroughly command the respect and cooperation of each man in the chapter. These are high qualifications, but they are absolutely essential in a successful treasurer. The QUARTERLY would suggest to those chapters not already doing so, that the finances of the chapter ought to be run through a bank account. All money should be put at once in the bank and all payments made by check, drawn on the bank. This account should be in the chapter name and entirely separate from the personal account of the treasurer.

It would be well for the chapter at the beginning of the year to make a liberal estimate of the expenses for the year. Then carefully to apportion that among the members and immediately to set about the collection of it. Do not let this matter lie over until next spring or the end of the collegiate year. This is a fatal mistake and has brought sorrow to more than one chapter and odium to more than one chapter Treasurer. "What is worth doing at all is worth doing well." Let every chapter come squarely to time and wheel into line as a military column responds to the music and wheels at the commander's order. If Delta Upsilon will do this, we will enjoy a fraternity year of prosperity unparalleled in our history, and we will indeed have something to sing about when we go to the Quaker town next year.

And now a word about the second man of whom we have spoken. The qualifications for the chapter editor should be promptness in answering letters, carefulness in remembering requests and quickness in jotting down interesting items of fraternity life for use in the chapter letter. It does not require any great literary skill to be a chapter editor; it does require, above all things, faithfulness and promptness and courteous attention to the requests of the magazine editor. For instance, while this editorial is being written, the writer's eye runs over the chapter letters before him. At this day every chapter letter should be in his hands. Every chapter was urged, twenty days ago, to send the chapter letter by the 1st of November, and here upon the 5th of November, only half of the chapter editors have sent any response whatsoever.

At the convention of Delta Tau Delta, one of the speakers offered the following interesting facts regarding the growth of that organization during the last twenty-nine years. These illustrate very forcibly the rapid development of what may be called the fraternity idea, a development accounted for only in part, by the growth and multiplication of colleges:

In 1868, when the privilege was accorded me of inscribing my name on the scrolls of the fraternity there were in existence only eleven chapters. Six alone remain unto this day; the five others having passed out of existence during the period under consideration. Prior to 1868 four chapters had ceased to exist. Since 1868, sixty-one chapters have been organized. The chapters founded since 1868 and still in existence are: Albion, Adelbert, Vanderbilt, the Indiana Bloomington, Lehigh, Stevens, Rensselaer, Washington and Lee, Kenyon, Wabash, DePauw, Emory, old Butler, Sewanee, Tufts, Massachusetts Tech., Tulane, Cornell, Evanston, Leland Stanford, Brown, and the State Universities of Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Georgia, Minnesota, Colorado, Nebraska and Ohio. In 1868 our numerical strength was between 600 and 700; in 1897 it is not less than 5,600. The past twenty-nine years have also brought many changes in the organic structure of the Fraternity. The old plan of committing the general conduct of Fraternity affairs to a single chapter was well enough in its day, but it was never satisfactory either to the general order or to the chapter so designated. The want of cohesiveness, the conflict of authority, or more often the neglect to exercise authority, the absence of uniformity, and the almost entire lack of personal supervision over individual chapters were weaknesses of the old regime which had to yield inevitably to more modern and business-like method. The establishment of the Executive Council, and its successor, the Arch Chapter, the organization of near-by chapters into grand divisions, the enlargement of executive powers have all had a marked effect upon the growth of the Fraternity.

As illustrating graphically two sides of an old, old grievance the two following excerpts are submitted without comment. The first is from Beta Theta Pi:

College news is almost entirely out of place in a chapter letter, unless in some way it bears upon the life of the chapter or of the fraternity. It can readily be understood that if an exciting oratorical contest has taken place at one of our colleges, and the winner is a Beta, a short description of the contest, so that the Betas may appreciate the success of their brother, is appropriate and timely. Equally relevant is the notice of the advent or departure of Beta members in the faculty, or the publications of Beta authors, or the description of even extraneous events like glee club trips, and the like, if Betas are prominent actors therein. But notices and descriptions of such things, without the saving element of direct connection with members of the fraternity, are quite out of place.

There are, of course, some exceptions to the rule. A change of name, like that of Maine State College to the University of Maine, or Indiana

Asbury to DePauw, may appropriately be referred to, and at length, but a due sense of proportion should be preserved.

The fraternity news in a letter may be divided into two parts—news of the fraternity and chapter, and news of other fraternities. The latter items may be dismissed with little attention. They are infrequent, usually ill-natured, and entirely lacking in courtesy when they have any color at all. Apparently our secretaries fail to see that an intelligent statement of the condition of other fraternity chapters is necessary to a clear understanding of that of their own chapter. It is no honor to be first among nobodies. It is no honor to secure all the best men if there is no competition for them.

We now come to the important and vital point of these letters, viz., the information they contain about the chapter. With few exceptions, they fail to reveal the spirit, the life and true workings of the chapter. They fail to show its condition, its prospects or its relative position with respect to its rivals or to the college world of which it is an inhabitant.

A study of these letters shows that they are, outside of the monkey house of a menagerie, the most perfect specimen extant of the imitative faculty. Each secretary has followed the footsteps of his predecessor. So much is this the case in arrangement, style and expression, that even certain combinations of words seem to be transmissible in certain chapters. The letters in this regard are usually made up of a jumbled iteration and reiteration of the "honors" alleged to have fallen to the lot of the chapter's members. These are given in bare detail, with no sense of proportion, no discriminating characterization and with perfect lack of flavor.

"Brother Jones is on the football team; Brother Smith secured the Kellogg essay prize; Brother Robinson leads the mandolin club," etc., and so on in endless parade of absolute trivialities.

The second is from *Kappa Alpha Theta*:

Consider the subjects from which a correspondent may draw, and reconcile them if you can with the tastes and interests of this varied list of readers whose points of view are as opposite as one's antipodes. Can even the barest mention of fall term functions be they spreads, drives, theatricals or dances, excite the keen interest of faculty, independents, other Greeks,—reading weeks afterward, in far distant cities? Will their estimate of chapter life and interests be quite what we would wish? Yet, we write, as well, for ourselves and our fraternity, and to them these little things that make up the sum of chapter life are of lasting interest. To them, too, we must talk of "prospects" and the "recent campaign;" to them we must introduce our freshmen-elect and vouch for them in a few

words of commendation and confidence. But in what execrable taste is all this from an outsider's standpoint. Or at best what

"Quips and cranks and wanton wiles,
Nods and becks and wreathed smiles,"

they evoke.

"Be original"? We can't. There isn't anything to be original about in a chapter letter, strictly so speaking. "During the fall term all over this great country your sister chapters, too, have been busy initiating with all that precedes and follows" — and if this repetition of history be omitted, then the news must needs have a ludicrous savor of, "We take our pen in hand to let you know we are all well and hope you are enjoying the same blessing." "It isn't so much what you say as the way you say it." Ah! here we have a confession, Mademoiselle Editor. You do realize, it would seem, the limits of our possibilities. We must make something out of nothing, cosmos out of chaos, and make it perfect? The creative genius-you-would call for, demand, command?

The *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma has a good word for the Alumni club or chapter and some sensible suggestions as to defining its precise limits and relation to the active chapters. We are glad to quote liberally therefrom:

The fraternity seems to have taken the alumnus completely away from the general college world and buffets him about in a most ruthless manner. The alumnus should do this; if he is true he will always do that; if he loves his fraternity he will be sure to scatter cash liberally for this house or that hall. Again, we see so frequently in our magazines, "What shall be done for the alumnus?" or, "Take the alumnus to your hearts." Now all this goes to show that the alumnus is a hard nut to crack — figuratively speaking, of course — personally he is a lovable creature, especially when chapter houses are being built. Speaking seriously, the alumnus problem is one which is much agitated, too much agitated in fact. It has generally been the experience of the observer that a fraternity alumnus still has a spark of love for his old fraternity within him, and it only needs the opportunity to be fanned into a bright flame. True, a pessimistic alumnus wrote in *The Caduceus* not many months ago about the small consideration to be expected from the class. That fellow was a philosopher, and philosophers know pretty much everything but human nature. On that score they have failed, from Confucius to Renan. Having thus destroyed the pessimistic brother, it is proper to state what is believed to be a great help to the ever-existing fraternity love of the true alumnus. This agency is the alumni club. It can be made successful; in fact, I believe it generally is. There are now six alumni clubs or associations of Kappa Sigma,

and each one of them is full of live, burning interest for our fraternity. But we need more of them, and the surest way to get them is by some sort of official recognition. As these associations now exist what are they? Alumni clubs or alumni chapters? I turn to a copy of our recent constitution. Surely, there will be found something about the functions and scope of an alumni association. I turn page after page. I begin at the beginning, I finish at the end. Not a word there about an alumni association. A fraternity, with six active organizations of this kind and not a word to guide or govern them! The various acts of Conclave are searched; not a word there. Is not this a radical defect in our organic law? If the fraternity need the alumni—and it does—if the alumni wish to keep in loving touch with the fraternity—and they surely do—why not have some legal recognition of an organized body of these brothers?

The following tabular enumeration of the college fraternities is so complete and handy for reference that we take the liberty of quoting it entire from the recent manual of Phi Delta Theta:

GENERAL FRATERNITIES.

- Kappa Alpha, founded at Union, 1825; 6 chapters in 4 states; scarlet.
 Sigma Phi, founded at Union, 1827; 8 chapters in 5 states; white and light blue.
 Delta Phi, founded at Union, 1827; 12 chapters in 7 states; white and blue.
 Alpha Delta Phi, founded at Hamilton, 1832; 23 chapters in 12 states; green; *Star and Crescent* (suspended).
 Psi Upsilon, founded at Union, 1833; 20 chapters in 11 states; garnet and gold; *Diamond* (suspended).
 Delta Upsilon, founded at Williams, 1834; 31 chapters in 14 states; sapphire and old gold; *Quarterly*.
 Beta Theta Pi, founded at Miami, 1839; 62 chapters in 28 states; pink and light blue; rose; *Mystic Messenger* (secret), *Beta Theta Pi*. Phi-Kai-Phi! Beta Theta Pi! W-O-O-G-L-I-N! Wooglin! Wooglin!
 Chi Psi, founded at Union, 1841; 18 chapters in 12 states; purple and gold; *Purple and Gold* (suspended?).
 Delta Kappa Epsilon, founded at Yale, 1844; 35 chapters in 21 states; blue, gold and crimson; *Quarterly*.
 Zeta Psi, founded at New York University, 1846; 22 chapters in 13 states; white; *Quarterly* (suspended).
 Delta Psi, founded at Columbia, 1847; 8 chapters in 6 states; light blue.
 Theta Delta Chi, founded at Union, 1847; 22 chapters in 12 states; black, white and blue; *Shield*.
 Phi Gamma Delta, founded at Jefferson (now Washington and Jefferson), 1848; 43 chapters in 17 states; royal purple; *Quarterly*.
 Phi Delta Theta, founded at Miami, 1848; 66 chapters in 27 states; white and light blue; white carnation; Pallas; *Palladium* (secret), SCROLL.—Rah! Rah! Rah! Phi-Kei-A! Phi Delta Theta! Rah! Rah! Rah!
 Phi Kappa Sigma, founded at University of Pennsylvania, 1850; 14 chapters in 7 states, black and gold; *Quarterly*.
 Phi Kappa Psi, founded at Jefferson (now Washington and Jefferson), 1852; 39 chapters in 19 states; lavender and pink; laurel and ivy; *Shield*.

High! High! High! Phi Kappa Psi! Live ever, die never! Phi Kappa Psi!

ChiPhi, founded at Princeton, 1854; 21 chapters in 13 states; scarlet and blue; *Chackett* (secret annual).

Sigma Chi, founded at Miami, 1855, 50 chapters in 23 states; blue and gold; white rose; *Bulletin* (secret), *Quarterly*. Who, who? Who am I? I am a royal Sigma Chi! Whoop-la-hi! Whoop-la-hi! Sigma Chi!

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, founded at University of Alabama, 1856; 54 chapters in 24 states; purple and old gold; violet; *Phi Alpha* (secret), *Record*. Phi Alpha, Alicazee! Phi Alpha, Alicazon! Sigma Alpha! Sigma Alpha! Sigma Alpha Epsilon!

Delta Tau Delta, founded at Bethany, 1860; 37 chapters in 20 states; white, royal purple and old gold; pansy; *Rainbow*. Rah, rah, Delta! Delta Tau Delta! Rah, rah, Delta Tau! Delta Tau Delta!

Alpha Tau Omega, founded at Virginia Military Institute, 1865; 42 chapters in 19 states; sky blue and old gold; white tea rose; *Palm*. Hip, hurrah! Hip, hurrah! Three cheers for Alpha Tau! Rah! Rah! Rah!

Kappa Alpha, founded at Washington (now Washington and Lee), 1865; 37 chapters in 16 states; crimson and gold; magnolia and red rose; *Special Messenger* (secret), *Journal*.

Kappa Sigma, founded at University of Virginia, 1867; 44 chapters in 21 states; maroon, old gold and peacock blue; lily of the valley; *Star and Crescent* (secret), *Caduceus*. Rah! Rah! Rah! Crescent and Star! Vive-la! Vive-la! Kappa Sigma!

Pi Kappa Alpha, founded at University of Virginia, 1868; 13 chapters in 5 states; garnet and old gold; lily of the valley; *Shield and Diamond*.

Sigma Nu, founded at Virginia Military Institute, 1869; 41 chapters in 20 states; black, white and gold; white rose; *Delta*. Hi-rickety! Whoop-ty-doo! What's the matter with Sigma Nu? Hullabaloo! Terragahoo! Ausgezeichnet! Sigma Nu!

Phi Phi Phi, founded at Austin College, 1892; 5 chapters.

Mu Pi Lambda, founded at Washington and Lee, 1895, 2 chapters in 1 state.

SORORITIES.

Pi Beta Phi, founded at Monmouth, 1867; 28 chapters in 17 states; wine and silver-blue; carnation; *Arrow*. Ring-ching-ching! Ho-hippi-hi! Rah-Rho, Arrow! Pi Beta Phi!

Kappa Alpha Theta, founded at Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw), 1870; 22 chapters in 14 states; black and gold; black pansy with yellow heart; *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

Kappa Kappa Gamma, founded at Monmouth, 1870; 27 chapters in 14 states; dark and light blue; fleur de lis; sapphire; Athena; *Key*. *At Kόραι 'Αθήνης!*

Alpha Phi, founded at Syracuse, 1872; 9 chapters in 8 states; red and silver-gray; lily of the valley and forget-me-not; *Quarterly*.

Delta Gamma, founded at University of Mississippi, 1872; 13 chapters in 11 states; pink, blue and bronze; pearl rose; *Anchora*.

Gamma Phi Beta, founded at Syracuse, 1874; 7 chapters in 7 states; fawn and seal brown; carnation.

Delta Delta Delta, founded at Boston University, 1889; 15 chapters in 11 states; gold, silver and blue; pansy; pine; Poseidon; *Trident*.

'Αλαλά Αλαλά Αλαλά Τά 'Ιερά Προβιθήνια!

HONORARY, PROFESSIONAL AND CLASS SOCIETIES.

Phi Beta Kappa, honorary, founded at William and Mary, 1776; 40 chapters in 18 states.

Theta Xi, engineering-scientific, founded at Rensselaer, 1864; 4 chapters in 4 states.

Phi Delta Phi, law, founded at University of Michigan, 1869; 26 chapters in 17 states; *Brief* (suspended).

Q. T. V., agricultural-scientific, founded at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1869; 3 chapters in 3 states; white and lavender; white carnation; *Quarterly* (suspended).

Theta Nu Epsilon, sophomore, founded at Wesleyan, 1870; 38 chapters in 17 states; green and black.

Phi Sigma Kappa, scientific medical, founded at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1873; 7 chapters in 4 states; silver and magenta.

Nu Sigma Nu, medical-regular, founded at University of Michigan, 1882; 14 chapters in 8 states; garnet and white.

Delta Sigma Delta, dental, founded at University of Michigan, 1882; 11 chapters in 8 states.

Phi Chi, pharmacy, founded at University of Michigan, 1883; 2 chapters in 2 states.

Alpha Chi Omega, musical-ladies, founded at DePauw, 1885; 4 chapters in four states; scarlet and olive.

Tau Beta Pi, honorary, founded at Lehigh, 1886; 3 chapters in 3 states.

Sigma Xi, honorary-scientific, founded at Cornell, 1886; 6 chapters in 4 states.

Phi Alpha Sigma, medical-regular, founded in Bellevue, 1887; 2 chapters in 2 states.

Beta Delta Beta, freshman, founded at Syracuse, 1887; 6 chapters in 3 states.

Alpha Kappa Kappa, medical-regular, founded at Dartmouth, 1888; 5 chapters in 5 states.

Xi Psi Phi, dental, founded at University of Michigan, 1889; 11 chapters in 9 states.

Delta Chi, law, founded at Cornell, 1890; 9 chapters in 7 states.

Omega Psi, sophomore-ladies, founded in Northwestern, 1894; 2 chapters in 2 states.

Alpha Theta Phi, honorary, founded at University of North Carolina, 1894; 2 chapters in 2 states.

Pi Kappa Tau, homeopathic, founded at University of Iowa, 1896; 2 chapters in 2 states.

Alpha Upsilon Mu, medical-regular, 3 chapters in 3 states.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi devotes considerable space to descriptions and illustrations of the chapter houses owned, with accounts of the different methods used in obtaining them. These make fascinating and encouraging reading for those who desire to emulate these chapters, and must inspire many others to "go and do likewise." We learn that of the chapters of Phi Psi, eight own houses or lodges, one has a house in process of construction, and two more own lots on which they purpose soon to build. The total value of Phi Psi realty amounts to over one hundred thousand dollars.

In the same connection The *Beta Theta Pi* makes the following announcement:

The chapter-houses owned in the fraternity are those at Amherst, Wesleyan, St. Lawrence, Colgate, Pennsylvania State, Denison, DePauw,

Michigan, California and Stanford—ten in all. Those rented are at Boston, Maine, Rutgers, Cornell, Stevens, Syracuse, Johns Hopkins, Pennsylvania, Lehigh, Miami, Washington-Jefferson, Beloit, Chicago, Wisconsin, Northwestern, Minnesota, Kansas, Denver, Nebraska, Western Reserve and Missouri—twenty-one in all.

The *Shield* of Theta Delta Chi reviews in terms of friendliest cordiality and with flattering fullness the issues of all the woman's fraternities, and then, without even the briefest mention of any of the men's publications, the exchange department is brought to a close with the following significant paragraph:

The editor regrets that owing to illness he is unable to complete the Exchange Notes for the present issue, the more because he had some pleasant things to say about the recent issues. Should the work fall to our lot for another year we will continue where we left off.

Are we to infer that the natural gallantry of the editor led him, though ill and suffering, to struggle through the woman's journals, or that, after reading those, he was left in too weak and demoralized a condition to begin on the men's. Please, dear Mr. Editor, tell us which.

One of the series of articles now being published in *Scribner's*, under the caption, "The Unquiet Sex," taxes the college woman with taking herself and her work too seriously and her society life too lightly. This calls out from *The Key* the following praiseworthy sentiments:

The fraternity girl is devoted to her fraternity; it is of more importance to her than her course of electives—more than anything else at college. While one is there, it takes the place of home, binding her in closest friendship with all its members and broadening her mind through its influences. The belief that the college girl as a rule is indifferent to matters pertaining to her college, its politics, its triumphs and defeats on the athletic field, its standing among other colleges, is also a false one. She is prevented by conventionality from indulgence in those uproarious methods by which her brother shows his loyalty and enthusiasm, but she is, nevertheless, as loyal and enthusiastic as he.

J. F. NEWMAN,

Manufacturing Jeweler.

I HAVE JUST PERFECTED AN ENTIRELY NEW LINE
OF Π. Β. Φ. BADGES.

*GREATEST VARIETY IN JEWELING.
BEAUTIFUL AND ARTISTIC DESIGNS.
HIGHEST GRADE AND FINEST WORKMANSHIP.*

Price List and Illustrations will be sent on
application through the Chapter.

✽ ✽ ✽ 19 John Street, NEW YORK.

THE ARROW



To be beautiful must be artistically made. Our
Arrow Pins are beautiful because they are grace-
fully proportioned and of the Finest workman-
ship.

We also guarantee the quality of all precious
stones mounted in our Pi Beta Phi pins.

CORRESPONDENCE INVITED.

TRASK & PLAIN,

MANUFACTURING JEWELERS,

2 MAIN STREET,

GALESBURG, ILL.

Having recently been appointed OFFICIAL JEWELERS to the
Pi Beta Phi Fraternity we would call attention to our new line of

...PINS...

Samples of which we shall be pleased to send the members
upon application of the Chapter Secretary

SIMONS BRO. & CO.

SILVERSMITHS AND JEWELERS,

616 Chestnut Street,
611-613 Sansom Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

We should be pleased to estimate on Class Rings, Pins, Prizes, and
will send our Catalogue of Sterling Silverware on application.

PI BETA PHI PINS.

• • • • •

*Having been authorized to manufacture the pins of the
Pi Beta Phi Fraternity, I am prepared to fur-
nish a line of pins superior in work-
manship and design.*

• • • • •

SEND FOR ILLUSTRATED PRICE LIST.

D. L. AULD,

76 EAST GAY STREET,

COLUMBUS, OHIO

E. R. CURTISS,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

Pioneer Blk, East Main Street,

MADISON, WISCONSIN.

Auxiliary Publishers.
Stereotypers.

Blank Book Manufacturers.
Binders.

Democrat Printing Company

Book and Job
Printers

114-124 South Carroll St.
Madison, Wis.

Keeley's Bitter Sweets

THE FINEST CHOCOLATES MADE.

TRY SAMPLE BOX
BY MAIL.

109 STATE STREET,
MADISON, WIS.

W. W. WETMORE,

106 S. MAIN STREET and 342 S. STATE ST., ANN ARBOR, MICH.

Carries full line of Text Books and Students'
Supplies and Fine Stationery and of Miscellan-
eous Books and offers all at the lowest prices.

JAS. E. MOSELEY,

BOOKSELLER AND STATIONER,

19 S. Pinckney St., Madison, Wis.

The Arrow
CALLS ATTENTION!

To the new line of Fraternity
Stationery at the College
Book Store, State St.

H. RANDALL

• • • PHOTOGRAPHER • • •

Washington Block, Ann Arbor, Mich.

CHOCOLATE CANDIES

In packages only, because we can keep them
fresher that way. All sizes from 5c to \$3.00.
Both Lowney's and Allegretti's.

CALKIN'S PHARMACY, ANN ARBOR.

GEORGE WAHR, Ann Arbor, Mich.

BOOKSELLER TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Keep constantly on hand books for every department in the University. Im-
porter of all kinds of foreign books and periodicals. University of Michigan
stationery. Discount prices on everything.

BUNDE & UPMAYER,
....JEWELERS....

Manufacturers of Pi....
Beta
Phi..
Pins.

WRITE FOR SAMPLES AND PRICES.

121-123 Wisconsin St.,

-

Milwaukee, Wis.

