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Each date designated in extra heavy type has a significance which is explained in the following information.

- March 1.** Chapter corresponding secretary should send complete lists of active members for the second semester to the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Province President, and Alumnae Editor; lists of chapter officers for the second semester to all members of the Grand Council and to the Province President, and names of those leaving college to the Alumnae Editor.
- March 4.** Fraternity examination. If date is not convenient confer with your examiner previous to this date according to instructions in January Bulletin.
- *March 5.**
- March 15.** Chapter Treasurer should send semi-annual dues to the Grand Treasurer.
- March 30.** Chairman of chapter committee on scholarship should send mid-semester report to member of standing committee to whom her chapter is assigned. The Pi Beta Phi Settlement School year closes at this date.
- April 12.** Alumnae club secretaries mail alumnae personals to Alumnae Editor.
- April 15.** Chapter letter. All material for the June Arrow requested in *The Bulletin* issued April 1 is due on this date. It should be prepared and mailed on or before April 10.
- April 25.** Founders' Day. Alumnae unite with nearest active chapter in celebration of the event.
- April 29.** Annual report of alumnae clubs should be mailed to the Alumnae Editor of *The Arrow*. They must be in her hands by May 5. This means that the report should be written before Founders' Day and all account of the celebration inserted or added directly after and the ms. mailed, April 29.
- April 30.** Alumnae clubs elect officers.
- May 1.** Beginning of alumnae fiscal year.
- May 1.** Chapter corresponding secretaries should send annual reports to all members of the Grand Council and to Province President.
- May 1.** Chapter corresponding secretaries should send to the Alumnae Editor a revised list of girls graduating or permanently leaving college in June together with their permanent home addresses.
- *May 25.**
- June 1.** Chapter corresponding secretaries should send lists of officers for the fall semester to all members of the Grand Council and to the Province President, and should be sure that all initiates for the year have been reported to the Grand Secretary. Chapter corresponding secretary send to Cataloguer copy of chapter membership list with addresses (if published by the chapter).
- June 1.** Chapter Panhellenic representative should send to fraternity representative in National Panhellenic Congress detailed report on Panhellenic conditions in her college. Chairman of chapter committee on scholarship should send her summer address and final report of the work of her committee to member of standing committee to whom her chapter is assigned; also her summer address to chairman of standing committee, Mrs. George H. Tannahill, 402 Third Street, Lewiston, Idaho.
- June 15.** Chairman of chapter committee on scholarship should make sure that the second semester report duly recorded on N. P. C. blanks has reached the standing committee. Chapter corresponding secretaries should send names, photographs, and brief typewritten biographies of all members elected to Φ B K, Σ , or other honor students, to Mrs. George W. Tannahill, 402 Third St., Lewiston, Idaho.
- June 20.** Annual Reports of National Officers, Province Presidents, Province Vice-presidents, and Chairmen of Standing Committees should be sent to Grand Secretary for use at summer meeting of the Grand Council. All reports should be typewritten.
- July 1.** Annual meeting of the Grand Council. Exact date to be announced.
- September 1.** Chairman of chapter committee on scholarship should send to member of standing committee to whom her chapter is assigned and also to the chairman, Mrs. George W. Tannahill, 402 Third Street, Lewiston, Idaho, her address for the college year.
- *September 10.**
- September 15.** Chapter officers should meet and prepare for the new college year. (The exact date of this meeting must be determined in each chapter by the date of the opening of college.)
- September 25.** Chapter corresponding secretaries should send complete lists of active members to the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Province President, and Alumnae Editor; also send Alumnae Editor list of names and addresses of girls active in June but not in September, giving last address at which Arrow was received.
- October 10.** Chapter corresponding secretaries send in to Grand President and Grand Vice-president names of Alumnae Advisory Committee.
- October 15.** Chapter Treasurer should send semi-annual dues to the Grand Treasurer.
- October 21.** Alumnae club secretaries mail alumnae personals to Alumnae Editor.
- October 25.** Chapter letter and all material requested for the December Arrow in *The Bulletin* issued the first week in October is due on this date. It should be prepared and mailed on or before October 20.
- November 15.** Annual dues of alumnae should be sent to the Province Vice-presidents.
- November 15.** Chapter Panhellenic representative should make to fraternity representative report on Panhellenic conditions in her college.
- November 22.** Chairman of chapter committee on scholarship should send to member of standing committee to whom her chapter is assigned mid-semester report on work of her committee.
- *December 10.**

*All notices intended for the next issue of *The Pi Beta Phi Bulletin* should be in the hands of the Editor on this date.

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WE, THE fraternity undergraduate members, stand for good scholarship, for the guardians of good health, for whole-hearted coöperation with our college's ideals for student life, for the maintenance of fine social standards, and the serving, to the best of our ability, of our college community. Good college citizenship as a preparation for good citizenship in the larger world of alumnae days is the ideal that shall guide our chapter activities.

We, the fraternity alumnae members, stand for an active, sympathetic interest in the life of our undergraduate sisters, for the loyal support of the ideals of our Alma Mater, for the encouragement of high scholarship, for the maintenance of healthful physical condition in the chapter-house and dormitory and for using our influence to further the best standards for the education of the young women of America. Loyal service to chapter, college, and community is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

We, the fraternity officers, stand for loyal and earnest work for the realization of these fraternity standards. Coöperation for the maintenance of fraternity life in harmony with its best possibilities is the ideal that shall guide our fraternity activities.

We, the fraternity women of America, stand for preparation for service through character building inspired in the close contact and deep friendship of fraternity life. To us fraternity life is not the enjoyment of special privileges but an opportunity to prepare for wide and wise human service.

*The above was prepared and submitted by the Editors' Conference at the National Panhellenic Congress with the recommendation that it be published annually by each fraternity.

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A WORD OF WARNING

The contents of this number are of an intimate nature and should be regarded in the nature of family secrets. In order to secure privacy, all subscribers who cannot keep this number away from the public are asked to destroy it as soon as read but provision should be made to keep several copies in a safe place for reference when needed in each active chapter and alumnae club. *This is necessary because at least five questions in the next fraternity examination will be based upon the information given in this number.* For this reason several copies should be kept in the archives of each chapter but they should never be read outside of the chapter-room and should not be allowed in public rooms of any kind, either in dormitory or chapter-house. Every word printed in this number is of interest to every Pi Beta Phi and all are urged to read carefully but the *attention of corresponding secretaries and other officers is called especially to the announcements and instructions found on pages 65-72.*

GRAND PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As this message goes to press I am writing of our three newest chapters to which class also Hollins belongs as it was installed on June 1 of this year.

Since it has been decided to postpone convention on account of war conditions, the Council deemed it advisable that every chapter should be visited by a Grand Officer before next summer. In pursuance of this policy Mrs. Allen and I were sent to the Pacific Coast to hold reunions in Eta Province and to visit as many alumnæ clubs and members of active chapters as possible. A description of this trip will be found elsewhere, but the spirit of enthusiasm and coöperation was everywhere so manifest that I feel called upon to mention it. The girls of all the chapters on the coast from Seattle to Stanford supported us loyally and entertained us royally, as did also the alumnæ clubs everywhere, and on a six weeks' trip, twenty-one nights of which were spent on the train, not one unpleasant incident or one unkind word marred the true Pi Phi spirit, which we found everywhere. This is our own private number, so I may say in secret without boasting that I am prouder than ever of Pi Phi after this visit, because I believe she stands for the true values in life and the things that are worth while.

The Council meeting is set for October immediately preceding the National Panhellenic Conference, which is to be held in Chicago, and at that time a definite decision will be reached as to what part we will take as a fraternity in war relief. I also take this opportunity once more to urge the chapter girls to remember the present world stress, and to make a part of their contribution to the war, economy in chapter expenses, i. e., doing away with elaborate entertainments and extravagant clothes. For the alumnæ, conservation in household matters will be their largest contribution. Dr. Grace Raymond Hebard, of the University of Wyoming, has been given leave of absence to lecture over the country on the wisdom and necessity of the clean plate, and the Pi Phi girls can help in this as well as in numerous other ways.

The Scholarship Committee reports continued improvement along the scholarship line, with some of our best chapters, however, still lagging. Let us make this the banner year in scholarship and put Pi Phi at the head beyond any question in scholarship.

The report of the Loan Fund Committee shows that many girls are being yearly aided by means of this fund.

The Fellowship Committee reports progress toward a permanent Endowment Fund, having now \$789.66 to its credit. This year the fellowship was divided between Lucille Cravens, Illinois B, and Esther Bigger, Ohio B, the applicants being so nearly equal in qualifications, recommendations, etc., that the Council felt unable and unwilling to decide between them. One will pursue work toward the Doctor's Degree at the University of Missouri, the other at Columbia University, New York.

The Settlement School is progressing, the cottages are erected, and the Pricketts are back again doing their utmost for the school. Mrs. Helmick seems encouraged over the outlook for the year, but interested as she is in war, war relief, Red Cross, etc., urges and warns us not to forget that school funds must be forthcoming and that contributions are necessary from us all for running expenses. The report appears elsewhere and says plainly, don't forget the school this year.

The Council feels that this year a special effort should be made to strengthen ourselves internally. Intensive work by all officers, clubs, and chapters will be necessary, so that next year when we hope to hold our postponed convention, our fiftieth anniversary celebration will show the fraternity at the highest stage of efficiency possible to be reached.

With greetings to all the chapters and alumnæ clubs and to the Pi Phi recently visited, with best wishes for a successful year.

Very sincerely yours,

MAY L. KELLER.

GRAND VICE-PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO ALUMNÆ

Dear Alumnæ Members:

To meet all of you personally and talk over our fraternity work together, as the Grand President and Grand Vice-president were privileged to do this summer with chapters and clubs along the Pacific Coast, would be much more enjoyable and satisfactory than this means of communication. In a measure this may be brought about, as this trip was only the beginning of plans now being made for a

visit by a member of Grand Council, in so far as possible the coming year, to every chapter and club.

Out of the reconstruction period after a great civil war our fraternity was born fifty years ago and the need which was felt then for mutual coöperation and helpfulness both for our members and others is doubly felt today as we face different but none the less trying conditions brought about by the great world war.

Let us hold so far as practicable to our usual routine of work in the fraternity as we are counseled to do in other phases of life. Red Cross work will be done by all of us through church societies, clubs, etc. If it seems advisable to do war relief work as a Pi Phi club, as many are doing, why not do it in addition to, rather than instead of your regular normal lines of fraternity work?

There is much to do! Now, if ever, must we prove the meaning of our letters and the value of our friendships. Many of our members have married into the army and navy, and many others have recently sent their husbands, brothers, and dear friends at the call of their country to training camps and across the water to foreign lands. Clubs could well make a special effort this year to hunt up lonely Pi Phis and cheer them up a bit. Even a note or a telephone call will help to bring new thoughts and interest.

The chapters will need the help of their own alumnæ and the nearest club this year as they return to depleted colleges. They will need encouragement, counsel, and financial backing to safely meet and conquer the new problems which will come.

Many of our chapters and clubs are situated near the great training camps where much can be done in a concrete way to assist the various organizations to maintain the high standards we crave for our young men.

The Settlement School, our own particular alumnæ responsibility, needs your regular contributions to running expenses. This year we are endeavoring to cut expenses to a minimum but in order that the work which we builded for the future may survive these trying times it is absolutely essential that we each do our share toward its support.

Our state or sectional plan of organization for clubs is working out slowly but surely. Out of twenty clubs organized since last convention, eight are of this character. It has been suggested that someone be appointed in each state where there is no chartered club

CONTINGENT FUND

Receipts:

Chapter dues	\$2,931.00
Catalogue	668.00
Songbook	151.75
Supplies	103.20
History	56.25
Fines	2.00
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	\$3,912.20
Balance July 1, 1916	232.87

\$4,145.07

Expenditures:

Salaries	\$750.00
Fellowship	500.00
Traveling expense	475.81
General expense	350.86
Catalogue	253.72
Settlement School	250.00
Loan Fund	200.00
Grand Council expense	184.18
Installation	72.78
Songbook	52.66
Miscellaneous	38.50
Supplies	22.34
History	6.26
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\$3,157.11

Balance July 31, 1917 \$987.96

LOAN FUND

Receipts:

Alumnæ Fund	\$250.00
Contingent Fund	200.00
Loans paid	225.00
Alumnæ clubs	36.75
Active chapters	13.50
Individual gifts	11.00
Interest	4.50
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	\$740.25
Balance July 1, 1916	133.00

\$873.25

Expenditures:

Loans	\$455.00
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\$455.00

Balance July 31, 1917 \$418.25

EMERGENCY FUND

Receipts:

Chapter dues	\$1,658.00
Balance July 1, 1916	1550.50

 \$3208.50
Expenditures:

ARROW Fund	\$236.34
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 \$236.34

Balance July 31, 1917	\$2,972.16
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CONVENTION FUND

Receipts:

Chapter dues	\$2,931.00
Balance July 1, 1916	3,703.14

 \$6,634.14
Expenditures:

Postage	11.00
Advertisement	13.00

 \$24.00

Balance July 31, 1917	\$6,610.14
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ALUMNÆ FUND

Receipts:

Alpha Province dues	\$126.00
Beta Province dues	83.50
Gamma Province dues	125.50
Delta Province dues	118.50
Epsilon Province dues	185.50
Zeta Province dues	54.50
Eta Province dues	127.50

 \$821.00

Balance July 1, 1916	499.19
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 \$1,320.19
Expenditures:

Loan Fund	\$250.00
Salaries	200.00
Grand Vice-president	30.53
Alumnæ Editor	53.00
Province Vice-presidents	8.00

 \$541.53

Balance July 31, 1917	\$778.66
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RECAPITULATION

ARROW Endowment	\$33,425.19	Investments	\$41,500.00
Convention Fund	6,610.14	Cash in Bank	4,071.59
Emergency Fund	2,972.16	Savings bank	1,858.79
Badge Fund	1,766.88	ARROW Fund	477.07
Contingent Fund	987.96	Due from chapters	70.55
Fellowship Endowment ..	789.66		
Alumnæ Fund	778.66		
Loan Fund	418.25		
Settlement School End. ...	229.10		

\$47,978.00

\$47,978.00

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE STUART, *Grand Treasurer.*

***AN IMPORTANT LETTER FROM
MRS. HELMICK**

14 Parkwood Avenue, Charleston, S. C.,
September 3, 1917.

Dear Pi Phis:

Since the *annual report was written, the seventh session of our school has been opened. The management of the school will be in the hands of the Grand Vice-president, the seven Province Vice-presidents, and myself, as chairman. We have no Head Resident this year, but at Gatlinburg, Mr. Prickett, who is in charge of the manual training, has been made principal of the school; Ruth Meacham, Illinois Δ, teacher of higher grades, is librarian; Emily Burton, kindergarten and primary teacher, house manager; Mrs. Norman Prickett, in charge of industrial work also has charge of the settlement work of the school, and Marjorie Jackson, Wisconsin A, teacher of the intermediate grades, will be secretary and business manager at Gatlinburg. Miss Jackson will have charge of the clerical duties of the Head Resident, and to her Pi Phis can write with the assurance that they will have a prompt reply.

School opened August 6, with a large gathering of pupils, parents, and friends. The two west rooms were thrown into one and every seat was occupied by one, and some seats by two persons. Speeches were made by Mr. Conner, pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church, Steve Whaley, and others, and the singing by the school children was inspiring. The new piano in the schoolroom, and the new songbooks, and Mr. and Mrs. Prickett and Miss Meacham have brought about a wonderful improvement in both the voices of the children and the

*See Report, p. 54.

nature of their songs. After the opening exercises were over, the classes were quickly and quietly formed with Mr. Prickett in the manual training room, Miss Burton in kindergarten, Miss Meacham in high school room, Miss Jackson in the intermediate room, and Mrs. Prickett in the industrial department.

The teachers have their regular faculty meeting each week and definite plans for an active year have been outlined; each teacher has, beside her room work, a definite responsibility in the settlement, and under Mr. Prickett's capable and energetic leadership and with these earnest and loyal assistants, we have reason for anticipating a year of greater usefulness than ever before.

The lower part of Mrs. Prickett's room has been partitioned off by the manual training boys for the cooking department. Heretofore, cooking has been taught in the teachers' cottage. Now, we have two three-holed kerosene stoves, with a complete working outfit to each, and the cooking department is in its own home under the school's roof. Mrs. Prickett's efficient and magnetic management of this and the sewing department has aroused keen interest and these arts are now in favor, popularity, and proving their usefulness.

The children are anxious to do any kind of Red Cross work, but especially knitting. Up to the present time, we have not succeeded in getting materials for them, so if any Pi Phi care to send yarns, muslin for bandages, or materials to be made into garments, our teachers will be delighted to see that the work is done properly. They are familiar with Red Cross requirements.

Mr. Prickett is working up a Community Club in the old school building at the junction of Baskins and the Little Pigeon for the men. He hopes to gather here the men and big boys in an easy, comfortable atmosphere for reading, debates, and intelligent discussions of public affairs. He would be glad to receive appropriate pictures, reading material, or equipment of any kind, also suggestions and help from those who have organized or worked in such an enterprise.

If any of our Pi Phi have cuttings of vines, plants, etc., or magazines devoted to gardening, with suggestions for beautifying our grounds, Mr. Prickett would appreciate their help.

Pi Phi who can send Ruth Meacham good, useful books or magazines for the library will be helping tremendously. We had a number of very desirable periodicals coming regularly to the school last

year (thanks to the Detroit Alumnae Club) which were greatly appreciated by our children. This is an important help in our work.

The teachers join me in requesting that Pi Phi will please not send gifts direct to the school children.

A number of Pi Phi, from time to time, have corresponded with our pupils. This has been very helpful. The letters have been cherished by them and the whole family is as "proud" of them as they would be of a distinguished guest within their home. If there are other Pi Phi, or Pi Phi daughters who would care to help in this way, please write Marjorie Jackson for advice.

At present, we are overstocked with old clothes, so please do not send more until solicited.

In Mr. Prickett's room I saw several handsome black walnut chairs, stools, bookcases, etc. If any Pi Phi is interested in seeing a sample of this work, especially mountain porch chairs of hickory, we have in Mr. Prickett a "live" man who would take pleasure in shipping a sample to show what his boys can do.

Miss Burton has fallen heir to the organ given by the Washington Alumnae Club in 1912. Her "leastest ones" are the happiest and busiest, and it would fill every Pi Phi's heart with joy to see their eager faces and hear their sweet, childish voices singing the new kindergarten songs. Miss Burton is a trained kindergarten teacher with several years' experience. She is a tiny little body and from the first hour captivated her children, and is constantly the center of an adoring and charmed group of children. If any of our Pi Phi have paper dolls or materials that might be useful in the kindergarten please send them to Miss Burton. Her children's homes are so bare of such things. It would help.

Clubs desiring baskets for the Christmas trade should write Norman R. Prickett early. He will be glad to send samples to any club caring to see them. These baskets are very strong, useful, and prices are reasonable.

Marjorie Jackson, Wisconsin A, is the business manager of the school at Gatlinburg. Write her if you want any information about the school.

Club officers are urged to give the school and its support their earnest thought. Owing to the war, many have reduced or cancelled their annual pledges. Club members, and especially club presidents,

are asked to consider seriously their duty toward the school. Our clubs are our only organized alumnæ; they are the *power*, the *strength*, of the Alumnæ Department: their failure to do their proportion weakens our ability to accomplish the work planned for us. It has been carefully worked out and demonstrated that it requires at least \$2 per capita of each club's actual membership to meet all the school's expenses per annum. Some clubs gave much more last year, but twenty-five alumnæ clubs gave nothing to this wonderful work. The loss was the school's and the fraternity's, but also those twenty-five club's. For, to work shoulder to shoulder with their Fraternity sisters would have given them a national connection, a generous pride in the dear old Fraternity they are bound together to honor and serve, and the wonderful joy and pleasure of doing for these isolated mountain people who have been regenerated by Pi Beta Phi women. I would like to see every alumnæ club in the country this year when we are all making sacrifices, make one great and successful effort to arouse in their members, a \$2 apiece pledge to the support of the Pi Beta Phi Settlement School. Let the members earn the money if they do not feel that they can give it, and in earning it they will feel the joy of "work." I will gladly offer suggestions to any club wishing to know how other clubs have managed. Please, dear sisters, take these remarks to your hearts, and lose no time. Start early and work quickly.

As I am an Army woman I shall soon be on the move again. I do not expect to go to France. Always put your name and address upon your envelope when writing me, and have no fear that my mail will not follow me because I make special arrangements at each postoffice for caring and forwarding.

I wish to thank every Pi Phi who has helped the school this year. It has been an unusually hard and anxious year in many ways for the school and for all of us. I greatly appreciate the many cordial, friendly, and appreciative letters of Pi Phis over the country. They have buoyed me up and spurred me on to greater effort and given me determination and strength to work for them, for the Fraternity, and the dear, eager children and anxious parents along the Little Pigeon.

ELIZABETH A. HELMICK.

Owing to "hard times," magazine subscriptions will naturally decrease this year, which makes it more urgent upon every club presi-

dent that she appoint a "live wire" in her club to solicit subscriptions for our Pi Beta Phi Magazine Subscription Agency. Our prices are as low as the lowest anywhere and all profits go to the support of the Settlement School. Address

Miss Blanche G. Reisinger,
235 East Lafayette Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

TRIPS OF INSPECTION AND INSTALLATION

After convention postponement, Grand Council began to plan for province and sectional reunions throughout the United States with one or more members of Grand Council present. As a beginning the Grand President and Grand Vice-president spent six weeks this summer on a tour of visiting, inspection, and installation. It was first planned to hold a coast reunion in Los Angeles at the time of the installation of our new California chapter but owing to the great distances throughout the province it was finally decided that more Pi Phis would be reached, therefore more interest and enthusiasm aroused, if several reunions were held in various convenient centers.

The trip began with the arrival of Miss Keller in Chicago, July 3. A day at Lake Geneva, breakfast with the Grand Council of K K P at the Edgewater Beach Hotel and luncheon with the Chicago Alumnae Club and girls of Illinois E at Field's were on the program. Leaving Chicago the evening of July 6, the first stop was made in Minneapolis. "Friend husband," of 1915 convention special train fame, personally conducted us over this part of the journey and participated in the two days' hospitable entertainment of the Minnesota A Chapter and Minneapolis and St. Paul Alumnae Club. The new chapter-house with its beautiful furnishings and oriental rugs was much admired. It must be a constant joy to live and work in such surroundings! A few days' stop was made at Glacier Park en route to Seattle.

With only a few days' notice the energetic and resourceful Eta Province Vice-president had sent out printed notices of our visit and program of the meetings to every Pi Phi in Seattle and surrounding cities. Large numbers responded, over seventy attending the tea given the first day by Mrs. Wilbur. The following morning, with a meeting scheduled at 9 A. M. at the University Club, luncheon at

noon, tea at the chapter-house in the afternoon, with another meeting with active girls later, we awoke to the realization that the threatened streetcar strike was a reality. Automobiles, taxis, and jitneys were called into service and instead of cancelling some of the plates at the luncheon as was at first thought necessary, more came than reservations were made for and an extra table was set. Mrs. Rainie Adamson Small, first Grand President, from Everett, Charlotte Alspaugh, Puyallup, and Mrs. Helen Hartley of Los Angeles were among those present from out of the city. Mrs. Anna Lytle Tannahill, our national Panhellenic delegate and chairman of scholarship, who had represented Pi Beta Phi on the program of the national deans' conference in connection with the N. E. A. in Portland the previous week, was also a member of our house party at Mrs. Wilbur's. Her reports of the conference and her Panhellenic and scholarship work added much to the interest of our meetings both in Portland and Seattle.

It was a great pleasure to have Mrs. Wilbur and Mrs. Tannahill accompany us to Portland where we found the same wonderful spirit and interest. Mrs. Martha Hankins Knight, the very efficient president of the Portland Alumnae Club, and her many splendid assistants had made all arrangements for the reunion. Here, too, many came from long distances. We appreciated having Dean Shaffer of Fresno, Cal., with us. She had been attending the deans' conference and stayed over for our fraternity meetings. A very lovely formal dinner was given for the out-of-town guests and their hosts and hostesses by Dr. and Mrs. Hancher and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Beck. The best part of all was the all-day trip by automobile over the wonderful Columbia Highway Drive. Nearly fifty Pi Phis with their husbands and families spent a never-to-be-forgotten day together. Stops were made for luncheon and supper, which had been provided by the club members. Dr. Harker, president of the Illinois Woman's College was a guest of Mrs. Beck. A pleasant feature of the evening was the singing of original chapter and fine old Oregon college songs by the girls of Oregon A.

A day was spent in Eugene at the University of Oregon as the guests of Oregon A Chapter, Mrs. Datson, Dean Fox, and Mrs. Dixon. In the evening a canoe ride on the mill race was given to the party. The day following was spent at Corvallis visiting the Oregon College of Agriculture which is rapidly becoming one of

the great institutions of the western coast. A very cordial welcome was accorded us by President and Mrs. Kerr and arrangements were completed for the installation of our second Oregon chapter.

On the way down the coast a stop of a few hours was made in Berkeley to complete arrangements for the reunion to be held there on our return from Los Angeles and Tucson. Five days were spent in Los Angeles and many, varied, and altogether delightful were the meetings and social functions held in connection with the installation of *Entre Nous* of the University of Southern California as the California Γ chapter of $\Pi B \Phi$. Counting the new initiates nearly one hundred and fifty *Pi Phis* attended one or more of the functions. Seven members of San Diego Alumnae Club and many $\Pi \Phi$ s from all parts of the U. S. who happened to be in the city joined us in the happy celebration. All along the way we had the pleasure of meeting girls whom we had met elsewhere, even at some of the other reunions on this trip. *Pi Phis* certainly are great travelers! We were entertained royally as California people know so well how to do and are deeply indebted to the Los Angeles Alumnae Club, the newly installed chapter, Mrs. Young, president of the club, Mrs. Sherman, national chairman of Extension, Mrs. Carney, Historian, Miss Rogers, ex-Grand Secretary, Mrs. Curtis, Miss Bassett, Mrs. Hartley, and many others.

We had rather dreaded the trip across the Arizona desert in August but found it much pleasanter than we anticipated. The days in Tucson were so full we didn't have time to think of the weather. Several of the *Pi Phis* living there had traveled long distances to be at home to welcome us. Mrs. Louise Foucar Marshall, Colorado B, at whose home the installation was held, coming all the way from Boston and Mrs. Elsie Holman Neal, Indiana A, made a twenty-four hour journey to be toastmistress at the banquet. We were house guests of Irene Hofmeister. Mrs. Parker and her daughters, Grace and Malvene gave a dinner at the country club. Other hostesses and assistants were Mrs. Marietta Thompson Sprague, Indiana Γ , Frances Wells, Minnesota A, and Ruth Greenbaum Dickinson, Wyoming A. We very much regretted that Mrs. Elizabeth Sawyers von KleinSmid, Iowa A, wife of the president of the University of Arizona, Mrs. Levona Payne Newsome, Indiana A, and Bessie Kelly, Missouri A, were not in the city to have a share in the pleasures of the occasion. We met

Mrs. von Kleinsmid in Berkeley on our way to Tucson and were glad of the opportunity to hear more about the university and her hearty endorsement of the petitioning group. The day following the installation of Arizona A we were taken by automobile to the San Xavier mission. At one o'clock the installation banquet was served at the Old Pueblo Club, and it was with much regret we bade our Pi Phi "new and old" farewell as we stood on the rear end of the train starting westward on our homeward journey, though we lived in the East.

We retraced our steps up the coast to Berkeley where once more we held a reunion, larger and more enthusiastic than we believed possible at that season of the year with Stanford and University of California not yet in session. Fifty-six active and alumnae members sat down to a fine luncheon in the California B chapter-house. Mrs. McClymonds, Eta Province President, and Helen Havens were in general charge of the arrangements, ably assisted by a number of the active girls, who prepared and served their "Hoover luncheon," thus setting an example for the rest of us the coming year.

We found sixteen of the Nevada A chapter and club at home and we thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed the cordial welcome and hospitality given us during our two days in Reno. An automobile trip to Lake Tahoe and the ride around this beautiful lake were among the most enjoyable features of our entire trip.

It was with much regret we passed through Laramie without stopping as we had planned to do when making out our itinerary. Miss Keller found it necessary to hasten on to Richmond, therefore the last part of our trip was very much curtailed.

A day was spent in Denver with Colorado B and the Denver Alumnae Club. Several of the active girls and alumnae from Boulder came for the day. Luncheon with Mr. and Mrs. Haines, a tea at the Bartholomew home, and a cooky-shine and meeting at the chapter-house in the evening were much enjoyed. The new house is ideal for chapter and social purposes and exactly fills the needs of a chapter in a city college where the regular dormitory style of house is unnecessary.

We stopped a few hours in Lincoln to tell the Grand Treasurer about our trip and were entertained at dinner by Mrs. Bessie Turner Pearsall.

The end of the journey came for the Grand Vice-president the next morning when our train reached Chicago and for the Grand Presi-

dent the following afternoon upon her arrival in Richmond, having been twenty nights on a Pullman sleeping car and rarely more than two consecutive nights in the same place.

To us who were privileged to take this wonderful trip it will ever be a happy memory and to all who contributed in any way whatsoever, by their attendance at our reunions, their hospitality, entertainments, automobile rides, flowers, etc., we, your Grand President and Grand Vice-president, extend our sincerest thanks.

N. H. A.

Previous to the summer visits described above, *THE ARROW* Editor made a visit of inspection and investigation in Beta province during the month of May. The object of her trip was investigation of the petitioning groups at Hunter College and Hollins College but she had opportunity to visit some chapters and clubs en route. During the days spent in New York City attending to the investigation at Hunter College an opportunity was afforded to meet several members of the New York alumnae club. Then the editor spent two delightful days with Pennsylvania A on her way to Hollins, Va. After visiting the group at Hollins College, she enjoyed a brief visit with Virginia A and then proceeded to Westhampton College for a few days with the Grand President. While in Richmond she attended the annual luncheon of the Richmond Panhellenic Association.

Four days in Washington followed as the guest of the Washington alumnae club. The active chapter, although in the midst of final examinations, was present in force at a pleasant tea in the chapter-rooms and the alumnae were most thoughtful in their many kind attentions. From Washington, the Editor returned to Hollins for the installation of Virginia B which took place on June first. The Grand President presided and was assisted by *THE ARROW* Editor, several members of Virginia A by Miss Belle Reynolds of Nebraska B. Mrs. Spray Maybel Connelly of New York A. A banquet at which *THE ARROW* Editor presided as toast-mistress, followed the installation. The following day Miss Keller and Mrs. Rugg were invited to address the Hollins College Panhellenic Association.

Mrs. Rugg wishes again to express her thanks to all her hostesses for the many courtesies she received.

INSTALLATION OF OREGON BETA, CALIFORNIA GAMMA, AND ARIZONA ALPHA

The West has always claimed to do business on a large scale. Those of us who made the trip to the Pacific Coast this summer and installed three chapters in Eta Province within ten days are inclined now to grant this claim. It was a splendid trip and one rich in experience for the two officers who were fortunate enough to make it.

Arriving in Portland, Wednesday, July 18, Mrs. Allen and I found great excitement among the members of the Portland Alumnae Club over the new chapter which they hoped would be installed that week in Portland rather than at Corvallis, since the college was closed, and they felt that many more Pi Phis could attend the initiation were it possible to hold it in Portland. After three delightful days spent in Portland, we left for Eugene and Corvallis to visit Oregon A and to see what arrangements could be made about installing the Corvallis group. The Oregon A girls were most helpful, and after much consultation with them and the Portland Club it was decided that Monday, July 23, would be the best possible time to install the new chapter. We then left for Corvallis where we interviewed the president and his wife, who is an A X Ω , and obtained his permission to initiate in Portland rather than at the college.

With five of the girls we left for Portland that night, where we were received by an interested group and by noon the next day thirty-eight members of the petitioning group had arrived from all over Oregon, one girl having driven two hundred miles in her automobile to make the train, which would bring her to Portland in time.

All that morning busy Pi Phis labored at Verna Weaver's and Gertrude Blackmar's home where the initiation was to take place, while Mrs. Allen and other Pi Phis were performing the pledging ceremony at Mrs. Fletcher Linn's. By two-thirty all was ready and our beautiful initiation ceremony began. It was witnessed by Pi Phis from all over the country and was followed by a cooky-shine where over sixty Pi Phis toasted the Pi Phi goat and the Oregon B Chapter. After several Pi Phi songs the two travelers had to make a train for San Francisco. So embowered literally in Portland roses, we waved farewell to our Oregon friends old and new, having tested

their welcome and found it as warm and the hospitality as cordial as their roses are famous.

From North to South we journeyed through the fertile valleys of Oregon past Mt. Shasta in all its dazzling mantle of snow, past the blue waters of San Francisco Bay, past the famous El Camino Real trodden by the feet of Franciscan fathers in the early days of California, until we reached Los Angeles, the city of our Lady of the Angels.

As in Portland we found an enthusiastic group of Pi Phi eagerly awaiting our arrival, and on July 27, *Entre Nous* formally became California Γ of Pi Beta Phi. The initiation took place at Mrs. Young's, the president of the Los Angeles Club, an ideal location with plenty of room for the hundred and twenty Pi Phi there assembled. Seventeen alumnae and twenty-six active members were initiated that day, for we gave the day to it, and tired but happy we rejoiced that night over a good day's work well done. Mrs. Carney, our Historian, and Miss Rogers, former Grand Secretary, were among the officers present, while the gathering, which took the form of a Southern California Reunion, was unusually large and representative. San Diego sent six representatives and at the banquet on Saturday night more than eighteen chapters were represented at roll call. Here as in Oregon the far-famed California hospitality was everywhere in evidence and the wine carnations bloomed in the same abundant profusion.

Once more en route, but this time the palm replaced the fir and the mirage of the desert the snows of the mountains. In the cool of the morning we reached Tucson and were introduced immediately to all the Gamma Delta group. After a brief meeting of the resident Pi Phi, arrangements were made for the installation on August 1 at the home of Mrs. Marshall (Louise Foucar, Colorado B), a former Province President. Mrs. Neal, Mrs. Sprague, Mrs. Dickinson, and Miss Wells, the other resident Pi Phi, gave us valuable assistance and that evening eighteen Gamma Deltas became Arizona A of Pi Beta Phi. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Marshall after the initiation in her beautiful home just across from the campus, and to the sound of clinking glasses strains of Ring Ching Ching floated upward under the brilliant stars of the Arizona night.

The following day a delightful banquet was given by Arizona A, and thus was completed one of the remaining links in the chain which is to unite the Atlantic with the Pacific and Canada with the Gulf.

Before leaving Tucson we were taken on a visit to the old church, built by the Franciscans as a mission for the Indians long years ago. Picturesque in the extreme with the old bells and rough wooden statues still remaining, we will long bear in our memories the picture of the old white walls and towers standing out against the brilliant blue of the sky with the dark mountains in the background and the dazzling sunshine of the desert above us. But here, too, goodbyes had to be said all too soon, and once more we were departing leaving behind new-found friends and carrying with us happy memories of Arizona A and her friends.

MAY L. KELLER.

REPORT OF PI BETA PHI'S REPRESENTATIVE AT THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF DEANS OF WOMEN

In May the Grand President of each fraternity represented in the National Panhellenic Congress received from the National Congress of Deans of Women an invitation to send an official representative to a round-table session of their conference which was to be held in Portland, July 9-11, at the time of the N. E. A. The representatives were invited for conference and cordial frank discussion of the relation of the institutions within the institution to the office of dean of women and to throw light upon how deans could help chapters. Shortly after this, Pi Beta Phi's representative to National Panhellenic, who had been appointed to represent the fraternity at the conference, received from the secretary of the deans' conference the request that she give at one of the general sessions a *paper on the fraternity for women in its relation to the college, presenting the case from the fraternity point of view.

When arrangements were completed, July eleventh was chosen as the day to be devoted to the consideration of the fraternity, the paper presenting the fraternity view being given at the open session in the morning and the round-table discussion between deans of women and fraternity representatives taking place at the closed session in the afternoon. Fourteen of the eighteen N. P. C. fraternities responded to the request to send representatives, three being represented by national officers.

*Mrs. Tannahill's paper is published on pp. 34-47.

At the round-table session Miss Elizabeth Freeman Fox, K K T, Dean of Women at the University of Oregon, presided. The session was opened with roll call, each fraternity representative, when the name of her fraternity was called, responding with her name, her college, and her connection with her fraternity. Miss Fox then opened the discussion, using as a basis the paper presented at the morning session. Special attention was given to the problem presented by the fraternities at the beginning of each college year through their activities in increasing their membership, viewed by the deans of women as a practice decidedly detrimental to the interests of the college. The beginning of the college year, when the great machine is getting under way and new students are making their adjustments, is regarded by deans of women and college authorities in general as a time when there should be no interference whatsoever with the work and interests of the institution and when students should lend it their aid. Different ways by which the problem could be met were discussed. Several deans held strongly for matriculation day pledging, which would undoubtedly solve the problem from the point of view of the institution but would work a great hardship upon fraternities. Other deans advocated that the first two weeks of the college year be a period in which no fraternity activities whatever be engaged in, no fraternity pins worn, and in which all fraternity women give their assistance in the "big sister" movement upon the campus; and that these two weeks devoted solely to college activities be followed by a brief period in which the fraternities do their entertaining and make their selection of new members. The consensus of opinion was that entertaining should be confined to the week's end in order that there might be no interference with college work and that it should be simple in nature. Deans of women stated frankly that much of the prejudice against fraternities both in the faculty and upon the campus is due to the interference with the legitimate work of the institution at the opening of the year and to the conspicuousness of "rushing" which, by the way, is a word seriously objected to by the deans as undignified and unworthy of use by the fraternities. They urge that fraternity members try to get acquainted with the new students upon the campus and the halls in a natural manner.

An interesting point of coöperation existing in several institutions between deans and fraternity groups in the handling of "bidding" was discussed in detail. Pledging is set for a certain day and each

fraternity sends to the dean of women at a stated hour its invitations to membership, ready to be delivered. The dean in turn notifies each young woman whose name occurs that she has received from a fraternity an invitation to membership and specifies a time when she may call at the office. At the office the young woman presents to the dean a list of fraternities in which she would accept membership, in the order of her preference. If she has been invited to membership by several fraternities she is given the invitation which conforms most closely to the preference which she has expressed; if the invitation handed to her is not from one of the fraternities appearing first or second upon her list she knows that she was not chosen by those groups and that of the invitations extended to her the one given her is the one appearing above the others upon her list; if no invitation is given her by the dean she knows that the fraternity or fraternities choosing her were not fraternities which she had chosen. When the invitations have been given out by the dean, the practice varies in the different institutions; in one it is the custom for the young woman to send her written acceptance to the chapter-house of her chosen group by a given hour; in a second she presents herself at the chapter-house at an appointed hour; in a third she goes directly from the dean's office to the playroom of the college where official representatives of each fraternity await the answer to their invitations to membership, and joins the representatives of the group she has selected. Such a method of giving out invitations to membership makes it impossible for a young woman to know of any invitations other than the one which she has received; leaves her utterly free to make her decision of her preference under no undue pressure or influence; insures quiet, dignity, and unobtrusiveness upon the campus, makes pledging definite and formal, and does away with the possibility of misunderstandings and difficulties between groups which give unpleasant publicity and work serious injury to the fraternity system.

From one institution which has a "rushing" period of but one week in length came an admirable suggestion regarding the handling of Panhellenic problems which could easily be adapted to meet the needs of Panhellenics having longer "rushing" periods. An advisory board composed of an alumnae representative from each fraternity represented in the college is active in its assistance to the college

Panhellenic. It is in session each afternoon during "rushing" week and settles each day in conference any difficulties which may arise.

Considerable discussion was devoted to the chapter-house. Points considered were the incorporation of each house as a business organization; a uniform system of bookkeeping with books open to supervision by college as well as fraternity officials; and the engaging for all college houses of an expert home economics buyer who would submit menus according to the purses and tastes of the various groups.

Special consideration was given to the relationship of the fraternity group to college politics. It was urged that fraternity officials work to instill in their chapters the spirit of broad democracy and admonish them to avoid any interfraternity agreements to turn votes to any given candidate for office and any movement to keep college offices within the fraternities, and to counsel the members to vote at all times as individuals for the candidate best fitted for the office irrespective of any group affiliations. Sensibleness and simplicity in dress, simplicity in entertainment, and the avoidance of unnecessary expenditure were points also discussed and heartily agreed upon both by deans and fraternity representatives.

The fraternity representatives were impressed by the cordial spirit of coöperation upon the part of the deans of women and are convinced that out of such frank discussion and consideration of problems affecting both, and out of definite work together for the common good, much can be accomplished. The hour devoted to the round-table discussion passed all too quickly and left every fraternity representative with the feeling that the discussion was only well under way and the wish that it might have been continued throughout the afternoon. At the close of the session announcement was made by the secretary of the deans' conference that it had been decided to make the invitation to the N. P. C. fraternities to join with the deans of women in a round-table session an established policy at each meeting. The deans hold their conferences twice each year—in July at the time of the N. E. A. and in February at the time of the meeting of the Department of Superintendence. The two meetings are invariably held in different sections of the country. It is the idea of the deans that by means of these round-table discussions held twice each year deans of women and fraternity leaders in the North, South, East, and West will be brought into touch and understanding and

mutual helpfulness will result. To Pi Beta Phi's Panhellenic representative, who herself has been a dean of women as well as a worker in the interests of her fraternity and the fraternity system, this opportunity seems one rich in possibilities for constructive work. Such conference and frank discussion will enable fraternity women to understand the work and the problems of the deans of women and their power to aid them in the realization of their ideals for their organization; will enable the deans of women to understand the fraternity aims and the power for helpfulness that they have in fraternity chapters sympathetically and rightly guided; and will enable fraternity leaders and deans, working together, to bring the organizations into the right adjustment to the college and to make them assets of undeniable value. With this opportunity for coöperation offered to the fraternities of the National Panhellenic Congress a new era is open to them. It is vital that to these conferences they should send representatives thoroughly familiar with the policy of the fraternity, imbued with the sense of the obligation of the fraternity to the college, and capable of formulating with the deans of women an established policy for the guidance of college chapters and a continuing system of joint supervision.

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THE FRATERNITY FOR WOMEN IN ITS RELATIONSHIP TO THE COLLEGE

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The college fraternity is the natural outgrowth of a normal social demand as applied to college life—the age-old human impulse of like to seek like. Inevitably in the college community as in any other community this group instinct is bound to assert itself. Students in whose associations, experiences, traditions, and ideals there is a basis of similarity will naturally come together, and equally as naturally will come the tendency to form some type of organization to cement the bonds. The first national fraternities for women came into being at a time when conditions were peculiarly adapted to foster the group impulse. Education for women side by side with men was in its infancy. Women students were few in number, pioneers in a new field, imbued with high ideals of personal development and of service. The organizations were the direct response to their mutual understanding and ideals and their need for coöperation.

The fifty years of the history of the fraternity for women falls into two distinct periods—the early period in which the organizations were social in their nature and existed chiefly for the comradeship and mutual helpfulness of their members, and the modern period in which they have responded to the present-day spirit of broad democracy and real service to the college and to society. In the early period they were open to the criticism of being self-centered and of failing to make to the life of the college as a whole the contribution which their presence, as organized groups in student life demanded. In this particular, however, they differed little from various other organizations also claiming the college as their home. Because of their self-interest they drew upon themselves the merited charge of aloofness. They were, in the majority of institutions, small congenial groups bound together by mutual interests and were sufficient unto themselves. Their self-sufficiency and aloofness gave rise in turn to the serious charge of snobbishness. While undoubtedly this indictment has been rendered with just ground against certain chapters and certain individuals in many chapters, it could at no time have been brought with any degree of justice against any fraternity or against the fraternity system as a whole. The evil is a common human frailty existing in all institutions not excepting the home and the church. The fraternity has been no more fortunate in escaping it than have other institutions and is no more open to conviction than are they. Nothing could be further from the ideals of the development of noble and well-rounded womanhood upon which the fraternities were founded than is snobbishness. That the narrow life of the members within the group and their lack of broad vision in the early period had much to do in bringing the charge, however unjust, upon the institution as a whole, cannot be denied. Because the life in the small group was congenial and satisfying the fraternities in the majority of the colleges in which they were established were slow in developing the broader vision and arriving at a realization of the debt they owed. Even in the early period, however, they contributed to their own members a service which indirectly was a service to the college. They gave a training in executive ability, in leadership, and in social adjustment which must not be underestimated.

The fraternity in its modern period has responded to the present-day spirit of broad democracy and of service. It recognizes the obligation that it owes to the college and is making determined effort to

ally itself with every movement undertaken for the furtherance of college interests and for the betterment and enrichment of student life. Of this later period the National Panhellenic Congress which has as its avowed aim to maintain on a high plane fraternity life and interfraternity relationship, to coöperate with college authorities in their efforts to maintain high social and scholarship standards throughout the whole college, and to be a forum for the discussion of questions of interest to the college and fraternity world, is a product, as are also the college Panhellenics established in all institutions where two or more national fraternities exist. Collectively through the agency of the national and the college Panhellenics, as well as individually, the fraternities today are preaching the doctrine of "college first" and emphasizing with their chapters the fact that to the college they owe their existence and to that existence they have no right unless they prove themselves potent factors for good with a worthy contribution of service to the life and work of the institution. For the fraternity system, fraternity women today lay no claim to perfection. No one realizes more fully than they that it has certain grave faults, chief among which is undoubtedly its present practice with regard to acquiring new members, which is open to the just criticism of being in many cases inimical to the best interests of the college. This fault and other recognized faults the fraternity leaders are laboring zealously and conscientiously to overcome. Much has been accomplished in the past fifteen years in bringing the fraternity into right adjustment with the college and there is every reason to believe that each year will record further marked improvement.

What fraternity women do stoutly maintain is that organization is the best means of accomplishing any good purpose and that colleges have at their command no greater power for good than the organized continuing agencies in their midst; that of these continuing agencies the fraternity chapters with their responsibility and their obligation not only to the college but also to a strong national organization with ideals at one with those of the colleges itself, should, with understanding, coöperation, and guidance, prove an asset second to none.

Authorities today are finding earnest coöperation upon the part of fraternities in upholding the aims and objects of the college and working for its interests. Particularly is this noticeable in the matter

of scholarship, upon which the conference fraternities have been placing great stress with all of their chapters. Each fraternity has a well-organized committee on scholarship which at least twice a year receives reports from every chapter and makes special investigation not only of the case of any chapter which is not maintaining a creditable standard but also of that of the individual student whose record is unsatisfactory. The chapters in turn have their committees working in coöperation with the national committees and giving particular attention to the supervision of the work of underclassmen, and to the conduct of chapter life and activities that they may be such as to foster right conditions for sound scholarship. The National Panhellenic Congress has adopted a uniform scholarship blank for comprehensive reports of the scholarship of the chapters and has solicited coöperation on the part of the colleges in providing information concerning the average rank of the women's fraternities, the comparative rank of the individual chapters, the average rank of women's clubs other than fraternities, of all organizations, and of nonfraternity women, as well as in offering suggestions to Grand Councils of the fraternities as to ways in which they can serve in advancing scholarship. One conference fraternity has made a twelve-hour credit essential for initiation; another has legislated that every chapter shall adopt a definite scholarship standard and that any member falling below it shall be deprived of all chapter privileges until she attains it again; a third has passed legislation to the effect that no member who has either a failure or a condition is eligible to represent her chapter at a national convention. In numerous instances in which colleges do not require that the work of one semester shall be satisfactorily completed before a student is eligible to initiation, the college Panhellenics or individual chapters have made the requirement. A number of college Panhellenics stiffen this requirement by demanding in addition a grade of 85 or of 80%. One requires that not only must a student have a grade of 85 to be allowed to pledge but that the chapter also must have that average before being permitted to pledge new members. Numerous college Panhellenics and individual chapters offer prizes of scholarship cups to the fraternities winning the highest averages. In a number of institutions the average of the fraternity women is now above both the average of nonfraternity women and the all-university average.

President James of the University of Illinois says concerning the activities of the fraternities in regard to scholarship.

I have been greatly pleased at the way some of our fraternities have taken to make scholarship an important matter in their lives. I think that as a fundamental proposition college and university fraternities ought to make a specialty of scholarship.

The conference fraternities are making it a specialty.

Not only are the fraternities giving their best efforts to the furtherance of scholarship but also to the work of the woman's league, the establishing and maintaining of honor leagues, and to the student government associations. In an article on The Fraternity Girl in College Life published in the *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta, Dean Hamilton speaks convincingly of the service rendered by the women's fraternities in the self-government movement at Miami:

One of the finest contributions, in my estimation, has been made this year by the sororities, in support of the Student Government movement. It takes a period of time, as in all naturally growing things, for any new system to bear fruit, and we have been working and waiting for several years for our student government plan to develop its finest results and to be generally recognized as an ultimate authority whose wisdom and justice could unflinchingly be counted on. The sororities have this year given a final confirmation of power to the plan and a forcible enunciation of their belief in it, by referring to the Council for discipline certain of their members who had broken college regulations but whose misdemeanors were known only to their own sorority sisters. "There is no reason why she should be exempt from the general council investigation," one sorority president said, "simply because she belongs to our sorority. We take action in the sorority in condemnation of any member who can't stand by the college rules, but that isn't a substitute for the action of the Council that governs us all." Another sorority had two indiscreet pledges whose misdemeanor called for some penalty. One girl was on the campus, the other in her own home in town, and under her mother's direction, she was not bound by college regulation in the particular in which she had offended, and therefore not subject to the student government authority. Her sorority, however, imposed upon her the same penalty accorded to the other student by the Council, thus throwing all the weight of the sorority in support of the Council. Such service from the sororities I value as the finest type of disinterested service, and I covet for every college the fine spirit of loyalty to its institutions that our sororities have thus shown. Service of that type is not the kind that makes for self-aggrandizement, like carrying responsible offices; rather does it humiliate the individual and thereby the group in this voluntary submission to penalty. And yet in what finer way could the ideals of a sorority be shown and how splendidly the spirit of cooperation thus manifests itself in support of the big interests of the college, rather than in the protection of the interests of the small group. This is no lip service of loyalty; rather is it the living expression of consecration to an ideal.

Through its chapter-houses the fraternity is helping the college and university in one of their chief problems—the adequate housing of the student body. Few institutions have facilities in any degree commensurate with the need. The fraternity houses afford residences

under college control in which living conditions conform with those of the college dormitories and in which the same house rules prevail, "The Case for the Defense," a study of living conditions in the women's fraternity houses at the University of Washington for the year 1915-1916, made by Dean Coldwell, publishes findings that may be taken as typical of conditions in the chapter-houses of large state universities. The average expense per month of a student living in a chapter-house was found to be \$35.71. This included all assessments for "rushing" expenses, special entertaining, the annual banquet, assessments levied on the campus for outside activities, the national fraternity dues and the subscription to the fraternity journal. The average cost of board and room to resident members was found to be \$26.83. Dean Coldwell says:

I question whether the average housekeeper who keeps a budget and furnishes a similar quality of food and service, and who heats a large house to a temperature of 60° will be able to prune expenses very much more closely than the students have done. The winter of nineteen hundred and fifteen and sixteen was unusually severe in Seattle, and bills for fuel were abnormal. The organized groups, moreover, were assessed to an unpardonable degree for every student enterprise which required donations. Since that time an attempt has been made to check the calls for subscriptions and charities, the burden of which should fall equally upon all students.

In conclusion Dean Coldwell says:

The standard of living is not higher than it should be in our chapter-houses, and the entertainment provided is usually of a very simple character. It is but justice that an attempt be made to present the facts in regard to the necessary expenses of the members.

That to the university the chapter-house has a value in addition to affording a satisfactory residence for students is shown in the following report made by an undergraduate:

We have appreciated our fraternity house more than we could possibly have done otherwise because of the fact that we have felt it was of real use to someone beside ourselves. We have found it most pleasant to bring our non-fraternity friends to the chapter-house to spend an afternoon or a luncheon hour. The house is near enough to the campus that an hour which might have been spent in loneliness by some freshman can be utilized for becoming acquainted with a group of girls. One of the most popular ways of using the chapter-house is for the holding of committee meetings. I wish that I could state for you the number of times that college committee meetings were held at the house last year. I can say, however, that more than once, there have been as many as three committee meetings held there in one day. Chairmen of committees feel free at any time to call upon the fraternities for the use of their chapter-houses for such occasions. The dean of women or another woman's club officer feels free to call upon the fraternities for various phases of hospitality. Frequently the dean of women or a Y. W. C. A. officer asks the girls at the various chapter-houses if it will be possible for them to entertain some visiting lady officer either at dinner or as a week-end guest, for she has learned that such entertainment will always be cheerfully provided.

Nothing made us more highly elated than to have our dean of women assure us that she had come to appreciate the real value of the chapter-house as providing a means of caring for the freshman girl in the best possible manner. One semester of investigation of boarding-houses for girls and of the chaperonage they received there, and a whole semester of caring for each freshman girl individually, led our dean to draw this conclusion: With a chapter-house comes not only the chaperonage of the housemother, but also the responsibility of the freshman girl to the upperclass girls who live in the house. Another feature which makes the chapter-house valuable not only to the university but to the nonfraternity girls, and particularly those having charge of "university affairs," is that the chapter-house is a unit. As such certain dependence can be placed on the fraternity by those in authority and when the fraternity house is called upon to send a certain number of girls to serve at an all-university tea or other occasion, the person asking for such assistance is saved the trouble of calling more than once to secure such aid, for she knows that if the fraternity house cannot send the particular girls desired, it will send some to take their places. Many times, indeed, the chairmen of committees have realized that they can depend upon the fraternity for the exact requests made.

More and more the chapter-house is taking its place as a college house. In several institutions the plan of each fraternity entertaining weekly at dinner one or two guests from each other's fraternity has broadened into the excellent custom of each fraternity house and each other residence housing fifteen or more young women making the interchange of guests.

In time of financial crisis or special need the chapters of the women's fraternities have proved themselves ready with their assistance to the college. In 1913 all the chapters of Alpha Phi contributed voluntarily to the endowment fund of Goucher College. Recently the conference fraternities represented at Swarthmore and at the University of Denver have worked enthusiastically in the campaign to increase the endowment. At Newcomb they are working to raise money for the much-needed new gymnasium, the building of which is being undertaken by the alumnae, one-fourth being assumed by the student body. At Northwestern they are coöperating with the alumnae in raising funds for a woman's building. At the University of Cincinnati they have helped the Y. W. C. A. and the Women's League to raise money for their quarters in the new woman's building, and at the University of Washington have furnished a room in the new home economics building to be used as a woman's restroom. At George Washington University a college chapter has just completed the payment of a fund of \$500 subscribed five years ago to the university. Interesting information concerning specific aid rendered by the chapters of one conference fraternity is furnished in a recent number of the *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta, a statistical

number. The chapters at the Universities of Wisconsin and Washington have loan funds of one hundred dollars to be awarded each year by the faculty to some worthy student. The chapter at the University of Denver was instrumental in raising \$2,000 for the endowment fund of the university, has given \$1,000 to athletics, the first subscription toward the proposed women's building, and has presented all the trees on the north campus. The chapter at the University of Oregon has given \$100 for the new woman's building.

Over half of the conference fraternities have established loan funds for needy students. $\text{K K } \Gamma$ has recently announced that its loan fund will reach the \$10,000 mark in 1920 and will at that time be open to all women students. $\text{II B } \Phi$, in addition to a loan fund and an annual fellowship, supports a settlement school in the mountains of Tennessee. Instances such as these show that the principle of service is a firmly established one with the college fraternities for women.

That the belief in the service that the fraternity, wisely directed, can render the college is not held by fraternity leaders alone, the following testimony from the experience of college and university executives gives conclusive evidence. Some of the statements refer to experiences with men's fraternities, but the application is the same.

President Pearce of Brenau in an article in the *Atlanta Journal* says:

The advantages of sororities are numerous. I shall point out only a few which have been manifest in my own experience.

First. The individual is differentiated from the mass. Eleven sororities will certainly develop eleven leaders and probably many more.

Second. While individuality is emphasized by separation from the mass, the spirit of unity and coöperation, of subordination of the interest of the individual to the interest of the group is developed in a remarkable degree.

Third. Practically, the members of a sorority help each other in numerous ways. For example, after each term examination a committee from each sorority is given the privilege of copying the record of each other of their own members. If a member is deficient in her studies she is called to account, and, better still, some of the older members are appointed to coach her if it seems to be necessary. In matters of conduct the sorority as a rule is very decided and definite in its demands upon its members, and frequently, as is characteristic of young people, the sorority is more radical in its discipline than the faculty would be in a similar case.

Fourth. From the standpoint of the college, the sororities are of much value. They foster college spirit, support the administration in matters of discipline, and solve the problem of the division of an unorganized mass into separate units.

I believe thoroughly in our Greek-letter fraternity even though in some institutions, and at some times, the undergraduates in the fraternities have not been properly guided, and have given themselves to excesses and have not

recognized their obligation to the fraternity and to the college. At Wesleyan University the fraternities are my right arm of strength in administration. There is not one in which the leading spirits do not stand for the highest and the best.—William Arnold Shanklin, President of Wesleyan University.

I think the field for fraternities and the opportunities to benefit from their organization were never so promising as at present.—Andrew D. White, President Emeritus of Cornell University.

I have found the fraternity a most potent factor in maintaining standards both of scholarship and morality. There is no body in the world so easily controlled as a company of college students when rightly approached. The upperclassmen among undergraduates when appealed to by those in authority to see to it that the men in the entering classes take high rank in scholarship and maintain a character which shall command respect, will make answer to that appeal in labors of most effective compulsion. * * * *

The fraternity, too, is a most important factor in holding the student to his original purpose in completing his college course. To my personal knowledge, it has often happened that a student has entered upon an undergraduate course of study expecting to be in this line of work one year perhaps, or, at most, for two, and by the influence of teachers, insufficient alone but potent when exercised through upperclass fraternity brothers, many of these young men have completed the requirements for the baccalaureate degree.—G. P. Benton, President of the University of Vermont.

I firmly believe that the national organizations of American fraternities have a great opportunity and responsibility. Most of them are recognizing this and doing excellent work.—Geo. E. Vincent, Former President of the University of Minnesota.

Whether the fraternities are a blessing or an evil to the college depends, as do other organizations, upon the attitude assumed by the college toward them. I have seen class organizations by insubordination bring disrepute upon a college whose faculty was attempting to force instead of persuade its members. The administration which will use the fraternities to maintain a standard of scholarship, will use fraternity houses as agencies for bringing faculty and students together, which will utilize fraternity units as nerve centers for promoting college reforms which will make the fraternity a scholastic as well as a social agency, and which will influence the fraternities to do something unselfishly for the nonfraternity men as college brothers will find a potent force to mould to its hand and a virile factor for college betterment and reforms.

The college fraternity is necessarily undemocratic; so is every college organization which does not include the entire student body. But that does not necessarily mean snobbishness or aristocracy. All depends upon whether the college can influence the fraternity to feel that it is a part of an all-college whole and that it has an obligation of brotherly kindness to discharge to those students who by choice or omission do not belong to a Greek-letter organization.—Edwin E. Sparks, President of Pennsylvania State College.

I regard fraternities as a whole as a most valuable asset to the colleges and a most helpful factor in the sound development of those who are connected with them.—George E. Denny, President of the University of Alabama.

I could give many reasons for my partiality for the fraternity but I have space for only one and that is what I may term the administrative reason. Students will inevitably form groups, clubs, cliques, and similar organizations; sometimes these organizations are loosely formed, and sometimes they are very compact and when not properly guided are very troublesome to the authorities. These clubs may be for legitimate purposes, social, boarding, or for campus politics, and when properly directed may accomplish worthy results, but they possess the elements of perversion and misdirection by designing persons.

The modern college fraternity has a national organization, with a body of alumni made up of self-respecting men and women who have given and continue to give their fraternity, ideals of college honor and respectability which they expect the local chapter to emulate. In addition to this the national bodies are exercising more rigid supervision over the local membership as to scholarship, moral conduct, and loyalty to the best interests of the college of which they are a part.

I found in the administration of college discipline that I could always rely upon the fraternity to stand for what was right and honorable upon the campus and that it never shirked responsibility for the conduct of its members. In other words I could always place my hand upon any student offender by invoking the coöperation of his chapter for they disciplined effectively their members for infractions of student requirements and proprieties. The young man by himself or in a gang or irresponsible group could not be reached so readily. * * * *

The college fraternity of honor and dignity—and there are many such—has come to be very effective in the development of character and that peculiar fitting for coöperation in the conduct of life.—Dr. F. B. Gault, Former President of the University of South Dakota.

Dr. M. A. Brannon, formerly president of the University of Idaho, now of Beloit, has touched the keynote of right relationship between the college and the fraternity.

"Good achievements," he says, "may fill the records of fraternal organizations provided a clear program is formulated by national and local fraternity officers in coöperation with university authorities, and provided an adequate system of supervision on the part of the fraternity and university advisors is developed and continuously exercised."

The national fraternity has a large obligation to the college. It should so direct its chapters that they never lose sight of their responsibility to the college or fail to realize that their first allegiance is due to it, not to their fraternity; that they do the best work of which they are capable; and that they strive to avoid waste of time, money, and energy. It must instill in them a sense of personal responsibility and of the loyal coöperation due from them to the university authorities. It should impress upon them that whatever the policy adopted by the institution regarding the life and the regulation of the students, it has been adopted after wise and mature deliberation and for the

good of the student body, and that whether or not their untrained vision sees it in the same light, their course must be one of unquestioning loyalty. It must further impress upon them that their very organization as groups founded upon high ideals of personal development and of service makes them the agencies to which college authorities should naturally turn for assistance in any movement for the good of the institution or the student body, and from whom the college should never encounter problems. These principles every national convention, every visiting inspector, and every alumna should emphasize.

In the selection of its province presidents or inspecting officers, as the case may be, the fraternity, equally as much as in the choice of its grand council, should draw upon its best and strongest material. Only women of real leadership, of large vision, understanding of the college and its problems, and of the service which the fraternity rightly guided can perform, of a type of personality that can influence and inspire the young women of the college chapter, are qualified to fill these positions of peculiar responsibility both to the fraternity and the college. The visiting officer of the fraternity must be a woman who would be a welcome visitor in the office of any college executive—a woman without bias or prejudice, capable of seeing the shortcomings and the possibilities of her college chapter, and of grappling with the one and making the most of the other. She must come to the officials of the institution as an earnest co-worker, capable and ready to do her full share to bring to the service of the institution the best that her college chapter can afford.

No greater opportunity of establishing right relations between the fraternity and the college is ever afforded a national fraternity than at the time it is installing a chapter. At no time is a group more impressionable or more receptive. It is not justly dealt with if it is not thoroughly prepared to meet the obligations it assumes, if it is not imbued with the sense of its duty to the college and its opportunity of rendering worthy service as an organized unit in college life. It should be made to see the difference between a sane interest in college activities and a selfish seeking after group prominence, and should be admonished that it is unworthy of its ideals if its members as individuals do not throw their support in elections to college office to the person best qualified for the place, irrespective of group affiliations. It should be required to pledge its utmost loyalty and coöpera-

tion to the college and its authorities and expected in its turn to prepare those whom it initiates for right adjustment to the college.

Unquestionably fraternities owe to the college closer supervision of their chapters than the majority of them now give. A visit from an official once in a term of two years is not enough. Such visits should occur not less frequently than once in each college year. To provide for the period in the interim of official visits the fraternity should furnish a carefully chosen *alumnæ* advisory board to have supervision over the chapter and to coöperate with the dean of women of the college.

For the best results, the adequate and continuing supervision of university officials is of fundamental importance. The college chapter is ready to do its part but needs direction in the way in which it may best serve. A clear program mapped out by the university and discussed with the fraternities will win hearty coöperation. Interesting evidence that such a policy is being adopted and is appreciated by the fraternities is presented by the fraternity and college journals of the past year.

From the *Eleusis* of Chi Omega comes the following:

All Washington students have watched with interest our new president, Dr. Suzzallo, and waited patiently to learn of his attitude toward fraternities and his views on college problems. Soon after college opened, he called a meeting of the head of the college social committee, the dean of men, the dean of women, and the president of each organization. * * * *. Somewhat later, he called a meeting of fraternity representatives and later, one or two representatives from each of the women's fraternities. Here he explained the critical position of fraternities, and the agitation against them. He told how he approved of them, how he considered the small group life and the lasting friendships formed as essential in the development of strong character, of the advantage of learning to live in harmony with others, and especially of the influence of the members on each other. Then in an open discussion they talked over the ever present problem of democracy, and the president requested that the girls live economically and avoid the criticism of expense. The high school rushing problem also came up, as the authorities complained that rushing of students interfered with their school work, whereupon it was decided to abolish the rushing of high school students.

This is only a beginning of the meetings that are to come during the year, but it is the first of this kind that Washington has ever had. All students are enthusiastic over this active coöperation with the college authorities, and realize the advantages and opportunities of being able to express their ideas and desires, to have them considered fairly on all sides, and to be decided and acted upon by the will of all, and not merely the will of the few forced upon the many.

From the *University of Washington Daily*:

No fraternity or sorority not living up to the standard set by Washington Greek-letter societies in the past will be allowed to exist on the campus,

according to a recent statement of President Suzzallo, who has been making a study of the various organizations.

"Generally speaking," he said, "the fraternities and sororities at the university are better, and always as good, as those at other universities. It is wise, however to maintain this standard by preventive measures, and no one or two fraternities will be permitted to exist which tend to drag the other organizations down."

Dr. Suzzallo complimented the societies for the simplicity which in general characterizes their buildings and furnishings, stating that they were superior in this respect to organizations at many other colleges. He believes that houses and furnishings should not cost more than \$25,000, declaring that the president's office would not approve of a larger expenditure than this amount.

From a letter under date of September 5, from President Wilbur of Stanford to the fraternities, published in the *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega:

In order to help fraternities and Stanford I wish to inform you it is my intention at the end of two years through the national organizations or otherwise, to arrange for disbanding of any fraternity at Stanford that is in debt for current expenses or markedly deficient in scholarship. I ask your endeavor to put fraternities in the high position they should occupy at Stanford. * * * I am deeply interested in removing all grounds for legitimate criticism of fraternity conditions at Stanford and because of this I am planning eventually to urge a one-year residence rule before admission to fraternity membership.

From the Alpha Phi Quarterly:

The feeling among the faculty members of the University of North Dakota is almost entirely favorable to fraternities. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that the friendly rivalry between the fraternities, as well as the high standards set by each fraternity has a very desirable effect on the university scholastic average. It is quite generally conceded that the fraternities assist in binding the interest of the graduates to their Alma Mater.

The dean of women is an ex-officio member of Panhellenic and feels free to attend all meetings and to express her opinions. She is well informed with regard to local problems. Professor Simpson of the department of natural science devotes much of his time to settling fraternity problems. He investigates fraternity problems and solutions in other schools and is well able to advise in fraternity matters.

President McVey is always ready to discuss problems with the various fraternities and is quick to see and point out faults in our fraternity system.

The faculty, as a whole, recognizes the strength of the fraternities and their power to mould public opinion. It has appealed to the fraternities to take a strong stand against cheating and kindred evils and thus to create a strong public sentiment against it.

In having the continuing supervision of a sympathetic university official whose time is devoted to their interests and their problems, women students have been especially favored in the majority of institutions in which college fraternities for women are represented. The dean of women has accomplished much in bringing the fraternity groups under her charge into the desired relationship to the institution and in bringing the individual group to its best development. It is vitally important that between her and the fraternity groups

sympathetic understanding should exist and that she should be able to turn to them with the confidence of receiving hearty support and ready assistance in any movement which she undertakes in the interest of the institution and its student life. It is equally as important that between her and the national officers of the fraternities represented in her institution the same coöperation should exist. With her at all times the fraternity leaders are eager to coöperate. Believing as they do that in the coöperation of deans of women and fraternity officials lies the ultimate solution of the problem of the adjustment the fraternities of the National Panhellenic Congress appreciate the opportunity afforded them by the National Congress of Deans of Women to take part in the frank discussion of conditions and present problems and to join forces in the work toward the common goal. In their Panhellenic creed they voice their unity of ideals and pledge their coöperation.

The creed with which Mrs. Tannahill closed her paper will be found on p. 10 of this issue.

ARE FRATERNITIES JUSTIFYING THEIR EXISTENCE IN STATE UNIVERSITIES?

A Paper by

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Doubtless there are subjects regarding which more platitudes might be uttered than have been proclaimed relative to fraternities, but doubtless there are very few subjects concerning which more platitudes have been spoken. Nevertheless, the fraternity question is living, vital, and present in every state university.

Secret organizations in colleges and universities evidently originated in response to social demands. In schools, as well as in every other institution of society, it has been found that "birds of a feather flock together." Moreover, the social instinct is one of the strongest and most primitive with which we have to deal. It is not a question, therefore, why secret orders came into existence; the wonder is that far more of them have not been brought into being. Indeed, the ideal social condition in society would make provision for every person holding membership in a congenial, social group.

Along with the social demand, there has developed recently definite economic conditions which could be satisfied in some respects

by the fraternal order. This economic requirement was associated with the housing question for men and women in state universities where adequate residence halls had not been provided by the state. Making use of the principle of community buying, it was possible for a group of individuals to secure common and congenial quarters where living conditions would be sanitary, food could be purchased at a lower cost and could be prepared in a more palatable manner than could be secured elsewhere. Thus it has come about that the fraternity in the state university has been requisitioned to satisfy the age-long instinct for social intercourse among human beings having similar ideals and mutual interests and also to provide suitable, economic, and attractive home surroundings.

Manifestly, if the fraternal organization could minister wisely and adequately to the social and economic demands of its members, the justification for its existence would not be called into question. However, there are certain contradictions which have developed in fraternal affairs during later generations. These contradictions are found in extravagances, dissipation, and loafing which are wholly contrary to sound economics, and also there has developed in many instances a "better-than-thou" spirit which is variously described as snobbishness or false aristocracy.

Very fortunately these indictments cannot be drawn against all fraternities, nor indeed, can they be made against every individual in any fraternity. Again it may well be said that these same difficulties appear in the social institutions of home, church, and state. It should not seem strange then that these exhibits of human frailties should appear in secret orders either within or without state universities. We cannot convict the institution of delinquencies merely because they appear in certain members.

The real question before us then seems to be this: to what extent may the fraternity which is a normal and logical expression of human kind gratify its social life in sane and economic ways?

In order to answer this question, the opinions of state university presidents, presidents of fraternities, and authorities on fraternity relations have been consulted. Among these answers, there is one from a fraternity president that is so luminous that it seems desirable to present it, together with the questionnaire:

What are the main objects of your fraternity?

"It shall be constituted as hereinafter provided, and shall have for its objects the promotion of the moral and social culture of its members, the establishment of confidence and friendly relations between the universities and colleges of the United States in securing unity of action and sympathy in matters of common interest between them, and the building up of a fraternity that recognizes mutual assistance in the honorable labors and aspirations of life, devotion to the cultivation of the intellect, unsullied friendship, an unflinching fidelity, as objects worthy of the highest aim and purpose of associated effort."

How does your local chapter endeavor to attain those objects?

"We believe early impressions to be the strongest. For this reason, we conduct meetings for the pledges each Monday evening. At this time, they are criticized for all acts of omission or commission which do not comport with the standards of rational and gentlemanly conduct. Every pledge is commended for any actions on his part which will further the interests of the university, himself, and his fraternity. We take particular pains to impress our pledges with the fact that our fraternity is only a side show in their college life and that at all times the university must be given first consideration. To this end, a part of each evening's session is given over to answering questions concerning the legal status of the university, its sources of income, and its organization. It will perhaps be interesting to note that our chapter has, since its organization in 1906, been in the habit of drilling its pledges in what is now the subject of matriculation lectures. It is only after having given them a thorough knowledge of the university that we begin to give them the history and organization of our fraternity. We believe that in thus instructing our pledges we impress upon them the relative importance of the university and fraternity, while at the same time 'promoting the moral and social culture of its members.' Not only do we require these things of our pledges but every old and active member is an exponent of the principles we are trying to impress upon them. Furthermore, in order to 'promote the moral and social culture of its members,' this chapter is conforming to the letter of the law of our national organization which forbids the presence of liquor or gambling in any form in the chapter-house."

"In order to 'secure the establishment of confidence and friendly relations between the universities and colleges of the United States,

in securing unity of action and sympathy in matters of common interest between them,' we have an exchange of chapter letters, through the medium of our magazine, which gives us a very definite idea of the conditions existing in the other colleges and universities. Our chapter never hesitates to take advantage of what has been proven good in other schools in order to further the 'matters of common interest between them.'"

"In 'the building up of a fraternity that recognizes mutual assistance in the honorable labors and aspirations of life' our chapter recognizes that nowhere do we get so much mutual assistance as behind the threshold of our respective homes. For this reason, our chapter life is made to conform as nearly as it may to our home life. We consider it the duty of each member to advise and criticize at all times as the occasion may require."

"'Devotion to the cultivation of the intellect' is a watch-word which every member heeds. In the Idaho chapter the president is by tradition the chairman of the scholarship committee. Not only does he report the scholarship standing of the members of the fraternity, at every chapter meeting, but the cause of every deficiency is traced to its source. We believe, however, that devotion to the cultivation of the intellect consists not merely in good scholastic work but that clean and rational living is devotion to that cause."

"In order that friendship may be 'unsullied' we exercise great care in the election of new members. Our chapter is free from internal strife."

In the experience of your fraternity, what are the chief difficulties which handicap you in your efforts to achieve the purpose of your national organization?

"I should say that the purposes of the national organization are too idealistic for achievement. The best we can hope to do is to approximate the purpose and ideals as expressed in our constitution."

What are the chief advantages within and without your chapter which aid you in achieving the purposes sought?

"The internal advantages have already been enumerated. The democratic spirit of the school is a powerful factor in helping us attain the objects sought."

How can we improve our fraternity situation in the University of Idaho?

"We are of the opinion that if each fraternity tried to live up to its ritual the situation would be improved. Thus far the great bone of contention between the fraternities has been rushing. We recommend that an interfraternity council be organized, strong enough to penalize its members for any infraction of the rules adopted by it. With the view of bettering the interfraternity feeling we have adopted a program of interfraternity smokers with all the other chapters on the campus."

How can we improve the situation in all state universities?

"The two great criticisms against college fraternities are in regard to scholarship and finances. A great improvement may be made along these lines by closer supervision by fraternity and faculty authorities. The interfraternity situation may be improved in all colleges by the organization of effective Panhellenic councils for the regulation of matters of common interest among them."

These answers of this fraternity respondent seem to incorporate some of the best ideals and suggestions which could be offered in justification of the existence of fraternities in state universities. It has been quoted at length because it incorporates the suggestions made by other respondents to my fraternity questionnaire and therefore presents quite clearly the views of some of the present-day students who belong to fraternities.

The following questionnaire was sent to various university presidents:

"May we inquire whether you have reached any definite conclusion as to the real status of the fraternities in university education in America?

"And also, what your experience is in handling them?

"Do you have any suggestion to offer for the improvement of fraternity relationships in university life? I am especially concerned to know how fraternities may be used in carrying on the administrative and the social life of our state universities."

President Wheeler concludes his answers to the inquiries as follows:

"I will bear my individual testimony that I have found the fraternities most helpful, and I have had pleasure in cooperating with them. I think the key to the correction of wrongs and abuses in the fraternities is found in giving them something real and serious to do . . . I think fraternities rightly guided and utilized by the university authorities are likely to become a potent influence for good."

President Vincent replied:

"We find it necessary to be alert and vigilant and never to assume that fraternities and sororities will automatically improve themselves or contribute to the welfare of the whole community. By constant, quiet, friendly, coöperative effort we feel that we have made good progress and that we may expect this to continue."

President McVey answered that "It seems that much is to be done by the fraternities to really justify their existence and square themselves with the purpose of university life." After reporting that they are getting on very well with fraternities at the University of North Dakota, he suggests: "If we could have an officer in the university whose whole time was devoted to the life of the students, looking after their interests and following them up individually, getting in touch with all these organizations, I believe that much more could be brought about as a consequence of their presence in the university."

Dr. S. H. Goodnight, answering for President Van Hise states "That the University of Wisconsin fraternity men and women live better for the same money, have more regular and more palatable meals, and have more congenial companionship and social opportunities than the nonfraternity people. They are, of course, subject to the disadvantage which sometimes comes from too much good fellowship, that of being distracted from their work. That we seek to counterbalance by publishing the averages of each group each semester. This keeps them at work to raise their averages and the upperclassmen take a very great interest in keeping their pledges and their underclassmen at work. I am a firm believer in fraternities, but I am also convinced that they must have a certain supervision and regulation by the faculty to avoid evils which otherwise are bound to develop."

The testimony offered by active members holding positions of responsibility in the fraternities questioned at this time, and the opinions given by presidents of state universities and evidence furnished by special students of fraternity problems seem to agree definitely in regard to the following points:

1. In the first place, fraternities have come to exist in our American colleges and universities because they are a natural outgrowth of the insistent call for congenial companionship on the part of every normal person, and they have functioned as most helpful,

economic agents in providing sanitary and comfortable residence halls which approach more or less closely to home environment.

2. The special, organized group possesses unusual opportunities and facilities for the development of friendship, scholarship, leadership, and a thoroughly wholesome and worth-while life among undergraduates.

3. Delinquencies, such as extravagances, dissipation, loafing, and snobbishness, are not wholly monopolized by fraternities. They are found everywhere in society, in all of society's institutions such as the home, the state, the school, and the church, whenever the balance between the proper adjustment of needs and supplies swing toward undue supplies and accumulated wealth.

4. There is uniform agreement that fraternities are, and of a right, ought to be agencies through which constructive work, for rich and wholesome student life may be accomplished.

5. Good achievements may fill the records of fraternal organizations provided a clear program is formulated by national and local fraternity officers in coöperation with university authorities, and provided an adequate system of supervision on the part of fraternity and university advisers is developed and continuously exercised.

It should be noted, in addition to the points upon which uniform testimony has been offered by the respondents to my inquiries, that the fraternities represent a very large numerical proportion of our student bodies and that their material property is of very large proportions. One authority states that about seventy per cent of all undergraduates are found in colleges and universities of America where fraternity chapters are maintained and states that twenty per cent of all students at these colleges are members of fraternities. (See page 555, N. E. A. Report, 1910.) It is probable that there are over 1300 fraternities and sororities, national and local, at our state colleges and universities. If these have an average membership of twenty-five, it means that there are approximately 32,500 active undergraduates in our American schools of higher education.

These organizations apparently control property which has a value of over \$4,000,000. This is under rather than over the actual investment represented by the fraternity and sorority properties.

Of course, the state universities can claim only a fraction of the fraternity undergraduates and the fraternity properties included in the foregoing estimate; nevertheless, the proportion of membership

and of property interest is so great that state universities cannot deal with this matter in a separate, distinct manner from that pursued by non-state schools. The consensus of opinion everywhere forces the state universities to recognize that they have a very potent and valuable agency in these secret societies which control the large property interests referred to, and which control very much larger values than those expressed by material property because they control so largely the general scholastic activities and the extra-scholastic activities such as athletics, social relations, debating, dramatic and literary activities of the institutions in which they have their residence.

I believe there is great unanimity of opinion that any failure of fraternities to justify their existence in state universities must be shared both by the fraternity members and by the members of faculties. My own opinion is that fraternities are justifying their existence in a large majority of instances in our state universities, and I am convinced that most of the deficiencies that do exist may be eliminated by a closer affiliation of the national and chapter authorities of all fraternities with the administrative and teaching staff in the universities.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SETTLEMENT SCHOOL BOARD

Fort Sam Houston, Tex.
June 1, 1917.

To the Grand Council:

The Chairman of the Pi Beta Phi Settlement School Committee makes the following annual report:

School: The sixth session of the school opened on Monday, August 7, 1916, with Elva Plank, Helen Virginia Ikerd, Helen Weinberg, Margaret Brown, and Florence Helmick present for duty. Margaret Brown arrived ill, attended school one day, and was obliged to give up. After six weeks' rest she came back only to leave again permanently. Florence Helmick substituted for Julia Barksdale during the month of August, and on September 4 the latter assumed her duties. December 1 Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Prickett took charge of the industrial work. Your chairman was present at the Settlement from June 29 to November 24. Miss Plank did not return to the school after the Christmas holidays until the latter part of January when, after nine days, she was called home by the illness of her mother and did not return. Helen Ikerd left the ninth of February to accept a position at her home for the balance of the year at a higher salary. The duties of Miss Plank and Miss Ikerd at the school were divided among the remaining workers and were very satisfactorily performed. The school closed March 30 with an enrollment of 131 pupils during the year—63 boys and 68 girls. Of these, 38 boys and 51 girls, or 89, satisfactorily completed their grades and were promoted. Our school has earned the distinction of being the best school in the county.

Pupils have been sent to us from Sevierville—16 miles distance—the parents boarding them in private families while attending school.

Industrial Work: The first part of the year, the actual industrial work of the school suffered because of Miss Brown's illness. In December, Mr. and Mrs. Prickett arrived, and threw their best energies into the work with gratifying results. It is hoped the coming year will be productive of still greater attainments. The people made in their homes more baskets than in any previous year, and the money made from this fast increasing home industry made a showing in the appearance of our pupils.

New Residence: Work on the new residence was begun on August 21, and from this time until November 2 (when I was forced to go to bed with an infected foot) I was daily with the workmen to see that the work was properly done and no shirking. It took twenty-four days to clear the land, dig the hillside away, and lay the foundation. On September 18 the carpenter's work began and on December 13 the teachers began to move in. The building stands about forty feet west of the cottage; the front door faces the driveway from the main road. Upon entering the main hall the large bright dining-room is in front of you; to the left is the large community room, and back of it the small kitchen, with the pantry between. On the right of the hall is the library, and in the southwest corner is the office, with the stairway and lavatory between them. Upstairs are five bedrooms and a bathroom, with closets in each room and two closets in the hall. The third floor is finished with a flooring only and affords storage room for trunks, etc. The basement is under half of the house and is of concrete. The heating plants, plumbing, and bath fixtures are the best to be had. The building cost approximately \$4,748.43 which is \$1,251.57 less than the lowest bidder by contract, and we have a better building and equipment than any contractor would have given us.

Bungalow: Before beginning the teachers' residence I built for my own use at Gatlinburg a four-room bungalow, which later Anne and Melinda Stuart bought from me and gave to the school. This is a picturesque building built on the steep hillside east of the cottage. It is twelve feet from the ground in front and rests on the ground on the rear. It has a ten-foot piazza across its entire front, a large living-room with a rough rock chimney, two good-sized bedrooms and a small kitchen, each room furnished comfortably for camp life. A loft is over the entire building, with windows on three sides, well ventilated and usable, reached by a ladder-stairway which can be raised when not in use and forms a panel in the ceiling.

Improvements: While we had the workmen and materials on the ground, it was very easy to do many odd jobs which had been needed for a long time.

(1) The two toilets built and used by the school were replaced by more sanitary and sightly ones. Lattice screens were built in front of them and vines will be trained to cover the latter.

(2) The hot air furnace put in the school building in 1915 by the contractor never heated the rooms during cold winter weather. When bids were asked for plumbing and heating in the residence, prices were asked to include a steam heating outfit for the school building and by having it put in at the same time, the cost was reduced. The school now has a large steam heating plant which has proved entirely satisfactory during the most severe winter weather at a cost of approximately \$900.

(3) In the schoolhouse hall, library shelves were built to accommodate all our books, and Miss Weinberg, who had charge of the library, went carefully through every book, numbering and reclassifying them and then catalogued them in a regular library catalogue book, furnished for that purpose. Near by was a small table, with the recording book, where each book was entered when taken out and when returned, and she tried to make the library an important factor in the school life.

(4) The extra passage to the basement in the schoolhouse was floored and shelves built in from the floor to the ceiling making a most needed storeroom for school supplies.

(5) A small floor was put down in the unfinished loft of the school building and the great accumulation of old books, magazines, etc., stored neatly here, and when the teachers went visiting they could always find reading or pictures to take with them.

(6) A much needed barn or shed for the children's horses that came from afar was built west of the schoolhouse, near Baskins, and filled a long want.

(7) The boys and men worked freely for weeks leveling and picking out the stones from the school's baseball ground and they have made one of the best baseball diamonds in the county. At one time it was estimated that three hundred persons watched a game. A grand stand was very much desired and the proposition was made that the men and boys would do the work if the school would pay for the materials, which was agreed to, and we now have a pavilion beside the baseball grounds which will seat three hundred. It cost the school \$19.72.

(8) Since Dell Gillette's time, the town has provided along its roads a one or two plank walk for the benefit of school children, but we had never had a walk of any kind from the main road to the schoolhouse. Here we built a four-foot walk from 2-inch plank on raised sleepers, and this soon became the favorite boulevard on fair Sunday afternoons and moonlight nights. This walk, where two persons could walk side by side, was a long stride in modernizing Gatlinburg. At recess, the older children and teachers got their exercise and recreation walking up and down the "board walk" arm in arm.

(9) Swings were erected for the smaller children and the teachers took keen interest in encouraging healthful play and physical development.

Hospital: The community needs a hospital. Last year we had many deaths from diphtheria. One nurse with experience might have saved many lives, for parents were helpless. In many cases when the child became ill the parents and neighbors for miles would crowd into a small, stuffy room and "set" by the patient's bedside, administering remedies thick and fast with harmful results. It was impossible to enforce a quarantine; the only doctor who visited them refused to attempt it. We had to close school. Now, that the residence has been completed and money has been subscribed sufficiently to equip and meet the running expenses for the coming three years, it might be wise to allow the old cottage to be used temporarily by a Red Cross country nurse. With our Country's future so unsettled I do not recommend the establishment of a hospital with wards, operating room, etc., at the present time. While this move is separate from the school until provided for and turned over to the Fraternity by the Founders, it has been developed in conjunction with the school.

Social Life: The Grand Council today would see a marked change for the better in our people. Each year at Gatlinburg our life grows broader and more strenuous. Our people are developing fast. The year has been one of hard work for everyone connected with the school. The teachers "went avisting" practically every afternoon, when the weather permitted; entertainments were given often in the schoolhouse, also parties in the cottage, and many "sings" and suppers were given in return by the people. A new piano, a gift of the Boston Alumnae Club, opened a new field for cultivation, for other pianos were bought and piano lessons and singing became popular. Mr. Prickett is a Missionary Baptist with a strong leading voice. He seems to have won the respect and love of the people and has helped in the village life, especially with the young men. The church services, under Mr. Conner, the well-conducted Sunday School which includes nearly all who go to church, the popular and well-organized B.Y.P.U. of the younger children, and later in the evening of the older ones every Sunday evening, showing intelligent and

keen interest and research, with the much softened choir are very gratifying changes due entirely to the influence of our Pi Phi School's teachers.

Future: I consider that we are now working under quite modern conditions in our schoolroom. The classes are regular. I would like to suggest to the Grand Council, for their consideration, the following:

(a) That we try to manage with one less teacher, that is, three beside Mr. and Mrs. Prickett.

(b) That the Head Resident be principal of the school, and take part of the work of teaching.

(c) That a housekeeper be hired for the necessary work.

The cost per capita for educating our children compared with other mountain schools is too large. After five months' observation I do not consider it good business to pay a woman \$50 a month and board and travel expenses for purely the school's business. The Head Resident can manage to do all the letter writing she is called upon to do, teach a class or more, and have time for all school business if she will systematize her work and give the school eight hours daily, if she has no cooking or housework. The Head Resident has heretofore written the Chairman of the Committee every week. She should also write the Grand Vice-president and other members of the Grand Council if they wish. She has duplicating conveniences; it would not be a bad idea for her to write during the year a letter or more to every alumnae club that they may know at first hand what is being done at Little Pigeon. Our Pi Phi teachers have been wonderfully fine workers and it is not so necessary that they be experienced if they have the other qualities for success. Our greatest need is for a permanent Head Resident who is wise, big minded, unselfish, and sincere. The duties are exceedingly trying at times; the life, outside of the Settlement House, one of isolation and lacking in all that is dear to the heart of the cultured and refined. As the Head Resident is the *leader*, she can do little or much as her conscience or strength may prompt. The people are so thankful for everything that only we who have lived among them and know what can be accomplished are aware of the possibilities for the future. Our Little Pigeon is no legitimate field for the theorist, the dreamer, the invalid, or comfort-loving worker; it is hard, day after day, unromantic work. We must have young, bright, cheerful, and faithful workers; Pi Phis who can sing, who can find the sweet and joyous in the life from the hills and freedom and simplicity in their surroundings; Pi Phis who can find a "silver lining" in the life before them; who will treat our people as they would their friends at home and lift the people up and give them a part of their life. I feel that we have been very fortunate in having during our years of effort along the Little Pigeon such lovely characters, and this year has been only another added to our service to our Fraternity, our fellow-beings, our Country, and our God.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH A. HELMICK, *Chairman.*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE PI BETA PHI SETTLEMENT SCHOOL

FROM MAY 1, 1916, TO JUNE 1, 1917.

RECEIPTS

May 1, 1916, Cash balance on hand.....		\$3,959.00
Received from Alumnae Clubs, #1.....	\$3,238.32	
Active Chapters, #2.....	235.78	
Sevier County School Board.....	320.00	
Pi Beta Phi Grand Treasurer.....	250.00	

Miss Reisinger's Subscriptions.....		\$118.82	
Interest on Savings Account @ 4%.....		117.55	
Sales of Industrial Work.....		54.33	
Saginaw, Michigan, D. A. Rs.....		1.50	
From Individuals:			
Mrs. Frank Dunn.....	\$1,100.00		
Mrs. L. A. Stuart.....	200.00		
Pi Phis.....	893.74	2,193.74	6,530.04
Total accountability for the year.....			\$10,489.04

EXPENDITURES

Buildings and improvements, Exhibit "A".....	\$5,286.77	
Salaries, Exhibit "B".....	1,184.00	
Head Resident, expenses, Exhibit "C".....	1,039.75	
Hospital Fund, separated from School's, "D".....	491.13	
Travel account, Exhibit "E".....	242.32	
Treasurer's account, Exhibit "F".....	203.19	
Freight account.....	153.12	
House Furnishings (including \$100 on piano).....	143.39	
Norman Prickett, cash for School incidentals.....	100.00	
School building, painting and repairs.....	75.07	
Teachers' living expenses, paid after close of school, but contracted by them.....	61.14	
School furnishings, including one sanitary bubble drinking fountain.....	57.74	
Cost of board walks.....	35.39	
Cost of cottage repairs, trellises, etc.....	27.59	
Baseball grand stand (all labor given).....	19.72	
Two School toilets, not included in Exhibit "A"....	17.90	
Industrial Work.....	11.96	
Gifts and charity.....	3.00	
Labor at cottage not included in Exhibit "C".....	1.35	
Total.....	\$9,154.53	
Balance Cash in Bank of Sevierville.....	1,334.51	10,489.04
Of this Cash, deposited in the name of Pi Beta Phi Settlement School, Building Account.....	\$1,065.96	
Pi Beta Phi Settlement School, Savings Account....	268.55	
	ELIZABETH A. HELMICK, Treasurer.	

EXHIBIT NO. 1

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR FROM ALUMNÆ CLUBS

Alpha Province:

Boston Alumnae Club.....	\$ 65.00
Buffalo Alumnae Club.....	8.00
Burlington (Vt.) Alumnae Club.....	14.00
Northern New York Alumnae Club.....	25.00
New York City Alumnae Club.....	600.00
Syracuse Alumnae Club.....	50.00
Toronto Alumnae Club.....	
Western Massachusetts Alumnae.....	
Rochester Alumnae Club.....	\$ 762.00

Beta Province:

Baltimore Alumnae Club.....	80.00
Carlisle Alumnae Club.....	20.00
Philadelphia Alumnae Club.....	61.00

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Pittsburgh Alumnae Club.....	\$20.55	
Richmond Alumnae Club.....	10.00	
Washington Alumnae Club.....	64.00	\$256.05
<i>Gamma Province:</i>		
Ann Arbor Alumnae Club.....	32.00	
Athens (Ohio) Alumnae Club.....		
Cincinnati Alumnae Club.....		
Cleveland Alumnae Club.....	194.25	
Columbus Alumnae Club.....		
Detroit Alumnae Club.....	66.00	
Franklin Alumnae Club.....	28.00	
Hillsdale Alumnae Club.....	5.00	
Indianapolis Alumnae Club.....	35.80	
Ohio Gamma Alumnae Club.....	41.00	
Southwestern Indiana Alumnae Club.....	3.00	440.05
<i>Delta Province:</i>		
Carthage Alumnae Club.....	10.00	
Chicago Alumnae Club.....	96.32	
Central Illinois Alumnae Club.....	38.30	
Decatur Alumnae Club.....	40.00	
Galesburg Alumnae Club.....	109.75	
Madison Alumnae Club.....	16.00	
Minneapolis & St. Paul Alumnae.....		
Monmouth Alumnae Club.....	198.50	
Peoria Alumnae Club.....		
Springfield (Ill.) Alumnae Club.....		
Southern Dakota Alumnae Club.....		508.87
<i>Epsilon Province:</i>		
Ames Alumnae Club.....		
Burlington (Iowa) Alumnae Club.....	11.85	
Cedar Rapids.....	5.00	
Des Moines Alumnae Club.....	78.00	
Fayetteville Alumnae Club.....		
Indianola Alumnae Club.....		
Iowa City Alumnae Club.....		
Kansas City Alumnae Club.....	25.00	
Lawrence Alumnae Club.....		
Lincoln Alumnae Club.....	25.00	
Manhattan Alumnae Club.....		
Mt. Pleasant Alumnae Club.....	33.00	
Omaha & Council Bluffs Alumnae.....	25.00	
Ottumwa Alumnae Club.....		
St. Joseph (Mo.) Alumnae Club.....	14.00	
Springfield Alumnae Club.....	60.00	
St. Louis Alumnae Club.....	50.00	
Sioux City Alumnae Club.....		
Topeka Alumnae Club.....	12.00	338.85
<i>Zeta Province:</i>		
Austin Alumnae Club.....	50.00	
Boulder Alumnae Club.....		
Casper Alumnae Club.....		
Colorado Springs Alumnae Club.....		

Dallas Alumnæ Club.....		
Denver Alumnæ Club.....	\$25.00	
Houston Alumnæ Club.....		
Laramie Alumnæ Club.....	67.00	
Pueblo Alumnæ Club.....	23.50	
Waco Alumnæ Club.....		165.50

Eta Province:

Los Angeles Alumnæ Club.....	70.00	
Nevada Alumnæ Club.....	10.00	
Northern California Alumnæ Club.....	140.77	
Portland (Oregon) Alumnæ Club.....	35.00	
Seattle Alumnæ Club.....	479.48	
Spokane Alumnæ Club.....	51.75	787.00
TOTAL.....		\$3,258.32

EXHIBIT NO. 2

Received during the year from active chapters the following:		
Columbia Alpha.....	17.40	
Pennsylvania Beta.....	25.00	
Minnesota Alpha.....	6.00	
Illinois Zeta.....	10.00	
Illinois Eta.....	15.00	
Iowa Gamma.....	7.38	
Oklahoma Alpha.....	30.00	
California Alpha.....	5.00	
California Beta.....	25.00	
Nevada Alpha.....	25.00	
Oregon Alpha.....	25.00	
Washington Alpha.....	25.00	
TOTAL.....	\$215.78	

EXHIBIT "A"

Construction, Building, Heating, etc.:

Teachers' Residence, engine house, barn, two model toilets at School:	
Paid for labor, including carpenters, brick layers, cement workers, local hauling, etc.....	\$1,223.90
(to this should be added \$240.28 paid by Head Resident after Treasurer left Gatlinburg)	
Paid for lumber.....	408.62
(to this should be added \$500 paid last year)	
Paid for plumbing, which included furnace in Residence, large American steam furnace in School (valued at \$900.00), water connection in School building, bath and running water in Residence, hot water in kitchen, kitchen sink, etc., and a pressure of water, with proper connections to throw a stream of water over the highest building for fire protection.....	2,548.01
(All plumbers in Knoxville were asked to bid on this contract and the above was the lowest for the work. The original bid was raised \$48.01 because of war conditions and advance in prices.)	
Paid for dressing, grooving, and matching, etc...	326.32

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Paid for best Portland cement for foundation, walls of basement, floor, etc.....	\$202.57	
Paid for freight and hauling materials.....	179.26	
Paid for hardware (nails, hinges, window fixtures, door fixtures, builders' paper, etc).....	204.02	
Paid for paint, which includes paint for School building two coats, two toilets three coats each, baseball grand stand, barn, engine house, and sufficient paint on hand to paint proposed hospital three coats.....	76.08	
(This was bought after getting bids from all dealers, and is the best Sherwin-Williams paint.)		
Paid for digging 76-foot well at Residence, which in dry season had water 12 feet below surface, making a 64-foot water supply which should never fail.....	75.00	
Paid for bricks for chimney.....	42.99	\$5,286.77

NOTE:—(To the above should be added the following paid by the Head Resident after Treasurer left Gatlinburg:

Building engine house.....	\$ 23.65	
Building barn.....	102.84	
Labor as explained above.....	240.28	
Also paid on account lumber.....	500.00	866.77

Total cost of year's construction work..... \$6,153.54

From this amount deduct

Estimated cost of schoolhouse heating plant ..	\$900.00	
Painting schoolhouse two coats.....	50.00	
Painting toilets, barn, etc. (three coats)...	75.00	
Cost of well.....	75.00	
Estimated value of paint, nails, builders' paper, and materials bought for use in proposed hospital and on hand.....	50.00	
Estimated total cost of barn.....	150.00	
cost of toilets, not included above.....	50.00	
Cost of grand stand and board walks.....	55.11	1,405.11

Estimated fair cost of new residence, complete \$4,748.43

EXHIBIT "B"

Salaries:

To Elva Plank:

Salary for August, September, October, November, December, @ \$50 per month.....	\$250.00	
9 days in January and February.....	15.00	\$265.00

To Helen Virginia Ikerd:

Salary for August, September, October, November, December, January, 6 months, @ \$25 ..	150.00	
Salary to February 9, 1917.....	9.00	159.00

To Helen Weinberg:

Salary from August 1, 1916, to March 31, 1917, 8 months @ \$25 per month.....		200.00
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To Julia Barksdale:

Salary from September 1, 1916, to March 31, 1917, 7 months @ \$25.....	175.00	
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Paid Florence Helmick for Julia Barksdale for the month of August for substituting.....	\$25.00	\$200.00
To Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Prickett:		
Salary or December, January, February, and March, 4 months @ \$75 for the two	300.00	
April and May when school closed, @ \$30 ..	60.00	360.00
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(Mr. and Mrs. Prickett's salary is \$720 per year, with no allowances for living or travel, but housing and garden only.)		1,184.00

EXHIBIT "C"

Head Resident's Cash Account:

Paid for furniture for New Residence	\$ 324.30
(to this item Treasurer's expenditure of \$143.39 to be added, making a total of \$467.69. This covers cost of one piano @ \$200. \$300 was given specifically for furniture and \$109.75 preferably for same.)	
Paid for living expenses in teachers' home	311.85
(this does not include labor; see below. To this add \$61.14 paid by Treasurer after close of School, making total of \$372.99)	
Paid for Industrial Work from Inhabitants	187.75
(add \$11.96 paid by Treasurer making total of \$199.71. Sales for the year amounted to \$349.02, making \$149.31 profit and a good stock on hand.)	
Paid for labor	155.81
(This item includes janitor @ \$30 per month)	
Paid on building residence after Treasurer left G	137.44
Paid for building barn and shed for School	102.84
Paid for tools for Manual Training Department	30.16
Paid for building engine house over well	23.65
Paid for School supplies, including books	17.01
Cash to balance turned over to Mr. Prickett	45.12
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Of this amount \$296.18 came to the Head Resident direct from sales of industrial work and gifts	296.18
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Amount received from Treasurer	\$1,039.75

EXHIBIT "E"

Travel Account:

June 29, 1916	Mrs. Helmick, Texas to Gatlinburg ...	\$52.20	
August 19, 1916	Elva Plank to Gatlinburg	27.47	
	Helen Ikerd	15.32	
	Helen Weinberg	24.33	
September 30	Julia Barksdale	20.60	
November 6	Helen Ikerd to Teachers' Convention ...	8.65	
November 14	Mrs. Helmick, Knoxville on business ...	8.50	
December 4	Mrs. Helmick, Gatlinburg to Texas	39.25	
March 26	Helen Weinberg, travel home	25.00	
March 26	Julia Barksdale, travel home	21.00	\$242.32

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EXHIBIT "F"

Treasurer's Personal Account:

Paid for clerical help	\$ 41.20
Stationery and postage	39.58
Cottage supplies, including 1,000 stamped envelopes ...	24.44
Typewriter (Corona) for use of teachers at Gatlinburg ..	45.00
School books and supplies	27.70
Freight bills	13.27
Refunded to Mrs. Wilbur to cover postage and expense in making canvass of her province for funds	12.00
TOTAL	\$203.19

EXHIBIT "D"

The following amounts received for establishing and maintaining a hospital to be known as the "Jennie Nicol Memorial Hospital." This was undertaken by the Founders and is to be separate from the Settlement School until turned over to them by the Founders. It was planned to have this perfected and in working order for the 50th Anniversary, but conditions have arisen which seem to make it best to wait. Therefore, the funds contributed for the work have been placed in the savings department of the Sevierville Bank, D. R. Marshall, Cashier.

Received from Mrs. Hutchinson	\$ 50.00	
April 15, 1914 Mrs. Kilgore	50.00	
April 24, 1914 Mrs. Gaddis	50.00	
October 7, 1914 Mrs. Wallace	25.00	
December 26, 1914 Mrs. Grier	25.00	
August 27, 1915 Mrs. Wallace	25.00	
August 27, 1915 Interest	1.19	
September 21, 1916 Mrs. Wallace	50.00	
December 12, 1916 Mrs. Gaddis and others	35.00	
December 12, 1916 Monmouth Alumnae	145.50	
December 12, 1916 Lulu McCabe	10.00	
December 12, 1916 Interest	1.44	
December 20, 1916 Ellen A. Lewis	10.00	
December 20, 1916 Margaret S. Flynn	3.00	
December 26, 1916 Lillian Elbridge	10.00	\$491.13

This amount was transferred from the School's books and opened as a new set of accounts in the name of the Jennie Nicol Memorial Hospital that the funds may be kept separate.

In addition to the above I have received:

January 8, 1917 From Monmouth Alumnae Club ...	\$ 53.00	
January 8, 1917 Champaign, Ill., Alumnae	38.30	
March 29, 1917 Seattle Alumnae Club to be used in fitting up a convalescent or sunroom	330.75	422.05
TOTAL		\$913.18

Spent from the above the following:

For clearing weeds and cleaning house	\$ 1.50	
Cash Book (\$1.00), ledger (\$1.00)	2.00	
Horse from Steve Whaley	150.00	153.50
(Money was given for this specific purpose, and horse has been used for farming and visiting.)		

BALANCE

\$759.68

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH A. HELMICK, Treasurer.

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF THE PIN

The Custodian of the Pin submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

Having an official jeweler has wonderfully simplified matters for me, in fact, so much so that my report will be very brief. The chapter pins, as you know, have not been reported to me this year, so I have a total of just fourteen pins purchased through me since October 1.

There have been several pins reported to me as being worn by "non Pi Phis" and I have written the wearer and in every case so far have secured a satisfactory adjustment of the matter. Usually of course the mistake has been caused by ignorance of the significance and admiration for the beauty of our badge, but even the most reluctant ones seemed impressed by the letters I have written and have either returned the pin to me or to some $\Pi \Phi$ qualified to purchase and wear it.

Thus far the only chapter reports sent to me are as follows:

- Indiana Γ , September 23, 1916, 10 badges
- Columbia A , September 19, 1916, 10 badges
- Illinois H , November 2, 1916, 2 badges.
- Illinois H , May 10, 1917, 10 badges.

This seems like a very small list but the girls have been sending their reports to the Grand Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

QUEENE SNOW COX.

OUR MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION AGENCY

Those of you who have been interested in our magazine subscription agency will doubtless have noticed from Mrs. Helmick's report that \$120 was raised in this way for the Settlement School last year.

Much more should be raised this year and we are going to try to do it in two ways: First, by asking each Pi Phi who reads this, to send her magazine subscriptions to our agency, or at least one subscription.

Second, to reduce our expenses to the minimum in the following ways: by sending out as few circulars as possible and by not sending receipts, thus saving postage.

We must ask you, therefore, to use such price lists as come direct to you from the publishers, any *current* list will answer; or if you haven't a list, to write to us for one. Then make out your list of magazines, enclose it with your check or money order and send to us.

No receipt will be sent to you unless especially requested, the receipt of the magazine being sufficient. If the magazines are not received in three or four weeks, notify us at once.

It would be a help too, if our old subscribers will send us their renewals, without waiting for a renewal notice.

We hope that more than ever in this year of stress and sacrifice every Pi Phi will wish to contribute to the school by sending her magazine subscriptions through our agency.

Please address all communications to Blanche G. Reisinger, 235 East Lafayette Ave., Baltimore, Md.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Rugg wishes to announce that during her husband's absence in France, her address will not be permanent. She will attend to correspondence as promptly as possible under the circumstances but people must allow time for forwarding letters. During the early winter months she is to visit chapters in the Middle West and her mail should be addressed in care of our Grand Vice-president, Mrs. Ford J. Allen, 420 Lake St., Oak Park, Ill., who will see that it is forwarded promptly. After December 15, address c/o Rev. F. T. Pomeroy, 32 Church St., Ware, Mass., until further notice.

The supply of official ARROW paper is nearly exhausted and it does not seem wise to have a new supply printed just now when the price of paper is so high. Two or three sample sheets will be sent each corresponding secretary about the first of October and she is requested to preserve them carefully and observe the printed instructions when writing her ARROW contributions on typewriting paper of regulation size which she will furnish herself this year.

The Editor asks the coöperation of all active and alumnae members in the following undertakings.

1. In the December ARROW she wishes to print a section devoted to the Gospel of Thrift. This will be substituted for the regular section, What a Fraternity Girl Thinks. In it she wishes to publish contributions from active and alumnae members showing methods of economy which are being practiced this year in the college, chapter-house, and private home. If everyone will consider this a personal invitation to contribute, we should have a wealth of practical, helpful hints to exchange in the December issue.

2. In the March issue which will be devoted to International Service, the Editor hopes to have a brief mention of every Pi Phi who is engaged in any special form of patriotic service. Of course, everyone is doing service of some kind but, as a matter of history, it

will be interesting to record special items concerning our members who are laboring abroad in any capacity or who are doing the *unique* thing in war service in this country. Where possible send a photograph of the person concerned with a brief three hundred word paragraph giving name, chapter, and short account of the work being done. Contributions are solicited from every possible source.

All alumnae club secretaries are requested to make sure that their addresses are given correctly in THE ARROW directory. Any change should be reported immediately to the Alumnae Editor. Chapter cataloguers (vice-presidents) are requested to send the Cataloguer at once the following information as shown at end of college year 1916-1917: Number of initiates, names of members, names of those honorably dismissed; names of members expelled from membership; names of transfers from other chapters, stating chapters from which they were transferred.

Several of the June ARROWS failed of delivery because of the early closing of some of the colleges. Any subscriber that did not receive her copy of this, our anniversary number, may secure one by notifying the Alumnae Editor.

EDITORIALS

A short time ago the Editor had the rare privilege of reading a remarkable series of personal letters written by a British soldier who has been in the thick of the great conflict since the outbreak of the war. The following passage impressed her as being so remarkable that she asked permission to quote it for, in common with all other women who have recently been called upon to send their loved ones overseas, she has seriously questioned as to the reason of things. These words uttered by a man who looks beneath the surface of life and in spite of his daily contact with horror and suffering can yet see a ray of light in the darkness have brought her new courage and so she passes them on to her fraternity sisters. Says this soldier-philosopher:

Truly, war is not all terror and destruction, I am not sure that this war may not one day be known as a blessing to humanity. For the moment, we, who live with it and by it, see its scars and wounds, for we feel its pain and weariness, but sometimes I feel as if it were clearing away rust which has eaten into and obscured the better things of the world—as if we were learn-

ing more about ourselves and what we are capable of; that after all, the age of chivalry did not die with the rapier and the ruffles, but that it was a heritage unknown, unsuspected, till the dust of time has blown away in the smoke of battle.

Just a year ago the following extract from an article in *The Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma was published on this page with the comment that the five pledges taken by the girls across the border were worthy of the thoughtful consideration of American college girls. Today they are even more pertinent. Nothing else seems more worthy of a place on the editorial page at this time. Let us all read them thoughtfully and heed them.

This year the question before the University woman is, "What can we do to be of most service?" Red Cross work has been carried on with a will, but while a great material help, can only have a temporary effect upon both our own characters and the future of the nation; thus we have determined that our part now, more than at any other time, is to keep conditions normal, strive to overcome all feelings of hatred and bitterness towards our enemies, and by our cheerful courage and energetic performance of the task that is nearest, make Canada seem the most glorious place on earth to our soldier boys when they come marching home. To this end the women of the university have formed a league of patriotic service whereby each one pledges herself:

(1) To do the work of her course faithfully regarding this as her first and chief means of serving the state.

(2) To strive through study and observation to learn the meaning and responsibility of citizenship.

(3) To give a definite portion of her time to Red Cross work or other work for the war.

(4) To practice economy in personal matters; to devote the money thus saved to war or relief purposes.

(5) To adopt such habits of life as will make her physically fit for service

It has been found necessary to publish the following reminder: By ruling of 1908 Convention the emblem of the Arrow may be used only for the official badge. It may not be used on stationery or for decorative purposes unless the Constitution is changed.

As *THE ARROW* goes to press, word comes that Grand Council Meeting will be held at Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill., October 22-24, immediately preceding the Panhellenic Congress.

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No. 1

(This BULLETIN is issued in the first week in October, January, April, and June. Dates when notices for insertion in *The Bulletin* are due will be found on the Pi Beta Calendar, inside the front cover of *THE ARROW*. Two copies of *The Bulletin* are sent to the corresponding secretary of each active chapter, one for her personal use, and one for the chapter files.)

THE ARROW PROSPECTUS FOR 1917-18

Owing to the shortage of paper and the abnormal prices in the publishing business, the Editor can make only tentative plans for this volume of *THE ARROW*. Every number will be as large as our resources will allow, current fraternity events will not be slighted and all the usual departments will be maintained or an adequate substitute will be provided. The tentative prospectus follows:

OCTOBER—*The Fifth Annual Information Number* containing reports of the past year's work and plans for the future, announcements, and instructions to officers.

DECEMBER—An issue dealing with our four new chapters, giving their history and a description of their college homes.

MARCH—*International Service Number*. See special notice on page 65.

JUNE—Special plans for this number cannot be made until the convention question is definitely settled. It will contain the annual reports of alumnae clubs and other timely features.

For the *December ARROW* all material must be *in the hands of the Editor by October 25*. Special instructions will be found on page 70. No further instructions will be issued for this number but corresponding secretaries are urged to be *prompt* in sending in their material.

For the *March ARROW* all material must be *in the hands of the Editor by January 25*. Special instructions for this number will be issued the first week in January.

For the *June ARROW* all material must be *in the hands of the Editor by April 15*. Special instructions for this number will be issued April first.

Please notice that ARROW material must be in the hands of the Editor by the dates named. This means that you must allow at least two days for forwarding as the editor will be traveling almost constantly during the early winter months. In this connection read The Making of THE ARROW for November, 1912, and when you remember that all work between the editor and publisher has to be done by mail, you will realize how much depends on your promptness.

STANDING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF ARROW COPY

In working throughout the year please follow these instructions:

1. For all contributions, use typewriter paper of standard size, copying the regulation heading from your sample sheet of official ARROW paper (see page 65). Read the instructions on the reverse side of the sheet of ARROW paper and follow them carefully. Have work typewritten with a double spacing. Fold the paper only twice and mail in a long envelope, with sufficient postage. This last instruction is essential.

2. Chapter letters should average 300-500 words in length and should be designed to interest first, the fraternity at large; second, your own alumnæ. Long and detailed descriptions of social affairs or decorative schemes should be omitted; *avoid any reference to the unpleasantness of examinations or to the dislike of study. Chapter letters have been severely criticized for these matters in the past.* At the beginning of every chapter letter give information about girls initiated since the last letter, using the following form:

(date of initiation)

Names of girls with class numerals—home address.

(This should *always* be printed.)

3. Alumnae Personals should be arranged as printed in THE ARROW for 1912-13. Study this form carefully. They should include

(a) Marriages, deaths, births.

(1) In reporting marriages, give full name of husband, college, fraternity, occupation, and address, as well as date of marriage.

(2) In reporting deaths give full name, cause, and date of death, together with class year and chapter of deceased.

(b) Occupations and changes of address.

(c) Names of alumnae studying in other colleges or who were enrolled in a summer school.

(d) Titles of books, magazine articles, or newspaper articles written by Pi Phis.

In preparing these personals seek the assistance, when possible, of a resident alumna who has been out of college long enough to know the older members of the chapter. For further suggestions regarding personals see pages 391-392 of THE ARROW for March, 1914.

Always designate the class numeral of the person mentioned. The new Directory which will be issued shortly will give accurate information on this point.

In mentioning an unmarried woman, do not use the prefix, "Miss."

In mentioning a married woman, use the prefix, as: Mrs. Sidney Smith (Rosa Hall, '02).

If one of your members has written a book, write and ask her to have the publishers send a copy to THE ARROW for review.

4. If a death occurs among your members, either active or alumnae, you should notify the editor *at once* and tell her what arrangements you have made to have a life sketch of the deceased prepared for the In Memoriam section. Such sketches should not average more than 300-500 words in length. Pictures of the deceased are published, when desired, at chapter or personal expense.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES FOR DECEMBER ARROW

In preparation for your work read THE STANDING INSTRUCTIONS published on pp. 51-53 of the October ARROW, the passages in The Constitution which refer to the work of the corresponding secretary and pp. 85-89 in the November ARROW for 1912. You will find your work easier because you have this information.

1. Copy for December ARROW must be *in the hands of the Editor*, October 25.

2. If you have not already reported to the alumnae editor the correct mailing lists for the college year, for active members, do so *at once*.

You should also send her the correct addresses of all members who graduated or left college in June, 1917, and you should send exact copies of this list to the Grand Vice-president, your province vice-president, and to the Cataloguer.

3. Read Standing Instructions in regard to chapter letters and observe them carefully. This letter should deal particularly with college and chapter interests since the opening of the school year. If you have a new house or room or if your chapter-house is not already pictured in THE ARROW, send a photograph, post-card size, glossy finish, of your chapter-house or the interior of your chapter-room, "cozy corner," or apartment.

4. Read over the Standing Instructions in regard to *alumnæ* personals and then see that all items of vital importance which have occurred since last April when the last personals were sent in, are included in those you send in now.

5. Please help the *alumnæ* editor by accepting the copies of THE ARROW belonging to the girls who are not returning to college this fall and forwarding the same. It will be necessary to make such an arrangement with the local postoffice, otherwise the copies will be held until the routine has been gone through or the copies will be destroyed.

6. According to the legislation of the last convention all ARROW copy *must be typewritten*. If you cannot do this yourself, the chapter must arrange to have this done for you. *If you have no official ARROW paper, use ordinary typewriter paper for your contribution to the December ARROW.*

7. If you have a new chapter-house or the old one has been extensively remodeled, notify the editor of the fact, when sending in your copy, but do not include details in this chapter letter. Reserve it for the March ARROW.

8. Call the attention of your chapter vice-president to the special notice from the Cataloguer printed under announcements.

9. Address your letter plainly and send it in a long envelope with sufficient postage in ample time to reach the editor at the following address, not later than October 25.

Fraternally yours,

SARAH POMEROY RUGG
(MRS. F. A.)

c/o Mrs. Ford J. Allen,
420 Lake St.,
Oak Park, Ill.

The Editor has failed to receive the blanks giving names of officers for this semester from Vermont B, Ohio A, Indiana I, Nebraska

B, Missouri A, Washington A, and the four new chapters. In some instances she has not even the name of the corresponding secretary for the current year. Please see that these important papers are mailed her at once.

STANDING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALUMNÆ CLUB SECRETARIES

(1) (a) She should see that the address of the secretary of her club is correct in THE ARROW directory and report any change in the same to the alumnae editor.

(b) She should send a copy of the program of the year for her club to the alumnae editor, as soon as prepared, all changes of name and address of club members and all subscriptions she can collect.

(2) She should send all the items she can collect for the alumnae personal section of THE ARROW to the alumnae editor on the date given for sending copy before each issue.

(3) She should send the alumnae editor a detailed report of club work for publication in the June ARROW.

(4) She should send the Cataloguer the membership list of her club for 1917-18 and notify her of any permanent change of address among club members.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF OFFICERS

REPORT OF ALUMNÆ EDITOR

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

The Alumnae Editor submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi.

Your Alumnae Editor would report briefly the ground covered during the year. Much that would be a repetition of former reports will be omitted, as much of the work is the same year after year. There has been constant effort to improve the system and to eliminate detail as far as is compatible with the best results, for as the volume of work increases with the addition of 600 and more subscribers each year, shorter methods must be found for keeping the mailing list up to date, and gathering personals systematically and on time, and printing them at the least possible expense of labor and paper. Although all parts of the work interlock, so closely are they connected, still they may for convenience be considered under separate headings.

Editorial. The Alumnae Personals have been gathered from every available source; clubs, chapters, officers, individuals, personal correspondence, exchanges, college papers, newspapers, etc. The copy has been carefully prepared, the galley and page proof carefully corrected. Although the personals occupy less space than formerly there are really just as many news items, due to the new practice of grouping similar items. Extra labor at the editor's desk in condensing and grouping news saves THE ARROW Fund many dollars. As a rule

the material comes in in good shape and the secretaries are taking advantage of the new department of "New Addresses." This adds considerably to the time that must be spent, for after the changes of address have been sorted alphabetically for the catalogue, geographically for the mailing list, they must be sorted by chapters for the personals, and all copied into the copy or galley proof. If, however, chapter secretaries will keep their Record Book up to date from these and if alumnae can keep in better touch with each other, it is worth the while. All this sorting saves time in the end and minimizes the chances for mistakes. The annual reports for alumnae clubs were gathered and carefully edited. In spite of earnest efforts the list was not complete. Will it be possible to have a report from every club next June?

Mailing List. This has been kept as nearly up to date as is possible with 5,200 subscribers that move as often as Pi Phis do. The Nixies have become fewer with each issue and the new "follow-up system" is proving successful. Instead of appealing to the chapter first, when a Nixie comes back from a Pi Phi's ARROW, a card is sent to the $\Pi \Phi$ herself at the old address. First class mail being forwarded, a lost (?) $\Pi \Phi$ is frequently located at once. If this fails, however, information is asked from her chapter, former alumnae club, and intimate friends, if known. The new accounts of Nixies that THE ARROW's publisher sends, now that THE ARROWS are "redeemed" according to U. S. postal laws, form a good list for checking up and are a great help. Every possible source is used to gain the latest information of the whereabouts of Pi Phis and much is gathered beside what comes on the slips in THE ARROW. These are being used, however, more and more each issue, and with the new clause for brides, it is hoped that some day we may record every $\Pi \Phi$ marriage in the very next ARROW after its occurrence. These slips, together with the Nixies and the data gathered by the Alumnae Editor greatly expedite matters for the Province Vice-presidents and the Cataloguer, to whom they are sent after each issue, when the mailing list, also, is sent them. Isolated Pi Phis are brought into touch with each other through knowledge gained from the mailing list, a card being dispatched at once to a $\Pi \Phi$ moving into a town where there is another $\Pi \Phi$ or other Pi Phis.

Card Catalogue. This is corrected in the same way as the mailing list and now that its 5,000 cards are rearranged alphabetically (a painstaking work of days), it is saving time and patience every day and diminishing the number of mysteries and making a marked difference in the amount of correspondence necessary. It has been such a relief to have it in this shape after working with it a year in geographical order. A $\Pi \Phi$ "somewhere in the United States" was nowhere. About 700 new cards have been typewritten and all changes of addresses have been made on the typewriter, making a neat, legible card, that lightens the work.

Bulletin. Notices have been prepared for each issue.

Subscriptions. In the summer, letters were sent to about 170 whose subscriptions expired and most of the returns were in before the publication of the Secret ARROW. An even earlier start is planned for this year. A receipt has been sent for all money received and the money turned over to the Grand Treasurer. (See report of Grand Treasurer.)

Exchanges. The popularity of THE ARROW among our exchanges has increased our exchange list materially and to put the whole thing into better shape new cards have been typewritten and this part of the mailing list rearranged alphabetically as to fraternities, so that changes are easily made.

Correspondence. This included the usual necessary correspondence with officers, clubs, chapters, and individuals; notice about expiration of subscriptions; receipts for money; notices of reports due; notices of chapter lists due; notices to all chapters concerning the forwarding of the June ARROW; list of exchanges requested sent to all our exchanges; "follow-up" notices after Nixies;

information sent to isolated Pi Phis, etc., etc. The work on the chapter lists grows heavier every year as our roll increases, and beside that, February now sees almost as many changes of address as June. The different dates for initiation make constant work necessary and the correspondence for this department is the most exacting.

Respectfully submitted,
ANNA ROBINSON-NICKERSON,
Alumna Editor.

REPORT OF THE CATALOGUER

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

The Cataloguer submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

Since the writing of the last report, although the work on the directory has been pushed as vigorously as the time and strength of the Cataloguer would permit, it became evident that it was impossible to finish the book so as to have it available during the college year 1916-17. It was therefore decided to have the directory include, so far as possible, all the members of the fraternity for the fifty years of its existence. The last of the copy is being sent to the printer, and the finished book will be in the hands of the chapters in the fall.

During this last college year, beside the list of 24 members of the new group of Virginia B, at Hollins College, the Cataloguer has received 626 initiation slips from the Grand Secretary, and these additions have been duly inserted in the directory, so far as possible. Some of the names of the initiates in the second half year were received too late to be included in the regular chapter lists, but they are given in the Appendix, which will also contain recent changes of address, marriages, etc., under the chapter headings. It is hoped that all who detect errors or omissions will be kind enough to notify the Cataloguer, so that her card records may be corrected.

The Cataloguer wishes to take this opportunity to thank those who have been so helpful in furnishing changes of address for the members of their chapters. Several alumnae have been willing to do this work for their respective chapters, and their assistance has helped to make the directory more nearly accurate and up to date than would be possible otherwise.

Your Cataloguer also desires to emphasize again the importance of maintaining a permanent alumna cataloguer in each chapter, preferably a member of the Advisory Committee, whose duty shall be to instruct the ever-changing active cataloguers—the chapter vice-presidents—as to their duties, to keep a watchful eye on the chapter records, and help to keep them up to date. The newer groups should adopt this practice early, and such an officer is exceedingly necessary in the older, larger chapters. Since the fraternity now approaches the 10,000 mark, and is growing each year at the rate of about 600 initiates, the importance of this suggestion is very evident. The Grand Council has approved the idea in the form of a recommendation by them, and it is hoped that all the chapters will soon put the idea into execution.

Respectfully submitted,
EDITH L. CARPENTER, *Cataloguer.*

REPORT OF ALPHA PROVINCE PRESIDENT

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

Alpha Province President submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

I shall attempt to condense a would be detailed report of individual chapters by making it a mere outline of general conditions for I realize the necessity for much curtailing.

My chapter visits have been few this past year for some of the chapters were visited last year. I had the pleasure in April of spending three very delightful days with New York I in their lovely new home. They are to be congratulated upon the realization of their dreams, while they are still so young.

Ontario A, the one chapter perhaps which most needed a visit has been a victim of unfortunate circumstances. Until late in the winter I was unable to get any word from them. For some unknown reason, none of my correspondence reached them and I received none of theirs, which condition was indeed a handicap for us both. I had planned to visit them during the winter but at the time planned for the trip, college was closed because of a coal shortage. It has been a hard year for the girls but they have rallied wonderfully. The social life of the university has been almost entirely eliminated and all their time and energy has been given up to Red Cross and other work for the soldiers.

New York A did not receive a real, official visit for it seemed unnecessary as I had the opportunity of visiting several chapter meetings at different times throughout the year.

Further acquaintance with conditions generally throughout the province has come through correspondence which in some cases has been rather extended. I have endeavored through this correspondence to understand the conditions existing in each chapter, have tried to help where there were problems and as a result feel that I have become fairly well acquainted with all the chapters as a whole.

Rushing throughout the province has seemed to be unusually successful, though of course there were some bids lost. None of the chapters can be criticized for elaborate or extravagant rushing, in fact, the general plan for the coming rushing season is to make the entertainments few and simple.

Each chapter has endeavored to raise its scholastic standing to the end that with one exception this effort has borne good results.

The Committee on Province Fraternity Examinations reports good papers with an unusual number of honor papers.

The coöperation between active chapters and alumnae clubs has been growing markedly during the past year, due, I believe, to the Alumnae Advisory Committee, which has been of vast help to most of the chapters in my province. This mutual interest is indeed most gratifying.

One of my biggest problems has been that of getting prompt replies from the various chapters. This condition will be eliminated, I'm sure, just as soon as I have had the opportunity of visiting all of the chapters; however, they have been worth waiting for and that has helped much.

Just recently I made a three-day visit of inspection of Epsilon Phi Fraternity at Hunter College, the report of which has been sent to Miss Keller.

Alpha Province President has more than enjoyed the delightful intercourse with the chapters and hopes ere another year rolls around, that she may have become acquainted with all the girls in her province.

Respectfully submitted,

EVA S. BURLINGHAM,

Alpha Province President.

REPORT OF BETA PROVINCE PRESIDENT

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

Beta Province President submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi.

Since the last annual report of this province no chapters have been visited either officially or socially, so there is little to report except such general conditions as have been learned through correspondence.

The average chapter membership in Beta Province is 26. Few bids were lost this year and $\Pi \Phi$ was the winner in a number of cases of double and triple bids. Rushing results generally were satisfactory. Dickinson succeeded in getting rushing rules passed for this year and hopes for even better ones next year. A new local has been formed there, which will probably become Phi Mu. At Goucher, the short rushing season before the formal opening of college was satisfactory to the faculty, but the question of fraternities at Goucher is still an unsettled one, and is being seriously considered by the Alumnae Council. At Stetson a new local has been formed, which may become Alpha Xi Delta, so that there is no longer any chapter in this province with only one rival group.

Weekly meetings are held by all of the chapters and real efforts have been made in most cases to make them constructive in character. The scholarship standing throughout the province has been good. Pennsylvania B and F, Virginia A and Florida A have led all college groups this year and Pennsylvania A and Columbia A were second.

With no fraternity houses to support and rushing expenses limited in nearly every case, Beta Province has no serious financial problems. Virginia A has almost entirely finished paying for its lodge, which is used for fraternity purposes only. All of the chapters have been well represented in college activities this year and some are doing social service and patriotic work.

Beta Province welcomes a new baby chapter this spring, Virginia B, at Hollins College, Hollins, Va., installed June 1 by Miss Keller and Mrs. Rugg. The writer has delightful memories of her visit to Hollins for group investigation and feels that $\Pi \Phi$ has added a strong and very promising unit to its chapter roll.

The "Dianthians" at the University of Pittsburgh has received the formal endorsement of the Pittsburgh Alumnae Club and is taking further steps for Pi Phi recognition. Also at the University of West Virginia, a local group, "The Circle," is doing preliminary work with $\Pi \Phi$ as its goal.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGUERITE WELLER HYNSON,
Beta Province President.

REPORT OF GAMMA PROVINCE PRESIDENT

JUNE, 1916—JUNE, 1917

Gamma Province President submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

Gamma Province President has been able, by stopping off on return from a personal visit, to make a second visit to the chapters of the province: Bloomington, April 24-25; Indianapolis, April 25-27; Franklin, April 27-29; Columbus, April 30-May 1; Athens, May 1-May 2; Ann Arbor, May 20-21. Several chapter meetings at Hillsdale were also attended, and Kappa Tau Sigma at Oxford visited at the request of Grand President and Extension Committee, April 29-30.

As for the scholarship of the province, Michigan B, a very large chapter, began the year leading all the organizations at Michigan. Their place on the scholarship chart published by the university was an inch and a half above all other women's and men's fraternities. For the current year, Ohio B has taken the laurels. They lead all fraternities at Ohio State University, and were presented with the scholarship urn, given by Panhellenic. Michigan A is ahead of all organizations at Hillsdale. Indiana B missed the lead by one point at Indiana University, and is second. Indiana A is second at Franklin, and Indiana F is third at Butler, having lost ground since their splendid improvement of last year. Ohio A with a very large chapter, has had low

scholarship last year and this, and must make a very decided improvement, though the average was the fault of a few, not the many.

Panhellenic at Indiana has been much stronger this year, than ever before. The dean of women characterized the Indiana B girls as gracious, strong girls, considered by faculty and townspeople the most dependable of all the groups. Mrs. Roberts, chaperon, has been a very great help to the chapter life, and is much loved by the girls. The strong box was in good order, and the constitutions had all been amended to date. The plans which had been maturing this recent college year, for building a new house have all been shelved temporarily, as a result of faculty action.

The chapter president of Indiana I has organized an efficiency committee, which resembles somewhat the council selected by the Ohio A president. The council and the efficiency committee are selected from the most responsible girls of the upper classes and help the president manage the chapter. The efficiency committee has planned two meetings for discussions lately, that were very helpful. This plan is almost a necessity in conducting a large chapter through college.

Indiana I is still dreaming of a Pi Phi Lodge rather faintly at present. Panhellenic voted for simplified rushing conditions. The chapter constitutions have not been amended.

Indiana A has a very nice custom. The girls take lunch together each week before chapter meeting, in their pretty and dainty new chapter-room. The Franklin Club was ingenious in their way of raising money, and successful. They catered for a province convention banquet of one of the men's fraternities. One hundred twenty-five plates were paid for, though not all used, all expenses paid by the club, \$1.15 charged a plate, and \$84 cleared. Seventy dollars was raised from a rummage sale.

Indiana A had a very successful rushing season, as did almost every single one of the chapters.

Kappa Tau Sigma at Oxford was visited, and the visit was very pleasant. The girls were most courteous and tactful in a situation that might have been awkward.

The visit at the Ohio chapters was short. They had both had their usual very successful rushing season, and further season, and besides that Ohio B had won the honor for $\Pi \Phi$ of being the first in scholarship.

Michigan A has had many changes of chaperons, but has won honors in scholarship and college activities, and has very charming girls. Michigan Beta's scholarship average has been lowered, but they also were not idle in campus work, and the freshmen won in the rushing season were unusually splendid girls. Michigan B hopes to have Miss Webster as chaperon when they return next fall.

At every one of the colleges and universities, many dances and entertainments had been cancelled, and the $\Pi \Phi$ girls were doing their share in the university relief work and the classes of preparation.

LEAH L. STOCK.

REPORT OF DELTA PROVINCE PRESIDENT

Delta Province President submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

Since my last report to the Council, I have made visits to three chapters, being prevented by illness from doing my whole duty. However, I have tried to keep in touch with the workings of each chapter. The chapters vary in size from eighteen to forty-five girls, and form most interesting groups. Matriculation pledging still holds in some of the chapters of Delta Province, others have interfraternity asking day, and one chapter continues its sophomore

pledging. Illinois E made a strong effort in local Panhellenic for second semester pledging as a happy medium, but was not able to hold out this year. The chapter is strong, however, with a fine outlook for next fall, and will exert a strong influence in fraternity affairs. So much depends upon the short rushing season. Will not each group use especial care in organizing its rushing campaign, and above all, investigate most thoroughly every recommendation, even those coming from Pi Phi?

In the matter of scholarship, Delta Province is advancing, though we could wish for more uniformly good work to bring it up to standard. It should be up to standard, since most of the girls are more than average students, making good grades; others are brilliant students, making excellent grades, while it remains for a few to bring down what might be a splendid average.

I have received one college paper this year, the *Knox Student*, and it has been a real pleasure to me, as well as a great help. Φ B K has at last placed Knox upon its roll, and Illinois Δ reports one member elected to its ranks, Margaret Anderson. Illinois E reports one Φ B K, Grace Moss, a graduate student, beside other honors. Minnie Buzard and Cecil Rigby are on the junior honor roll, the former also being president of the Woman's League. Illinois Z reports a Woman's League president also, Francelia Sargent. Minnesota A honor list has not been received.

Panhellenic difficulties retarded the progress of Illinois H at the beginning of the year, a thorough house-cleaning being indulged in. The group proved its sterling worth and its right to champion Π B Φ by splendid behavior in a very trying situation. In some chapters I find the Alumnae Advisory Committee increasing its scope of action and a recognized influence. At Illinois Z, however, this body either has not realized its right to be, or else other things have crowded it out of the field of action. Illinois E meets the last Thursday of every month with her Advisory Committee with great profit. The Settlement School is kept before the chapters in various ways, and while I cannot say just what each chapter is doing, they are all doing something worth while; Illinois Z sent a substantial sum toward the purchase of the Pi Phi "mule."

Delta Province is not at all behind in her interest and sympathy in Red Cross work, and many chapters have given up formal affairs involving considerable expense, and have voted the money to the Red Cross fund. Simplicity in social affairs will prove an unmixed blessing and I believe will tend toward decreasing the heavy expense at rushing time, which many have felt to be too great a burden. It has been a hard matter to regulate in schools where there are many organizations.

Minnesota A, Wisconsin A, Illinois Z, and Illinois H maintain chapter-houses, the first named being the proud owners of a lovely new house. Illinois B owns a charming bungalow, which, however, is used only for meetings and social affairs. Illinois Z plans to build later on.

Of the three houses I visited, the chaperons were not Pi Phi. Two had no charge whatever of household affairs. I should like to hear from others on the question of chaperons and their duties. Personally I should consider a chapter-house more of a home if the chaperon were as much a hostess as a duenna, with a personal word to offer in the matter of etiquette in entertaining, in all the little observances of social customs, and with an eye for the cultivation of that tact and graciousness which so stamps a girl in her later relations to society at large. Good breeding in a girl we take for granted, but the precious years from seventeen to twenty-one are to determine the real womanhood; a chapter-house should stand for more than the mere segregation of a select group, and the training therein more than practice in house-management.

We have in Delta Province very strong material for the advancement of Π B Φ , but lacking in many cases the highest development. This is due to many causes, chief among them a failure to recognize and grasp the largeness

of purposes of our national organization. The girls themselves realize this lack and have talked over ways and means to remedy it. I am not advancing this as a newly discovered idea; I believe it is only natural for groups to become local in spirit if the upperclass girls do not from the very beginning inculcate the national ideas in the freshmen. Freshmen are not always freshmen, they in turn are soon to be leaders—the circle ever widens—and they must be taught the very highest conception of the fraternity from the very first. We begin to realize ideals by attention to practical things. To this end I have urged strict observance of house rules in every detail, the habit of putting fraternity affairs first, and the giving-up of "dates" without question. This is the canker of many chapters, and certainly would not exist if every girl had the right idea of her allegiance to her fraternity.

If convention plans had been carried out, you would have seen the delegates from Delta Province eager to speak and to hear of ways to improve their local groups, anxious to express their views and gain new light on the subject of extension and other vital matters. May the affairs of our loved nation so be adjusted that we shall all soon resume our normal course of living. In the meantime Delta Province will pledge her best efforts in behalf of her country, her colleges, and her fraternity.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER ORR SPRY,
Delta Province President.

REPORT OF EPSILON PROVINCE PRESIDENT

Epsilon Province President submits the following report to Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

Each chapter in the Province has been visited this year by the Province President. Missouri B, Missouri G, Arkansas A, Louisiana A, and Missouri A, were visited during November and December. Missouri A, Kansas A, Kansas B, Nebraska B, Iowa B, Iowa F, Iowa Z, and Iowa A, were visited during February and March.

The Province being so large and distributed over so much territory it has been difficult to keep in as close touch with each chapter as was desired.

Iowa A has a small chapter, but one that is very congenial. They are strong and enthusiastic and have made a strenuous effort this year to make themselves felt on the campus, and have succeeded very well. Their archives are in good condition, and well kept, although THE ARROWS are not all bound at the present time. They have two chapter-rooms facing the campus, with the use of the house for entertaining. The Panhellenic situation is far from ideal, but has gained a little confidence this year. Iowa A deserves credit for having retained her high scholarship standing for initiation this year when the college faculty lowered it for all fraternities.

Iowa B has a fine type of girl. They are congenial, are fine scholars, loyal to their college affiliations, and refined and wholesome in their manners. Their singing is above the average, and their original songs made a deep impression on their appreciative visitor. They have no *bona fide* chapter-house, but twelve of the girls live in the home of an alumna.

The Panhellenic situation has been strained, owing to the low standards of one fraternity, and in consequence the whole fraternity situation at Simpson has been jeopardized.

Iowa F has a comparatively new chapter-house, which is exceptionally well adapted to their needs. The girls are strong and delightful, well fitted to hold their position as social leaders on the campus. They have made a strenuous effort to raise their scholarship this year and have succeeded in heading the list of nationals.

The work at Ames is very hard and the hours are long, which has handicapped them in their participation in campus activities. This year they have

tried to overcome that handicap, by forcing each girl to carry a certain number of points in college activities.

Iowa Z has emphasized the social life for the past few years to the detriment of her intellectual and college life. She has an especially strong group of freshmen this year; who I am sure will bring the chapter back to her old time supremacy. They have a new, and larger chapter-house for next year that has infinite possibilities. Several of the girls are active in college life and one holds the Y. W. C. A. presidency for next year. The archives were very incomplete but will be entire in the near future.

Missouri A has a fine new chapter-house, almost perfect in its appointments. They have rearranged and completed their archives since my visit so all should be in fine condition at this time.

Missouri A girls are delightfully charming, are experienced and grateful hostesses, and will well represent $\Pi \Phi$ in any social circle their lot may be cast. Owing to the extreme emphasis put upon social life they have not, however, come into their own as strong leaders in the university. One of their girls is president of Y. W. C. A. for next year.

The fraternity situation at Missouri is in great danger. Antifraternity legislation is likely to come up at any time, and the only safeguard for fraternities is to make themselves indispensable to the university. This, Missouri A is trying to do, and is ably leading in the work for a new woman's Building.

Missouri B has two beautiful chapter-rooms in the dormitory. They have made a strong fight this year to make themselves felt in university affairs, and they have succeeded very well indeed. Theta has held sway here so long it is hard to make her realize that $\Pi \Phi$ is no longer content with being social leader only, but is determined to be supreme in campus activities as well. The girls are making plans for a clean $\Pi \Phi$ sweep next year in university honors. Emma Vogt made $\Phi B K$ this year and with enthusiasm and good leadership Missouri B should take the highest honors next year.

Missouri Γ is one of the youngest chapters in the province, but is a full grown daughter in true fraternal spirits. The fraternity situation at Drury is almost perfect. As a whole the fraternities are democratic and stand for the best things on the campus. The feeling in Panhellenic is exceptionally good.

Missouri Γ has a charming chapter-room on the third floor of one of the college buildings. Their standards are high, their spirit is fine and their enthusiasm fine. Their archives are in good shape and well kept.

Arkansas A has had a hard situation to meet owing to the fact that they have so few resident alumnæ. They have developed in a remarkable manner this year, and with such continued endeavor they will overcome their handicap in a short time. They were first in scholarship this year and have taken an active part in university affairs. The Panhellenic is well organized and fairly harmonious.

Louisiana A has a delightful personnel. They are wholesome, genuine, and enthusiastic. They are undoubtedly ranked first in college, in social culture and leadership. They have fallen a little below their past average in scholarship, but are working to bring it up this year. There is a delightfully democratic atmosphere in the college, and little or no antifraternity feeling. Their archives were not completed but have been completed since my visit.

Kansas A has the most beautiful chapter home it has been my pleasure to visit. The chapter is strong in its social standing and was second in scholarship last year. They, like many other chapters have emphasized their social life to the detriment of their university life. They have some strong leaders among them, however, through whom they are well represented in university organizations. Their archives are well kept and fairly complete.

Kansas B has had some trials, but is coming out with flying colors. They are first on the campus in social life and in scholarship this year, but like many another chapter have not yet reached their own in leadership. There is a

unique situation at Manhattan in that the nonfraternity people rule the campus, and the poor fraternity outcasts must take the leavings. They have a new house which is very comfortable and attractive. There are infinite possibilities in this baby chapter and big things are expected of them.

Nebraska B is in the process of a change in type. The new $\Pi \Phi$ there is a wholesome, genuine, charming girl of high standards, with a desire to excel in the most worth-while endeavors. They have a charming house very tastefully and daintily furnished. The archives are well kept and quite complete. They are especially fortunate to have Miss Stuart in such close proximity. Her presence would be an inspiration to any chapter.

Epsilon Province President has suggested that each chapter maintain a discipline committee, that an active officer be elected whose duty it is to keep a list of the campus activities and see that Pi Phis do their share in making them worth while, that they draw up a definite chapter policy, or code of conduct with respect to scholarship, leadership and social culture, that freshmen be chosen for their intellect, powers of leadership, and social refinement, that some Panhellenic action be taken to overcome antifraternity feeling, that they encourage true democracy in all members, that their fraternity meetings be conducted more formally, according to Roberts' rules, and that they consist of discussions as well as business.

Respectfully submitted,

ULLENA INGERSOLL BEAL,
Epsilon Province President.

REPORT OF ZETA PROVINCE PRESIDENT

JUNE, 1916—JUNE, 1917

Zeta Province President submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

The year 1916-1917 has been a successful one in this province, if I may judge from my correspondence. The chapters seem to be represented in all the college activities and the usual number of honors is reported. In scholarship the average for the province is a little better than that of last year, for although Oklahoma A has gone from first to fifth in rank in her college, Colorado B has come up to first place in Boulder. Wyoming A is still first in rank and Colorado A has come up from fifth to third place in their respective colleges. Texas A reports a grade above the university average which is necessary for a fraternity to have here in order to initiate, and Texas B has an average of B. The chapters did creditably in the fraternity examination, the province average being 89+.

Wyoming A and Texas B are the only chapters with any extended rushing season. There is almost open pledging in the universities of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, and Denver. It is very necessary that all chapters know the local and national Panhellenic rules, and I suggest that a pamphlet of the national rules be sent each chapter each fall. Last fall we had Panhellenic troubles in three places. Colorado A and Colorado B were penalized for breaking rules, and Texas A had a pledge lifted by K A Θ . Special stress should be brought to bear upon chapters to see that they are acquainted with local Panhellenic rules, for nothing touches so vitally our reputation as our conduct during rushing season. I would rather see a chapter lose bids than not be punctilious in the observance of Panhellenic regulations. I suggest that several questions upon local Panhellenic rules be included in the next fraternity examinations.

The alumnae advisory committees seem to be more and more awake to their opportunities for helping the chapters. I consider a close union between active chapters and alumnae an almost necessary condition. The active chapters need the alumnae more than they realize. Shifting as the active chapter does in its personnel, the town alumnae become the stable part of the chapter. A

feeling of gratitude and respect for the alumnae ought to be more deliberately fostered in all our chapters.

From reports it is very hard to learn just how expensive fraternity life is to our members. Living expenses in chapter-houses are cheaper than outside chapter-houses. From observations on my inspection trip I know the other chapter dues are not too expensive in two of my chapters, but about the remaining four chapters I am not so sure. There is a great difference in chapters in this regard. I know that it would be hard to have national financial rules, but could we not indicate to all our chapters just what it is reasonable for a fraternity to cost its members. One of the gravest objections brought against fraternities is that they are snobbish. When a chapter's expenses become too high for the average student the chapter is going to become snobbish and glory in it. At least we could tell our chapters just what they ought to spend rushing season and encourage them to have this limit made a Panhellenic rule in their separate colleges.

During the past year I have had occasion to become rather disgusted with our system of extension. Aside from the fact of whether we want to expand more slowly or not, there are grave faults with our extension system. To require an inspection by the two nearest chapters without any financial provision for this inspection is to delay this inspection and to wear out the patience of a waiting group. We now require that a petitioning group be inspected by four separate people, and yet the committee of extension has no power except to judge of a petitioning group by correspondence and recommend it without inspection. Our way makes for a duplication of letters between the group and the extension committee, the province president, the two nearest groups, and the grand council. The lines of procedure are not detailed and so nobody knows just what to do with a petition, and delay is inevitable all along the line.

The war has had a very disturbing and disrupting effect upon all colleges. I think our chapters have been anxious to help. All members of Texas A took up some military preparedness course, as required by the university. Wyoming A bought a lot to use for gardening. Many of the girls of the other chapters took up Red Cross work.

Colorado B has a lovely new bungalow just completed upon the site of the old one.

Texas A is now passing through troublous times. The Governor of Texas in a rule or ruin policy has vetoed the university appropriation for the next two years. He demands the discharge of President Vinson and about ten faculty members and the abolition of fraternities. In his veto proclamation the Governor said, "Too many people are going hog wild over higher education," and he says the bats may inhabit the university buildings until he can rule it. I quote him to show the kind of man he is. Rather than have the university filled with politicians appointed by him it would be better to close it. At this date the ex-students of the university are having a state meeting to plan some means of keeping the university open and of divorcing it from politics. No one can tell yet what will happen.

May we be able to celebrate our fiftieth anniversary in the near future with the world at peace.

Respectfully submitted,

EMILY MAVERICK MILLER,
Zeta Province President.

STATISTICAL REPORT

	Texas A	Texas B	Oklahoma A	Colorado A	Colorado B	Wyoming A
Enro'led students.....	2,600	823	1,700	1,500	811	651
Per cent women.....	40	52	33	26	49	65
Rival organizations.....	7	9	4	6	4	2
Faculty roll.....	200	45	140	192	32	83
Per cent women.....	12	under 10	9	26	31	26
Active Pi Phi.....	19	11	30	29	34	21
Invitations issued, 1916-1917.....	14b	11	24	22	20	9
Invitations lost.....	1	0	1	5	2	0
Best rival.....	KKP	A O II, Z T A	K A Θ	KKΓ, Δ Γ	Γ Φ B	Δ Δ Δ
Bids won.....	3	5	3	10	8	4
Scholarship.....	Above school average	C first term B second term	5th in rank	82.26, highest for sororities	86.53, third in sororities	Best in sororities
Cost in house.....	\$27.50	No house	\$25.50	\$29.50	Do not live in house	No house
Monthly dues.....	2.00	\$6.00	1.00	1.00	\$2.00	\$.50
Monthly assessment.....		1.00	1.50	1.00	1.00	.50
Initiation fee, local.....	16.00	5.50	15.00	15.50	10.00	3.00
Rushing expenses.....	Not est.	None allowed by college	Not est.	Limited to \$50 by Panhellenic	75.00	30.00
Patronesses.....	3	7	5		3	6
Town alumnae.....	25	25	4	33	139	10
Town Pi Phi's active.....	6	8		13	34	10
Interfraternity asking day.....	Sept. 27	Nov. 20	Sept. 23	First Monday of school year	Sept. 28	5
	Sophomore initiation					

REPORT OF ETA PROVINCE PRESIDENT

Eta Province President submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

It is with the greatest of pleasure I offer my report of Eta Province for the past year. I have had the privilege of meeting personally and becoming acquainted with all the chapters in our province. If it were only possible to have a longer report I could tell as fully as I would like the many struggles and splendid development of all our chapters, but I must take enough space to try to tell what very thoughtful and gracious hostesses all the girls and "older girls" were, and I want to thank each of them again.

The active girls have worked earnestly to overcome their individual, and chapter obstacles and they have done well. The alumnae have shown an increased interest in $\Pi B \Phi$ generally in the last year, and their ever-growing enthusiasm and interest in the active chapters augurs well for the future.

The many active girls present from California chapters were inspired by the wonderful Founders' Jubilee Luncheon held in San Francisco, and I am sure the Washington A Chapter was equally helped by the Seattle luncheon. If all our alumnae and active chapters could only be near enough to join in like festivities it would result in great added enthusiasm.

The distances between the western chapters are so great that it takes some days even to travel from one to another. This can only be remedied by dividing our province and we hope this will be done. The province officers could then keep in closer touch with the chapters and clubs than is possible at present and the province president could become an intimate friend and advisor of the girls instead of a "visitor." The cherished hope of a yearly province house party could be a reality. Eta Province has had one such house party. It was held last summer at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur in Seattle. It was a decided success and must be a proud memory for all Seattle Pi Phis, but due to the great distance and expense only one of the southern Pi Phis was able to attend, and thus was lost to many an invaluable opportunity to widen their fraternity associations.

A plan to hold a northern and a southern reunion was talked of but it was felt this would do much to counteract the strong province unity we are all striving for so hard.

But to get back to the subject of a divided province. We are now ready for our contemplated extension on the coast. Already the group at University of Southern California is pledged $\Pi \Phi$, and when Miss Keller comes to install them we have every hope that she will also install the fine groups at Oregon State College and University of Arizona. We will then have nine active centers. Let's be ready to give them the strong national backing to which they are entitled.

The province scholarship has been uniformly raised despite the fact that three of the universities have instituted a closer system of grading. Oregon A was accorded the scholarship cup offered by the Oregon Chi Omegas to the fraternity having the highest marks for three successive semesters. California B has added one $\Phi B K$ to the honor of the province. Nevada A had an honor student with ranking equalling $\Phi B K$.

It is not easy to pluck "Keys" in the West, for in some universities there are two hundred or more eligible and from this number about twenty or less are chosen. Only three of our chapters are in colleges where $\Phi B K$ exists.

Our Panhellenic situation is not all we might hope for, and too often the local organizations lack the feeling of mutual trust. There is too strong a feeling that the other fellow is trying to "slip something over" on the rest. If fraternities are to stay in the West they must learn to get together and work together for their common good. Here lies our greatest weapon against

antifraternity legislation and our local Panhellenic must become something more than a body to decide on rush rules. Our chapters are going to work for uniform Panhellenic house rules. This will be a wonderful step, especially in universities where it is impossible to have the help of faculty restrictions. An alumnae delegate from each fraternity in local Panhellenic would aid the active girls in solving their problems. This has been partly worked out at the University of Oregon. Some of our chapters are blessed with the preference system of bidding. This is a splendid thing, and we hope to have it in all our colleges soon.

I would like to suggest to all our chapters that more mothers' parties would be a splendid thing. Too often we do not stop to realize how one-sided our relations are apt to grow. The fraternity constantly makes demands on the mother for help, for her daughter's time, and for money, and too often these demands are made the excuse for thoughtlessness on our own part.

It is easy to allow our appreciation to become an unspoken thing. Let us not drift into this habit. Every chapter should have each semester a mothers' and fathers' party. This is a reality in one of our chapters and the results are most gratifying. The evening's entertainment consists of a few stunts, with cookies, punch, coffee, and much visiting. The alumnae and their husbands help entertain the parents. No rush party can equal it for enthusiasm and to say the least our parents are entitled to know how and where we spend our $\Pi \Phi$ time and money.

One other suggestion I would like to offer—remember, we can not be too careful about all official correspondence. *Be sure* it is always read in meeting and allow every member a chance to offer suggestions as to a reply, etc. The chapter letter must be written and discussed by the chapter before it is sent to THE ARROW. It should be the result of thought on the part of every chapter member and not just the product of the often over-worked secretary. Not all the chapters are strict about this, but I feel sure they will be in the future.

I should like to make one further suggestion before closing. It would seem that in times such as these, with the country embarking upon the sternest conflict of its career, the opportunity is given us to serve to far better advantage outside our college circles. Before this letter is published the first issue of Liberty Bonds will have been fully subscribed, but there will no doubt be further issues and I think we cannot urge too strongly upon our girls the duty which all American citizens owe to subscribe liberally to these bonds whenever they are issued. Let us get behind our government and so far as possible serve to our last dollar as the boys of our universities will serve with their brain and brawn.

Respectfully submitted,

TREASURE McCLYMONDS,
Eta Province President.

REPORT OF ALPHA PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Alpha Province Vice-president submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi \Phi$:

The routine work of keeping the catalogue up to date and collecting national dues has been done as usual. About 140 new cards have been added, and corrections made on nearly as many more. Dues to the amount of \$126 have been received, a slight increase over last year. New York City's membership has been 107, by far the largest in the country. Their campaign for members may profitably be imitated by other clubs.

Most of the clubs have contributed to the Fellowship Fund as well as to the Settlement School. New York's splendid gift to the school of \$600 makes the other amounts seem so insignificant as not to be worth mentioning. Some of these, however, mean real sacrifice on the part of small clubs. Beside

giving money, the Boston Club sent a box of games, material for sewing, etc.; the Rochester Club made curtains; and the Western Massachusetts Club embroidered guest towels. The Boston Club gave up its usual Founders' Day banquet and held a May party, with basket lunches, the proceeds, amounting to \$50 being given to the Settlement School Endowment Fund. New York's booklet about the school, including letters from the children, is worthy of special mention. Rochester still takes the lead among the smaller clubs in work and play, with Buffalo and Northern New York not far behind.

I have made a special effort this year to arouse interest among isolated alumne by means of round robin letters, hoping that some new clubs might result. The great obstacle to this, as to other fraternity work, has been the difficulty of getting answers to letters within a reasonable time. I think that the neglect of important letters for weeks and months should be regarded not only as extreme discourtesy, but as real disloyalty to the fraternity we are pledged to assist at all times.

Letters started in eastern Canada and in three sections of Connecticut have never been heard from. There seemed good material for a club near Hartford, but I have had no response from there. A brave effort was made by Mrs. R. D. Evans to organize a club in Portland, Me., but several of the few available Pi Phis moved away just then, so it is hopeless for the present.

In New Hampshire, however, we had better luck. A round robin started in the southern part of the state, came back filled with most enthusiastic letters. A meeting was held in May at the home of Mrs. Henry Lake in Concord. Another meeting is planned for the summer. Meanwhile, the round robin will keep the people in touch with each other.

Next year, I wish we might try a plan similar to that used by K A Θ of having a state chairman work among the unorganized alumne in each state.

For the last two months, I have served on the committees to select teachers for the Settlement School for next season.

Next year, I hope that all of our clubs may devote some time to Red Cross work, not instead of, but in addition to, the work to which we are already pledged.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE B. ALLYN,
Alpha Province Vice-president.

REPORT OF BETA PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

The Vice-president of Beta Province submits the following report to the Grand Council of Π Β Φ:

Although the province can boast no new clubs organized during the year it can report all of the existing clubs in good condition. They have all lived up to the requirements of chartered clubs and there seems to be none of the feeling so prevalent in former years that being a chartered club demanded too much. On the contrary, the attitude of the clubs has been that of appreciating both the responsibilities and privileges of belonging to the national organization.

Each club has had a regular program and in addition to the required meeting some of them have had various entertainments—musicales, talks on subjects of current interest, children's parties, and husbands' meetings. A successful innovation was made by the Pittsburgh Club in holding their business meetings in a downtown office building. The attendance at all the clubs has been good but the Philadelphia Club is to be particularly congratulated.

I have not the necessary data at hand to compare the Settlement School contributions of this year with those of last. I think, however, that no club has given this year less than it did last. A far greater proportion of the contributions this year were voluntary gifts and consequently there were fewer entertainments for raising money. This I consider a good sign as it brings

us nearer the time when each and every Pi Phi will contribute toward the support of the school. Our clubs are also beginning to reach out and fill needs in the communities in which they are located. Carlisle has been interested in Red Cross work and Baltimore, through one of its patronesses, in a free kindergarten.

The ever present question of isolated alumnae has perhaps been brought a little nearer a solution through the clubs. Richmond, Carlisle, and Philadelphia have tried especially hard to reach out after alumnae living in the state even though they are not in reach of the club. This has resulted in an increased membership among those Pi Phis living near enough to come occasionally. Carlisle's plan of having only four meetings and trying to get a good attendance among these out-of-town people has been successful. Philadelphia, however has even a better plan. They have divided Philadelphia and environs into districts and hold one meeting during the year in each district. The real problem, however, is still unsolved for there are many alumnae whom these clubs do not reach closely enough to interest them in the organization.

The routine work of keeping the card catalogue up through reference to the post office Nixes, *THE ARROW*, etc., has been carried out.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE N. VAN SANT,
Beta Province Vice-president.

REPORT OF GAMMA PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Gamma Province Vice-president submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

When Miss Harriet Briggs, Toledo, Ohio, who had been elected Gamma Province Vice-president at convention, returned to take up work at the University of Michigan, the clubs in the province lost a most thorough and efficient officer. At the time of Miss Briggs's resignation, Gamma Province listed eleven alumnae clubs; the number still remains the same but the Cincinnati Club has been dropped from the list and the Southwestern Indiana Club has been added. Both Miss Briggs and I did all that we could to arouse a new spirit among the members of the Cincinnati Club but the case seemed to be entirely hopeless.

The Southwestern Indiana Club, chartered in 1916, comes to us with a great store of enthusiasm and interest. Like the Ohio Gamma Club, the Southwestern Indiana organization is laboring under special difficulties in holding meetings as the members are scattered over a radius of many miles; consequently both these clubs deserve commendation for the splendid attendance at their four annual meetings.

The Cleveland Club, one of our exceedingly alive organizations, has shown its usual ability and has added some novel programs beside the four required by the constitution. These are described at length in the club report in the *JUNE ARROW*.

The Columbus Club may well be proud of the success it has won in helping raise the scholarship standard of Ohio B. The principle of a club back of a chapter with such splendid force is one of the main aims of an alumnae club and, in this case, largely through the stimulus of the Columbus Alumnae Club, Ohio B rose from a very low scholarship ranking to receive the silver cup given by the local Panhellenic for the highest ranking.

The Ann Arbor Club has had fewer meetings than usual but their loyalty and interest are still great and the active chapter is splendidly backed by the local club.

The high standard of doubling its membership has been reached by the Indianapolis Club chartered in 1915 and word comes from them that they have hopes of materially increasing their number—now fifty-two.

The Athens, Franklin, Hillsdale, and Carlisle Clubs have all sent in the national dues but no annual reports for the June Arrow. The Carlisle organization, owing to inactivity, has been dropped from the club list. Several enthusiastic letters have been received from Franklin. The Hillsdale Club responded well to Miss Plank's appeal for dolls for the Settlement School at Christmas time.

The Detroit and Toledo organizations with no particular active chapter to encourage and support keep up a splendid loyalty. The Detroit Club takes a special interest in Michigan B and showered the Michigan B house with glasses of jam and jelly. This club also hemmed napkins and dressed dolls for the Settlement School at Christmas time.

Taken all in all, the spirit of work throughout the province is good, and the interest well maintained. At present, many of the clubs are doing Red Cross sewing at their meetings, and it is most fitting that Pi Beta Phi should rise to the national need and respond through her organizations as well as individually.

We still have with us the problem of the isolated alumnae. Not one has sent in a national tax and it is almost impossible to receive replies to communications sent to isolated alumnae throughout the province. All this tends to show what a splendid work our clubs are doing and how essential they are in building up a strong, well-balanced, and steadily enthusiastic fraternity body. More clubs are the need! When the time comes that we can afford to send officers to help organize such clubs and arouse interest in new cities, the work will advance more rapidly. For the present we must do our best by correspondence, which is not always so satisfactory.

Only a small part of the money for the Settlement School has passed through my hands, so I cannot state the entire sum given by Gamma Provinces. Several letters were written urging the maintenance of the club interest in Settlement School work and judging from the club reports this interest has not flagged—at least generally speaking.

One thing that it has pleased me to note, is that the club work has had a broadening effect and that the local idea is gradually fading into insignificance, and the national organization is rapidly rising to its rightful position of prominence. We must be, first and last, Pi Beta Phi nationally, and the individual chapter or club must place first and foremost the standards and claims of the national organization.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSA S. CONNERS,
Gamma Province Vice-president.

NATIONAL DUES COLLECTED

Toledo	\$7.00
Ohio Gamma	12.00
Indianapolis	18.00
Detroit	17.00
Franklin	11.50
Ann Arbor	8.00
Columbus	15.00
Southwestern Indiana	9.50
Hillsdale	6.00
Athens	5.00
Carlisle	7.50
Cleveland	9.50
Total	\$126.00

REPORT OF DELTA PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Delta Province Vice-president submits the following report to the Grand Council of Pi Beta Phi:

With the organization of four new clubs during the year, our province is one-third new, showing that interest in the alumnae work is increasing, inasmuch as the other two thirds were founded at intervals in the past thirteen years.

Perhaps a few details about these new clubs will interest new alumnae. If there are any who live near enough who care to join these clubs, write to one of the officers of these clubs whose names may be found in the last *ARROW*.

South Dakota starts with a membership of fifteen, hoping to increase as rapidly as Pi Phi move into the state. Interest now is being started in the club by means of a "round robin" which will go all over the state between the four meetings of the year. This club asks if there is a chapter that has no club to take an interest in them; they are looking for a chapter to "mother." The Fox Valley Club includes Elgin, Aurora, and the smaller towns surrounding. They now have fifteen members, but have only just completed their organization so plan on many more next fall. Springfield and Peoria have organized enthusiastic clubs and are surprised to find new Pi Phi whom they had not met elsewhere.

There are several other places where the requirements for a club can be met which, I hope, will want me to help them organize clubs. The whole-hearted help and enthusiasm of the newer clubs makes me more anxious to have every Pi Phi alumna belong to some club, even if they are only able to attend one meeting.

As in every organization, there are those clubs which, by their promptness and willingness to help in any of the national work, make the contrast more vivid between those which are deficient. The clubs that never fail to respond are Carthage, Decatur, Galesburg, and Central Illinois. If possible, I hope that next year there can be no distinction drawn. These four clubs have sent contributions of \$172 to the Settlement School.

The material increase in *ARROW* subscriptions I fear has not been due to those sent in by this province, for it is to be regretted that the clubs have not been visited by either the Province President or Vice-president. Nevertheless, the one thing that I especially urged—that officers of clubs be subscribers to our magazine—I find is fulfilled in nearly every case for those who hold offices for next year.

Annual tax again, after full definition of the term and notice of the time due, was paid with no trouble this year.

The routine work of the catalogue has ceased to be a task and can now be kept up to date with little work. In doing this and in keeping the Pi Phi moves from place to place, the names become familiar—especially if one moves every year—and the desire grows to meet the names. I find the correspondence so engrossing with the different clubs, I only wish that it was so arranged that every club could be visited once, but we all try to make our letters answer for all our needs.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED STEELE DOYLE,
Delta Province Vice-president.

REPORT OF EPSILON PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Epsilon Province Vice-president is glad to report that the clubs in her province have, with few exceptions, met the requirements of alumnae clubs, as set forth in the constitution. There are but three clubs whose dues are not in. Ottumwa has not yet fully organized and so did not realize they could send dues as isolated members. Fayetteville, likewise, has so few members that

they felt they were not an organization. However, it would be well for such members to send dues as individuals.

Epsilon Province was most fortunate this year in having her Province President visit the alumnae clubs when on her visit to active chapters. In each case Miss Ingersoll very kindly took upon herself the duties of Province Vice-president which were impossible for me to attend to.

I was able to visit the St. Louis Club and found them most cordial. At the same time they were working with a $\Pi \Phi$ interest. For such a large club in a large city the work being done is most creditable. Lincoln alumnae club was the other club which I was privileged to visit. Founders' Day was observed in Lincoln by all the Nebraska Pi Phis. Omaha and Council Bluffs gave up their annual banquet so that the celebration in Lincoln could be more extensive and appropriate to a semi-centennial celebration. I might say, at this point, that a school teacher has no right to accept this position of Province Vice-president for she is always apologizing for what she cannot and does not do. I am no exception to the rule but feel very much in arrears of accomplishing what I outlined to do in the fall.

The clubs have begun to take an interest in the Loan Fund as well as the Settlement School and have given something to each. Marie Gates, chairman of the loan fund in Epsilon Province, would be greatly pleased if recognition of her requests was made either by note or by a check. Let Epsilon Province acknowledge all notes of $\Pi \Phi$ interest.

Red Cross work has been taken up in nearly all of the clubs. This shows that the true $\Pi \Phi$ spirit is maintained and that we as clubs are not becoming narrow in our interests.

Again Epsilon Province Vice-president is under many obligations to the officers of the fraternity especially the Grand Vice-president and Grand Treasurer who have helped in many a troublesome situation.

With the hope that the dreadful war will soon end in a righteous peace, but never till then, I wish Epsilon Province a growth along $\Pi \Phi$ ideals and fraternity spirit.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY PHILLIPPI,
Epsilon Province Vice-president.

REPORT OF ZETA PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Zeta Province Vice-president submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

The work of the alumnae clubs in Zeta Province has been very satisfactory this year. There are two new clubs, one in Ardmore, Okla., and one in Casper, Wyo. Contributions to the various funds have been generous in spite of the unsettled conditions.

The Denver Club was very fortunate this summer in having the pleasure of meeting Miss Keller and Mrs. Allen. While their time here was very limited, they did a great deal to encourage beginning the work this fall with renewed interest and inspiration.

LENA H. TROTT,
Zeta Province Vice-president.

REPORT OF ETA PROVINCE VICE-PRESIDENT

Eta Province Vice-president submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

By virtue of our being the most distant province as well as the one least in personal touch with our Grand Officers, we of Eta Province have fallen heir to great good fortune this summer and have revelled in a wonderful visit from Miss Keller and Mrs. Allen. It was a most glorious opportunity for us, opening

up again, as did our convention, vistas of the ideals of the splendid women who direct our national work. Alas that it all passed so swiftly and now, as we settle back into the usual round, seems almost a dream! But it is a vision that shall prove an inspiration, we trust, toward greater accomplishment.

It was with the utmost appreciation that we welcomed Miss Keller, and with tears that we saw her depart! We realized what it meant that she gave her vacation up to this strenuous visiting program. Once again Eta Province Pi Phi knows that she is the most wonderful little woman in the world! It is most difficult, after the exhilaration of this association, to descend the heights and proceed to an ordinary report.

In the fall of last year, I made the California trip, visiting thus the balance of my clubs, and also of the chapters, save those at Reno. As letters to me were delayed, I did not go there on the way south, and on my return Mr. Wilbur was waiting for me to travel north with him. I have visited the chapters in connection with my club work, as I feel keenly that the foundation for alumnae work must be laid there, and also to explain the Settlement School with the aid of the slides. In some cases the latter have been shown to a joint meeting of club and chapter.

We have been happy to welcome two new clubs this year, San Diego and Eastern Montana. These have both been long desired. Each paid national dues for the year closed, and San Diego contributed to Settlement support. There are several other groups that may be organized in the near future.

It is also a pleasure to report marked improvement in club organization—in the proportionate membership, in general enthusiasm, and in Settlement work. The following figures give results in brief. All but one chapter sent money for the Settlement School—Stanford \$5, Nevada and Oregon A, Washington A and California B, \$25 each, making a total of \$105.

			Too late for this year
Eastern Montana dues	\$ 6.00	Settlement	
Los Angeles dues	26.00	Settlement	70.00
Nevada dues	5.00	Settlement	10.00
Northern California dues	25.50	Settlement	133.77
Portland dues	11.00	Settlement	35.00
Puget Sound dues	37.50	Settlement	479.48
San Diego dues	9.50	Settlement	51.75
Spokane dues	12.00	Settlement	15.00
Isolated Pi Phi dues	1.00	Chapters	105.00
	\$133.50	Total	\$900.00
			\$37.75

The clubs also assisted with the Fellowship Fund. Had it not been for the unexpected developments in this country, we should have done something for the Settlement Endowment at our alumnae banquets; but as the clubs had done so much in support of the school, I had no heart to suggest anything further. Several of our clubs also have organized self-supporting Red Cross auxiliaries.

Telegrams of greeting were sent to all clubs for Founders' Day, with Miss Keller's message of the postponement of convention. Also the usual round of letters has been dispatched to clubs and individuals, which routine is so essential to the maintenance of widespread enthusiasm.

We have a vast territory in this province, much virgin soil, a tremendous area open to the making of many more clubs and chapters, ready almost for the asking if someone will work the possibilities into form. This will be the harvest of many years to come. Now we view it but as a field newly sown.

Respectfully submitted,

LIDA P. WILBUR.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNITY EXAMINATIONS

JULY, 1916 TO JULY, 1917

The Chairman of the Committee on Fraternity Examinations begs leave to submit the following report:

The committee consists of eight members and the work was divided by provinces.

Instruction as to examination requirements was given to the chapters through letters sent by each examiner to the chapters in her charge. The same instruction was given out later through announcement in the January *Bulletin*, as follows:

"The examination will require a thorough knowledge of the Constitution and Statutes; the work of the last Convention (Secret ARROW, 1915); Secret ARROW, 1916 (rulings of Grand Council, etc.); Mrs. Helmick's *History of Pi Beta Phi*, chapters 15 to 21 inclusive. Review questions in last year's examination that call for definite information concerning the fraternity.

The questions this year will call for brief answers and definite information. The list will be largely the same for all classes. The Committee would urge upon the chapters that they have some definite plan and systematic study in their meetings to prepare for the examination. It might be well to put this in the hands of a committee in the chapter whose duty it will be to arrange a series of quizzes on the material here suggested, and conduct a brief quiz at regular meetings."

The questions were as follows:

PI BETA PHI FRATERNITY TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL EXAMINATION
1916-1917

"What Pi Beta Phi means to each of us we cannot express in words; what she is to us we can best show in our daily acts, and in our kindness to those around us. Our Fraternity is the secret stimulus which spurs us ever onward to things that are 'noble, good and true,' and the girl who has pledged herself to think only on these things, feels the desire to be the embodiment of these noble qualities arising with such irresistible force within her that her thoughts and actions are directed toward the good of the Fraternity and her associates."—From *The History of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity*, by Mrs. E. A. Helmick.

This examination is conducted by the Examination Committee. Every active member is expected to participate. Send answers to the member of the Committee designated in *Bulletin* Instructions.

Honor List—The following points shall determine eligibility to the Honor List: Correctness of answers, legibility, neatness, good English, excellence of answers, good fraternity spirit—general excellence of the paper. To be eligible to the Honor List a grade of 95 per cent on the prescribed questions is required. For additional requirement see Honor Roll Topics below.

Examination Questions—The number in parenthesis after each question indicates the number of credits to be given for the question. Each member (regardless of classification) will choose from the questions given a sufficient number to make one hundred credits. Number your questions to correspond with the number on the question list. The general excellence of the paper will be estimated partly upon the choice of questions—whether the more difficult ones are *NOTICEABLY* avoided.

1. When and where was the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity organized? (2)
2. What was the original purpose of the organization? (2)
3. How many founders were there? (1)

4. Name four founders. (2)
5. What is the oldest chapter in existence? (2)
6. When was your chapter organized? (1)
7. How many active chapters are there at present? (2)
8. What is a province? How many are there? Name them. (3)
9. Name the states in which active chapters are located. Give the number of chapters in each state and tell to which province each state belongs. (6)
10. What action is required to establish or withdraw a chapter? (3)
11. How many members are required to form a new chapter? (1)
12. What requirements must be met by a college before a chapter can be chartered? (2)
13. How is the fraternity governed? (4)
14. By what vote may the Constitution be amended? (2)
15. By what vote may the Constitution be revoked? (2)
16. Of whom does Convention consist? What addition has been made since the last Convention? (4)
17. What duties and power has Convention? (4)
18. How are chapter delegates to Convention chosen? (1)
19. What are the duties of a chapter delegate? (4)
20. Name five qualities essential to a good Convention delegate. (3)
21. What are the duties of a Convention Guide? (2)
22. Which officers compose the Grand Council? (2)
23. Name the members of the Grand Council. (3)
24. What are the duties of the Grand Council? (4)
25. Name the chapter offices. (2)
26. What are the requirements for initiation to membership? (2)
27. Under what condition is it necessary to consult another chapter before extending an invitation to membership? (2)
28. For how long a period does a pledge hold? (1)
29. By what vote is honorable dismissal granted? (2)
30. May honorably dismissed members be reinstated? If so, how? (2)
31. Give word for word the initiation vow taken by every initiate. (5)
32. What are the constitutional requirements as to meetings? (3)
33. Of what must all chapter archives consist? (4)
34. Of whom does the chapter advisory committee consist? (2)
35. How are the members of the chapter advisory committee chosen? (3)
36. What are the duties of the chapter advisory committee? (3)
37. What are the duties of the Province President? (3)
39. Give the fraternity symphony. Name the author. (4)
40. What is the purpose of our fraternity magazine? (2)
41. What is the *Bulletin*? Its purpose? (2)
42. Name four other fraternity magazines. (2)
43. Who is the Custodian of the Pin? (2)
44. What are the duties of the Custodian of the Pin? (2)
45. Name the official jeweler. (2)
46. Who represents Pi Beta Phi in the National Panhellenic Conference? (2)
47. State five important facts about the Settlement School, showing its growth. (5)
48. Of whom is the Settlement School Committee composed? (3)
49. Who is chairman of the Settlement School Committee? (2)
50. Name four important standing committees. (2)
51. What two amendments pertaining to scholarship were passed at the last Convention? (4)
52. Define the Loan Fund. (3)
53. How may a loan be obtained? (2)

54. Define the Fellowship Fund. (3)
55. How may a fellowship be obtained? (2)
56. What requirements must an alumnae club meet in order to be chartered? (4)
57. State five important events in the history of Pi Beta Phi marking growth. (5)
58. What is the purpose of the fraternity examination? How may it be made more beneficial? (2)
59. When and where is the next Convention to be held? (2)
60. What is to be the nature of the next Convention? (2)
61. What topics would you like to have discussed at the coming Convention? (3)

Honor Roll Topics

Every member desiring a place on the Honor Roll will, in addition to answering the required number of questions, write 200 words (250 words if desired) on one of the following topics.

It is the desire of the Examination Committee that the members be heard from on all of these topics. Will the conductors of the examination arrange to have the members of their chapters choose different topics, so that all the topics may be treated in each chapter, as far as is agreeable to the members.

1. Pi Beta Phi objects and ideals as set forth in the initiation ceremony.
2. The Coming Convention.
3. The Settlement School at present.
4. The Fellowship Fund. Its advantages to individual and fraternity. Present state. Shall it be retained? How?
5. Give your ideas of true loyalty to your fraternity and to its members.
6. Our fraternity weaknesses.
7. Our fraternity strength.
8. The Alumnae Organization. Its growth. Its present purposes, privileges and power. Alumnae in Convention.

The character of this year's questions was called forth by the lack of definite information manifested in last year's examination. The members were left to a choice of questions rather than having a division according to classes. Hearty approval of the character of the examination is generally reported, but there is again some objection to its length.

It was requested that the examination of each chapter be conducted by an alumna member and that she make report and criticism to the examiner. This was complied with by nearly all chapters. We deem it of great importance.

CHAPTER AVERAGES

Alpha Province

Ontario A	81.1	New York A	93.9
Vermont A	87.8	New York Γ	92.2
Vermont B	93.4	Province Average	90.4
Massachusetts A	94.8*	<i>EDITH BAKER, Examiner.</i>	

Beta Province

Maryland A	92	Pennsylvania A	85
Columbia A	88.7	Pennsylvania B	84.4
Virginia A	94*	Pennsylvania Γ	80.3
Florida A	86.3	Province Average	87.2
<i>MARIE HAMMOND, Examiner.</i>			

*Highest grade in province.

Gamma Province

Ohio A	97.6*	Indiana A	94.5
Ohio B	88.9	Indiana B	89.5
Michigan A	95.7	Indiana F	92.5
Michigan B	94.4	Province Average	93.3

MRS. W. E. CALDWELL, *Examiner.*

Delta Province†

Minnesota A		Illinois E	
Wisconsin A		Illinois Z	
Illinois B		Illinois H	
Illinois Δ		Province Average	

DEMA HARSHBARGER, *Examiner.*

Epsilon Province

Iowa A	92.4	Missouri Γ	86.2
Iowa B	94.5*	Kansas A	86.8
Iowa Γ	84.8	Kansas B	84
Iowa Z	86.8	Arkansas A	88.8
Nebraska B	87.3	Louisiana A	87.8
Missouri A	77.9	Province Average	86.9
Missouri B	85.9		

MRS. T. T. JOB, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri.
 NELLIE B. WALLBANK, Kansas, Arkansas, Louisiana,
Examiners.

Zeta Province

Oklahoma A	91	Colorado A	89
Texas A	86.5	Colorado B	89
Texas B	88	Province Average	89.9
Wyoming A	95*	MRS. C. W. POLEY, <i>Examiner.</i>	

Eta Province

California A	90	Nevada A	90.3
California B	91.1	Oregon A	90.9
Washington A	85	Province Average	90.
Washington B	92*	MRS. BURTON BECK, <i>Examiner.</i>	

Highest Province Average—Gamma Province

The following are the names of the girls from the various chapters on the Honor Roll. The number inserted after the chapter name is the number of members in the chapter.

HONOR ROLL

Alpha Province

Ontario A—20

Dorothy MacMillan Christie Sneath Margery Stauffer

Vermont A—23

Louise Bullis Anna Clark Miriam Kempton
 Marie Champagne Hazel Coburn Doris Kendall
 Margaret Chatfield Vina Jillson Helen Stelphen

† No report received.

* Highest grade in province.

	Vermont B—24	
Charis Billings	Marion Jackson	Laura Parker
Margaret Cheney	Sadie Norris	Margaret Patten
Mabel Derway	Corrine O'Sullivan	Mildred Powell
Frances Hyde		Myrtle Rose

	Massachusetts A—14	
Marie Covell	Abigail MacKimmon	Clara Sargent
	New York A—40	
Mildred Birdseye	Elizabeth Marsland	Aileen Stisser
Alice Burleigh	Vera Morse	Margaret Thomas
Elena Campbell	Eleanor North	Mary Tobey
Edna Cole	Fay Ridgely	Iva Turnbull
Isabelle Cunningham	Matilda Saunders	Marion Wean
Mary Johnson	Gertrude Sheldon	Carola Wyker
	New York Γ—25	
Emma Delana	Mildred Griswold	Myrtle Palmer
Frances Donahue	Clara Groh	Mildred Pellens
Esther Farlinger	Grace Hazen	Ruth Richardson
Mina Getman	Helep Hazen	Frances Storrs
Alice Griswold	Alice Marshall	Beatrice Westfall
	Helen Mileham	

Beta Province

	Maryland A—32	
Maud Carton	Katherine B. Hopper	Louise Murphy
Miriam Connet	Dorothy Kay	Carolyn Potts
Marie Colcord	Gertrude Kutzleb	Helene Schneidereich
Alice Forsyth	Lucile Moore	Katherine Whaley
Margaret Forsyth	Ruth Moore	

	Columbia A—33	
Katherine Carter	Mary Grabill	Lyle Rush
Irene Daniel	Lasalia McCaffery	Eleanor Stanton
	Leonila Lloyd	

	Virginia A—13	
Lulu Clark	Muriel Nevtin	May Scroggin
Margaret McCain	Mary Rayner	Dorothy Woodward
	Ruth Sage	

	Florida A—26	
Mamie Haynes	Ruth Jackson	
	Pennsylvania A—25	
Elizabeth Jones	Edith Mendenhall	
	Pennsylvania B—22	
Emma Levegood	Camilla Reed	
	Pennsylvania Γ—27	
Nora Mohler	Constance Springer	

Gamma Province

	Ohio A—20	
Helen Brandle	Teresa Caruthers	Mary Fulton
Helen Burnham	Jeannette Cone	Esther Johnston
Marguerite Carpenter	Merle Danford	Margaret Kerr

Adair Kesling
Mildred Lewis
Ruth Martyn

Helen Mauch
Hazel McKinstry
Grace McKee
Gretchen Schaeffer

Pauline Shepherd
Effie Silvus
Marguerite Taylor

Ohio B—21

Jean Bigger

Edith Hoyer

Michigan A—19

Allene Ackley
Irene Anderson
Marion Augur
Leora Duolittle
Elizabeth Edmonson
Mildred Eggleston

Esther Fowler
Kathryn Heckman
Naomi Hault
Norma Mark
Janet Martindale
Leah Riggs

Elizabeth Rigden
Thelma Shafer
Geraldine Slee
Vivian Smith
Edna Stoke
Mary Thompson

Michigan B—45

Elsa Apfel
Harriet Briggs
Ruth Carpenter
Dorothy Chipman
Helen Christen
Helen Coldren
Alice Comstock
Florentine Cook

Catherine Frost
Myrna Goodrich
Fay Hall
Grace Hall
Sarah Hall
Geneva Hayes
Beatrice Huff
Evelyn Jensen

Ethel Jocelyn
Irene Kerr
Nellie Leonard
Laura Myers
Helen Tibballs
Geta Tucker
Gladys Vinter
Olive Wright

Indiana A—11

Anna Tedford

Indiana B—32

Pauline Condit
Marguerite Davis
Mary Gallahan

Frances Hauss
Louise Hervey
Helen Hopkins
Gladys Jackson

Pearl MacArthur
Gertrude Paddock
Cornelia Wulfmann

Indiana Γ—21

Bertha Coughlen
Ruth Habbe

Mae Hamilton
Mildred Jessup

Lela Kennedy
Lena Alice Pavey

Delta Province†

Epsilon Province

Iowa A—12

Hazel Allen
Beulah Billingsley

Mary Crowther
Ellen Gardner

Ruth Schriver

Iowa B—17

Aural Anderson
Ruth Buxton

Mae Belle Gunn
Josephine Hiatt
Gladys Merritt

Eugenia Shaw
Helen Wales
Agnes Wright

Iowa Γ—24

Edith Curtiss

Iowa Z—19

(none)

Missouri A—27

Katherine Carmack
Anne Clarke

Helen Connett
Mary Olive Hawkins
Mary Hill

Mary Lee
Marjorie Smith

† No report received.

	Missouri B—26	
Dorothy Brown	Mary Hope	Katherine Starbuck
Mildred Hess	Augusta Parker	
	Missouri Γ—28	
Clara Ely	Allene McClure	Marie Thompson
Genevieve Garrett	Pauline Pate	Helen Walker
Katherine Kilhorn	Gladys Townsend	
	Nebraska B—22	
Mildred Bowers	Katherine Miller	Daphne Stickle
	Kansas A—32	
Marcia Baty	Hazel Carson	Helen Moore
	Kansas B—20	
	Sarella Herrick	
	Arkansas A—8	
	(none)	
	Louisiana A—26	
Marguerite Ellis		Dorothy Thompson
	<i>Zeta Province</i>	
	Oklahoma A—26	
	Vivian Brengle	
	Texas A—20	
Mary Ann Blattuer	Tillie McCammon	Helen Taylor
Elise Bumpass	Mary Shelton	Pearl Zilker
Ara Haswell	Margaret Sleeper	
	Texas B—13	
Nancy Barnes	Ruby Knight	Mildred Rosser
	Wyoming A—23	
Betty Beck	Margaret Dineen	Hilda Kleine
Florence Collins	Dorothy Downey	Virginia Miller
Lois Coons	Esther Downey	Olive Rathbun
Julia Cutter	Serafina Facinelli	Elizabeth Wood
Beatrice Dana	Nelle Huff	
	Colorado A—29	
Grace Adams	Florence Dempsey	Nancy Fleming
Nellie Cleveland	Katharine Duce	Helen Kohler
Mildred Delongchamps	Nathalie Ekrens	Doris Stratton
	Colorado B—33	
Ruth Bailey	Vera Jones	Marjorie Rathbun
Freda Johnson	Elma McClelland	
	<i>Eta Province</i>	
	California A—25	
Phyllis Ellison	Gladys Ordway	Thurlyne Buffum
Jean Hall	Josephine Welch	Fidelia Conrad
Lorna Gailfus	Helen Logie	

California B—38

Kathryn Coe	Elizabeth Snyder	Dorothy Wetmore
Octavia Downie	Olive Taylor	Grace Walker
Rosamond Bradbury	Muriel Tottenham	Catherine Woolsey
Genevieve Spader	Kathryn Magaw	

Nevada A—33

Juanita Frey	Faith Maris	Ruth Pyle
Alice Hobbins	Margaret Kemper	Nellie Wilkinson
Dorothy Morrison	Phoebe King	Helen Cahill

Oregon A—20

Ruth Lawrence	Frances Shoemaker	Pearl Craine
Beatrice Gaylord	Adda Martin	

Washington A—32

Leslie Davis	Emily Hall	Roberta Hindley
Cornelia Glass	Kathleen Delaney	Aleen Hamilton
	Ruth Kerr	

Washington B—22

Elsie May Phillips	Helen Hungate	Franc E. Babcock
Olive Bruning	Edna Babcock	Alice Lodge
Edna McCroskey	Mildred France	Elsie Freakes

Examination report blanks were sent out by the examiners in January—two to each chapter—to be filled out with names of active members, their classification, name of president, and name of alumna chosen to conduct the examination, and returned to examiner of the chapter by February 1.

Many chapters were delinquent in returning these reports, thus causing much inconvenience. We realize this delinquency is largely due to uncertainty as to membership at the time the report is required, freshmen not having been passed upon by the faculty at that time. Another difficulty is recognized. The examination taking place very soon after the initiation of freshmen, they do not have opportunity for preparation. Thus they work at a disadvantage in the beginning of their fraternity work. However, in many chapters the freshmen do not make poor grades. A remedy is needed for the two difficulties mentioned. It has been suggested by one of the examination committee that the national examination be not required of the freshmen. Another member of the committee has suggested that the date of examination be changed. The committee would request that these two points be considered in convention and that they be advised in regard to the decision. It is the desire of the committee to serve the chapters in a manner bringing best results and satisfaction to the chapters.

The desire for two short examinations during the year instead of one longer one has been expressed in some examination papers. This seems impractical, in fact, out of the question. The desire for more definite instruction as to the ground to be covered by the examination has also been expressed. We feel the instruction is sufficiently definite. It has been urged upon the chapters that they have systematic study and quizzes on topics suggested by the examination committee, this to be outlined and conducted by a committee appointed by the chapter. Such work carried on through the year—a little at a time—would not only do away with the cramming often referred to but would increase interest in fraternity meetings and develop fraternity spirit.

We dare not lengthen our report by adding quotations from the papers, interesting though they would be. We must remark, however, that the need for instruction is apparent when the original purpose of $\Pi B \Phi$ is thus expressed in the examination: "It was organized by a group of girls who liked to go

around together and who enjoyed each other's society." This is a *rare* exception.

The members of the committee not only by the grades recorded but in their summing up expressed themselves as satisfied with the work of the great majority. We appreciate the spirit and interest manifested by nearly every chapter and individual.

Among the numerous topics suggested in the examination papers for discussion at convention, the following were prominent. They were in the minds of many members.

Methods of rushing (dissatisfaction with present methods).

Growing antifraternity spirit and antifraternity legislation.

Obligations of fraternity girls to nonfraternity girls in scholarship, college activities, social relations, etc.

Value of fraternities.

Province President's visits.

Province house parties.

Freshman discipline.

Sophomore pledging.

Chapter ideals.

Coöperation of the *alumnæ*.

Power of Panhellenic (local and national).

Fraternity scholarship.

The fraternity in college activities and college spirit.

Initiation vows.

Universal plan of celebrating Founders' Day.

The Settlement School—What can we do for it?

Criticism of our work and suggestions for the future committee will be gladly welcomed. The examination should be one of the means of developing the fraternity. With the proper guidance of the older members of the chapters it may be made so. It is the desire of the committee to make the examination a strong means of development.

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE B. WALLBANK,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXTENSION

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

The chairman of the Committee on Extension submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

At the request of several, Reed College, Portland, Ore., and Whitman College, Walla Walla, Wash., were investigated as possible openings for Pi Phi. At the former it was found that no fraternities are admitted. At the latter, that the college is not of sufficient size to supply material for more organizations than are already established.

Preliminary blanks were sent to groups in Beloit College, Wis., and University of Maine. The latter university meets some of our requirements but we are doubtful about others. The group has some splendid letters of recommendation from the dean, president, and professors.

University of Pennsylvania. $\Phi \Sigma$, which was working last year for permission to petition withdrew when they encountered very keen opposition in nearby chapters.

University of New Mexico. A Γ , which looked very promising last year, voted this winter to petition $K K \Gamma$ instead of $\Pi \Phi$ as they were virtually promised a charter by the end of the college year—something we could not promise.

Hunter College, New York City. Altogether four groups in this college have been in communication with Miss Valet at different times. Two withdrew their applications, another failed to secure the necessary endorsements, and the fourth has just recently made inquiries.

University of New Hampshire. Π Α Φ. The group received the endorsement of the Province President and of individual Pi Phis. They were told to work for the endorsement of the two nearest chapters. At this date (June 25) I have not heard whether or not that endorsement has been given.

Stillwater, Okla. The group recommended last year by a resident Π Φ is still interested in working for a Π Φ charter. The preliminary information blank has not been returned to me so I do not know about the college or group. They wrote that they were trying to interest Pi Phis in the vicinity, and had communicated with Mrs. Miller, Province President.

University of Montana. Δ Φ Ζ still desires to work for a charter. They have had encouragement but not endorsement from Pi Phis in Montana. Our Π Φ faculty member feels that the group is not yet ready to become a Π Φ chapter. I am going further into the situation before discouraging them completely. No woman's national has entered the university for several years.

University of South Dakota. Π Γ Φ wrote for information. Preliminary blank and letter were sent but unfortunately lost in the mail. This accident has recently been discovered and a second blank sent. This university has been suggested by several as a possible link in our chain across the northern line.

University of West Virginia. "The Circle" desires to petition. The University meets our requirements and the scholarship standing of the group is excellent. They are making every effort to get in touch with Pi Phis.

University of Pittsburgh. "Dianthian," a group organized in 1916, wishes to petition. The university meets our requirements and the group is officially endorsed by the Pittsburgh Alumnae Club. They are working for the endorsement of Province President and the two nearest chapters.

Miami University. Κ Τ Σ. This group has had some correspondence with Miss Valet and is favorably reported by Miss Stock, Province President.

Oregon Agricultural College. Δ Μ presented a petition at last convention which could not be considered because the college offered only a three year course. Our requirements are now met and the group has the endorsement of Mrs. McClymonds, Province President, after a personal visit, and that of the two nearest chapters.

Hollins College, Va. This group desired to petition over two years ago, but the college did not come up to our requirements. Since then, this condition has changed. The group was enthusiastically endorsed by the Province President and the two nearest chapters. Their petition was prepared under Miss Valet's instructions, granted by Grand Council, and the chapter installed in June.

University of Arizona. Γ Δ. This group was enthusiastically endorsed by resident Pi Phis, Mrs. McClymonds, Province President, after a personal visit, and by California A and B. They have been voted upon favorably by everyone and are to be investigated in person by Miss Keller.

University of Southern California. Entre Nous was recommended favorably at last convention for future consideration. A second petition was prepared this spring, bringing it down to date, endorsements of Province President and the two nearest chapters secured, unanimous consent of Grand Council and Province chapters given, and the group pledged at the end of the college year. Installation will occur in the summer.

Thus we shall follow Theta by a few months.

As I read over this report it seems so very dry and prosaic that I wish it were possible for everyone who reads it to realize what an undertaking ex-

tension work is; how many hours of thought have to go into this so that false hopes will not be raised, feelings will not be hurt and desirable groups will not be discouraged by the apathy or the active opposition displayed by the chapters in the province.

Since I have been working with extension problems I have felt very keenly the need for more cordiality and thoughtfulness on the part of active chapters toward groups desiring to petition, a greater willingness to consider the real merits of a case.

I know that there is great improvement along that line and that the improvement will be greater as we all realize more and more that $\Pi B \Phi$ is a great thriving national organization, made up of small groups to be sure, but all working for the same object, bound together by the same big ideas and aims.

May we not give the extension problem real thought and consideration during the coming year in our active chapters?

If they know of desirable openings for $\Pi \Phi$, or if they know anything definite for or against any group reported in THE ARROW, may we not hope to have them write to the Extension Committee Chairman? In the two years I have been chairman I have not received a suggestion from an active girl. Coöperation makes for efficiency in the fraternity as well as in the business world.

Respectfully submitted,

EMELINE CARTER SHERMAN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE LOAN FUND

The Chairman of the Committee on the Undergraduate Loan Fund begs leave to submit the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$, from July 1, 1916 to July 1, 1917.

Receipts:

Cash on hand	\$133.00
Contingent Fund	200.00
Alumnæ Fund	250.00
Paid up loans	225.00
Interest loans	4.50
Gifts from Clubs	36.75
Gifts from Active Chapters	13.00
Gifts from Individuals	11.00

\$873.25

Loaned:

3 loans of \$100	\$300.00
1 loan of \$80	80.00
1 loan of \$75	75.00
BALANCE	418.25

\$873.25

There have been received for the Undergraduate Loan Fund for the year June 1, 1916-June 1, 1917, gifts from six alumnæ clubs, from one active chapter, and from two individuals, and while these figures are small in proportion to the size of the fraternity, it is an advance over former years, and the committee are very appreciative of the growing interest.

Four loans have been repaid in full, all of which reverts to the Loan Fund. There are seventeen loans still unpaid amounting to \$1,330, all but fifty of

which will be available for use when paid, but much of this is not due for several years.

Circulars have been sent to each active chapter and each alumnae club and many inquiries requesting data and information by alumnae clubs has been gladly given by the chairman.

May we take this opportunity to again thank each contributor, and to willingly place ourselves at the service of all.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED F. BABCOCK, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHAPERONS

The Chairman of the Committee on Chaperons submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

This year has seen a great increase in the amount of correspondence handled by the committee. A large number of chapters have asked for advice and help in the finding of chaperons—and an unusually large number of women wanting such a position have sent in their names to the committee.

Finding the right person for each place is, however, a difficult matter. Naturally our girls long to have with them a woman young enough to stand the excitement and strain of the rushing season, and to take a lively interest in their friends and their affairs; old enough to be motherly and helpful—a woman of culture, executive ability, and social poise—college bred, "of course," and "she must be a Pi Phi"!

The compensation offered such a person is sometimes room and board, and, where management of the house is undertaken, twenty or twenty-five dollars a month. Naturally applicants are not legion.

There is, however, a very real compensation for the successful chaperon, which is not mentioned in the bond. The friendship and affection of a household of girls, the wonderful opportunities for influencing them in the ways of right living,—the association with interested and loyal alumnae—these surely offset the anxieties and difficulties which are inevitable. Alumnae are again urged to send suggestions for increasing the usefulness of the committee, and names of women qualified for chaperons.

Respectfully submitted,

EFFIE CHRISTIE PATCH,
Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARROW FILE

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

The Chairman of the Committee on ARROW File submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

All but twelve chapters have ARROW files complete from the date of chapter founding. Of these Iowa A has all but one number, no. 2 of vol. 2; Illinois B has all but volumes 1 and 2; Louisiana A lacks vol. 10, no. 3; Ohio B vol. 16, no. 4. Massachusetts A, Iowa Z, and Indiana B lack only a few numbers.

The files of the following chapters have been completed during the past year: Pennsylvania A, Illinois Z, Oklahoma A, Michigan B, California A, Missouri A, Michigan A, New York A, Maryland A, California B, Kansas A, Minnesota A, Illinois E, Wisconsin A, Vermont B. Six of these report some unbound volumes which will be bound during the coming year.

Kansas A has the most complete file in existence, as they have found a copy of vol. 2, no. 1.

The committee regrets that there are a few files that cannot be completed unless copies of early volumes are found. In the next *Bulletin* will appear

a list of numbers especially needed. Several of the older chapters are doing all they can to help the committee with this work.

Respectfully submitted,

DELIA CONGER, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIP

JULY, 1916—JULY, 1917

The chairman of the Committee on Scholarship submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

At the time the scholarship report goes to press complete statistics for the first semester have been received from all chapters except Ontario A, which is able to submit a report only at the close of the session. Reports for the second semester have been received from twenty chapters. A number more will undoubtedly be received in time for insertion in the galley proof.

For the first semester of the year 1916-17 the fraternity average is 1.228. Beta Province ranks first with a grade of 1.506; Gamma, second with a grade of 1.297; Delta, third with 1.247; Eta, fourth with 1.235; Epsilon, fifth with 1.122; Zeta, sixth with 1.113; and Alpha, seventh with 1.073. The ranking chapters of the various provinces are as follows: Alpha, Vermont B, grade 1.203; Beta, Pennsylvania B, grade 1.864; Gamma, Ohio A, grade 1.595; Delta, Illinois H, grade 1.470; Epsilon, Iowa A, grade 1.363; Zeta, Wyoming A, grade 1.358; Eta, Oregon A, grade 1.420. Beta Province has not only the honor of having the chapter ranking highest in the fraternity, but also the chapters ranking second, third, and fifth. Its remaining three chapters rank thirteenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth; its lowest grade is 1.250. Of the seven chapters only one had any hours below passing—4 hours only—nineteenths of one per cent of the total hours registered by the chapter. The record is an exceptional one and the province is deserving of hearty congratulations.

It had been earnestly hoped that the information number of THE ARROW for 1917, Pi Beta Phi's fiftieth anniversary year, could announce that $\Pi B \Phi$ had attained the place long coveted in scholarship at the head of the fraternities for women. At the close of the year 1915-16, after the marked improvement made by the fraternity as a whole it seemed entirely probable that with a like improvement this year the desired result would be accomplished. The first semester reports, however, make it evident that we are considerably further from the goal than we were a year ago. It is hardly possible that the thirty-one second semester reports yet to be received, even if higher than those of the first semester, can bring the average of the fraternity up to that of 1915-1916. Six of the seven provinces fall in their average for the first semester below that for the preceding year. Gamma Province alone shows a gain; Zeta Province, which until this year has always stood high, fell to a low average and from second rank to sixth. Twenty-seven chapters failed to maintain a standard of scholarship equal to that of the corresponding semester of the preceding year. Of these, six chapters, Illinois H, Indiana G, Oklahoma A, Texas A, Vermont A, and Colorado B lowered their standards materially, the last two named losing .279 and .300 respectively, the former falling from fortieth rank to the lowest rank in the fraternity and the latter from eighth rank to twenty-ninth. In spite of Colorado B's loss, the scholarship of the chapter is above that of the average $\Pi B \Phi$ chapter. The situation of Vermont A, on the other hand, is extremely critical, the chapter having maintained an exceedingly low standard of scholarship for several years. Illinois H, in spite of the loss of .140, has a grade of 1.470 and holds sixth rank in the fraternity. Twenty chapters show an improvement in scholarship, four of them, New York A, Pennsylvania G, Ohio A, and Wisconsin A, making noteworthy gains and Illinois A and Indiana A exceptional gains. Of the ten chapters

which in 1915-1916 ranked lowest in the fraternity Indiana A has shown by far the greatest improvement, raising her grade from 1.036 to 1.400 and her rank from forty-second to thirteenth. New York A made a substantial gain as did also Arkansas A and Colorado A although the latter are still very far from regaining the positions which they held in 1914-1915; Missouri B and California A made slight gains; and Massachusetts A, Missouri A, Vermont A, and Iowa Z lost still further ground, the position of the last three being especially critical.

At the present time 34% of Pi Beta Phi's chapter maintain a very high standard of scholarship, 25% a creditable average standard, and 41% a standard which is not a credit to the fraternity. It is extremely unfortunate for the fraternity that many of the chapters conspicuously weak or only fair in scholarship are chapters located in important and strategic institutions in which the low place they occupy in the published lists showing the comparative rank of fraternities for women works a serious hardship to the fraternity and causes it to suffer in national prestige. The problem is one which the fraternity must face squarely. Today the standard of scholarship is one of the important considerations upon which the national standing of a fraternity is based, and no fraternity which does not rank high in scholarship in the great institutions of the country can long expect to be classed as one of the leading nationals. Pi Beta Phi chapters which are weak in scholarship and low in comparative ranking in their institutions must make organized campaigns to improve their standard and must definitely restrict the social activities of all members whose college work is not entirely satisfactory in character. Chapters which are now strong in scholarship must not relax their vigilance. Several of the chapters having the hardest struggle at present fell last year from some of our places of honor and this year have succeeded in regaining only a small part of their lost prestige. All chapters must maintain a close supervision over the work of their freshman members.

Sixteen chapters have records for the first semester unblemished by any failures: Vermont B, Maryland A, Columbia A, Virginia A, Florida A, Pennsylvania A, Pennsylvania B, Pennsylvania G, Michigan A, Indiana A, Wisconsin A, Illinois A, Iowa A, Kansas A, Kansas B, and Oregon A. Ten chapters report the winning of first rank among fraternities for women in their respective institutions: Virginia A, Pennsylvania G, Michigan A, Indiana B, Missouri G, Arkansas A, Wyoming A, Colorado A, Nevada A, and Oregon A.

Statistics for the year 1915-1916 are now complete. Beta Province ranked first with a grade of 1.541; Zeta, second with 1.307; Eta, third with 1.257; Delta, fourth with 1.249; Gamma, fifth with 1.212; Epsilon, sixth with 1.131; and Alpha, seventh with 1.100. The fraternity average for the year was 1.257. The reports received too late for publication in the information number of *THE ARROW* for 1916, also the revised rank of the chapters with their respective grades will follow the statistical report for the present year.

The system used to secure the numerical grades for the chapters which makes possible the comparative ranking and the indication of gain or loss in comparison with preceding semesters and years is as follows:

Each hour of grade 1 work (above 90%) = 2 points credit.

Each hour of grade 2 work (above passing but below 1) = 1 point credit.

Each hour of grade 3 work (below passing) = -1 point credit.

The resulting sum is divided by the sum of the total hours registered. Hours reported incomplete or not reported are not taken into account and are deducted from the sum of the total hours registered before the division is made.

THE ARROW OF PI BETA PHI

1916-1917

ALPHA PROVINCE

Chapter	Semester or Term	Membership	Rank	1		2		3		4		5		Grade	Average for year	Gain	Loss
				Hrs. highest grade	Hrs. above passing below	Hrs. below passing	Hrs. incomplete or not reported	Total hrs. registered									
Ontario A.....	Year 1	20		17.1%	75.5%			7.1%			319	1.033	1.033				.092
Vermont A.....	1	23	48	7.8%	82.2%			10%			387	.876					.205
	2	20		5.7%	78.3%			9.8%		6.2%	368	.835	.855				
Vermont B.....	1	25	25	23%	76.3%					.7%	405	1.203					.070
	2	22		28.9%	69.8%			1.3%			377	1.254	1.233				
Massachusetts A.....	1	15	42	8.3%	87.8%			3.9%			228.5	1.094					.010
	2	18		8.5%	87.5%			1.3%		2.6%	221.5	1.059	1.032				
New York A.....	1	27	30	17%	81.6%			1.4%			424	1.141					
	2																
New York T.....	1	24	30	18.6%	76.6%			2.4%		2.4%	377	1.141					
	2	25		23.7%	74.4%			1.7%		.2%	405	1.202	1.172		.017		
Province average for year																	

BETA PROVINCE

Maryland A.....	1	35	13	31.9%	64.6%					.4%	491	1.331					
	2																
Columbia A.....	1	33	5	55%	41.5%					3.5%	422	1.570					
	2	31		46.5%	49.1%			.7%		3.7%	409	1.413	1.492				.072
Virginia A.....	1	13	2	68.3%	31.7%						202	1.683					
	2																
Florida A.....	1	15	3	54%	46%						272	1.540					
	2	21		69.1%	30.9%						369	1.691					
	3																
Pennsylvania A.....	1	25	19	24.4%	73.3%					2.3%	397	1.250					
	2																
Pennsylvania B.....	1	22	1	86.4%	13.6%							1.864	1.889				
	2	22		85.2%	14.8%						440	1.852					
	3	24		95%	5%						420	1.950					
Pennsylvania T.....	1	26	18	30%	67.7%					2.3%	440	1.307	1.419				
	2	27		28.6%	70.5%			.9%			458	1.268					
	3	27		68.3%	31.7%						202	1.683					
Province average for year																	

GAMMA PROVINCE

Ohio A.....	1	28	4	61.8%	34.3%			1.7%		2.2%	453.5	1.595					
	2																
Ohio B.....	1	23	17	42.2%	50.2%			6.2%		1.4%	353	1.300					
	2	31		31.6%	65.5%			2.4%		.5%	449	1.263	1.282				.067
Michigan A.....	1	19	26	19.2%	80.8%						203	1.192					
	2																
Michigan B.....	1	46	28	16.7%	81.3%			.6%		1.4%	706	1.158					
	2	45		27.2%	71.4%			1.4%			661	1.245	1.202		.034		
Indiana A.....	1	13	9	40%	60%						210	1.400					
	2																
Indiana B.....	1	19	27	23.7%	70.3%			3.7%		2.3%	296	1.166					
	2																
Indiana T.....	1	28	36	18%	77.3%			4.7%			422	1.085					
	2																
Province average for year																	

DELTA PROVINCE

Minnesota A.....	1	36	43	15%	77.3%			7.7%			568	.994					
	2																
Wisconsin A.....	1	36	14	31.9%	67.7%					.4%	548	1.320					
	2																
Illinois B.....	1	21	21	24.7%	72.6%			.9%		1.8%	328	1.232					
	2																
Illinois A.....	1	23	8	46.8%	52.6%					.6%	325	1.407					
	2																
Illinois E.....	1	28	34	17.2%	78.4%			3.9%		.5%	413	1.094					
	2																
Illinois Z.....	1	33	23	24.9%	73.3%			1.8%			539	1.211					
	2																
Illinois H.....	1	25	6	49%	50%			1%			400	1.470					
	2																
Province average for year																	

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EPSILON PROVINCE

Chapter	Semester or Term	Membership	Rank	Hrs. highest grade	Hrs. above passing below	Hrs. below passing	Hrs. incomplete or not reported	Total hrs. registered	Grade	Average for year	Gain	Loss
Iowa A.....	1	17	12	36.2%	63.8%			210	1.363			
Iowa B.....	2	20	32	15%	83%	2%		267.5	1.112	1.158	.020	
Iowa C.....	1	29	23	23.4%	75.1%	1.5%		395.5	1.203			
Iowa D.....	2	26	35	14.6%	82.4%	3%		431	1.088	1.129	.194	
Iowa E.....	1	30	23	23.8%	72.9%	3.3%		454	1.171			
Iowa F.....	2	27	47	2.3%	93.1%	4.6%		388	0.938	.939		.028
Iowa G.....	1	28	3	3.3%	90.4%	4.6%	1.7%	423.6	0.940			
Iowa H.....	2	25	41	14.9%	78.2%	6.9%		362	1.011			
Nebraska B.....	1	19	45	1.1%	97.6%	1.3%		228	0.984	1.016		.007
Missouri A.....	2	27	5	5.8%	94%	2.2%		397	1.032			
Missouri B.....	1	26	39	8.7%	88.2%	3.1%		381	1.049			
Missouri C.....	2	27	24	7%	72.7%	2.6%		345	1.251	1.151	.114	
Missouri D.....	1	28	24	24.5%	73.4%	2.1%		431.5	1.206	1.201	.088	
Missouri E.....	2	30	22	3%	74.5%	1.5%	1.7%	466.7	1.196			
Kansas A.....	1	31	15	31.8%	68.2%	4.1%		487	1.318			
Kansas B.....	2	34	42	7%	53.2%			468	1.344	1.331	.003	
Kansas C.....	1	10	38	5%	95%			160	1.050	1.087		.034
Kansas D.....	2	17	12	12.4%	87.6%			257	1.124			
Arkansas A.....	1	18	33	14.6%	83.4%	2%		301	1.110			
Louisiana A.....	2	26	20	26.9%	71.9%	1.2%		476	1.235	1.224		.002
Louisiana B.....	1	27	29	7%	66.1%	4.2%		493.5	1.212			
Province average for year												

ZETA PROVINCE

Oklahoma A.....	1	24	16	34.3%	63.7%	2%		396	1.303	1.179			
Oklahoma B.....	2	36	25	4%	68.6%	2.2%	3.1%	701	1.055			.322	
Texas A.....	1	21	46	9.9%	78.2%	11.9%		303	0.861	1.008		.076	
Texas B.....	2	20	17	8%	78.5%	3.7%		325	1.105				
Texas C.....	1	30	19	3%	73.9%	6.8%		326	1.058				
Texas D.....	2	9	44	3.5%	92.2%	4.3%		141	0.950	1.047			
Texas E.....	1	9	14	8%	83%	2.2%		135	1.034				
Texas F.....	2	8	23	3%	73.3%	3.7%		109	1.156				
Wyoming A.....	1	20	10	35%	63.2%	1.6%		319.5	1.358	1.382		.098	
Wyoming B.....	2	21	10	40%	59.4%			303	1.406				
Colorado A.....	1	35	40	15.6%	77.6%	5.5%	1.3%	529	1.048	1.067	.090		
Colorado B.....	2	31	24	9%	66.8%	8.3%		461	1.085				
Colorado C.....	1	33	29	19%	78.4%	1.5%	1.1%	458	1.157	1.201		.281	
Colorado D.....	2	31	30	6%	65.3%	2.9%	1.8%	444	1.245				
Province average for year											1.147		

ETA PROVINCE

California A.....	1	26	37	15%	81%	4%		389	1.067				
California B.....	2	31	31	15.5%	82.6%	1.9%		470	1.117				
California C.....	1	39	19	9%	80%	1%		563.5	1.170	1.141	.001		
Nevada A.....	1	33	23	23.6%	71.4%	1.6%	3.4%	504.5	1.211	1.190		.017	
Nevada B.....	2	32	18	1%	81.3%	.6%		481	1.168				
Oregon A.....	1	21	7	42%	58%			324	1.420	1.425	.085		
Oregon B.....	2	22	39	3%	52.3%		8.4%	342.5	1.429				
Washington A.....	1	36	22	25.4%	70.7%	1.7%	2.2%	532	1.225	1.269		.117	
Washington B.....	2	40	14	3%	42%	2.5%	4.5%	596	1.314				
Washington C.....	1	22	11	41%	57%	2%		424	1.373	1.399		.017	
Washington D.....	2	33	42	4%	55.5%	.3%	1.8%	602	1.425				
Province average for year													

REPORTS TOO LATE FOR PUBLICATION IN 1916 INFORMATION NUMBER

Maryland A.....	2	25		24.9%	68.8%	6.3%		378	1.121	1.201		
Virginia A.....	2	15		59.6%	37%	2.5%	.9%	235	1.549	1.623		
Pennsylvania A.....	1	23		32.6%	66.6%	.8%		368	1.309			
Pennsylvania B.....	2	23		35%	63.8%	1.2%		343	1.326	1.318		
Michigan A.....	2	20		15.2%	84.8%			290	1.151	1.125		
Ohio A.....	2	39		60%	39.8%	1.1%		618.5	1.576	1.495		
Indiana B.....	2	29		30%	67.8%	2.2%		458.5	1.256	1.207		
Illinois A.....	2	21		54.7%	45.3%			322	1.546	1.361		
Iowa A.....	2	17		43.5%	55.2%	1.3%		230	1.404	1.443		
Iowa B.....	2	25		15%	84.7%	.3%		350	1.143	1.138		
Iowa C.....	2	23		11.2%	86.5%	2.3%		339	1.088	1.121		
Kansas A.....	2	17		17.2%	77%	5.8%		256.5	1.052	1.017		
Arkansas A.....	2	21		42.1%	53.6%	4.3%		318.5	1.333	1.340		

RANKS AND GRADES OF CHAPTERS 1915-1916

1. Pennsylvania B	1.709	25. Pennsylvania A	1.181
2. Virginia A	1.623	26. Michigan B	1.168
3. Florida A	1.607	27. New York Γ	1.155
4. Illinois H	1.581	28. California B	1.140
5. Columbia A	1.564	29. Iowa B	1.138
6. Oklahoma A	1.510	30. Michigan A	1.125
7. Ohio A	1.495	31. Kansas B	1.121
8. Colorado B	1.482	32. Missouri Γ	1.113
9. Wyoming A	1.480	33. Indiana A	1.103
10. Iowa A	1.443	34. Ontario A	1.100
11. Washington B	1.416	35. Iowa Γ	1.095
12. Illinois Δ	1.361	36. Illinois E	1.086
13. Ohio B	1.349	37. Minnesota A	1.085
14. Oregon A	1.340	38. Texas A	1.084
15. Kansas A	1.328	39. Nebraska B	1.082
16. Pennsylvania A	1.318	40. Vermont A	1.060
17. Vermont B	1.303	41. Massachusetts A	1.042
18. Illinois Z	1.227	42. Indiana A	1.036
19. Louisiana A	1.226	43. Missouri A	1.023
20. Nevada A	1.207	44. Missouri B	1.017
20. Indiana B	1.207	45. New York A	1.000
21. Illinois B	1.204	46. California A	.990
22. Maryland A	1.201	47. Arkansas A	.981
23. Wisconsin A	1.197	48. Colorado A	.977
24. Washington A	1.188	49. Iowa Z	.967

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA LYTLE TANNAHILL.

REPORT OF PI BETA PHI'S REPRESENTATIVE IN NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS

The delegate to the National Panhellenic Congress submits the following report to the Grand Council of Π Β Φ:

The first meeting of the National Panhellenic Congress since August, 1915, takes place in Chicago, October 17-20. One of the important points to be considered is the clear defining of "what constitutes a pledge." The National Panhellenic Congress will go on record in this matter and will thus obviate what has proved to be one of the most common sources of difficulty in college Panhellenics. Pi Beta Phi will hold that a pledge must be made in writing. In the application of the National Panhellenic by-law, Art. II, Sec. 6, "A girl who breaks her pledge to one N. P. C. fraternity or resigns therefrom shall not be asked to join another for one calendar year from the date of request for release," the question of the distinction between broken and released pledges will be brought up, also the question of whether a pledge made at one college is binding if the girl goes to another college (a) where there is a chapter of the fraternity to which she is pledged, (b) where there is no chapter of the fraternity to which she is pledged. Pi Beta Phi holds that a girl who is once a pledge is a pledge until released by the fraternity. Another question to be determined by the conference is the relation of a petitioning local to the college Panhellenic rules.

Pi Beta Phi's Panhellenic representative has discovered in working over reports on Panhellenic difficulties that much of the friction in college Panhellenics has come about because there is no record of National Panhellenic rules. Upon first consideration, such a situation would seem to place the college Panhellenics open to the charge of extreme carelessness; but upon further

consideration, in view of the rapidly changing personnel of college chapters and the quick succession of officers in the college Panhellenic, it is evident that a record of legislation of which notification was given three years ago or over, might easily be overlooked. Because of this situation it is suggested that $\Pi B \Phi$ chapters urge in each college Panhellenic in which they are represented that such National Panhellenic rules as are binding be printed each year with the constitution and by-laws of the college Panhellenic. Up to the present time the National Panhellenic rules which should be included are as follows:

1903-1904. 1. No student shall be asked to join a fraternity before she has matriculated.

2. Matriculation day shall be defined as the day of enrollment as a student in the university or college.

1904-1905. 3. A pledge day shall be adopted by the national fraternities in each college where chapters of two or more fraternities exist.

4. Pledge day in each college shall be fixed by the Panhellenic Association existing there.

1910. 5. Students in a university summer school are ineligible for fraternity pledging.

1913. 6. A pledge shall expire at the end of one calendar year.

1915. 7. A girl who breaks a pledge with or resigns from a National Panhellenic Congress fraternity shall not be asked to join another National Panhellenic Congress fraternity for one calendar year.

1902. 8. Lifting is discountenanced.

1915. 9. After January, 1916, no girl who becomes a member of an organization bearing a Greek name, called a fraternity or sorority, shall be eligible to a National Panhellenic fraternity. This is exclusive of junior college and professional fraternities.

In view of the fact that several of Pi Beta Phi's Panhellenic difficulties in 1916-1917 were the outgrowth of ignorance upon the part of the chapter of rules passed by the college Panhellenics, it is suggested that not only should all actions of the college Panhellenic be reported at the first fraternity meeting following, as is now the custom, but that each chapter-house or chapter-room install a Panhellenic bulletin board upon which should be posted not only important National Panhellenic rulings but also all local rulings governing rushing, pledging, and so forth, and that after each meeting of the college Panhellenic a special bulletin be posted.

The following is a brief summary of Panhellenic difficulties which have affected $\Pi B \Phi$ chapters the past year:

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

At noon on registration day, Alpha Chapter of $\Delta \Delta \Delta$, without warning, sent its resignation to the college Panhellenic, giving as its reasons its national policy of open rushing and its opposition to the rushing period of seven weeks. In the spring of 1916 the college Panhellenic, by a vote of seven to two, had adopted noon of Friday, November 10, as the time for mailing invitations to membership, and Monday, November 11, as pledge day, and had ruled that no mention of fraternity should be made to an entering girl until eight o'clock on the morning of pledge day. The eight other fraternities voted not to accept the resignation of $\Delta \Delta \Delta$, but the chapter paid no attention to their action and within a fortnight after the opening of the university had bid seven girls. The college Panhellenic requested that a representative be sent by National Panhellenic to investigate the case, and Miss L. Pearl Greene of $K A \Theta$ came in response. National Panhellenic imposed upon Alpha of Delta Delta Delta the penalty that her pledge day be delayed for three weeks in the fall of 1917.

FRANKLIN COLLEGE

1. Considerable difficulty has arisen in the college Panhellenic over $\Delta \Delta \Delta$'s refusing to accept a change adopted in the by-laws of the organization making the legal vote a two-thirds vote in place of a unanimous vote.

2. Indiana A of $\Pi B \Phi$ wished to pledge two girls who for purely personal reasons had broken their pledge to $I \Psi N$, a local. Finding no National Panhellenic ruling to govern the case the chapter submitted it to the National Panhellenic representative. As $I \Psi N$ is an accredited member of the college Panhellenic, the chapter was advised that the case was covered by the national ruling forbidding for one calendar year the pledging of a girl who had broken her pledge to another fraternity.

BUTLER COLLEGE

Two of the four fraternities at Butler broke the National Panhellenic rule that no girl shall be pledged until she shall have duly matriculated in college. Upon the request of the president of Indiana I' of $\Pi B \Phi$ the case was reported to the Grand Council of each fraternity represented in the Panhellenic Association of Butler College. The matter has been satisfactorily handled.

KNOX COLLEGE

$\Delta \Delta \Delta$ accused $\Pi B \Phi$ of lifting a pledge. Illinois Δ of $\Pi B \Phi$ held that the girl in question could not have been legally pledged as she was not matriculated at the time the giving of the pledge was claimed. The case hinges on the interpretation of the rule regarding matriculation day pledging. The girl had been enrolled the first semester, had been summoned home shortly before the Christmas holidays, and did not return until the second semester was under way. Settlement of the case has not been reported.

JAMES MILLIKIN UNIVERSITY

$Z T A$, $A X \Omega$, and $\Delta T \Delta$, which with $\Pi B \Phi$ compose the Panhellenic Association of James Millikin University, brought charges against Illinois H of $\Pi B \Phi$, the most serious of which was having pledged several rushees before pledge day. Miss Lillian Thompson, $\Gamma \Phi B$, was sent by National Panhellenic to investigate the situation, and with her help the college Panhellenic decided the case. It was found that the charges were due to gossip and that the important charge of pledging before pledge day was entirely unfounded.

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

At the beginning of the second semester, Oklahoma A of $\Pi B \Phi$ pledged two girls before pledge day. A second semester pledge day had been adopted by the college Panhellenic at a meeting at the close of the first semester. Pi Beta Phi's representative, who was present at this meeting, was prevented by illness at home from returning to the university at the opening of the second semester and the chapter was in ignorance of the adoption of the new rule. A heavy penalty was imposed by the college Panhellenic. National Panhellenic, on appeal, lightened the penalty to Pi Beta Phi's being prohibited from entertaining in her chapter-house for the first days of the rushing season, the fall of 1917.

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

$K A \Theta$ lifted a girl pledged to $\Pi B \Phi$. Texas A decided not to carry the case to National Panhellenic as it might be the cause of the $K A \Theta$ chapter in the University of Texas losing its charter, which had previously been threatened by national officers of the fraternity.

THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Colorado A of $\Pi B \Phi$ was accused of violating the spirit of rushing rules through intimations to and by certain rushees of informal bidding before the date of formal pledging. The charges were based upon unfounded gossip, but the Board of Penalties of the university ruled that the chapter could not bid any girl until the beginning of the second semester.

DENVER UNIVERSITY

Colorado B of $\Pi B \Phi$ was accused by ΣK of lifting a pledge. The girl in question denies being at any time pledged to ΣK . Colorado B and the national officers of $\Pi B \Phi$ are firmly convinced that she was never pledged. The case has been marked by much bitterness and by much unpleasant publicity in the press, which could not do otherwise than work serious harm to the fraternity cause in the state. Numerous depositions have been taken before attorneys and the case in complete form will come up for settlement before the National Panhellenic Congress in October.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA LYTLE TANNAHILL.

REPORT OF THE FELLOWSHIP FUND COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Fellowship Fund Committee submits the following report to the Grand Council of $\Pi B \Phi$:

The Fellowship Fund Committee began work last September with the hope of raising one hundred dollars in each province as announced in the last Secret ARROW. Letters were sent to clubs and chapters by the members early in October suggesting that a gift toward the fund be included in the annual budget and that a study of the fellowship—former holders, value to the fraternity, etc., be included in the program. Several of the members report an earnest cooperation along both lines, and in some cases where a contribution could not be made the interest stimulated promises well for the future.

In January the chairman sent a letter to every club and chapter suggesting material for a study of the fellowship, etc., and inclosing letters from two former holders. She also suggested that clubs and chapters correspond with various former holders and to this end, she printed in the January *Bulletin* a list, with addresses of all fellows. Some of the committee members made excellent use of the cooperation of these girls.

The chairman also requested that there be some mention of the fellowship on the examination questions and, at the request of the Editor, she compiled for the June ARROW a symposium of the fellowship, loan fund, and scholarships.

Again three provinces have not been represented on the committee for the full year and consequently the work has been handicapped. Delta has found an efficient leader in Mrs. Christian who accepted the appointment in the middle of the winter. Owing to the resignation of Miss Hiestand work was not begun in Zeta until the spring when, fortunately, Miss Mecklem was good enough to take up the work. Of course, in most cases the clubs and chapters had made their plans and could squeeze out nothing for the fellowship. Gamma has been most unfortunate. The chairman was distressed to learn in June that the resignation of the committee member, sent in last fall, had never been received and that the six letters on business sent out by the chairman had also not been received—nor returned to the chairman. It was all too bad.

The committee is very glad to have another year at least before convention and hopes the larger responsibilities upon us all will not prevent a goodly sum from being realized for the fund.

Respectfully submitted,

SOPHIE P. WOODMAN, *Chairman*.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF FELLOWSHIP FUND COMMITTEE
1916-17

Alpha Province—Sophie P. Woodman, Committee Member

CHAPTERS		CLUBS		TOTAL
Vermont B	\$ 3.00	Boston	\$10.50	
New York A	5.00	Northern New York .	2.50	
	<u> </u>	New York City	5.50	
	\$ 8.00	Syracuse	5.50	
		Rochester	5.50	
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			\$29.50	
Personal contribution in New York Club	5.00			
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			\$34.50	\$ 42.50

Beta Province—Adelaide Rothert, Committee Member

Maryland A	\$10.00	Baltimore	\$10.00	
Virginia A	10.00	Philadelphia	10.00	
Florida A	10.00	Pittsburgh	6.00	
Pennsylvania A	10.00	Richmond	10.00	
Pennsylvania B	7.50		<u> </u>	
Pennsylvania F	10.00		\$36.00	
	<u> </u>	Personal contribution		
	\$57.50	in Washington Club..	5.00	
			<u> </u>	
			\$41.00	\$ 98.50

Gamma Province—Lotta Broadbridge, Committee Member

Ohio A	\$3.00	Cleveland	\$2.78	
				\$5.78

Delta Province—Lois Wilkinson-Christian, Committee Member

Minnesota A	\$ 6.25	Carthage	\$ 6.25	
Wisconsin A	6.25	Chicago	6.25	
Illinois B	6.25	Decatur	6.25	
Illinois Δ	6.25	Galesburg	6.25	
Illinois E	6.25	Madison	5.00	
Illinois Z	8.00		<u> </u>	
Illinois H	6.25		\$30.00	
	<u> </u>	Personal	\$10.00	
	\$45.50		<u> </u>	
			\$40.00	\$ 85.50

CONCERNING FRATERNITY SUPPLIES

THE FRATERNITY SUPPLIES ARE KEPT AS FOLLOWS

- I. BY THE GRAND PRESIDENT.
 1. Voting blanks for Grand Council.
 2. Voting blanks for chapters on granting of chapters.
 3. Blank charters.
 4. Application blanks for the fellowship.
 5. Notification blanks of fines to Grand Treasurer.
 6. Notification blanks of fines to Chapter Corresponding Secretary.
- II. BY THE GRAND VICE-PRESIDENT.
 1. Blanks for admission to alumnae clubs and alumnae transfer certificates.
 2. Application blanks for alumnae club charter.
 3. Blanks for reports from alumnae clubs.
 4. Charters for alumnae clubs.
- III. BY THE GRAND SECRETARY.
 1. Blank initiation certificates. (Statutes, Sec. 10. d.)
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 3. Blank ballots for use in convention.
 4. Blank forms for credentials for delegates to convention.
 5. Blanks for chapters' annual report, due May first.
 6. Blanks for lists of chapter officers.
 7. Blanks for lists of active members at beginning of school year.
 8. Blanks for transfer from one chapter to another.
 9. Key to fraternity cipher.
 10. Instructions to delegates to convention.
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 18. Order forms for Official Badges and Jewelry.
- V. BY THE ARROW EDITOR.
 1. Paper on which corresponding secretaries send in ARROW contributions.
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 1. Blanks for catalogue supplements.
 2. Supplements to catalogues.
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