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#### THE CONVENTION.

Pursuant to the call of Grand I. R., the First Biennial Convention of I. C. Sorosis met at Ottumwa, Iowa, October 16th, 17th, and 18th.

Iowa Theta received in a manner which was to visiting members an earnest of the cordial invitation extended two years previous.

At roll-call on Tuesday morning, October 16th, the following ladies were present:

MRS. R. A. SMALL, G. I. R., Blue Island, Ill.

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MISS MINTA MORGAN; Michigan Alpha, Hillsdale, Mich.

MISS MINNIE H. NEWBY, Michigan Beta, Ann Arbor, Mich.

MRS. HATTIE C. ROBINSON, Business Manager of Arrow, Iowa City, Iowa.

Making the entire membership of Grand Alpha, except— MISS ONA HAMLIN PAYNE, Indiana Alpha, Franklin, Ind. MISS MIRA TROTH, Iowa Kappa, Iowa City, Iowa.

Before the day was over the two tardy ones appeared with credentials, and the machinery of Grand Alpha was all in position, ready to grind the grists of her respective chapters, so far as that could be done without detriment to the general good.

Tuesday morning was devoted to organization. At I P. M. the members of Grand Alpha met for the second session, feeling, as did all visiting members, that the decision of the question then before the convention had much to do with the weal or woe of the Sorosis of the future.

Whatever may have been the theories of our founders in regard to the Greek feature of the sisterhood, there had come to be very strong convictions in the minds of the majority of the present membership that it should no longer be sub rosa. The discussion concerning the question of a change of name was general and earnest. There was no cropping out on the part of a single chapter representative of the feeling that her chapter was the Sorosis whose interests she had been sent thither to guard. Each young lady indicated by her action in the matter that the national organization of which she and her chapter were members should not call upon her in vain for a vote which might aid in increas-

ing the working capacity of the Sorosis. This means chapters in the best colleges, membership among those of high intellectual and social standing, and consequent strength collectively and individually. The unanimous vote to change the name from I. C. to n B & was the result of years of agitation, so tenaciously did some of the older members cling to the original name, feeling that with the name went some of the dearest memories.

Tuesday evening was the event of an elegant "spread" at the girlhood home of Mrs. Bertha Sargeant. Seventy-five members of  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  can testify to the fact that everything on the part of the hostess (Iowa Theta) was done to make our first evening there memorable.

The literary programme, with some changes and additions, was listened to with much interest. It was pleasing indeed to note that a goodly share of musical talent was distributed here and there among our girls, and the part which developed in the composition and rendering of "Grub songs" was not the least pleasing.

The republicans in procession on that evening, notwithstanding their political enthusiasm, were not unmindful of the n B + girls, and contributed their share of entertainment by halting the bands in front of the house, in the meantime discoursing some very good music.

Wednesday, Wednesday evening, and Thursday were busy days, and one pleasing feature of the convention work was that it was constructive, and not destructive. The constitution was not dragged into the arena and torn limb from limb, and at the last moment thrown together and left a misshapen monster upon which we must gaze for two years with pitying regret, wondering what the next dismembering and readjustment will show us in the way of a deformity. A committee of three chapters was appointed to prepare a con-

stitution during the two years of adjournment of Grand Alpha. This work was assigned Indiana Alpha, Iowa Alpha, and Iowa Zeta.

Iowa Alpha was appointed to look after the purchase and disposal of the new I. C. pins in the jeweler's hands. To Michigan Beta was given the work of forwarding old pins and sending orders for new n B + pins to the jeweler, John F. Newman, of New York. Iowa Theta has charge of regalia. Kansas Alpha is to look after the cut for annuals and stationery.

Nebraska Alpha, which has always been a prosperous chapter, has been left without a college, the institution of learning in which it was founded having been moved to Lincoln. It is a matter of great anxiety to its members, and to all of us, to see how the question of life or death of this chapter must be decided. It will be a sad experience for π B φ to chronicle the death of so prosperous a chapter.

Since the convention in '86 the chapters at Hillsdale, Mich., Franklin, Ind., and Ann Arbor, Mich., have been established; three prosperous, energetic chapters, the acquisition of which is a matter of congratulation.

The closing exercises of the convention in the way of entertainment was a reception in Armory Hall, which was attended by ninety II B & girls, and a corresponding number of the fathers, husbands, lovers, brothers, and friends of Iowa Theta. Nothing enthuses like conventions. It must indeed be a stolid indifference that is or can be proof against the reviving influence of Grand Alpha. All in all, those who entertained must have felt conscious that their efforts were successful from the satisfied, appreciative manner of the visitors. The young ladies who are members of visiting chapters feel that nothing was neglected on the part of Iowa Theta, and everybody feels, we are sure, that something has been accomplished.

#### CHAPTER REPORTS.

#### ILLINOIS BETA.

Galesburg - Lombard University - Established, November 7th, 1873.

'The prospects for Illinois Beta are at present more flattering than for some time in the past. We have not been as enthusiastic, perhaps, as one might wish, but the opening of the fall term has found us much more vigorous after our summer's rest.

We have at present eleven active members, two having been taken in this year. One of them is Lura Grubb, a sister of Miss Ella Grubb, a well-known, earnest II B \$\phi\$, and the other is Grace Harsh, in whom we feel that we have quite a prize. We have a number of pledged members, and I expect to see at least two new sisters on my return.

LIZZIE WIGLE, Delegate.

#### ILLINOIS GAMMA.

Carthage -- Established, August, 1882.

Illinois Gamma was not represented at the late convention by either delegate or report; and because of non-compliance with the demands of Grand Alpha, their charter was withdrawn.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA.

Galesburg - Knox College - Established, March 7th, 1884.

Illinois Delta, of Galesburg, has at present thirteen active members, one of whom we had the pleasure of welcoming this term as a former member of the Mt. Pleasant Chapter. Have had no initiations thus far during the year, but have several pledged to whom we hope soon to disclose

the mysteries of Pi Beta Phi. Literary work has taken the form of helps to conversation.

. MARY GRISWOLD, Delegate.

#### IOWA ALPHA.

Mt. Pleasant - Iowa Wesleyan University - Established, January 1st, 1869.

Iowa Alpha reports twenty members; fifteen active, five inactive, and twelve initiated during the past year. Literary and social meetings have been with Alumnae Chapter, but every three weeks we have separate business meetings. There are no Greeks to rival, nevertheless Mt. Pleasant is a P. E. O. stronghold.

LOLLIE CRANE, Delegate.

#### IOWA BETA.

Indianola - Simpson College - Established, October, 1874.

Iowa Beta, with a membership of fourteen, feels strong and courageous to do and to win. Last year we established the Franklin Chapter and gave \$40.00 toward the new science hall, which is being built in connection with the college, and which is now almost completed.

A lecture by Mrs. Carrie Lane-Chapman gave a rich profit of intellectual and social pleasure.

Rival Greeks are Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Kappa Alpha Theta.

Lou Humphrey, Delegate.

#### IOWA GAMMA.

Ames - Agricultural College - Established, May, 1877.

Iowa Gamma sisters are thirteen strong. Regular meetings are held on Friday evenings, once in two weeks, at which a literary programme is carried out. Pow-wows are

crowded in at some odd time and do not interfere with the regular work. Having no rival societies, the general rule is not to issue invitations for members until the beginning of the sophomore year. We have the interests of the Sorosis at heart, and always give earnest attention to everything involving her welfare. Let us make our structure one in which truth and justice, friendship, and sisterly love shall endure forever.

FLORENCE WEATHERBY, Delegate.

#### IOWA EPSILON.

Bloomfield - Established, October, 1881.

Iowa Epsilon reports fourteen active members. Since the last convention seven of our girls have graduated and six have married. Regular meetings are held every two weeks, on Saturday afternoons; business is first transacted, followed by a musical or literary programme. The field of literary research has been reading the works of authors and studying their lives.

ELVA PLANK, Delegate.

#### IOWA ZETA.

Iowa City - State University - Established, 1882.

Iowa Zeta opened the present school term with five active members, four of our old girls returning and sister Carrie Dorr, of the Boulder Chapter, being added. Two freshmen girls, Julia Rogers and Annie Buren, have already been initiated into the mysteries of Pi Beta Phi.

Greek rivals are Kappa Kappa Gamma, with four members, and Delta Gamma with nine. Gentlemen's fraternities represented are Delta Tau Delta, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, and Phi Delta Theta.

BESSIE PEERY, Delegate.

#### IOWA ETA.

Fairfield - Alumnae - Established, October, 1882.

Number of active members is five. During the past year a great deal of literary work has been done, and the ground covered has been quite varied and extensive. Two hundred and fifty of our friends were entertained at the home of Sister Minnie Stubbs, and numerous "coffees" and "cookey shines" have varied our programmes.

MRS. MARY C. BALL, Delegate.

#### IOWA THETA.

Ottumwa - Alumnae - Established, August, 1884.

Iowa Theta numbers ten active members, having lost six in the past two years. Of these, one has gone to Denver, one to Chicago, one to Kentucky, one to Montana, and two to Minneapolis. We have had but one initiate. Literary work has been that of studying Victor Hugo and George Elliot.

CARRIE FLAGLER, Delegate.

#### IOWA IOTA.

Mt. Pleasant - Alumnae - Established, September, 1884.

Mt. Pleasant Alumnae reports a prosperous condition. Number of active members, eleven. Literary work, current events, review of the *Century*, *Harper's*, and study of American authors.

MARY I. SNYDER, Delegate.

#### IOWA KAPPA.

Iowa City - Alumnae S. U. I. - Established, 1884.

The work of this chapter since the convention of 1886 has been the preparation of art papers, using Farrar's Art

Topics as an outline. Aside from this we have met quite regularly with the University Chapter. Our girls have gone from Iowa City to other homes and other fields of labor until our membership was this fall reduced to five. The prosperity of Iowa Zeta compensates, to a great degree, for our personal loneliness, for we feel that the best interests of  $\pi$  r  $\phi$  are being well served in this locality.

MIRA TROTH, Delegate.

#### KANSAS ALPHA.

Lawrence - State University - Established, April, 1872.

The school year opens with very bright prospects for Kansas Alpha. Active membership is twenty; three representatives in the senior class and one in the faculty. We lost two members last spring by graduation, Miss Io Gilmore and Miss Clara Wilson. The former now has a position in the public schools of De Sota, Kansas; the latter has since become Mrs. Albright, and is traveling with her husband in Europe. This diminution in numbers will be made up by pledged members who entered school this fall. large an active membership, Kansas Alpha feels that she can afford to be very careful and deliberate in making additions. The disadvantage of being obliged to receive girls before their work has been thoroughly tested has been so keenly felt of late years, that the three girl's societies in Kansas State University have adopted an inter-fraternity pledge, which may in a measure, at least, do away with the "rush-\* \* \* The history of this pledge may be ing" system. found under "Greek World," in this issue of THE ARROW]. This pledge is as yet only an experiment, but if it is successful, it will certainly raise the standard of secret fraterni-The regular meetings promise to be very successful this year. We have made stricter rules about attendance and punctuality, which we think will be effective. The literary work will consist in the reading of McCarthy's "History of Our Own Times," and in weekly reviews of important current events.

The social events of the year began very pleasantly with a "grub" at the home of Emma White, October 13th, in which our gentlemen friends participated. Hallow'een is to be celebrated at the home of Helen Sutliff.

EMMA WHITE, Delegate.

#### COLORADO ALPHA.

Boulder - Boulder University.

Colorado Alpha has a present active membership of seven one pledged, and a member of Mt. Pleasant Chapter, who is soon to be transferred into active membership with Colorado Alpha. Literary work during the past year has been slight, but a course of reading has proven equally profitable and enjoyable.

Delta Gammas, the only rival Greeks, number five.

GEORGIANA ROWLAND, Delegate.

#### COLORADO BETA.

Denver - Established, February, 1885.

At the close of last term the prospects for the success of Colorado Beta were exceedingly small. Out of five active members, two graduated, and it appeared that the remaining three would not return to the University this fall, so we felt like singing a requiem over our dead chapter and returning our charter to headquarters. Contrary to all forbodings, the three did return, and also one who was pledged last year, and who has since been initiated into the mysteries of n B \*...\*

Regular meetings are now held every Wednesday afternoon, at which the study of mythology is pursued. As there seems to be much better material for a good chapter in the University this year than in the previous year, we hope to have four or five valuable new members in the near future, and we feel the success of our chapter is assured.

IDA C. WINNE, Delegate.

#### NEBRASKA ALPHA.

York M. E. College.

Alpha Chapter, of Nebraska, has tried to live up to the standard of quality, not quantity, hence have only initiated nine members into the privileges and pleasures of the Sorosis since the last convention. Present active membership is twelve, with prospects of three new creditable members.

We gave a Mikado entertainment, profiting \$100.00 thereby for the benefit of our library, which has been a success, and has constituted our work. We now have between seven and eight hundred volumes. Last winter we had Mrs. Carrie Lane-Chapman lecture for us; we entertained her for several days, and found her still loyal to Pi Beta Phi.

MRS. FLORA McCLOUD, Delegate.

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA.

Hillsdale - Hillsdale College - Established, May, 1887.

Michigan Alpha of Pi Beta Phi has eleven active members; three more will soon be added. Only rivals are the Kappa Kappa Gamma, whose membership is nine. Literary work has been with the monthly magazines and discussing prominent authors.

MINTA MORGAN, Delegate.

#### MICHIGAN BETA.

Ann Arbor -- State University -- Established, April, 1888.

Michigan Beta has seven active members, with encouraging prospects for the future. Rivals are Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Gamma, and The Sorosis, having a respective membership of fourteen, thirteen, and twelve.

MINNIE H. NEWBY, Delegate.

#### INDIANA ALPHA.

Franklin - Established, January 16th, 1888.

Members of Indiana Alpha, at Franklin, this year of 1888: Elizabeth Middleton, Mary E. Ellis, Jeannette Teppenfeld, Sallie Covert, Nell Beatrice Turner, Emma McCoy, Ona Hamlin Payne, Florence Slush, May Lena Burton, Harriet Palmer. The chapter has voted to issue invitations to unite with Indiana Alpha two young ladies now in college.

The class-room work of the chapter is splendid, the members having led almost every class to which they belonged; among them being the following: In Latin, Greek, French, German, calculus, general geometry, trigonometry, physics, chemistry, mental and moral philosophy. Honors have been awarded them on almost every occasion. Of the three literary societies in the college, two admit fraternity members; in these two Indiana Alpha has at present, in one the office of president, critic, and prosecuting attorney; and in the other. critic. In the Oratorical Association of the college two of our girls have held the position of secretary. On our college magazine, the Collegiate, they have held a position in the board of managers, as local editor, and literary editor. Commencement of 1888, Sister Lizzie R. A. Clark graduated. At the inter-society entertainment, Miss Ona Hamlin Payne, in an oration, represented one of the literary societies.

ONA HAMLIN PAYNE, Delegate.

ternities; local organizations that from their very make-up, as well as from much circumstantial evidence, show that they are not the rejected of the more favored Oriental; so I infer something more is needed. Is it n B 4.7 But there is a demand within ourselves for extension. We yearn for a fraternity that shall blend the ideas of noble college women of America; for an eastern conservatism that shall hold within bounds our western enthusiasm; for the northern heart so brave to dare and do, softened by the sweet graces of Dixie's daughters.

We need to feel that in every good work we have behind us a band of noble young women that can make itself felt in every part of our land. Oh! we need, we want, we demand, a truly national organization.

Then, practically speaking, the first part of our fundamental law can be met satisfactorily, but the second is a more serious matter.

If HB + expects to meet a demand, she must offer an acceptable supply. She must: 1. Be in herself worthy of extension, with not only noble aims, but practical methods for making every day's life noble, and an organization thorough and alive in every part.

A  $\pi$  B  $\Phi$ , wherever met, should give out the benefits gained from the mutual helpfulness of the fraternity, be worthy of and invite immitation.

The one plea of the retiring President of KKT, at the recent convention in Minneapolis, was in behalf of personal responsibility on the part of the Kappas. Can not we, in good faith, re-echo her plea, and emphasize it by saying, "If IIB & would enlarge her borders, let her members be worthy of the enlargement by a realization of their personal responsibility."

2. But the great body of students can not judge us by our intrinsic value, and especially true is it where we have never had a Π Β Φ chapter. At such places we have two exponents—The Arrow and our name. We know of the stupendous task involved in publishing a magazine of any kind, and all honor to those who have given us The Arrow in times past.

The fraternity has taken a long stride in advance in dropping the English name, carrying the Greek alone. The American students, as a body, have settled upon the Greek letter fraternity as a basis of the college society system. The Greek letter society is what they want, and what they will have; no matter how worthy we who are members may know I. C. to be: no matter how much we may say about its intrinsic value; college women want a π B φ fraternity, and in preference to uniting with I. C., they will accept membership in the Greek letter fraternities. If my statements be not true, why is it that the Greeks have grown so rapidly and over such an extent of territory, while I. C., as old as the oldest of the woman's Greek fraternities, has only been able to extend over territory where her members have The Greek letter fraternities have been personally known. won for themselves an enviable reputation, and whenever any distinctive part of the great whole wishes to enter a college, it is not compelled to prove the particular benefits to be derived from it, but it has the whole Greek world at the back of it, and all the recommendation needed to gain recognition is its Greek name. Grant that the perspective members look up the merits of the fraternity in question, and select from the merits of the case; the students as a class know not the merits of one fraternity over another, save as marked by the various chapters in their respective colleges, and without waiting to know the merits of the case, the

student gives to the various fraternity chapters the respect due the Greek world.

If the Greek world was fighting a great principle of right-living that we held to be true, then it would be well for us to remain truly (an) I. C.; but the Greeks are working toward the same ends as we; they are a great regiment rushing on to victory, and how could we, a single picket soldier, afford to fight all by ourselves, when we might join in the victory being achieved right at hand, do our part of the work, and share in the current of enthusiasm that flows from Greek to Greek.

In adopting the Greek name alone we are not imitating, but progressing. You will pardon me when I quote, "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which taken at its flood leads on to fortune; omitted, all the voyage of their life is bound in shallows and miseries." Is it not applicable to us at this time?

In what schools shall we establish chapters? down any definite rule in regard to this matter is impossible. We do not want to judge a school by the number of students, else we would confine our chapters to normal schools; should we judge by wealth alone, we would be ever gazing longingly at schools not as yet admitting women. We presume the test is the school curriculum, together with some knowledge of the students among whom the chapter is to be established; but above all, and restricted by no written law, should be the common-sense of the fraternity at large. feel this statement deeply, because my experience has shown to me that there are very few schools with college curricula in which are not to be found enough noble young women to compose and perpetuate a chapter which would prove an honor to any fraternity with which it might be connected. We need them, they need us; and I do hope the heart of the

fraternity is large enough, its views broad enough, to recognize the nobility of a college woman, whoever she is, whereever she may be; whether it be at a Harvard annex, a Wellesley, a Vassar, 'or some unpretentious, unknown denominational school. As soon as π B φ adopts wholly the plan of judging the woman for what she is in herself, and not by what her college is, so soon will she be avoiding the rapids on to which many fraternities are seemingly at this time so blindly rushing; and when they in their attempt to be exclusive have become so small as to be unable to influence the college world, II B & will be able at a single command to exert an influence unbounded, because of the many points from which her beneficence flows. any law that now is, or at any future time may be put upon the statute book, should be the common-sense of the fraternity.

Should the advance be made in any particular direction? The question admits of much study. We quote from B & P on this very question: "In all our ambitions, and possibly excitement, regarding extension, we must not lose sight of nor forget that Beta Theta Pi is a western fraternity. The west is where we were born, bred, and have thriven, and from this native domain do we derive our We have long and well occupied it, and have taken the commanding position in it; and by virtue of that attitude attained, we should never have cause to fear or to diminish in strength. The six most eminent collegiate institutions in the land are in the east, except Michigan University, but outside of these five there are a score or more of western seats of learning that surpass most of the rest in the And the disposition of numbers, strength, and influence will continually increase as the great interior states

and the far west wax in wealth and culture, establishing

and endowing their scholastic institutes.

"For us, therefore, the word of warning should go forth to keep good hold on the west and south, where we now have high sway, for into this section must soon come the conservative eastern orders, which must otherwise in time shrivel

away and die of dry-rot.

"The west is our stronghold, but we shall try to occupy the whole land of the best colleges, not in any rash spirit of invasion, but earnestly and steadfastly, because we want our fraternity to be representative of all that is the best. Sectionalism is the worst possible spirit of influence in any fraternity, and we are already too strongly bound by fraternal ties to every section ever to wish to entertain it.

"Wherever we advance, therefore, let us go with a kindly spirit, simply to establish our own principles and purposes. If rivals can suffer us and live with us in peace and toleration, let them do so; but if they can not, or will not, they will simply find themselves at fault somehow or other before we have let go. By the slow but gradual process of careful accretion, we are bound to gain all that we desire, if we shall but well guard and enlarge the citadel of our strength in the west, whence we are."

Such words, coming, as they do, from an eminently successful fraternity, and applying so well to our own case, appeal to us with peculiar force at this time.

EMMA HARPER TURNER.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DESIGN FOR CUTS.

The duty of selecting designs for steel cuts to be used on The Arrow, college annuals, and stationery of the Sorosis was referred to this chapter, and our report is as follows: "For The Arrow and annuals, we selected a scroll, supported by a branch, and pierced by an arrow, above which is a small monogram of I. C., while on the scroll is the date and  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  in large letters. For stationery, simply a Pi Beta Phi pin is the design.

KANSAS ALPHA, Lawrence.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BANNER AND REGALIA.

The committee appointed by Grand Alpha to work up the designs for banner and regalia desires to report as follows: "We have selected suitable designs for both, and hope to have the patterns ready by January 1st. We would like any chapter desiring patterns for them to let us know before that time if possible."

Address all requests for patterns or information about the regalia or banner to

CARRIE C. FLAGLER, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PINS.

The jeweler who is to manufacture our new pins is John F. Newman, 19 John street, New York City, N. Y.

The design is much smaller than the old pins. Were they placed parallel, the new one would only reach the head of the present arrow. The feather is to be enamelled in white, with the gold letters  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  placed diagonally.

The pin can be jewelled to suit the fancy of the purchaser, on either the shaft or head, or on both, or they may be perfectly plain.

Mr. Newman says: "I will take the old pins back, allowing on the price of the new pins their full value in gold according to their fullest assay."

All orders must be accompanied by the money, with the

addition of ten cents for registering.

For further particulars address the committee.

MINNIE H. NEWBY, Chairman, 85 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor, Mich.



#### OPEN CHAPTER LETTERS.

#### RIVALS AND THEIR EFFECTS.

How clothed in harmony we would feel should all struggles end as peaceably as did the political campaign of 1888. A campaign for principle. Are secret societies not undergoing a constant college campaign?

Is it for principle? Sad to say it is in many cases for something far below the standard of honesty. A struggle prompted by none other than jealousy. It is sad to see this spirit so prevalent among so many secret societies. Is there not some remedy?

Two societies of about equal members and strength intellectually, situated in the same college, should be friendly rivals and work harmoniously; but, alas, in nine cases out of ten this is far from the true state of affairs.

One group sees another talking in secret or bestowing especial attention upon a certain non-secret society girl. The trap is instantly laid to watch every movement of the rival society. Care is taken by each Sorosis to "watch" the girl under consideration, and at every opportunity let fall some slight remark uncomplimentary to the sister Sorosis. Thus the war wages, and generally the poor girl is between two fires, and the more schemes laid by one the more jealous grows the other.

Is the effect what it should be? No; many, many times the battle ends with no success for either party. The girl has become disgusted with what she sees of secret societies, and decides to evade making enemies by joining neither. Thus each Sorosis losing what might have proven a valuable member. We ask again, where is the remedy? None that I can see, unless, girls, we be more careful and considerate about underrating each other's society. There is some good

certainly in each. Point out your own merits and leave alone your sister's demerits. They will show plainly enough. You yourself will be less criticized if you are more lenient towards others. Let the motto between societies be: "Charity toward all, and malice toward none."

E. M. B.

Galesburg, Ill.

#### ILLINOIS BETA.

It gives me great pleasure in behalf of our chapter to again contribute the accustomed periodical letter. This year our chapter has especial reason for rejoicing. Never since our organization have we been so prosperous and in such excellent working order. Our chapter now numbers twenty-one active members. The greatest good-will and sisterly feeling prevails, and the girls all seem like sisters of one household, banded together for the purpose of advancing all high endeavor of purpose and promoting the cause of right.

We have no rival fraternity at present. Last year there

was another, but they have not been active this year.

We have received into our society this fall the following new members: Grace Harsh, Lura Grubb, Lissie Sealy, Elice Crissey, Maud Claycomb, Sallie Stickney, Mae Bradford, and Mame and Nora Willett. They seem delighted with the new associations it brings them, and will, we feel sure, contribute much to our highest good by lending willing hands.

We have held regular meetings every two weeks on Thursday evening, and a number of called meetings from

time to time.

All of our meetings have been especially commendable, and each time, when we adjourn to meet again in two weeks, we feel anxious for the time to come.

Thursday evening, October 25th, we hitched up about fourteen white goats, and gave our "two youngest" a ride.

At our last meeting before the convention we elected our I. R. delegate. At our first regular meeting following the convention she related in detail her trip to Ottumwa. Her description of the place, and the account of all the sessions of Grand Alpha, were given with such accuracy that in listening we were so deeply interested that we felt as if we had all taken the trip with her.

The best thing of all that she told us, was that we can all have the pleasure of attending our next convention. You can not imagine our delight when we heard that Grand Alpha will meet in Galesburg next time. We are going to begin now and urge upon our sisters to be present, and we will insure you a pleasant and profitable time.

Mrs. Small, Grand I. R., returned from the convention with our delegate. She was an active member of our chapter in the years '85 and '86. She feels a deep interest in us, and while present at our meeting, October 19th, gave us a great deal of most excellent advice and much needed instruction. She complimented us very highly upon our work of this year.

We are thinking of giving some sort of a literary entertainment some time this winter. We feel sure that such an undertaking would be crowned with success, as we have considerable talent among our girls, several being very excellent singers, and others possessing dramatic power.

Our I. R., Lizzie Wigle, received first prize in the ladies' declamatory contest in '87, and "your humble servant" carried off the same honor in '88.

Have done no literary work as yet at our meetings, but expect to as soon as we have the time.

We are anxiously looking forward to a joint meeting with our Knox College sisters sometime before the holidays.

On Friday evening, November 23d, we celebrate our fifteenth anniversary with an oyster supper at the home of Alvia Meyers.

For one week we had been looking forward to the time with great expectations, not only on account of our "spread," but there were seven sisters who had not yet enjoyed a ride on the goat.

At last the day came, and at 6:30 P. M. we all arrived at the place of feasting. After singing and much jubilant conversing we were ushered into the dining-room, where two long tables shone forth with all the splendor and dignity of an "annual banquet."

After a very touching and appropriate blessing had been spoken by Sister Rice, we fell to feasting. And oh! what a jolly, good time we had! On hearing the jokes and witticisms, one might think that we were trying to compete with the great humorists of our day.

One feature about the supper that especially attracted our attention was the quantity of lovely fruits. While we were all wondering from whence it came, one of our number arose and explained matters. One of our "Phi brothers" had presented it with his "compliments and best wishes" to the "Fly Bit a Flea" girls.

In spite of the ridiculous appellation, we all feel that if we ever initiate young men into our sisterhood, Mr. Siliman will be among the first invited to join.

After supper came the "tug of war." Just think of it! seven girls to ride the goat! He hadn't been driven since Harrison was elected, and it took several girls to bring him up from the pasture.

At last each in her turn rode up and down (?) amid the roar and din of trumpet and fire-cracker. We are satisfied that they will never forget the antics of our gray (?) goat. When asked, "Are you all here yet? they bow their heads and meekly say in the words of the poet, "Nay, we are seven."

I have thought many times that it would be pleasant for our Pi Phi girls, wherever they may live, to become as well acquainted as possible. Do we try to do our best in that direction? Distance need not be an insurmountable barrier between us, so long as pen, ink, and paper can convey our thoughts to the uttermost parts of the earth. I feel sure that a letter from any of our distant sisters would be very gladly received by the Illinois Beta girls, either individually or to be read aloud at our meetings.

I therefore take great pleasure in introducing to all the readers of The Arrow their Pi Phi sisters at Lombard University, Galesburg, Ill.: Elice Crissey, Avon; Anna Ross, Camp Point; Lizzie Durston, New Windsor; Alice Durston, New Windsor; Grace Harsh, Creston, Iowa; Hattie Grubb, Barry; Maude Claycomb, Eureka, Kas.; Lura Grubb, Barry; Anna Stow, Girard, Penn.; Kit Nellis, Girard, Penn.; Mae Bradford, Quincy; Alvia Meyers, Galesburg; Mildred Woods, Galesburg; Glen Taylor, Galesburg; Sallie Stickney, Galesburg; Lissie Seally, Prairie City; Lilian Wiswell, Cameron; Lizzie Wigle, Camp Point; Mame Willet, Yorkville; Nora Willet, Yorkville; Carrie Rice, Chicago; Ethel Tompkins, Avon.

Yours lovingly,
ANNIE L. YEOMANS,
Avon, Ill.

Lombard University, Galesburg, November, 1888.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA.

DEAR GIRLS: We have so many things to tell you. First, Mrs. Small stopped here Friday on her way home from the convention. On the afternoon of the same day Alice Stewart invited us all to her house to meet Mrs. Small. Of course we went. And to hear Mrs. Small and our delegate, Mary Griswold, talk over the convention, and to discuss the different topics with them, and to hear their stories, was next best to being there ourselves. We talked late, although some gentlemen who had called became impatient and could not imagine what "girls could find to talk about so long and earnestly anyway." Finally they were admitted, and after a short social time and elegant refreshments, we went away feeling wiser and stronger.

In three short months three of our sisters have been married: Mattie Evans-Wiley, Addie Rearick-Becker, and Maud Smith-Boydston. All three weddings were very select, with only a chosen few present. Mrs. Wiley now lives in Castana, Iowa. Her husband is a banker there. Mrs. Boydston is at present living in Galesburg. Mrs. Becker went with her husband to Knoxville, Illinois, where he is a rising young physician. "Thus it is our sisters leave us." We wish them all joy.

We have a new plan for our meetings now. One thing is: Five minutes of our time each meeting is given to the cultivation of conversation. When the time arrives the censors name two girls and assign them a subject for discussion. These two converse, to the best of their ability, on this subject for five minutes, and at the end of this time often there is a general discussion. The object is to enable one to converse intelligently on any subject.

Then another part of the plan is criticisms. Five minutes are given to repeating in the society anything we have heard concerning one another's behavior, and in correcting each other's faults, so that to some extent we may "see ourselves as others see us." What do you think of our plan?

When Halloween drew near we thought we could not let it pass without trying our fate. But that was the regular night for the boys' literary societies, and, as we wished to set an excellent example by taking none of them from their duties, we decided to wait until the next night, St. Agnes' night. So on November 1st, at 8 P. M., the II B &'s gathered at the home of Miss Grace Lass, each with her favored gentleman friend.

The evening passed away merrily. One group around the grate was eagerly watching chestnuts roasting on the coals. Another group was around the card table. Then during the evening there was a wonderful game where all stood in two long lines and tried to see which could get a bean-bag from one end to the other and back again in the shortest time. In another room was given an opportunity for the bolder ones to dive for apples. Then we shut some of the company up in a dark room to hunt for apples. It was strange, but they seemed to find everything except the apples. Appropriate refreshments were served during the evening with odd little philopænas tied with the II B & colors. So, with music, conversation, and dancing we spent the time until a late hour, when we bade our hostess "good-night!" and recorded one more pleasant memory for Pi Beta Phi.

Why should not The Arrow be strictly sub rosa? It is a subject that has been troubling us. We can find so many reasons why it should be sub rosa, but as it is not, there must be some reason on the other side. We wish some one would answer our question, "Why should The Arrow not be strictly sub rosa?"

We think that our one rival Sorosis has at last gained a charter of some sort. We hope so, poor things. If it were later we might give a full account of it, but as yet we have not been "officially informed."

The Phi Omega Tau boys have just rented and fitted up in elegant style a new hall. Now they have kindly invited us girls, the Pi Betas, to use it "for initiations and meetings, and other secret work whenever you can use it advantageously." Of course we accepted with pleasure.

When will the sample pins be ready? We are waiting for them.

We want to give an entertainment soon. Will you not suggest something through THE ARROW? If each of you would tell us one thing that you have done in that line in your next letter it will help us so much.

Our society was never stronger nor more hopeful, and, what is better still, never more faithful to our work and to Pi Beta Phi.

BESSIE L. SMITH.

Galesburg, Ill., Knox College.

#### IOWA IOTA.

We are glad to again greet the Pi Beta Phi sisters through The Arrow; and we are pleased to have our journal continue under the able management of the Iowa City chapters. We feared the convention would change the place of publishing The Arrow.

We are well pleased with the work of the convention, and are glad we belong to a sisterhood that can so ably conduct a convention.

The regret felt in changing the beloved "I. C." for Pi Beta Phi is like that felt by the bride when she takes her husband's name. The old name is very dear to the older members, but the change, we believe, is for the best. With the Greek upon our wings, we are indeed Greek.

Our chapter has been quite fortunate in securing seven new members. Their names are: Georgie Taylor, Hattie McAdam, Henrietta Wing, Florence Tompson, Eva Southwell, and Mrs. Mattie Sullivan.

We regret to lose Anna Sanders, who will be known hereafter as Mrs. McArthur. Her wedding was small, but very pleasant. The bride was lovely, and any one would know at a glance that Mr. McArthur was a happy man, as well he might be. May their life be happy, and may they be spared to grow aged together.

January 1st, 1889, will be our twentieth anniversary. We wish to celebrate in some appropriate manner.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours in Pi Beta Phi, LOULU AMBLER.

Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

#### IOWA ZETA.

Iowa Zeta greets you, and presents two new sisters of whom she is very proud, Misses Julia Rogers and Anna Buren. Carrie Dorr, formerly a Pi Phi of Callanan College, is a welcome member of our circle. So we, the school chapter, remain the charmed number, seven, but have the pleasure of having three hard-working alumnae meet with and form a prominent part of our Sorosis.

We are busy, very busy. Are not all college students? But we have some pleasant festive gatherings to report, in which our sisters may be interested.

Our convention delegates returned bringing with them a welcome, thrice welcome, guest, Miss Minta Morgan, of Hillsdale, Mich. The evening of their arrival the Pi Beta Phi's attended literary society en masse. The evening following a grand and impressive memorial service was held in memory of I. C.—a strange memorial service! Not a tear was shed, but all was mirth and jollity; one sister mourned, but she was alone in her grief; evidently the departed was not regretted. The next morning the Pi Beta Phi girls attended church in a body. During Miss Morgan's stay a very pleasant little reception, in her honor, was given to "the girls" by Mrs. Hattie Cochrane-Robinson.

Our chapter is a republican chapter. To be sure we have one democratic girl, but what is she among so many. Being republicans, the election returns so enthused us that we held a glorification-ratification meeting. Our glorifying consisted chiefly in eating to the health of our president-elect. Our democratic sister appeared with crape on her arm, but as a "Hurrah for Harrison!" had been one of her initiatory rites, we did not doubt her inward patriotism. And how we did ratify!

Only one of our girls went home for Thanksgiving vacation, and as we were entertaining two visitors, Miss Cora Rynearson, now teaching in Marshalltown, and Mrs. Peery, mother of two of our girls, we gave a spread. The chief feature of this spread was an almond cake, made and presented to the Sorosis by an "old girl," Mrs. Fred Breed (Minnie Rynearson), of Seward, Neb. If the rest of the "old girls" knew how our hearts went out to Mrs. Breed, they would go and do likewise—that is, as she did. We enjoyed the feast much, and our visitors even more.

But we are planning something in the light of which all past achievements of our's sink into insignificance. We are going to—but this peep will suffice. We will give a full account in the next Arrow, and maybe introduce to you a number of new br—. Wait!

But we have not only had good times. We have worked. To University students, to teachers and workers in other lines, as we all are, The Arrow is no easy task, and to it much of our time is given. Zeta retires at II. Good-night! Iowa City, Iowa, December, 1888. Eva M. Elliott.

#### IOWA LAMBDA.

The Lambda chapter sends greetings to all her sister chapters. Although we have been rather silent, we have not been inactive. We can number fifteen nice, good girls as members of our chapter. They are not all in school now. We are scattered. Some are attending other schools, one is to be married soon, and some have graduated.

But, girls, we have some sad news to relate. Callanan College has changed hands, and is now under the auspices of Drake University, which excludes secret societies. You know the rest. We still have some members in the school, but that does us no good. You can not feel more disappointed than we do. This is one of the "downs" of life.

Des Moines, Iowa, December, 1888. Folie Barnett.

#### COLORADO BETA.

Last spring our sisters were wondering how their chapter could possibly succeed next year, as but one of their four members intended to return to school. *Now* our chapter is growing, not in numbers only, but in interest. So far have we advanced that we shall try to obtain a society hall in the building. Though there is no prospect of having what our more prosperous sisters call a "society hall," yet we shall rejoice in a "society home."

We have no rival fraternity, for, although the young ladies are willing workers in an established society, they do not seem willing to establish one.

Full of bright prospects for the New Year, we heartily wish all our sisters a Merry Christmas and "a prosperous

New Year!" NELLIE M. HASTINGS,

Denver, Col. 1276 South 14th St.

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#### EDITORIALS.

One act of the last convention is of paramount importance to us. By unanimous vote of the convention, our name was changed from I. C. to n B .

Human beings are so constructed that the giving up of those things that are familiar and beloved from long association, to receive in their place something different, is always fraught with feelings of sadness. To the older members of the Sorosis, it was hard to discard the old name, hallowed by so many ties; but we are fast learning to love the new name as we did the old, and, all feeling of sentiment being thrown aside, we are ready to join the younger members in earnest devotion to the new name. We find ourselves now where we have always been but in name—in the midst of the Greek World. May our course there reflect honor upon us. May we be as true to ourselves and our Sorosis as we were when we stood only upon the border of the magic land.

There was another act of the convention whose purport you find illustrated by the magazine in your hand. The prosperous condition of the Sorosis aroused a strong desire to improve The Arrow. We cherish the hope that The Arrow, in its new form, will find approval in your eyes. Our new publishers, Egbert, Fidlar, & Chambers, of Davenport, Iowa, have served us faithfully in our effort to make the necessary improvement, and to give the Sorosis a satisfactory magazine. Their excellence as a publishing company is so well-known that we feel it a cause for congratulation that we have secured their services as our publishers.

We come to you as a new editorial staff—one realizing the responsibility of the work, yet whose effort shall be to faithfully perform their duty to THE ARROW and the Sorosis. We alone cannot make THE ARROW what it should be, but its successful publication depends largely upon the support given by the chapters. Let us always find you ready and willing to do your part.

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At first thought it may seem that we come forth with this issue in much "newness"—our new name, our new dress, and a new editorial staff. But when we consider that our new name is but an oldness made new, that our new dress is but an outgrowth of the old, and the new staff is composed of girls long devoted to the interests of the Sorosis, our first impression is gone, and we know that it is not new but old friends in a new form.

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The students of Iowa College, at Grinnell, Iowa, have petitioned the faculty for permission to establish Greek societies. It is a good school, and would make a worthy home for several fraternities. We hope the request of the students will be granted.

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In our call for material for the December Arrow, we did not ask for chapter letters; but as several chapters sent in good, interesting letters, we decided that the Sorosis should have the benefit of them. We do hope that those chapters that failed to respond with even the slight material called for, will learn a lesson in promptness and faithfulness from the chapters whose letters appear in this number.

And right here, on this subject of sending in material for The Arrow, let us remind you that at the last convention the delegates *pledged* their chapters to be faithful in their work for The Arrow. Will it be necessary for us to remind you again and again of this promise, and urge you to

fulfill it? We sincerely hope not. And, sisters, when you do send in material for The Arrow, be sure to send it ready for publication. Do not ask an already overburdened editorial staff to re-write or even re-copy your work. The rules are simple, but they are emphatic: 1. Do not write on both sides of the paper. If you do, your work must be copied.

2. Take special pains to write legibly. If this is done, it saves the printer's time and also the proof-reader's. 3. Pay particular attention in your writing of proper names. A good plan is to hand your written matter to some person for reading, asking them to please call your attention to words illegibly written. Strive to follow these rules, and you will greatly assist the editors, whose hands are filled with duties besides The Arrow.

Another reason why you must be prompt. The entire copy must be sent to our publishers, at Davenport, Iowa, at the same time. Later, no material can go into the magazine. We shall always give you the final dates for sending material. The staff does not feel that we are obligated to send letters calling for the contributions before each publication. Remember the dates, and send your Open and Chapter Letters, Personals, etc., promptly.

You are all aware that  $\Pi$  B  $\phi$  songs are to be published in the March Arrow. At least one song is expected from each chapter. Do not make it necessary for us to ask for them again.

# OFFICIAL NOTICES.

All literary contributions for March Arrow must be in by February 25th, 1889.

All songs for March Arrow must be in by February 18th, 1889.

Back numbers of THE ARROW can be secured at the regular price, 25 cents per copy.

# MARRIAGES.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA.

SMITH — BOYDSTON.— At Galesburg, Ill., October 25th, 1888, at 3: 30 P. M., Miss Maud Smith to Mr. Charles O. Boydston.

EVANS — WILEY. — At Decatur, Ill., October 2d, 1888, at high noon, Miss Mattie Evans to Mr. George Wiley.

REARICK — BECKER. — At Galesburg, Ill., October 11, 1888, at 2: 30 P. M., Miss Addie Rearick to Dr. Louis Becker.

### IOWA ETA.

CAMPBELL — PEWTRESS. — At Fairfield, Iowa, November 9th, 1888, Miss Kate Campbell to Mr. Harry G. Pewtress.

# IOWA EPSILON.

DUNSHEE — ROBERTSON.—At Bloomfield, Iowa, October 18th, 1888, Miss Lillian Dunshee to Mr. Will Robertson.

#### IOWA ZETA.

SHIPMAN — DONNELL. — At Iowa City, Iowa, November 22d, 1888, Miss Laura Shipman to Mr. C. E. Donnell.

# KANSAS ALPHA.

SUTLIFF — WHEELER.— At Lawrence, Kas., October 30th, 1880, Miss Addie Sutliff to Mr. E. J. Wheeler.



# IN MEMORIAM.

DIED.— At Indianola, Iowa, November 18th, 1888, our sister, Louise Kern.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

WHEREAS, God, in His wise and holy providence, has been pleased to remove from among us a pure and noble woman; be it

Resolved, By the Iowa Beta Chapter of the Pi Beta Phi Sorosis, that in the death of Sister Louise Kern we mourn the loss of a true, devoted sister who was ever ready for her task, and a kind and sympathetic friend whose loyalty and faithfulness has won the esteem of all.

Resolved, That it becomes us with all meekness and humility to submit to His sovereign will, and say, the Lord gave, the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

Resolved, That in her life we recognize a firm, resolute spirit and

strong Christian faith, which commands our highest respect.

Resolved, That the members of this chapter wear a badge of mourning for twenty-one days, and extend to the relatives of the deceased our sincerest sympathies.

Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded in the minutes of the Sorosis, published in the city papers, The Simsonian, and THE ARROW, and a copy be presented to the members of the bereaved family.

KATE MILLER,
LOU. HUMPHREY,
JENNIE BUFFINGTON,

Committee.

DIED.—At Iowa City, Iowa, November 20th, 1888, Paul Custer, Jr. Iowa Zeta and Iowa Kappa sympathize deeply with Sister Nell Custer-Swisher and her parents, in this, their loss of an only brother and son. We miss a loyal brother and friend, but the patience and strength of character shown throughout a long and finally severe illness, leave an impressive and beautiful memory of him.

DIED.—At Le Claire, Iowa, November 25th, 1888, Miss Lou. Dawley.

Iowa Zeta and Iowa Kappa extend their loving sympathy to their sister, Gertrude Dawley, in her sorrow over the loss of a dear and well-beloved sister. May their love help to lighten the burden of sorrow.

# GREEK WORLD.

Michigan University has twelve Greek fraternities for gentlemen.

Delta Tau Delta is the ninth fraternity to enter Wis-

consin University.

Tau chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon is rejoicing over a

fine new chapter house.

Four hundred and twelve diplomas were given at the University of Michigan last year.

The first college annual was issued by Yale in 1842,

under the name of the Banner.

A chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, with nine charter members, has been recently established at the North Western University, Ill.

Delta Tau Delta has so legislated that she can never again "lift" a man from another fraternity.—Phi Gamma

Delta Quarterly.

The oldest society [ladies'] is Kappa Alpha Theta, started at Ashbury University, now De Pauw University, at Greencastle, Ind., January 27th, 1870. The largest society is Kappa Kappa Gamma, which has nineteen chapters, and whose membership is something about one thousand. The richest society is Alpha Phi, whose Alpha chapter at Syracuse University has erected recently a beautiful chapterhouse, the only building of the sort, so far as the writer is aware, thus far owned by any of the ladies' societies.— Alpha Phi Quarterly.

Last spring the girls of Kappa Kappa Gamma, I. C., and Kappa Alpha Theta, in the Kansas State University, began to talk seriously of adopting some method by which "rushing" might be stopped. Several informal meetings were held, and the subject carefully discussed. It was

finally decided to draw up an inter-fraternity pledge, which is as follows:

WHEREAS, It is on all hands admitted that the practice of "rushing" is unworthy of womanly dignity, is highly injurious to the University, to the secret societies, and to new students; we, the members of Kappa Kappa Gamma, I. C., and Kappa Alpha Theta, through our committees in joint session assembled, do resolve:

1. That the following pledge be incorporated in the by-laws of our societies, and made one of the fundamental and governing principles:

### PLEDGE.

- (a) We, the members of Omega chapter, of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kansas Alpha chapter, of I. C., and Kappa chapter, of Kappa Alpha Theta, hereby individually and collectively pledge ourselves not to initiate, pledge, or invite any girl, directly or indirectly, or through any medium whatever, to join our fraternity until said girl shall have attended the university three months, and during that time shall have pursued, regularly and continuously, at least two studies or their equivalents.
- (b) To give all invitations to membership through written communications of prescribed form, sent by mail.
- (c) If any of our members, initiated or pledged, violate the above, we agree that she shall be answerable to the joint standing committee of the societies.
- 2. That at the beginning of each school year notices be inserted in all the current University papers, stating these rules governing the admission of new members.
- 3. That these resolutions and pledge be subject to amendment as necessity shall demand.
- 4. That these resolutions and pledge shall go into effect from this day, June 1st, 1888.

(Signed.) KATE MERRILL, EMMA BARTELL, HARRIET MACDONALD. MARY MANLEY, GERTRUDE CROTTY, CARA STERLING, of I. C. Sorosis.

of Kappa Alpha Theta. of
Annie McKinnon,
Alice Ropes,
Mary Stimpson,
of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The prescribed three months have not yet expired, but so far the pledge has been kept, and the new plan is working admirably. We hope this may furnish a suggestion to one or many-chapters which shall be very helpful.

# EXCHANGES.

In the fraternity magazines at present the principal subject under discussion is that of extension. In the Kappa Alpha Journal for July, 1888, there are a few remarks on the subject, among which are these: "It seems to us that it would be a good plan (and one which we think has been suggested before) for the fraternity at large to pay the expenses of some men who have had experience in founding chapters, and send them to various colleges in the neighboring states to organize chapters wherever they can find good material."

Though this plan has been suggested before, yet it seems so plausible that it should be insisted upon earnestly and often. Money and energy are the things needed.

In an article about chapter letters, the editor gives good advice concerning the form and material of them. One thing he speaks of which is a failing with very many of the journals. It is that "a little conceit is pardonable occasionally, but it is not well to sound your own praises too loudly."

It is a happy thought to put at the head of "marriages" the stanza of Poe's Bells, beginning with "Hear the mellow wedding bells." It prepares the mind for what is coming.

Before opening the Anchora we give a little shiver, and think of what havor the yellow fever has effected in our south. The cut is pretty in design, but the coloring ——!

In the editorials we find the self-same song—procrastination in sending in material. But this is a characteristic of the human mind.

In speaking of the *Shield*, the exchange editor says: "The best feature about the *Shield* is that it has no exchange

department." Why does the Anchora lack this "best feature?"

The Kappa Alpha Theta reaches us after an interval of several numbers. It is small, but good. We remember death comes to all when we look at the black cover trimmed in gold, although an editorial assures us that these are "bright autumnal colors."

But there is one thing in this for which other journals would be delighted to raise their voices in gratitude. It is, "material has been sent in promptly!"

The Delta Upsilon comes freighted with fraternity enthusiasm and fraternity news. Greek news of all kinds is found within its pages; news interesting to the college members, to the alumni, and to outside fraternities. Altogether it is one of the best that has come to our exchange table.

The Alpha Phi is always good. It shows careful preparation. The girls may justly be proud of their chapter-house, but prouder of the energy shown in gaining it.

The D. K. E. Quarterly has a most appropriate cut on the cover. One feels that one is entering the realms of mysticism before opening it. Within are descriptions of the houses of festivity and records of feasts. Do not infer that this is all, for the Quarterly is large, and contains the loyalty and enthusiasm that is characteristic of all fraternity magazines.

The Sigma Nu Delta comes containing no chapter letters. What does this mean in a fraternity of twenty-five chapters? Procrastination must be greatly the fault there.

The ideal fraternity journal, as it appears to an alumnus: "Devote the precious pages to the advancement of our order. The plan recently adopted by Sigma X is a good idea, but I fear it won't work. To publish two papers, one for private and the other for public circulation, requires some outlay.

The members are pretty sure to take more interest in the former. One of the two will be neglected, and will have to go. The strictly private journal is not advisable; it will talk for a century; many important subjects are at stake, and one copy misplaced could expose more to the enemy than ten generations of living members."—Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta for July, 1888.

"See, one physician, like a sculler plies,
The patient lingers and by inches dies,
But two physicians, like a pair of oars,
Waft him more swiftly to the stygian shores."

-Blue and Gold.

# PERSONALS.

#### ILLINOIS BETA.

Misses Grace Harsh, Lura Grubb, Lissie Sealy, Elice Crissey, Maud Claycomb, Sallie Stickney, Mae Bradford, and Mame and Nora Willett have been initiated, and are the proud wearers of the tiny golden arrow.

Mrs. Small, G. I. R., returned from the convention with our delegates, and visited with the girls of her old chapter.

Miss Alvia Meyers entertained the chapter on the occasion of the celebration of our fifteenth anniversary.

# ILLINOIS DELTA.

Miss Carrie McMurtrie is teaching at Henderson, Ill.

Miss Alice Stewart is enjoying a visit from her cousin, Miss Lizzie McFarland, from Pennsylvania.

Miss Minnie Day spent a few days with her friend, Miss Blanche Smith, the first week of college.

By special request, Miss Emily Brooks gave her prize contest selection, "Wild Zingaralia," at the Galesburg Business Men's Club reception, given at their reception rooms, December 2d, 1888.

Miss Dora Wakefield, a Pi Beta, of Red Oak, Iowa, has entered the class of '91 at Knox.

Miss Hattie Brockway has left the seminary since her parents have made Galesburg their home.

Miss Mame Barber is taking a musical course in St. Joseph's Academy, Galesburg, this year. She expects to finish at St. Mary's, Knoxville, next year.

Miss Grace Lass is the victim of an attack of illness.

Miss Margaret Phelps is now boarding at the seminary, and is finishing her course in the Knox Conservatory of Music.

Miss Gertrude Chapin is teaching in the public schools of this city.

Mrs. Mattie Evans-Riley now lives at Castana, Iowa.

Mrs. Addie Rearick-Becker's new home is in Knoxville, Ill., where her husband is a rising young physician.

### IOWA IOTA.

Mrs. Lulu Penn-Ingersol is home visiting her many friends.

Mrs. Prudy Murphy has been called home by the death of her mother, Mrs. Kibben.

Miss Anna Crane has been visiting in St. Louis and Quincy for the past two months.

Miss Exie Sayles is back to Mt. Pleasant for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leech were called to Bloomfield by the death of Mr. Leech's brother.

Mrs. Allie Rowley-Crum, of Otley, spent the day in Mt. Pleasant, calling upon old friends.

Miss Jessie Brenholtz visited schools in Ottumwa during the latter part of October.

Misses Franc Pitcher, Laura Cole, Lillian Saunders, Anna Hatch, and Lena Beraman were all visiting members to the convention.

Misses Lute Satterthwaite, Lizzie Perry, Kate Lang, and Lou. Ambler visited the Ottumwa schools and attended the reception during the convention.

Miss May Cole is spending the winter at Spokane Falls with her sister, Mrs. Ridpath.

#### IOWA EPSILON.

Mrs. Lillian Plank-Farth, of Goodland, Kas., spent five weeks with her parents and friends, and attended the convention of  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  at Ottumwa.

Mrs. Delia Brown-Davis, of Shenandoah, has visited with Miss Olive Saunders and other friends and  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  sisters; also attended the Ottumwa convention.

Mrs. Florence Hill-Knight came down from Cedar Rapids to attend the convention and spend a few days with her parents.

Mrs. Lillian Dunshee–Robertson will welcome her  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  sisters at her new home in Durango, Col.

Misses Ruby Foote, Lena Swift, June Brewster, Elva Plank, Sude Weaver, Mattie Greenleaf, Della and Ada Turpin, Cora and Mamie McGowen, Olive Saunders, Kate Linaberry, Mrs. Martha Wilso, and Mrs. Kate Davis were at the convention and its attending festivities.

Miss Elva Plank has returned from spending the summer in Kansas.

Miss June Brewster spent the summer in Colorado.

Miss Della Greenleaf is teaching in the schools of Manchester, Iowa.

# IOWA ETA.

A welcome, in the form of a "cooky shine," was given to Mrs. Bertha Reumer and young daughter, from Benkleman, Neb.

Mrs. Kate C. Pewtress lives, since her marriage, at Fresno, Cal.

### IOWA BETA.

We have the pleasure of presenting four new girls to The Arrow—Flora and Gertie Dunlap, Mollie Garrett, and Ora Talbott—all charming girls and genuine Pi Beta Phis.

Miss Katie Miller has accepted a position as reporter in H. Mc-Neil's law office.

Halloween was celebrated in the usual delightful manner at the home of Mrs. Mary Dashiell-Spaulding.

Miss Mary Hall has gone to Wichita, Kas., to spend the winter.

Miss Martha Dashiell is teaching at Scotch Ridge.

Mrs. Nell Richey, of Cheyenne, Wy., made us a pleasant visit during the past summer.

Mrs. Kate Barber-McCune, of Boone, Iowa, smiled upon the girls this fall during her husband's absence in the east.

Mrs. Joe Hogg, of Gunnison, Col., is here for a few weeks.

Miss Ida Hartman has returned from a delightful visit with her brother in Los Angeles, Cal.

Miss Anna McLaughlin spent part of the summer in Iowa City.

#### IOWA THETA.

Miss Lillie Ross returned about the first of the month from a two months' visit with relatives and friends in St. Louis, Indianapolis, Cleveland, and other points in Ohio and Indiana.

Mrs. C. O. Taylor and family started, December 1st, for San Diego, Cal., to spend the winter.

Miss Lillie Harman visited a few days with friends in Bloomfield.

Mrs. Arthur Gephart spent Thanksgiving with her parents in Oskaloosa.

Miss Jessie Chaney, after a very pleasant visit of two months with her friend, Miss Sallie Scott, returned to her home in Minneapolis, December 4th.

#### LAMBDA CHAPTER.

Miss Mary Tone is attending college at Grinnell.

Miss Grace Osborne is at Wellesley.

Miss Lizzie Case has been visiting in Ohio for some time, but is now at home, and has entered Drake University.

Miss Folie Barnett will graduate from "Drake" this year.

Miss Helen Iensen, of Garden Grove, one of our charter members, is visiting with Anna Ross, another of our sisters, whom some of you know.

Miss Carrie Dorr is attending the State University of Iowa, at Iowa City. She sends home glowing accounts of her school.

### IOWA ZETA AND IOWA KAPPA.

Miss Zoe Williams, '91, is teaching near West Liberty, Iowa.

Miss Gertrude Dawley, '88, was called home from her teaching at Sioux City by the dangerous illness of her sister.

Misses Julia Rogers, '92, and Annie Buren, '92, were initiated into the  $\Pi$  B  $\Phi$  Sorosis this term.

Misses Mira Troth, '83, Bessie Peery, '90, and Hattie Robinson, '84, attended the  $\pi$  B  $\phi$  convention as delegates.

Miss Mina Selby, '83, was detained in the north this fall by the yellow fever in Florida. She has now returned to De Funiak Springs, Fla.

Mrs. Lou. Ham-Westover is now living in Lynn, Mass.

Miss Cora Rynearson, '84, spent her Thanksgiving vacation with her former classmate, Mrs. Hattie C. Robinson.

Mrs. Laura Shipman-Donnell is now living in Minneapolis, Minn.

### KANSAS ALPHA.

Mrs. Helen Bay-Raymond, of Berkely, Cal., a graduate of class '83, is in the city renewing old scenes and friendships.

Miss Emma White, our delegate to the convention, reports a delightful time, and speaks very highly of the Ottumwa girls' hospitality.

Miss Nan. Love has left school, owing to ill health, much to the regret of her sisters, who wish her a speedy recovery.

Miss Hattie McCague is again in school, after a years' absence in Maine.

Miss Nell Dow, of Olathe, and Miss Alice Penfield, of Fairmount, spent Thanksgiving with Miss Emma White.

Miss Clara Coffin is teaching at Flagstaff, Arizona. She writes of her surprise and pleasure on discovering a lady visitor at her school to be a sister Pi Phi.

Miss Helen Sutliff pleasantly entertained "the girls" Halloween.

Miss Emma Hynes, of Topeka, helped us celebrate Halloween.

Miss Anna Cockins is seeking health and recreation in California.

Several of our girls attended a party at Topeka, Thanksgiving night.

Miss Gertrude Miller will not return this year, but is spending her leisure moments writing society items for the Kansas City *Journal* from her home at Baxter Springs.

One of our popular alumnæ girls, Addie Sutliff-Wheeler, has left for her new home in Topeka, Kas.

Invitations are out for a Pi Beta Phi party, December 14th, at the home of Mame Tisdale.

### THE ARROW.

#### COLORADO ALPHA.

Mrs. C. H. Wells recently visited her parents at Boulder.

Miss Hessie Scudder is teaching in the public schools.

Miss Georgina Rowland will close her school at White Rock in about three weeks, and will return to the University after Christmas.

Miss Bessie Everts, of Denver, was the guest of Miss Bessy Culver, Thanksgiving.

We consider ourselves fortunate in having received within our doors Mrs. De Long, formerly of Iowa Beta.

Four of our girls are to figure in two short plays, to be given December 22d, for the benefit of the University library.

# MICHIGAN ALPHA.

Miss Anna Burgoyne, '87, now in the public schools of Lansing, spent Thanksgiving with us.

Miss Mame Kerr is teaching at Sutton, Mich.

Miss Bird Riford, deputy clerk in the postoffice at Benton Harbor, Mich., came over to hear Mrs. Mary Livermore.

We are to have a wedding during the holidays. Jessie Sheldon, the first victim of Michigan Alpha, is also the first to break our ranks of single blessedness.

Miss Mamie Randall has left school to engage in teaching this winter.

Miss Elia Riford, who is attending the State Normal, at Ypsilanti, Mich., this year, is spending a few days with us.

Since November 17th, Sisters Gilbert and Harter have been trying to find an explanation whereby they could be initiated the same evening, and the one not know that the other was being made acquainted with the mysteries of Pi Beta Phi.

### MICHIGAN BETA.

Miss Statia Pritchard is at her home in Calliope, Iowa, and is greatly missed by all of the girls.