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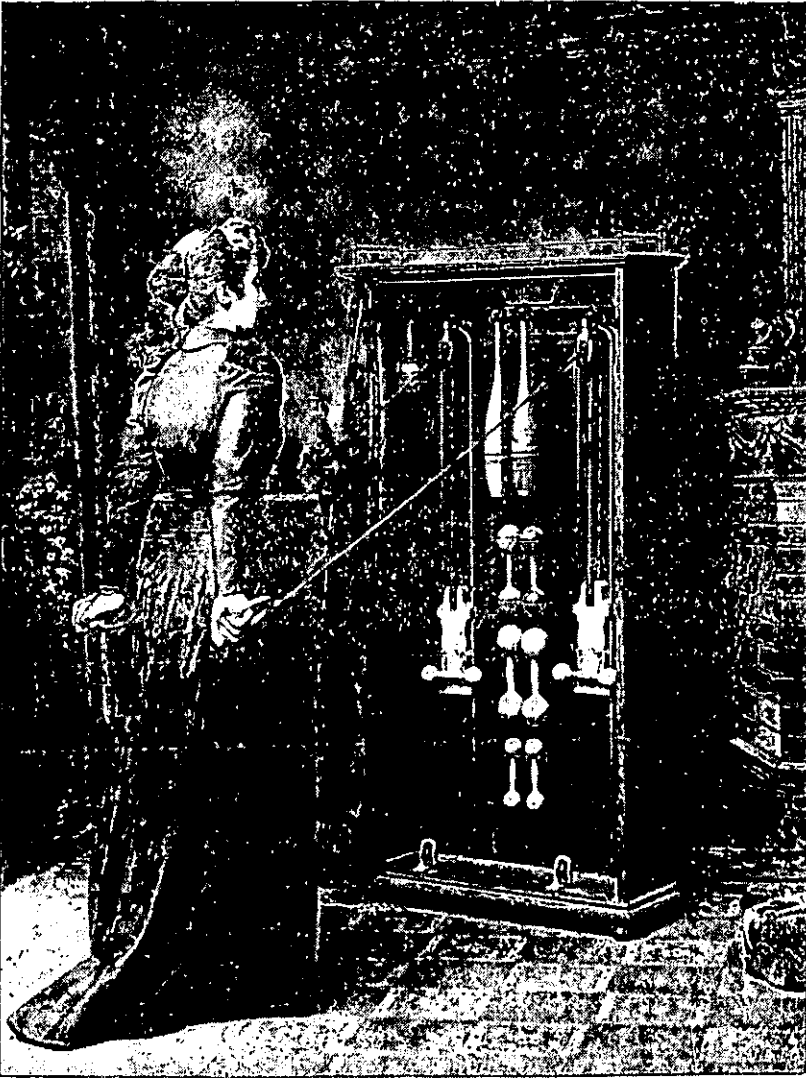
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## PI BETA PHI AT CHICAGO.

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### CALL TO CONVENTION.

The fourteenth biennial convention of Pi Beta Phi will be held the week of July 17, at the Isabella Hotel, Chicago, Ill. Convention will be called to order Monday evening. All sessions will occur in the evening so as not to conflict with attendance at the Fair.

EMMA HARPER TURNER,

Grand President Pi Beta Phi.

It is to be hoped that five hundred members of the fraternity will be present, making this convention the grandest reunion Pi Beta Phi has ever had. Every effort will be made to secure the attendance of our founders still living, and those associated with them in the early days of the fraternity. From the youngest to the oldest, it is hoped that all will be present to sing again the old songs, give the old grip, and learn something of the strength in Pi Beta Phi. "Opportunity improved is greatness." This is our opportunity. The week chosen, July 17, is the one set apart for the "Fraternity Congresses," in which each woman's fraternity, including Pi Beta Phi will be represented by several speakers. Plans are being laid on the expectation of 10,000 fraternity men and women being in Chicago at that time.

### PI BETA PHI HEADQUARTERS.

Our headquarters for convention will be the ISABELLA HOTEL, situated on the northwest corner of Oglesby Avenue and Sixty-first Street, within a few minutes walk of the main foot passenger entrance of the World's Columbian Exposition. The hotel faces

east, and being within a few blocks of Lake Michigan, there should be no fear of warm weather, since the nights in Chicago are usually cool and comfortable. The building is a *permanent* one of rock-faced and pressed brick with stone trimmings, six stories high, steam heated, equipped with a passenger elevator and all modern conveniences. Every room has outside air and is well ventilated. The Pi Beta Phi Fraternity has secured the reduced rate of \$1.00 per day for all members who register by sending an advance fee of \$3.00 to Minnie Howe Newby, Grand Sec'y of Pi Beta Phi 357 So. Paulina St., Chicago, Ill. This amount will be duly accredited and applied on week's room rent, leaving \$4.00 for each individual, to be paid at the expiration of the week. Rooms will not be reserved for members who do not register, and within a short time the hotel will receive guests for all rooms not taken by the Fraternity. Keep these facts in mind. A café is connected with the hotel, where lowest rates will be charged. Accommodations at this hotel can be secured in weeks only; any one desiring to stay longer than convention week must engage room for the second week at the same rate. Any member of the fraternity is at liberty to bring friends, however; first registered, first accommodated.

Much time and care have been spent in securing hotel accommodations and it is believed the best possible arrangements have been made. Dr. Lucy Waite, representing the hotel Board of Directors, has been exceedingly kind and to her the Fraternity is under many obligations. It is hoped her experience with Pi Beta Phi on this occasion will but reassure her of its worth.

The work of rallying to the support of all these plans is now in the hands of the Fraternity. Every member has a personal responsibility in the matter. Some sacrifices may be necessary but the sacrifice will be soon forgotten, the good obtained will remain with the Fraternity forever.

#### THE CONGRESSES.

Congresses on all subjects are to meet daily during the six months of the Fair. The one in which we are most interested, The Fraternity Congress, convenes the 19th and 20th of July in the new



Art Building, erected on the site of the Chicago Exposition, Michigan Ave. and Adams St. In this great structure are two vast audience rooms which will accommodate three thousand, besides twenty smaller rooms, seating two to three hundred. The different fraternities are invited to hold reunions here on these Congress days. The committee have under consideration, also, a joint program, made up of distinguished members of the men's and women's fraternities. If only one day is given to the women alone the morning will be taken up most probably with three or four addresses given by eminent women of the different fraternities; while the afternoon will be occupied with five minute speeches and discussions, by active members, on fraternity subjects. It is expected that this day, full of fraternity spirit and zeal, will be fittingly closed by a Pan-Hellenic banquet of the seven woman's fraternities, where, as fraternity women all can meet on common ground, and with petty rivalries laid aside, learn the better things of one another.

#### A REQUEST.

The Grand Secretary asks that all Pi Phis desiring to attend the Pan Hellenic banquet will please notify her at the earliest date possible.

#### THE TIME.

Pi Beta Phi week at the Isabella begins Monday morning, July 17th, and ends Sunday evening, July 23rd.

Convention will be called to order Monday evening.

#### SOME WHO WILL BE PRESENT.

Every Pi Beta Phi will have an opportunity of learning "how it came to be," three of the charter members having already registered, Mrs. Kilgrove of Monmouth, Ill., Mrs. Wallace of Salem, Oregon, and Mrs. Libbey of Red Wing, Minn. It is to be hoped the remaining four may yet find it possible to be present.

From those members of the earliest days of '67—down to the youngest initiate of '93—the wearers of the Arrow will gather at this

reunion. The registrations are being made from the states washed by the two oceans, from Washington in the far northwest, to North Carolina on the eastern shore, from the Gulf states to lake-washed Michigan, from the Capital city to the great Mississippi valley and beyond to the land of minerals.

But if the membership entire could be summoned, what state would be unrepresented?

What do you think will be the impressions of convention on those Pi Beta Phi women who, in 1867, first conceived the idea of fraternity organizations for women? In place of the fourteen women who then clasped hands with the idea of helping each other in educational matters they will find this host of young women, still following the same ideas, bravely wearing the same badge and colors and neither asking nor giving apologies for their fraternity organization.

In place of a constitution yet to be evolved they will find a Constitution and a Ritual, the result of the experience of all these twenty-six years, and more, they will recognize a well-defined Pi Beta Phi conviction that our plan of organization could hardly be improved. In the membership itself they will find many of the brightest results of these open educational doors for women; in fact, they are sure to find all the progress that has marked the way of American women through the last quarter of a century.

#### HOW WILL THE COMING CONVENTION DIFFER FROM PRECEDING ONES?

1. The work will not be so entirely constructive; and by that we mean there are not so many points in our organization demanding additional provisions as heretofore. After a trial of three years the Constitution and plan of organization are found in the main satisfactory and will not need prolonged consideration.

2. With less attention demanded as above, there will be more time for the consideration of Pi Beta Phi's position on many topics confronting the fraternity world today.

Too much stress cannot be laid on this matter. We need to take a definite stand on certain topics and policies, and to have

that position known and followed throughout the confines of our fraternity.

We need to have every member understand anew the objects of our organization, the meaning of *H—B—Φ—*, and we need to be assured the fraternity will be guided by the principle of that meaning and by it alone.

3. There will be an unequalled opportunity for explaining and discussing the future of the fraternity. One of the hardest things for officers to overcome is the blindness of their constituencies to opportunity. In truth the ability to see and grasp an opportunity marks the great man, and it will not be amiss if some little time is allotted to talking over our opportunities.

4. Above all, the Convention offers splendid opportunity for becoming acquainted. While we do know each other somewhat, and the chapters in general through correspondence and reports of delegates, yet the result can be nothing compared with that wherein so large a number from each chapter will meet and know so large a number from every other chapter.

Every delegate and visitor to any previous convention must be enjoying even now the anticipation of pleasures in store for themselves and for those who never attended such a meeting.

#### TO BE REMEMBERED IN ELECTING DELEGATES TO CONVENTION.

1. The chapter is to be represented.
2. The Convention in turn is to be represented for the succeeding two years.
3. The delegate should have that most desirable faculty of seeing all the pleasant things and also the ability to bring home something of the personnel of Convention.

#### SOME QUESTIONS FOR YOU.

1. Have *you* made all arrangements to attend the Chicago Reunion?
2. Have *you* registered?

3. Have *you* written to every friend you can remember urging them to attend?

4. Have *you* been discussing the various matters you desire presented at Convention?

5. Have *you* made Chicago your watchword?

6. Do *you* dream at night of the good time in store?

If not you have come short of your duty.

#### CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS.

All convention arrangements will be in the hands of Grand Guide Frances E. Flagler, and Grand Secretary, Minnie Howe Newby. They will be assisted by the committee of Pi Beta Phi resident in and near Chicago as follows:

Mrs. G. B. Blackwelder, Kans. A.; Mrs. W. H. Bagnell, Nebr. A.; Mrs. M. H. Laurson, Mrs. V. T. Collins, Ia. A.; Mrs. B. H. Brigham, Ill. B., Mrs. H. M. Hobart, Ill. A., Miss Northrup, Ill. B., Mrs. Jennie Fowler, Ill. B., Miss Bachelder, Colo. B., Miss Louise Hulbert, Mich. B., Miss Mary Lewis, Mich. B., Miss Susan Lewis, Mich. B., Lucy S. Silke, Mrs. Alice S. Munger.

In accordance with a request of the Pan Hellenic Committee on Fraternity Congress, each fraternity will appoint an advisory committee on the Congress. The committee for Pi Beta Phi will be Mrs. Gertrude Blackwelder, Mrs. Jessie Wilson Manning, Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman Catt, Mrs. Emma Humphrey Haddock, Mrs. Susanne F. Tyndale, Miss Emma Harper Turner.

#### THE EXHIBIT.

Pi Beta Phi has withdrawn from the proposed inter-fraternity exhibit at the World's Fair, the delays by the Chicago Committee in charge to make definite arrangements having made it impossible to collect a creditable exhibit in the short time remaining.

Pi Beta Phi retains her determination to participate in the Woman's Fraternity Congress, and the Woman's Pan Hellenic Banquet in addition to the program of her own Convention.

## Alumnæ Department.

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### ALUMNÆ DAY.

By the Fraternity Calendar, April 28th is set down as Alumnæ Day—and the Constitution provides for its celebration. To the chapters this will be no task, but a word to you who are separated from chapter life. How will you celebrate the day?

By the returned Alumnæ cards we find that many are residents of the same cities, for instance, Chicago, Sioux City, Creston, Denver, Oskaloosa, Lincoln, Minneapolis, Kansas City. Why not—in every place where even two or three reside—why not get together on that day, and over the tea cups recall active fraternity days, think of the girls now separated, and then remember that fraternity made those associations possible.

Let everyone wear the colors on Alumnæ Day and take pleasure in knowing that loyal Pi Phi everywhere are wearing the wine and blue at the same time.

Above all—talk of Chicago. And you who have no fraternity friend near in whom to take comfort, wear your colors just as proudly and do something for fraternity's sake; write to that long neglected fraternity friend, or write to the home chapter, or look over your ARROWS, or read the Pi Phi circulars—something for dear Pi Beta Phi.

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### IOWA LAMBDA.

The meeting of Des Moines Alumnæ to effect the organization of Iowa Lambda occurred March 14th, at the home of Miss Olive McHenry, with the lucky or unlucky thirteen present to act as charter members, Mesdames Israel, Baylis, Spaulding, Davis and Marsh, the Misses Cummins, Elden, Miller, Brown, Murphy, Clark, Penn, Case and McHenry.

Miss Miller was made President, and Mrs. Marsh Corresponding Secretary of the new chapter.

An Alumnae Chapter at Des Moines is not a new idea. In truth its origin dates to the suggestions and requests of visiting Pi Phi while attending the Iowa State Teachers' Association in 1890. For three years an Alumnae Association has been maintained, with regular meetings and literary program at each meeting, and at the same time, a correspondence with the general officers and a number of the chapters.

The enthusiasm of these charter members is marked and this first chapter meeting was delightful. Following the organization a continued program was given on Bjornsen's writings, and the evening closed with singing a Pi Phi, "When shall we meet again?"

The Pi Beta Phi of Des Moines are accredited to the various chapters thus—

IOWA BETA—Misses Kate Miller, Bessie Guyer, Emma Cozier, Lucy Clark, Mrs. Mary DaSheill-Spaulding, Belle Heebe-Baylis, Ella Buxton-Cooper.

IOWA GAMMA—Miss Harriet Elden, Mrs. Ione Wetherby-Marsh, Mrs. Evalyn Allen-Marquarat.

IOWA ALPHA—Misses Estelle Penn, Olive McHenry, ——— Brown, Carrie Murphy, Mrs. Ollie Crum, Mrs. Conway McFarland.

IOWA THETA—Mesdames Mary Dinsmore, Sheaver-Israel.

IOWA EPSILON—Mesdames Clara Shaffer-Baker, ——— Davis.

IOWA ——— (Callanan College)—Misses Mary Zone, Lizzie Case, Mrs. Anna Ross-Clark.

Of these, the teachers are—

Miss McHenry, Principal of Hawthorne School, Misses Clark, Elden, Murphy, Cummins and Zone (teacher in the Rachel Clark private school).

Mrs. Davis assists her husband, a Professor of Music at Highland Park College. She enjoys the distinction of being one of Des Moines' sweet singers.

Beside Mrs. Davis, those especially interested in music are Miss Elden, Mesdames Dinsmore and Baker.

In social life those most prominent are Misses McHenry and Cummins, Mesdames Marquarat, Israel, Baylis, Clark, Dinsmore and McFarland, wife of the Sec. of State.

The entire membership of Lambda is well known in Des Moines. They are women whose lives are already full of duties. Still they lovingly make room for this new work—hoping thereby to give to Pi Beta Phi and receive from it enough to repay the outlay of energy.

*Mrs. Ione W. Marsh, Cor Sec.*

Iowa Lambda—Des Moines Alumnae—was chartered Feb. 6th, 1893. No more cordial welcome is ever extended than that to Alumnae chapters. Great things may be expected from the alumnae at Des Moines, there being something like 30 members resident in and near the city.

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EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM INEZ MARY McGUIRE,  
IND. A. '88, NOW MISSIONARY AT MANDA-  
LAY, BURMA.

“Since coming to the Orient my interest in work for women has increased tenfold. Oh, that more might be done! It hardly seems right for me to claim part in fraternity work since I am so far away but I am practicing daily the principles of Pi Beta Phi in attempting to instill pure thoughts into the minds of forty-three young girls in my charge; and as well, a hatred for the immorality practiced so freely in the homes about them. God helping me I want to see a class of pure mothers going out from my school and my teachers living lives worthy of imitation. Here I repeat, ‘No life can be pure in its purpose and strong in its strife etc.’ Am I not doing fraternity work? Though all unseen by the fraternity world I enjoy wearing my pin and it spurs me on to better thoughts, better work.”

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ALUMNÆ PERSONALS.

Mrs. Lois Rutledge Dauner—Ia. A.—, Louisville, Ky., is a member of the International Com. Y. W. C. A.

CAROLINE W. DANIELS, Ia. Gamma '77, is Principal of the Women's Department of Drury College at Springfield, Mo.

MISS MARY C. BANCKER, Ph M. Mich. B. '91, occupies the chair of Philosophy and History at Oxford College for Women.

MISS ELSIE BYRKIT, Ia. A.. is studying in Rome.

MISS ANNA FULLER, Ia. A., is still studying in Paris.

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### ENCOURAGING WORDS FROM OUR FOUNDERS.

MONMOUTH ILL., Jan. 31, 1893.

MINNIE HOWE NEWBY, Grand Sec. of Pi Beta Phi.

DEAR SISTER;—A few days ago I received a letter from Miss Thompkins of Galesburg urging me as one of the founders to attend the convention. I shall be delighted to be with you. Enclosed find the three dollars, to be advanced on room rent at the Isabella Hotel during the week of convention. Owing to my age I will ask a room on second floor, fronting south or east.

I hope our meeting may be well attended. Lovingly,

MRS. EMMA B. KILGORE.

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RED WING, MINN., March 8, '93.

MISS NEWBY, Chicago, Ill.

Dear friend.—Enclosed please find \$3.00, the advance fee for room at the Isabella Hotel, during the week of July 17th.

I do not know as I can be present during convention week but shall do my best to come. I am very much interested in the success of the society and it will be a great pleasure to meet with the fraternity, the dear old I. C. Society, renew old acquaintances and form new. Wishing you success I remain yours in Pi Beta Phi.

FANNIE WHITEMACK LIBBEY.

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### WOMEN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The University of Michigan was founded in eighteen hundred and thirty-seven, but women were not admitted to its advantages



until eighteen hundred and seventy, though communication was sent to the regents as early as eighteen hundred and fifty-eight stating that twelve young ladies desired to present themselves for admission as students to the University. The absence of women from the faculty shows its founders had in mind the instruction of men only. The pioneer women worked hard to prove the justice of allowing them to compete with young men in higher education and laid a good foundation for the reputation which the girl of today well sustains.

The attendance of women has steadily increased from twelve in eighteen hundred and seventy to five hundred thirty-seven in eighteen hundred and ninety-two, the percentage increasing from 2.6 to 31.3 during the same period. The professional schools share the prosperity until now there are women in all departments, medical, dental, and pharmacy. Last June a woman gained the degree of LL. B. in the law department and this year the Engineering School boasts of a woman.

In the literary department the women do not confine their energies to history, literature, and the languages, but are well represented in the laboratories, making chemistry, biology, physiology and the other sciences specialties. A graduate of the class of '91 is instructor of chemistry in Wellesley this year and many others have positions as science teachers. Practice in Journalism is afforded by the College publications. The editorial positions on the "U. of M. Daily" are open to women and they are represented on the editorial boards of the "Oracle," the sophomore annual, and the "Castalian," the annual of the senior independents.

The life here differs widely from that at the boarding school or college with the dormitory system. There is perfect freedom from faculty supervision so long as the college work is satisfactory. This throws a responsibility on the girls and they are careful not to betray the confidence put in them that the opponent of co-education may not say it is a failure. The girls have rooms with private families and board elsewhere, a life far from homelike.

To some extent the fraternities make up this lack, especially

those which have chapter houses where a majority of the members live. Surely anyone who has lived in a house with her fraternity feels this to be true. The fraternities which enjoy such homes are the Delta Gamma, the Sorosis, and Pi Beta Phi. In the other fraternities several girls room in the same house. One of the great benefits of this chapter house life is the opportunity for impromptu gatherings of the girls in the house for chatting or dancing before the evening study hour and thereby getting recreation so necessary to relax the mind from its mental strain.

Among so many girls there is good material for fraternity work—a point fully recognized by fraternities as the number here testifies. Kappa Alpha Theta was the first to form a chapter. The charter was withdrawn and some of the girls organized the Collegiate Sorosis, a branch of of the New York Sorosis, which, though non-secret, ranks as a rival of the fraternities. Gamma Phi Beta was established in 1889, the others being established in the following order: Delta Gamma 1885, Phi Beta Phi 1888, Kappa Kappa Gamma 1890, and Alpha Phi 1892. The average membership is about twenty, making one hundred fraternity girls.

There is a friendly feeling between the fraternities, and, though there is healthful rivalry, it is not an unusual thing to hear members exchanging congratulations over new acquisitions. Nor is there the bitter feeling existing between the fraternities and independents, found in some colleges.

The Woman's League tends to modify this feeling if it existed. The League was organized in 1890 for the purpose of cultivating sympathy among college girls irrespective of department, of courses of study, or of any church or social affiliation. It also aims to give aid to young women entering college by giving them information regarding boarding places, rooms, laundresses, and to initiate them into college life generally. During the year gatherings of the League give an opportunity for cultivating a college as well as a social interest between the different departments and classes of the University. Ladies are "at home" to the League and friends, and addresses are given by well-known women. The

executive board is made up of one representative from each fraternity, six from the independents and a representative from each of the other departments. There is an advisory board composed of associate members, that is, wives of the professors and other Ann Arbor ladies.

In few places does one enjoy so many advantages for as nominal a sum as here. Think of hearing Paderewski for seventy-five cents, Thomas' Orchestra, Boston Symphony, Max Henrich and two other concerts given by a chorus of two hundred and eighty voices with large orchestra, all for two dollars, not to mention the concerts in the School of Music, thus bringing within the means of the poorest student the best talent. On the Students' Lecture Association course we have the privilege of listening to Canon Farrer, Matthew Arnold, and Stanley, to say nothing of Talmage, Abbott, Reed and Watterson.

Nor is the society lover excluded from enjoyment. The Freshman banquet, Sophomore hop, Junior hop and Senior reception are the events of the year and some of them vie in their brilliancy with society events of large cities. The fraternities give parties, not to mention spreads and receptions. Parties are given Friday evening so not to interfere with college work.

Physical culture has been rather neglected, but when the gymnasium is finished, now under construction, the girls will have no excuse for pale faces and stooped shoulders.

The young people's societies in the various churches give socials and receptions for the students in their church that they may become better acquainted. The Presbyterian and Episcopal churches have guild halls where their members feel free to go for reading, writing letters or other recreation. Both have good gymnasiums connected with them to which others besides members are admitted upon payment of a small fee.

It is impossible to give a very clear idea of so large an institution in so brief an article. Those interested would enjoy reading an article in the June *Cosmopolitan* of 1889 on "Student Life in the University of Michigan."

*Gertrude Clarke Sober,  
Mich. Beta.*

## WOMEN AT HARVARD ANNEX.

“Annex” or “Harvard Annex” are the popular titles given to an institution of learning incorporated as “The Society for the Collegiate Instruction of Women.” The term Annex as applied to this institution was, it is said, first used in scorn by a Harvard student. However the name Harvard Annex may have originated, it is now firmly established. Contrary to the meaning the name seems to convey, the Annex is in no wise connected with Harvard College. Yet all instruction is given to the women of the Annex by professors and instructors of Harvard. The entrance examinations and all other examinations given to the women of the Annex are the same as those given at the College. The lectures are a repetition of those given to the young men. The Annex is then an independent educational institution situated in Cambridge, Mass., under the very shadow of Harvard—officially unconnected with Harvard, yet getting the advantages of the same instruction as that given at the college.

How did such a state of relations, or rather non-relations, come about?

In the year eighteen hundred and seventy-eight the plan of offering to women instruction by members of the Harvard faculty was formulated in the minds of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gilman. With four other friends they immediately formed a directing board. So diligent was this little association that by Sept. eighteen hundred and seventy-nine the first entrance examinations were held and twenty-five women were enrolled as members of the Annex. These twenty-five women called for twenty-nine courses given at the college.

Lecture rooms were first provided for the little assembly at a private house on Appian way. When these accommodations became inadequate, Fay House, opposite the Washington Elm, was procured. This was soon enlarged and laboratories of Chemistry and Physics erected on the grounds, and a laboratory of Zoology was fitted up at Agassiz Museum.

In eighteen hundred and eighty-two the original advisory board together with six Harvard professors and four philanthropic men and women was formally incorporated as “The Society for the

Collegiate Instruction of Women." So much for the origin of the institution known everywhere as Harvard Annex.

The Annex is not a college and never intended to become one, yet the character of the instruction offered is essentially collegiate. The Annex does not confer degrees upon its graduates, but to those acquainted with the nature of the work done at the Annex, a certificate from that institution is as valuable as a similar degree from Harvard.

In the last catalogue issued by the Society we find eighty-four full courses and thirty-four half courses offered to the women of the Annex by Harvard professors and instructors.

It has always been the plan of those who first conceived the plan of the Annex to make it such an institution for graduate work for women as Johns Hopkins is for men. Consequently every effort that the institution can afford is made to offer advanced courses to women. Four such new courses have been offered in the catalogue of this fourteenth year. This seems to me to be just the opportunity to do independent work under the guidance of scholarly men that women all over the country desire. But in order to meet this demand a large endowment fund is needed, as well as a publishing fund in order that the papers prepared by students in their research may be printed and placed in college libraries.

Throughout the west where there are no traditions to delay the growth of reforms, where co-education is universal and successful, I know that the Annex is sometimes called the "tag end of Harvard" and that the president is considered narrow-minded in so far as he is said to be opposed to the higher education of women, or at least to the admission of women to our greatest schools of learning. It is remarked here in Cambridge however, quietly, it is true, but with conviction, that money would immediately open the graduate department of Harvard to women.

Now a word as to the social life of the Annex women. No dormitories are provided by the Annex, so the young women find rooms and board in the homes of private families in Cambridge, as do girls in many of our western co-educational institutions. The Annex

however reserves the privilege of forbidding girls to seek rooms or board at houses not approved by the committee. Otherwise young women visit and receive visitors, attend concerts lectures and theatre properly chaperoned or escorted as do women in any other city of this country. Several clubs have been organized by the Annex students. The Idler is the social club, the Emmanuel is a club organized for the discussion of social, philanthropic and religious subjects, besides there are the English Club, the Glee Club, the Musical Club, and the Scientific Club. A Graduate Club which was formed for the purpose of arousing interest in graduate work is this year composed of about twenty-five women who represent institutions as far west as Kansas and Iowa.

We have already spoken of the need the Annex feels for a larger publishing fund in order to print theses or monographs prepared by its women. It may be interesting to college women to know that four such theses have already been printed. An enumeration of the titles will assist in judging the scope of these publications; Florence Mayo's paper is entitled, "The Superior Incisor and Canine Teeth of Sheep." Julia B. Platt has published two papers, one on "The Primitive Axial Segmentation of the Chick" and "The Anterior Head Cavities of Acanthias." The fourth paper, written by Anna P. Henchman bears the title "The Origin and Development of the Central Nervous System in *Limax Maximus*."

Various prizes and scholarships are open to the women of Harvard Annex. In 1890, the Sargent prize for the best metrical reading of the ninth ode of the fourth book of Horace, open both to Harvard and Annex students, was won by Helen L. Reed, an Annex woman.

*Gertrude Crotty, Kansas Alpha.*

NOTE.—Since the above article was written it has become well known that President Elliott has made a public statement that an endowment fund of a quarter of a million will make the Annex a part of Harvard College.

## MEETING OF THE COLLEGIATE ALUMNAE AT CHICAGO.

On Saturday afternoon, Feb. 4th, the Chicago Branch of The Collegiate Alumnae held its regular monthly meeting in the rooms of The Chicago Women's Club.

The topic for discussion was "College Fraternities." Mrs. Gertrude Blackwelder, of Kansas Alpha, read the paper. She occupied a neutral ground, and treated the subject impartially. All the good points in the fraternity system were set forth and quotations were freely given from college presidents and professors who hold that the fraternities have a place peculiarly their own in molding the characters of their undergraduates.

Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, of the Chicago University, being present, was asked to give her thoughts on this subject.

The substance of her remarks was that she considered the day for such organizations gone; in times past when colleges were small perhaps there was a need for fraternities, but now in the great democratic institutions, these trivial things must give way to clubs of logic, psychology, history and the like. She often prefixed her sentences with the words, perhaps I am mistaken in my ideas of fraternities, but it does seem to me that they are only child's play, and not at all suitable for men and women eager to gain all that life holds dear.

She said that the institution she represented did not favor the establishment of fraternity chapters; also, that many of the faculty were opposed to them, but would aid their fraternity if chapters should be founded, yet on the whole preferred that they should not enter the Chicago University.

Perhaps I may be pardoned in criticising so learned a lady as Mrs. Palmer, but it seems as though she had failed to recognize the vast difference between a fraternity and a psychology club. One is essentially of the heart and the other of the mind.

In after years when returning almost a stranger to the *Alma Mater* perchance these various clubs of learning will not extend the cordial greetings that the wearer of the mystic badge receives from

his fraternity chapter, which causes the heart to thrill as it did in the loved old college days when that magic grip made all the world akin.

*Minnie Howe Newby, Mich. Beta.*

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## What a Fraternity Girl Thinks.

It is an old saying that in union there is strength, but do we all realize just what possibilities the close organization of the fraternity New Fields opens up before us? Our fraternity comprises a <sup>for</sup> Fraternity. large number of members in various widely scattered colleges and universities, yet in spite of their widely separated positions there is a unity in these members by reason of our fraternity organization, and they work together for the attainment of a single purpose. This unity of feeling among fraternity girls has been turned to account in certain cases in ways quite outside what is generally considered fraternity work. For instance the fraternity girls of a certain college have pledged themselves to adopt the Jenness-Miller rainy-day dress, and thus free themselves from the untold inconveniences which rainy weather inflicts upon women obliged to be out in all storms. There was also a compact made between the fraternity girls of a certain university to use their influence against the prevailing late hours at balls and parties and to remain at no evening gathering later than one o'clock.

If such concert of action results from a union of the members of different fraternities, surely the members of one fraternity supported by a close organization, can work much more effectively and with more important purposes in view.

This is not an argument for any specific reform but an attempt to impress upon fraternity girls the strength there is in the union of the fraternity and the broad fields in which fraternities may work.

Originally we may say that the fraternity existed simply for itself—for its members. Now it is becoming more and more objec-



tive in its workings, and less subjective. It is becoming less and less a secret society in which its members are expected to immerse themselves and find complete satisfaction for their social and friendly qualities and more and more an organization which *does* something. In one of the last issues of a fraternity journal it was urged upon the members in the name of their "sisterhood" to lend a hand in the university extension work among less fortunate women. This is as it should be. The fraternity's work should extend over everything that is included in the name of sisterhood.

The fraternity girl on the threshold of the twentieth century must keep her eyes wide open in search for opportunities to make fraternity mean more to herself and others.

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College girls are generally blind to their own happiness, as their elders are fond of telling them. Fraternity girls are often no better and do not appreciate how much fraternity friendships mean to them and will mean to them all their lives. The fraternity is often the only link which binds a graduate to her *Alma Mater*. Among all college memories, those of the good times in the dear old fraternity stay by us longest.

There is always a tendency for college friends to drift apart after college life is over and their interests are divided, but the fraternity bond is often a check to this tendency. I went back to my *Alma Mater* several years after I graduated. My old friends had all gone and new faces had taken the place of the dear familiar ones. There were changes everywhere, and I felt like a stranger among surroundings once so familiar.

But there was one place where there was a welcome for me, and that was in the fraternity. The girls were not the same ones I had known, but the fraternity spirit and life were the same as ever.

I have never ceased to be thankful for the kindness with which the girls of that chapter, to which I had once belonged, lifted the burden of loneliness from my heart, and for the friendships which they tendered me so lovingly and sincerely. Some of these friendships were the best of my life.

*Alumna.*

In the fraternity life and especially in chapter house life, where **Fraternity Discipline.** there is an intimate acquaintance between a large number of girls of different natures and dispositions, there is constantly being acquired a knowledge of human nature, and lessons in tolerance and self-denial are constantly being learned. Sharp corners of character are almost sure to be smoothed off, peculiarities are toned down, and selfishness must give way before the demands and duties of fraternity life. Every girl finds that her way is not the only way, and very often is forced to admit that it is not the best way. Thus by intimate contact with others, characters are broadened and equalized.

There is a good deal of discipline connected with this assimilation of different natures into a harmonious chapter. When once a girl is initiated, the chapter feels that she is theirs for better or worse, that she must be loved for her good qualities, while her faults, which are almost sure to appear upon close acquaintance, must be overlooked. There is sure to be a host of the good qualities if we only search for them. Such a spirit always produces love and sympathy. How easy would be our journey through the world if we could but cultivate this spirit toward every one!—charitable and forbearing toward faults, but always on the lookout for virtues.

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## Of Interest to all Women.

The local government in a certain Russian province has admitted women to full political equality.

Miss Adeline Knapp has been selected by the San Francisco Call to represent that paper in Honolulu, during the annexation crisis.

Miss Victoria Whitney has the honor of being the first woman ever admitted to practice in the St. Louis Court of Appeals.

There are two hundred women in America who practice law or legal work of some kind. Twenty-one firms are composed of husband and wife.

Henrietta Herschfeld, the first woman graduate of the Philadelphia College of Dental Surgery, is assistant court dentist in Germany.

Mme. Allemandi, who died recently in Paris, left thirty thousand dollars, the interest of which is to be used in paying for the wedding outfits of poor Swiss laborers.

A novel written by Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher over a quarter of a century ago, and kept a secret from Mr. Beecher, is soon to be published. It is a story of the civil war, entitled, "Light out of Darkness."

Miss Florence Bascom, who was admitted to Johns Hopkins in 1891 by special recommendation, has attracted considerable attention by her original work in rocks and fossils. Last summer she surveyed a five mile square district in the Blue Ridge Mountains, doing her work as thoroughly as any of the men students.

At Smith College life is much more homelike, and social intercourse promoted, by the use of cottages for the accommodation of the students. From fifty to sixty students occupy a cottage which is presided over by a lady in charge. In the dining room are two or three tables at which the students may entertain their friends, and the parlor after tea is the scene of small social festivities.

The New York School of Applied Design for Women, which opened its doors last September, has given instruction to one hundred and thirty pupils and is running on a paying basis. The range of studies is to be enlarged so as to include etching, wood carving, lithographing, stained glass work and frescoing. Numerous manufacturing establishments which have previously obtained their designs from abroad, are now glad to obtain them from this school.

Miss Mary Garret, in her recent gift of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars to the Johns Hopkins University for the establishment of a medical school, provided that if the medical school is ever discontinued or if women are not allowed the same advantages as men, the money shall be returned to her or to her heirs.

New York business women are going to have an Apartment House, which shall furnish a home for at least five hundred of the

five thousand women artists, musicians, journalists, book-keepers, stenographers and students of the city. The building is to be of stone and pressed brick, nine stories high, and will contain all the modern conveniences of heat, light, telephone and elevator. Iron-clad references as to respectability and reliability will be required. This is not to be stamped as a home or charity affair else the business women will not go into it. The name of the building will probably be "The Women's Apartment House."

#### THE MARGARET LOUISE HOME.

A beautiful example of woman's work for woman is the Margaret Louise Home built by Mrs. Elliott Shepard for the self-supporting women of New York.

It is a woman's hotel, of beautiful architectural design, luxurious in its furnishings and with perfect sanitary equipments. And the best part of all, is, that with all its refinement and elegance, it is designed especially for working women, and accordingly the prices are within their reach. Two references are required for admission, and one can remain there but a month, for the purpose of the hotel is not to give permanent homes, but to provide a comfortable stopping place for women who come to New York to work, until they can make arrangements for a permanent home. The price of a room for women workers is three dollars and a half a week, to others six dollars a week. A large number of women students of art and medicine, women engaged in newspaper or journalistic work, and representatives of many of the professions in a large city, have found this hotel to be a delightful stopping place.

The hall into which one passes through the main entrance is spacious and lofty, furnished in native oak, having a floor inlaid with exquisitely colored tiles. The parlor is furnished in soft shades of gray and blue and is homelike as well as artistic. There is a library, too, with shelves of choice books and a piano.

The bedrooms are as dainty as one could desire. The furnishings are simple, but tasteful—white enameled bedstead, oak dresser and table, pretty lace curtains at the windows, while bathrooms of the latest sanitary designs are conveniently near.

The appointments of the dining room are as elegant as those of any first-class hotel in New York. The linen is of the finest quality and daintily marked, while the service is perfect. The food is plain, but of the best quality and well cooked. The crowds that have come to the Margaret Louise Home show that such a hotel is needed and appreciated by thousands of weary women workers.

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## Chapter Letters.

### COLUMBIA ALPHA—COLUMBIAN UNIVERSITY.

Once more Columbia Alpha is glad to send greetings to her sisters in Pi Beta Phi.

Our first term has passed and with it our semi-annual examinations, and we have begun to struggle with another quarter's work.

Since our last letter we have had an initiation and we gladly present to you our new members, Cora Thomas, Margaret Brewer, Elinor Wilson and Mary Graves. After the ceremony we had a banquet and several toasts were announced and delightfully responded to. We also sang several of the Pi Phi songs and altogether it was an enjoyable occasion. Our board was graced by the presence of two estimable ladies, Mrs. Seamans and Mrs. Hazzleton, worthy examples of the virtues after which we strive.

We have another girl pledged and hope to initiate her before many weeks have passed.

Fraternities are becoming more popular at the College. A new chapter has been started by Sigma Chi Fraternity and has seven active members. A chapter of Kappa Rho Epsilon also takes its place along with the other fraternity chapters in the University, which now number four, namely: Phi Kappa Psi, Sigma Chi, Kappa Rho Epsilon and Pi Beta Phi.

### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE.

Strengthened by almost two more months of earnest work we again greet all Pi Phi sisters, hoping success has been theirs.

We have been holding our meetings regularly every two weeks with many special meetings intervening and they have become a source of much enjoyment and profit.

On Saturday afternoon, January fourteenth, our chapter with ten other girls went on a sleighride. The four horses took us over many miles and brought us back at the end of three hours, all more delighted than words can tell. There was nothing to mar our pleasure; the most congenial crowd imaginable, perfect sleighing and a beautiful day. What more could we ask?

We have not been able to find any girls whom we felt we wanted to ask to join us and were almost discouraged when a kind and helpful letter from Miss Turner reached us and made us feel so much brighter that we will start again with renewed vigor, trusting that fate will be more propitious.

The fraternity reunion at the World's Fair will be a fine opportunity for gaining strength and becoming better acquainted with our sisters. Our chapter will send at least two representatives.

#### OHIO ALPHA—OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The chapter goat has again been exercised and we take great pleasure in introducing to you the new Pi Phis, Hattie Walgamott and Bessie Carpenter, both charming girls and a great addition to our chapter. We now number twelve and hope with so many to do much toward realizing the ideals of our fraternity. The initiation, which took place at the home of Miss Norton was very beautiful and impressive. When the ceremony was finished we all joined in an old fashioned *cooky shine*, which entertainment was voted quite the most delightful ever invented.

So far we have been disappointed in all our efforts to carry out the Columbian program in any public way but have got a great deal of enjoyment out of it in chapter meetings. We are delighted with the plan to have "*The Isabella*" during convention week and are anticipating very much enjoyment and gain from the association with Pi Phis from the different chapters.

Ohio Alpha sends best wishes and greeting to her sister chapters.

## INDIANA ALPHA—FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Indiana Alpha sends greeting and best wishes to all.

Our fraternity work is moving smoothly; we are but ten in number this term, but we have resolved to work all the harder in consequence. We meet every Saturday instead of once in two weeks as formerly, and half an hour of each evening is devoted to the study of Emerson's Essays; we like this plan better than a prepared program.

Marcia Miller, who was with us last term, is teaching in the city schools.

Viola Murphy remains at home this winter, but expects to be back in the spring.

The election of officers for the Oratorical Association took place last month, the whole fraternity ticket being elected; the President is a Pi Beta Phi, Miss Lizzie Payne. The primary contest occurred last night, Mr. Roscoe Payne, a Phi Delta Theta, won first place.

Mrs. Emma Ellis Monroe, with her little daughter Juliet, has been spending a couple of weeks at her old home.

Alma Stout was married during the holidays to Frank Drake, of Greensburg.

At our last meeting officers were elected for the ensuing term: Hannah Middleton is our new president.

Our desires for a new hall are at last about to be fulfilled. The Board has given us three very pleasant rooms on the third floor of the college building. We expect to begin work immediately, and to have, in a few weeks, ideal fraternity rooms.

## MICHIGAN ALPHA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

"All work and no play," has been our motto for the past few weeks, and our business sessions have had the true ring which results from each member's thorough knowledge and hearty approval of the work being done by our Grand Officers.

We feel that this is to be a great year in the history of Pi Phi and those girls who have but lately entered our fraternity will

receive an insight into the true worth of so great a sisterhood which they could not otherwise have received in a much longer time.

One of our members, Catherine Smith, has been absent from our meetings much of the time this term, on account of the long illness and death of her father. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to our sister.

Katherine Searle, one of our youngest members is receiving the hand of congratulation on all sides for having delivered, at the late Oratorical Contest, the most original production heard in this college for many years. She received second honors by the decree of the judges.

Retta Kempton has just graduated from Edna Chaffee Noble's Training School in Detroit, and wherever she has given an Elocutionary Program, has taken the audience by storm. A large number of our Chapter will be at Chicago in July.

#### MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Michigan Beta has entered upon the new semester's work with mingled feelings of pleasure and regret—glad in the thought that the last month's work has been successfully completed and sorrowful in the loss of two of our most prized members, who, on account of ill health, have been obliged to leave us.

We, as well as all Ann Arbor students, are delighted with the prospect of a fixed income for our University, which has almost been secured for it by the State Legislature. Nor have we yet quite given up hope that there may be soon a gymnasium for the girls, which without doubt is greatly needed.

We have been very much interested in the question under discussion among the girls' fraternities, as to how rushing may be carried on next year with more moderation. Surely it ought not to interfere with the work of upper classmen and especially not with that of the new comers, who for the first time are making the acquaintance of college life and work. We think some agreement among the fraternities would be of great advantage to this end.



The University Choral Union will sing at the World's Fair in Chicago the third week in June. This Choral Union is at present composed of two hundred and eighty members and is one of the largest student musical organizations. In its concerts it renders such music as Berlioz's Faust, Gounod's Redemption, Handel's Messiah and Mendelssohn's Elijah.

## LOUISIANA ALPHA—TULANE UNIVERSITY.

We are now in the midst of semi-annual examinations, our days are spent in "cramming," and our nights are filled with visions of unexpected questions and consequent failures. How quickly did the dreaded week arrive, but O! so full of suspense! How long will the time seem before it has become a thing of the past! But it is useless to expatiate upon the subject of our detestation for examinations because I am sure they are the *bête noir* of every college girl's life. For Virginia Logan, one of our fellow members, who has lately suffered the terrible loss of both parents, we feel a sympathy too deep for words.

Lottie Galleher is now visiting this, her native city, she will not, however, return to college, as her stay here will be but short.

The carnival season with its glorious splendor has now arrived, and during the next week mirth and all her crew will hold high revelry.

## ILLINOIS BETA — LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

In the midst of a very busy term, Illinois Beta takes pleasure in again sending greetings to all Pi Phis.

Since our last letter was written we have increased our number to sixteen active members. Hepsey Fuller, Mabel Dow and Bessie Wild were initiated on the evening of January 21st. After the ceremony we held a short business meeting. This was followed by one of those enjoyable Pi Beta Phi spreads.

At the close of last term an entertainment was given by the departments of music and elocution. Nine of our members assisted in the posing class, while three delivered declamations. On Monday

night, Feb. 6th, this entertainment was repeated at the auditorium.

As yet we have done nothing in the social line, but are now discussing plans for an evening social before long. Our new girls this year have added such inspiration to our band, that we feel quite able to accomplish a great deal before many more months pass by.

Lillian Wiswell, '90, and Villa Cole, '91, paid us visits of a few days each.

Lizzie W. Anderson, '90, spent a few hours with us one day on her way home to Yates City, Ill.

Anna Ross Lapham, '90, attended the entertainment at the end of last term.

Mrs. Rachel Dellgrew has returned to pursue her theological studies this term.

#### ILLINOIS DELTA—KNOX COLLEGE.

It is hard to realize that the time has come for our April letter. Time certainly goes faster every year for the busy fraternity girl. We are working now on the plans suggested through our entertainment bureau, and next week expect to give the first of a series of receptions with literary program, which shall contain articles instructive for fraternities generally and for our Pi Beta Phi in particular and we hope that by this means our mutual aim may be furthered.

Tuesday, Feb. 7th we held an informal spread at the home of Miss Belle Hincley in honor of a visit from one of our old girls, Frances Vinyard, who for the greater part of the past year, has been in Denver.

Feb. 4th the Phi Delta Thetas gave a very elegant reception in honor of the opening of their new fraternity hall to which Pi Beta Phi was invited. It was strictly a fraternity affair and all who attended were delightfully entertained.

At present our college is giving a very profitable series of University lecture courses, which are seldom missed by any of the students. This is only one of the many pleasing features introduced by our new President, John H. Finley, whom we proudly claim as the youngest college president in America.

Our library has been moved into a fine new suite of rooms in the new hall adjoining our Alumni Building, while the lower floor of the opposite hall, both owned by the college literary societies, has been granted to the Art Department.

For our college and for Pi Beta Phi all things point to this year as the most delightful, successful and profitable of their history.

We hope all our sister Pi Beta Phis work under no less pleasing conditions.

IOWA ALPHA—IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The girls of Iowa Alpha have taken hold of the work for 1893 with great enthusiasm. They have resolved to make themselves truer Pi Beta Phis, so when others are ready to take the vows, they will be in a condition to lead them to a higher life in Pi Phi.

This should be a very successful year for all of us, for our Grand Chapter are doing so much to make every chapter an ideal one. Let us do our share, so we may show the Fraternity world that Pi Beta Phi is a fraternity of power.

IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter we have sustained a great loss in the death of our beloved sister, Ida Hartman.

We have again initiated two worthy girls into the mysteries of Pi Beta Phi, Misses Maud and Eva Anderson. One of our members recently enjoyed a visit from Miss Virginia Vineyard, of Illinois Delta. The friendly relations of our fraternities were strengthened by a Pan Hellenic reception given Jan. 18th, by the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Each fraternity sang one of its songs, gave a short discourse upon an assigned topic and entertained for fifteen minutes. Our college has recently received a liberal endowment fund, so we may reasonably expect a larger enrollment.

IN MEMORIAM.

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 Fraternity, that in the death of Ida Hartman, we mourn the loss of a 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, we recognize a firm, resolute spirit and strong Christian faith, which commends our highest respect.

*Resolved:* That the members of this chapter wear a badge of mourning for ten days, and extend to the relatives of the deceased our sincerest sympathies.

IOWA GAMMA--IOWA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

It is long vacation for Iowa Alpha and there has been no meeting of the chapter since Nov. 9th, so there is not much chapter news. School begins Feb. 21st. Perhaps you will be interested in our chapter as it was at the close of the term. We had twelve active members then and at one of our last meetings pledged four more. Three of our girls graduated in the fall. One of the graduates will return to the school, having been chosen assistant professor of Civil Engineering.

MINNESOTA ALPHA-- UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

It has been so cold and stormy since our last letter that we have felt like crawling into our holes, like true gophers, and remaining there. With the New Year has come a great deal of snow and zero weather, yet we have not been discouraged but have enjoyed our skating and sleighing in spite of frozen ears and noses.

We are happy to present to the fraternity three new sisters, Blanche Smith, Carrie Hughes and Elizabeth Foss, all earnest and enthusiastic girls. This makes us eight new members this year and a membership of fifteen. We may be able to add two more within

a week or two, as Mildred Rogers has come back to the city to teach and Cora Johnson, who is teaching at Glencoe, will probably resign on account of ill health and return to Minneapolis. May Colburn came back after the holidays to stay until the end of this term.

We have our literary meetings the last Saturday evening of each month. At these we read and discuss the lives and works of noted women. Our subjects for December and January were Elizabeth Barrett Browning and the Empress Josephine.

On Friday evening, Feb. 3rd, we gave a sleighing party. We drove six miles to Robbinsdale to the beautiful home of Edith Robbins, where we were royally entertained. The night was bitter cold—twenty-five below zero, with a cutting north-west wind—but the sleighing was so delightful, the company so agreeable and our welcome so warm that we hardly felt the presence of our companion, Jack Frost.

Wednesday morning, Feb. 21st, we had some distinguished visitors at the University, our state senators and representatives. There were about thirty in the party. We were all given an hour off and we flocked to the Chapel Hall to see and hear our friends and supporters. The hall could not accommodate the great crowd so President Northrop called an over-flow meeting, which was addressed by Governor Nelson and Senator McHale. After the speeches and a tour of the building, the guests were taken to lunch in our restaurant in the Main Building.

Clara Bailey, who is studying for her Master's degree and teaching in one of our public schools, has been promoted to the Central High School as Instructor in Greek.

We are trying hard to abolish the old plan of orations, essays, etc., at commencement. A petition to this effect has not only been presented by the seniors but has been favorably acted upon by the faculty. It has not, however, come to the regents yet.

The plans are out for our new library and assembly hall.

Before long we are to have an ore-testing plant erected on the campus, to be connected with the school of mining and metallurgy.

Warmest greetings to all Pi Phis.

## COLORADO ALPHA—COLORADO UNIVERSITY.

Colorado Alpha has one new sister to introduce. Miss Daisy Davis, a sophomore, was initiated on the afternoon of January 21st, at the home of Charlotte Farnsworth. The initiation was followed by a tea, which we all enjoyed. With the exception of our initiation we have been very quiet the past month and devoted our meetings entirely to the study of painting and painters.

One of our old members, Miss Elizabeth Thompson, was married December 28th, at Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Prof. W. W. Campbell, of Lick Observatory, Mt. Hamilton, Cal.

The chair of Latin left vacant by the death of Prof. Dannett, is now filled by Dr. Carl W. Belsler, of the University of Michigan.

## COLORADO BETA—DENVER UNIVERSITY.

Our chapter is, as usual, flourishing and, of course, each girl is anxious to go to the convention at Chicago next summer. Many of our girls expect to attend the World's Fair but as they will go with relatives it is impossible for them to know at just what time they will be there.

We are making preparations to entertain the students from the other colleges of the State who come to us this year for the State Oratorical Contest which is to be held the seventeenth of February. At that time we hope to see a good many of our sisters from Colorado Alpha.

We hear reports of such extreme cold weather, in all of the chapter letters we receive, that we wish all the girls might experience the delights of a Colorado winter. It has been warm and sunny here all winter.

Our University is in a flourishing condition. We have about nine hundred and fifty students in all departments.

We Pi Phi girls feel the need of a fraternity hall very much, but see no way to get one. We should be glad if any of the chapters would write us how they succeeded in getting one. We have taken in no new members this year as yet, for no desirable

girls have presented themselves, but we are looking forward to the future. We send best wishes for the chapters and especially our "baby sisters."

KANSAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

Semi-annual examinations have come and gone and we breathe freely once more. For the last week the University halls have been filled with knots of excited students, discussing the last "quiz" and comparing answers; some flushed and radiant, some seeing doleful visions of pink failure cards, others overwhelmed with presentiments that they will be suddenly called home. But it is all over at last, each has received his little grade card, pink or white, and the second term of the school year is well under way.

There has been very little of importance in the social line, for examinations are not exactly conducive to hilarity. Our glee and banjo club has just returned from one of the longest tours ever made by a college association, having met with wonderful success.

Letters with New Year's greetings have been coming in from the different colleges, telling of great prosperity for Pi Beta Phi. All seem enthusiastic over our reunion next summer.

We have a new girl to introduce to you—Miss Darlington. You see we are fond of introducing our girls one at a time, so that there may be no confusion in regard to names.

Another of our girls has turned school-ma'am. Miss Effie Scott, '91, has been awarded a very desirable position in Kansas City schools.

We all enjoyed the last ARROW very much, especially the sketches of our prominent Pi Phis, and the letter from Germany.

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## Editorial.

After June 29, the editor's address will be Box 341, Adrian, Mich. Exchange editors and chapter correspondents please take particular notice.

The ARROW will be delayed until after convention, and will be the *Convention Arrow*. The corresponding secretary of each chapter must without fail send to the editor before the close of the college year the names of the chapter and their home addresses in order that the July ARROWS may reach their destination. It is absolutely impossible for the editor to communicate with the chapters during the summer without such addresses. The chapter letters for the July ARROW must be sent in immediately after convention at the latest.

The outlook for the CONVENTION is the brightest. It will probably be the largest gathering of Pi Beta Phi that has ever taken place. Every chapter should be making serious plans for the work and enjoyment of that week, *for there is work to be done*. We must take our stand on certain broad fraternity questions, and our policy will be the result of the thought and opinions of the individual chapters. And then the good times, and the fraternity enthusiasm! Never before has there been, and perhaps there never will be again, such a gathering of fraternity men and women from all parts of the country. We ought to derive immeasurable benefit from the Fraternities' Congress and the Pan Hellenic Banquet. Let every body come who can, and help make our reunion a grand success.

The editor proposes to call upon the various delegates to write up certain phases of the convention for the July ARROW, so that the influence of convention may be as wide-spread as possible, and that we may have the benefit of the ideas of as many persons as possible. So let every delegate keep her eyes and ears open, and do some serious thinking upon what the convention meant to her, so that she may present her ideas to the fraternity at large.

Let our watchword be *All for Pi Beta Phi*.

The net proceeds of the Isabella Hotel will constitute, at the close of the Fair, a Hospital Fund, to be under the control of women physicians.

All registering for accommodations in The Isabella after April 7th, will be charged \$1.50 per day, and these rates are guaranteed only until May 1st.



## Among The Greeks.

It is evident from a perusal of the exchange departments of the various fraternity magazines, that their several editors have very different conceptions of what such a department should be. Some editors undertake to review the exchanges which they receive, sometimes thoroughly, but more often briefly, and in their attempt to characterize the magazine in a short sentence they sacrifice truth to brevity; others point out the short comings of their fellow-publications and indulge in sly laughs at their expense: still others make no attempt at reviewing but aim to give their readers the best things which they find in their exchange journals. The latter has been our plan. We cannot give sufficient space to the exchange department to enable us to do thorough reviewing and we protest, in the name of all journalism and literature against that sketchy, sensational style of reviewing which seizes upon one or two points, and elaborating these points with a few emphatic adjectives, pretends to give in this way a correct idea of a magazine. The reviewing of fraternity magazines is too apt to resemble newspaper criticism. We try then in *Among the Greeks* to give to our readers the best ideas of our fellow-publications.

The *Key* for January is an unusually large and interesting number. A very commendable and noticeable feature is, that while primarily it is devoted to Kappa Kappa Gamma, it contains much that is of interest to every fraternity girl or even every college woman. We believe this ought to be the aim of fraternity journalism. The Chapter letters are unusually long and full and furnish a pleasant contrast to the short, stiff productions we so often see in fraternity magazines. We quote the following extracts from an article which we believe will be of especial interest to our readers as showing one of the lines of possible development for the fraternity spirit.

### A DIFFERENT PHASE OF SISTERHOOD.

It may be of interest to undergraduates to know what their elder sisters in Boston and vicinity are trying to do for Uni-

versity extension. From the acorn of this small beginning may grow the oak of a real extension movement in this locality, but at present the managers are well satisfied with the healthy young sprout born of their activity and interest.

About two years ago it was proposed at a meeting of the Boston Branch of Collegiate Alumnae to organize courses of talks to women in country towns within a radius of twenty or twenty-five miles of Boston. A committee was appointed, and worked faithfully to carry out the proposition; but from one reason and another the plan did not prove to be the success that had been hoped.

In the autumn of 1891 the idea occurred to the committee of offering the stores of wisdom at their disposal to the working girls' clubs of Boston and the suburbs. To their great pleasure the offer was accepted with some enthusiasm, and arrangements were at once entered into for the committee to provide speakers for, in some cases, a series of addresses, in others an occasional talk.

So great was the energy of the managers, and so efficient was the secretaryship of Miss Eva Channing, of Jamaica Plain, a Boston University graduate, that between the middle of January '92, when the season opened and the middle of May, four months later, thirty-one talks were given.

In the autumn of '92 several clubs applied for speakers before the committee had had a chance to meet and arrange its ideas. Others responded to a gentle hint, and new applications are now coming in all the time.

The topics offered are varied, ranging from elementary science, mathematics, and hygiene, through travels and tales of other lands, to literature, ethics and law. The speakers are all college graduates, and most of them have an especial interest in the subjects which they present. It has been found that the girls like a talk better than the reading of a paper. The directness of extemporaneous speaking holds the attention of minds unused to the concentration of attention, better than does the greater exactness and perhaps fluency of reading from the written document. From all sides come the most gratifying expressions concerning the pleasure which the girls take in talking over the lectures—to use a rather too dignified word—and the amount of matter which they retain in memory. No speaker has anything but praise, and expressions of surprise and pleasure for the interest which the girls display, and the intelligent questions which they ask.

Besides the working girls' clubs of Boston and vicinity, speakers have been sent to a church guild, a boys' club, and to the prison for women at Sherborn—so it may be seen that the work addresses itself to a variety of intelligences.....

To you, the undergraduate women of our colleges, we appeal for help in our movement. We know the demands upon your time

and we do not ask you to join the ranks of active workers until the right moment comes, but you can help by interesting clubs and associations of all kinds to ask for talks.....Application to Miss Channing will secure a list of topics for which speakers now stand ready, and in several cases, when a particular subject has been asked for, there has been no difficulty in finding some one ready to take up the theme. To college women, graduate and undergraduate, we look for support. To the undergraduates we shall turn to swell the ranks of our speakers as each June works its magical enchantment, and metamorphoses the *under* into the *post*. To undergraduates we look now to help us enlarge our field of influence.

Exchanges have been few since our January issue. *The College Fraternity*, however, is a regular visitor, and shows us all sides of fraternity life, and discusses general fraternity questions. The following interests every fraternity man and woman:

#### THE SPAN OF A LIFE TIME.

Charles Clark Young, the first initiate into a college secret society in this country, died on January 15th, 1893, at his home in Watertown, N. Y., in the eighty-ninth year of his age. He was born in Whitestown, N. Y., in 1804, attended Hamilton College from 1823 to 1826, being graduated from the latter institution in 1826. He practiced law in New York City from 1829 to 1836, and studied at Auburn Theological Seminary from 1838 to 1840, not however, entering into active work as a clergyman. He lived at Watertown for many years. The initiation was held November 26th, 1825, in a room in the South College building of Union College. Messrs Young and Andrew E. B. Knox being admitted to the Society with ceremonies arranged by their class mates, John Hart Hunter, Thomas Hun and Isaac W. Jackson.

The only survivor of the founders of Kappa Alpha is Dr. Thomas Hun, of Albany, N. Y. His sons, the late Leonard G. Hun and Marcus T. Hun, of Albany, also joined Kappa Alpha at Union.

It hardly seems possible that the length of one human life has witnessed the birth and progress of the American College Fraternity.

#### INTER-FRATERNITY COURTESY.

A broader spirit of brotherhood is one of the gratifying features of fraternity life to-day. It is one of the most encouraging promises for the future. The spirit of pan-Hellenism manifests itself

in many ways. Perhaps its most practical and beneficial aspect is in the simple friendly intercourse between all Greek-letter men which has almost entirely effaced the sharper lines of demarcation between rival organizations which were wont formerly to exist.

The spirit of rivalry is not dead, but it exists in that whole-souled, healthy way that is the surest indication of sound growth for the entire system. Rivalry is no longer a synonym for antagonism, nor does it stoop to means not in all ways honorable. The progress of one fraternity is not to be bought at the expense of detriment to another. The campaign for new men is carried on in a spirit of courtesy, and the same spirit dominates the relations between the chapters. It is no longer deemed the correct thing, in soliciting a man for membership, to enhance the fame of one's own order by slandering all others. The claims for consideration are presented with candor and honesty, and the good points of other chapters are conceded.

It is natural that men who are approached and won in this spirit should enter into fraternity life and work with a truer and deeper appreciation of their own chosen order and with a kindlier feeling of esteem for all others. It is natural that such fraternity men should constitute a social world where courtesy and good will predominate. We no longer hear of the breaking into and pilfering of chapter rooms, of stolen constitutions and rituals, nor of the many other manifestations of bitter and senseless rivalry and antagonism, petty but disgraceful.

All this is an indication that inter-fraternity relations are, in the future, to be governed more and more by a just appreciation of and concession to the rights of others. It indicates that there is a spirit of brotherhood among Greek-letter men which is broader than the confines of any single order.....

Joint associations and joint meetings of Greek-letter men, and all other indications of a tendency toward a practical union of Greek-letter interests are but manifestations of the presence of this phase in the character of modern Greeks. There is no question but that courtesy and good will between all Greek-letter men will constantly become a more important factor in college fraternity welfare, and that the system will grow with its growth and prosperity.—*The College Fraternity.*

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