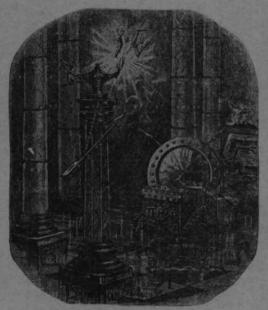
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FOUNDING SONG.

AIR: "Dearest May."
Would you like to know the story
Of the founding of I. C.?
Then listen closely to this song,
Of how it came to be.
While walking in the garden,
Before the sun was up,
A maid found Cupid sleeping there,
Within a lily's cup.

CHORUS

Oh, dear I. C.
You're all the world to me,
Where e'er I be, on land or sea,
My heart e'er turns to thee.

She knew 'twas Cupid by the bow
And arrow by his side,
And as she closed the leaves so white
His eyes he opened wide.
And quickly then he promised,
If she would let him go,
An arrow he would give to her.
Its secrets she should know.

To make it speed the faster,
And touch a heart if cold,
He made this little arrow
All out of shining gold.
He put two letters on it,
One on either hand,
"Infantes Cupidonis" are
The words for which they stand.

To show that he had yielded
Unto this maiden's power,
He hung a tiny chain across
To remind us of that hour.
Then is it any wonder,
We're happy as can be,
When Cupid was the founder,
If our dear old I. C.?

Kappa.

ETHEL BEECHER ALLEN, '82.

THE GRAND CONVENTION.

The eighth National Convention of I. C. met with the sisters of Sigma Chapter, at Iowa City on the 19, 20 and 21 of November, 1884. Representatives began to arrive on the eighteenth, and by Wednesday noon all the delegates and many visiting members were there joined hand and heart in the mystic circle. Eleven chapters were represented, while the others sent their greetings.

The parlor of the M. E. church had been kindly provided in which to hold the business meetings.

At half past two Wednesday afternoon the first session was called to order. After the reading of the minutes of the previous convention, reports were listened to from the different chapters, which showed the society to be in a very flourishing condition and working harmoniously. Every thing was encouraging and augured success. The convention was an exceptionally hard working one, and much important business was transacted.

Some of the results can be mentioned without infringing on the secrecy of the Sorosis.

The system of government was changed somewhat, the power hereafter being in the hands of a council of grand officers. These officers must be in different chapters. Those elected for the present year were: Grand I. R. Miss Nell Custer, Delta Omega: Grand Scribe, Miss Emma Livingston, Iota: Grand Quaestor, Miss Clara Poehler, Kappa.

The standard for membership was raised, and therefore the colleges hereafter entered must of necessity be of a higher grade.

The charters were taken from Alpha, on account of strong faculty oppositions, and also from Xi. Charters were granted to the chapter at the Wesleyan College, Cincinnati, Ohio, and to the Alumni Chapter at Lawrence, Kansas. A clause was inserted in the constitution to the effect that the I. C. Sorosis should be established in no college where secret societies are forbidden by the endowment fund.

Arrangements were made whereby convention fund might be raised in order that delegates might be present from all chapters.

It was decided to have a magazine published quarterly by the Kappa chapter at Lawrence, Kansas.

"Woman and her Work" was the subject chosen for study in all the chapters during the year.

After deciding hereafter to hold the convention annually, it adjourned to meet with Kappa chapter in the fall of 1885.

During their stay in Iowa City the visiting sisters were entertained in a most charming manner. And on Thursday evening the culminating event took place. The resident chapter tendered an elegant reception, in honor to the delegates, at the home of Miss Hattie Cochrane. Many friends of the Sorosis were present, among whom were some of the faculty of the Iowa State University.

The lunch was simply superb. The ladies all looked lovely, as I. C.'s know well how to look. Everything passed off "as merry as a marriage bell." At a late hour the company broke up, thinking it was well to have been there, and wishing long may I. C. live and flourish.

PUBLIC OPINION.

In history, ancient or modern, there is no more noted person than the one known at Present as "Mrs. Grundy."

Since the beginning man has consulted her and obeyed her mandates. At her throne each faithful subject bows, and as she waves her scepter so does the slave. There is nothing small or great that wields so mighty an influence. Man conceives an invention, public opinion produces it. Mind imagines a grand thought, public opinion gives it to the world. "Paradise Lost," when its author was first trying to gain it recognition, was not of less worth than when the applauding multitude had received it, but its propelling force was far greater.

Our grandest institutions, our noblest minds, and our purest philosophies are only results of a principle which has been sanctioned by public opinions. Individuals exert of themselves single opinions, which act as a germ for some great reform; but the reform will never come until pushed into existence by the thoughts of many. Greater men have lived and died, than to-day are our rulers, and yet all unknown for want of popular voice behind them.

It is a self-evident truth that public opinion is the controlling power of society. To sum it all up, it is this which breaks the chains of slavery, elects the men of fame to their positions, sounds the war alarm, and signs the treaties of peace. She makes enemics of brothers, and brothers of enemies, controls commerce, chains together the oceans, belts the earth, scans the heavens, and is the originator of all philosophic and scientific theories.

While her sanction has been given to much that is evil and impure, yet knowingly she has never done wrong. To some things she is slow in giving sanction and oftentimes appears unstable, but at the last the work either lives gloriously or dies ignominiously.

Secret societies are one of the many things over which public opinion has fluctuated. Now giving hearty sanction, and anon frowning upon the subject. But the good once known will never die. So with this, steadily, though slowly, has it advanced until no longer does public opinion look dark, but with one accord all are lifting up their voices for this work, and public opinion has insured at last a grand triumph. It is now a complete creation, exerting a power only equaled by—its master—Christianity.

The general principle of all secret unions is to further members socially, intellectually and morally; what could be more worthy of approbation? In this vast chain of secret organizations we are a link. While a noble sister thought the ideas which fasten us together, yet public opinion breathed them abroad and proud are we of the results. Our bonds overcome jealousies and enmity, transplanting in our bosoms sympathy, charity and love, ameliorating different characters, softening diversities in tastes, welding together the weak and the strong into one symmetrical whole—making of us sisters.

Glorious I. C., long may she stand as a monument of the noble institution which "Mrs. Grundy" has founded! Once firmly planted by her, as we are, our band of noble sisters, so linked together in purity and fidelity, man can not overthrow, and the Almighty will not.

Nυ.

THE GENESIS OF KAPPA.

When in 1872 it became known, to the various chapters of B Θ II, that they would probably soon have a new chapter in the young but promising institution of K. S. U., the friendly Betas of Monmouth College informed the I. C. girls of the same institution of the existence of this way-out-west school, whose students were, as yet, in lamentable ignorance of the mysteries of any secret society. The girls determined to act upon the suggestions of the Betas, and a letter was written in April or May '72, by Mrs. Hamilton, a member of the Monmouth Chapter of the Sorosis, to Miss Flora Richardson, then a member of the junior class K. S. U.

Miss R. was a member of the "Degree of the Oread Society," and communicated the contents of this letter to some of the other lady members of the Degree. These ladies had for some time suspected that the gentlemen belonging to the Degree were planning the organization of a secret society, but decided to wait further developments.

Miss R. accordingly replied to the Monmouth lady that K. S. U. was not quite ready for the establishment of a ladies secret society, but suggested that a chapter could probably be formed at Lombard University, Galesburg, Illinois. This led to the visit which the writer received from three Monmouth girls in May '72, her reception, in June, into full membership directly after the I. C. convention in Greencastle, Indiana, and the full organization of the Iota Chapter in Galesburg in the following November.

She spent the summer of '72 in Lawrence, the I. C. question was fully talked up, and some of the girls pledged to act as soon as they were positive that the boys had formed a secret society. While on a visit to the Monmouth I. C's. in the February or March, '73, she learned that the Beta Chapter at K. S. U., was running sub rosa some two or three weeks before they appeared with their badges. She immediately

informed her Kansas friends, and as everything had been prepared before hand the first I. C. Pins were seen at K. S. U. very soon after the Beta pins arrived. The charter of the Kappa Chapter was granted April 1, 1873. The charter members were Misses Hannah Oliver, Carrie Morris, Lizzie Yeagley, Vina Lambert, Gertie Boughton, Flora, May, and Alma Richardson. Misses Jo March, Nettie Robinson and Mollie Gamble also joined in 1873.

The first meetings were held in the music room of the University on Thursday afternoons, the janitor kindly furnishing the key for the girls. Faculty meeting also occurred the same day and the professors often met the girls in the halls or on the hill, but looked on either with unsuspecting or purposely blind eyes.

The first members of any organization are usually fired with a great enthusiasm and abundant energy, and the I. C. girls were no exception to the rule. Moreover the students did not then have so many suppers, card parties and dances to distract their attention from their studies, and the weekly meetings of the secret and literary societies were the only dissipations in which they indulged, and were looked forward to with much anticipation of pleasure. Some of the very best I. C. programmes were planned and carried out in '74 and '75.

The first I. C. party was the well remembered "Cookey Shine" which occurred in June, '72, at the home of the Misses Richardson. The "Dickens Party" at the home of Lizzie Yeagley, on New Years Eve, 1875, at which Maj. Ransom personated Micawber and the late John D. Lambert Dick Swivler, was one of the most interesting and novel entertainments that the Sorosis ever gave.

"Our Novel," whose fate is shrouded in yet deeper mystery than that of the heroine, and the Shakespeare studies were part of the work of '76, I believe. The dramas enacted at the Halloween parties enabled the girls to develop capabilities in dramatization and personation which had been entirely unsuspected and unappreciated. The difficulty which they experienced in holding those meetings unobserved, and the untimely interruptions which they endured, obliged them to practice the virtue of patience and led them to develop great facility in the use of stratagem. But success crowned their efforts and they have reason to believe that the Betas went home every time sadder but not wiser men.

EDITORIALS.

At the convention held in Iowa City last November, it was decided to have a magazine published quarterly. For many reasons the first issue has been delayed till now.

Kappa Chapter deems herself highly complimented by the confidence and trust shown her by the Grand Convention and will spare no trouble to make The Arrow a success. In order to do this we must have the hearty co-operation of all the chapters, not only by subscriptions but also by contributions. The latter should consist of literary articles, chapter letters, short but newsy, and personals. We wish especially to have the personals an interesting feature in the magazine and expect to soon see the results of our energetic associates.

In sending out this, the first issue of The Arrow, we hope to be welcomed with encouraging words from our brother and sister Greeks. And as it is the first number, like new wine, the older it grows the better it will become. Succeeding numbers will demonstrate the truth of this. We aim high, and as we have often heard that "Where there's a will there's a way," so exercising our will, and hewing our way, success must attend our efforts.

It is a question what relations graduates shall sustain to their fraternities. Alumni chapters are the outgrowth of such debate. These chapters ought to have, aye, and do have a great influence over the school chapters. They should not isolate themselves, but should take particular pains to become acquainted with the new undergraduate members, and guide them in all their collegiate work and social relations. It is their privilege as well as duty to advise the young and inexperienced. The idea of a fraternity is not such as to arouse the antipathies of parents or college faculties. A fraternity has frequently been defined, and what can it better be than a brotherhood or sisterhood in which students are bound by a vow to be responsible one for another and one to another? This responsibility should be especially

felt among the alumni. A fraternity is intended to take, to a certain degree, the place of home influences to the new student. A young lady is known by the company she keeps, so she should guard against evil associates. Members are bound together for mutual assistance, and the alumni are so placed as to be able to gain the unlimited confidence of the younger members. This confidence should not be abused by casting it aside. The fraternity's usefulness, even its very life, depends on the standing of its members. The alumni being composed of older and more experienced members are thus more capable of judging human nature, and therefore better able to influence the younger members when about to elect girls to their sisterhood. The friendships formed during college life are generally the most lasting, and the alumni ought to consider themselves responsible, in a measure, for all that appertains to the welfare and good of not only the fraternity at large, but of the individual members thereof. If everyone of the graduate members should assume this responsibility, and literally do her duty, there is no doubt that growth in every direction, vigor of mind, purity of thought, elasticity of soul, perfection of character, and elevated aspirations, would more and more surely follow.

The question of holding our annual convention the last of August instead of in October, is being discussed by some of the chapters of I. C. It hardly seems right that just after the students are fairly settled, they should have to lose a week attending the convention. But should the convention be held the last week in August delegates would then be able to return to their several colleges in time for the opening of the fall term. The non-resident members of the entertaining chapter would doubtless willingly return to college a week sooner, so the attendance would not necessarily be smaller than if the meeting were held in October.

There is still another consideration which is of very great importance. If changes are made in the constitution it is best to begin with the college year to try them, before waiting till the winter term or vacation. Then there will be time to fully test their real value and know whether it is best to retain them as permanent features.

PERSONALS.

Misses Jessie Smith and Marie Congin of Sigma, are professors of music at I. S. U.

Mrs. Haddock of Sigma, is practicing law in Iowa City.

Miss Mary G. Gilmore, '84, Kappa one of the associate editors of The Arrow, has lately returned from New York, where she has been visiting since her graduation.

Mrs. Susan Bare, '74, Lambda, is a missionary at Shajahanpore, India.

Mrs. Estella Ball, '76, one of the charter members of Lambda, is now a member of Delta Omega at Iowa City.

Miss Anna Fuller, Gamma, is a noted choir and concert singer. At present she is singing in St. Stephens church, Philadelphia.

Miss Jo Gassner, Gamma, is spending the summer in Easton, Maryland.

Miss Ida Hindman, '72, Gamma, is correspondent at Washington for the Advocate, The Christian Woman, and other journals.

Omega Chapter at Boulder, Colorado, was established through the instrumentality of Mrs. Helena Stidger, '82, of Lambda.

The wife of Prof. T. J. McFarland, president of Iowa Wesleyan University, is a member of Gamma chapter of I. C., and a graduate of '71.

Miss France M. Martin, '73, ex-professor of Literature in Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, a member of Gamma, is visiting her parents in Deadwood.

Mrs. Vina Lambert Selkirk, a charter member of Kappa, is now living at Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Mrs. Alma Richardson Wallace, '79, one of Kappa's charter members, is at Hermosa, Colorado.

Dr. Carrie Goss, of Kappa, has built up a good practice at her home in California.

Mrs. Alice Collier Rankin, '81, is visiting in New Orleans.

Miss Stella Maxon, '74, of Gamma, now of St. Paul, Neb., is devoting much of her time to elocution.

Hattie Gassner Torrence, '79, of Gamma, is in the mission work at Teheran, Persia.

Mrs. Florence Finch Kelly is one of the editors of the *Bell* at Lowell. Massachusetts. Kappa, '81.

Mrs. Jessie Wilson Manning, '74, of Gamma, was for several years in the lecture field, and was connected with the *Slayton Bureau*. She has now retired from the field and resides in Chariton, Iowa, devoting her time to music and elocution.

Mrs. Florence Palm, of Gamma, is miscellaneous editor of the Mt. Pleasant (Iowa) Journal.

Miss Ethal Beecher Allen has been appointed to deliver the Master's Oration at the University of Kansas. This is the second year in succession that the I. C's. have been so honored, last year Florence Finch Kelly having received the appointment.

Miss Laura Cole, a member of Gamma, and graduate in medicine at Iowa State University, has since been connected with a hospital at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

David O. Collins, editor of the Knoxville (Iowa) Journal, and a Beta of the class of '76, died at Galesburg, Ills., in February. To his bereaved wife her I. C. sisters extend their deepest sympathies.

Miss Marie Annetta Jones, formerly of Kappa but now a member of Psi, is teaching at Wesleyan College, in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Flora Hadley Little, '81, of Kappa, is now residing in Boston, Massachusetts.

Miss Mary Griffith, '84, of Kappa, is taking a post graduate course at Wellesley.

Miss Mamie Woodward, '81, Kappa, has lately returned from an extended visit in Pennsylvania.

Miss Lizzie Smith, of Sigma, is professor of Literature at Iowa State University.

CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE.

GAMMA-IOWA WESLEYAN.

The Gamma Chapter of the I. C. Sorosis was founded December 21, 1868. $\dot{}$

We have at present, in college, twenty active members, three of whom are members of the class of '85.

There is one other secret organization here among the ladies, the P. E. O's. They are not confined to the school, however, but can organize wherever they wish, still we find them quite formidable as rivals.

Miss Ida Hindman, '72, a member of Gamma Chapter, has been a Washington correspondent this winter. She also writes for the Advocate, The Christian Woman, etc. She ranks quite high in her style of writing.

Another of the daughters of I. C., Miss Anna Fuller, is becoming quite noted as a musician, and we, with pardonable pride, claim her as a member of Gamma.

We shall be glad to hear from our sister Chapters through The Arrow, and send to all warmest greetings.

IOTA CHAPTER, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

Iota chapter boasts of being one of the oldest of the daughters of I. C. Her existence dates from November 7, 1872. Since then she has ever been in a flourishing condition.

The total number that have joined her ranks is sixty-five. The present number of living members is fifty-nine. The present number of active members is thirteen.

The chapter enjoys the advantage of being the only secret society among the ladies, though there are two among the gentlemen, the Delta Tau Delta and the Phi Delta Theta.

Since '82 every lady that has graduated in the University has been a member of I. C., and from the class this year every lady is an I. C. with the exception of one.

Iota wishes to take this opportunity to offer her congratulations to the chapters at Lawrence for the success of their efforts in producing this the first number of the paper. She also sends greeting to all sister chapters.

Galesburg, Ills., April 18, '85.

KAPPA, KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY.

It is a great pleasure to Kappa Chapter at K. S. U. to communicate so directly with all sisters of I. C. By this means we shall grow into the knowledge of one another. How do we come to know more of any one whom having not seen we love? Is it not by reading and hearing what she has said, and written, and done? All know how delightful is a Chapter meeting. Who then can measure the pleasure of a meeting of all Chapters? And this is what we are going to have through the letters in our quarterly.

A point of interest to all at present is the time of the next convention. We think that the latter part of August or the first of September is, for many reasons, desirable. It will be a pleasant season to travel. You will not yet be settled from summer excursions and it is too late to break in upon them.

You would like to know how many there are of us. You are coming to see. There are two chapters—in the Kappa, twelve girls, and Omega, fifteen. The Alumnae congregate Friday afternoons and do literary work largely. The school girls meet Saturday and in literary work read entertaining and instructive articles, thinking that students have enough heavy work. A mutual interest of affection between the two branches is entertained by their meeting together occasionally, entertaining and being entertained as a whole.

During the past year we have established two Chapters, one at Denver, Colorado, at the M. E. college and the other at Wesleyan college, Cincinnati, Ohio. We congratulate ourselves on the result of our labors.

For this commencement we have our share of the honors. Miss Ethel Beecher Allen receiving the highest appointment of K. S. U.—the Master's Oration. Laura Lyons is one of the essay contestants and Clara Poehl reappears as declaimer Junior night.

We have an editor on each of the college papers as usual. But what we feel as the crowning work and honor at present is the publication of The Arrow. Girls, with your hearty assistance it will succeed and be a benefit and a glory to I. C.

LAMBDA, SIMPSON CENTENARY COLLEGE.

Lambda chapter of I. C. Sorosis was founded October 31, 1874.

The anniversary of this event has been duly celebrated each Halloween since.

Our membership in college at present is eleven, seven in the collegiate and four in the musical department. We have also fifteen resident members.

Since the beginning of this school year five new members have been initiated into our Sorosis.

Two of our sisters who were with us last term have not returned.

The entire membership of our Chapter is seventy-seven. Many of them are widely separated.

Mrs. Susan Bare, '74, is a missionary at Shajahanpore, India.

Mrs. Estella Ball, '76, one of our charter members is now a member of the Delta Omega Chapter at Iowa City.

Omega Chapter at Boulder, Colorado, has been established this year through the instrumentality of our former sister, Mrs. Helena Stidger, '82.

Mrs. Ella Richey of Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory, and one of our charter members, visited here recently.

Sister Elizabeth Cooke, 75, now of Portland, Oregon, expects to be with us again soon.

Twice within the past year has the badge of crepe worn by our Chapter indicated that two of our sisters, Mate Hamilton, '78, and Mrs. Louisa Curtis, '77, have been called to their long home.

Our rival Soroses are the Kappa Alpha Thetas, L. F. Vs., and Kappa Kappa Gammas. Of these the Kappa Alpha Thetas have the strongest Chapter.

The fraternities of the College are the Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, and Rho Alpha.

At our last meeting a present, the donor of which is unknown, was received by our chapter. Woman's proverbially inquisitive nature is roused to its fullest extent.

Lambda wishes to extend through the columns of The Arrow greetings to her sister chapters, and she hopes it may be the means of effecting a closer union between all the chapters of I. C.

NU, SOUTHERN IOWA NORMAL.

Nu Chapter of Iowa is situated at Bloomfield, and is connected with the Southern Iowa Normal. We have an excellent school and a fine chapter. Our meetings are held regularly and are well attended. In receiving members we weigh well the thought, "quality not quantity." Like many others of our sisters, we have been devoting a portion of our money and talents to the relief associations of the town.

Perfect harmony dwells within our walls, and all are firm in the faith of I. C.

The angel of Death has kindly spared all our band, but Matrimony has made havoc in our ranks.

To The Arrow we extend a hearty welcome, trusting its future success is insured, and hoping to feel that through its columns we have grasped hands with each sister in the United States.

The following is taken from a Bloomfield paper:

FOR SWEET CHARITY'S SAKE.

The members of the I. C. sisterhood have shown by the following donation that they are charitable as well as social: An envelop received by the officers of the Home Relief Society contained \$25.00 with the following explanatory note:

"We, the I. C. Sorosis, deeming it necessary and well to assist in the relief of the poor and suffering, do tender the within to the Relief Society to use as their judgment may dictate."

The following reply was made:

"To the I. C. Sorosis: The Home Relief Society hereby acknowledges the receipt of your donation of \$25.00, and return you their thanks for the same, knowing that such generous deeds can alone from warm and generous hearts. We feel assured that each member of the Sorosis contributing to this fund will realize that it is truly 'more blessed to give than receive.'

"Mrs. H. B. Watson, Secretary."

DELTA OMEGA, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY.

I am instructed that we are one of the chapters that have not reported to you. This state of affairs shall last no longer, and we send many good wishes to you for the success of this, your first trial shot of THE Arrow into publicity.

Since the general convention the interest in the Sorosis has been greatly increased, and to show you what we have been working at, I will give our programme as made out by the committee. Perhaps it may be remembered that at our convention it was suggested that the subject of "Woman" be taken as a study for the year. Following this suggestion, the programme presented was as given below:

Woman, Moral History of.

Woman. Education of.

Woman, Social Duties of.

Women, Caste Among.

Women, Charities of.

Women, In Business. Women, As Architects.

Women, In Secret Societies and Clubs.

Women, Portraiture in Poetry.

Women, In the Pulpit and the Church.

Women, In Art.

Women, In Medicine.

Women, In Law.

Women, Suffrage for.

Women, Social and Political dependence of.

As we meet only once in three weeks, not many of these mighty problems have yet been solved by us. The last two topics will have solved themselves before we get around to them.

Hoping to gain new light for future work we send best wishes for the prosperity of The Arrow.

TAU, CARTHAGE COLLEGE.

Tau Chapter of I. C. was organized Sept. 13, 1882.

At present we have in school eight members; two juniors, five sophomores, one freshman, the rest are alumni, and number six.

We have made out a program for the year, assigning each member a topic for each meeting, and this she is expected to treat whether she is present or not. Our subjects all relate to "Woman's Work." We also devote a short time each meeting to other matters; sometimes history, art, music, etc. Our meetings have never been more interesting than at present.

We have no rival societies of a similar character to our own; but there are several local ones that endeavor to rival us. Last winter we gave an entertainment for the poor, and made \$76.00. We propose giving one for our own benefit soon.

Friday night of this week we hold a "cookey shine."

We wish THE ARROW the greatest success and through it send greetings to all our I. C. sisters.

UPSILON, KNOX COLLEGE.

Upsilon Chapter at Knox College received its charter May 9, 1884. All former efforts to establish an I. C. chapter at Knox had been frustrated by the general anti-secret society principles of the college students. While it is now outwardly all smooth sailing for the chapter there is, nevertheless, a strong undercurrent of conservatism against it.

Last May Upsilon Chapter started with five charter members. The college climate was severe enough to insure a sturdy growth so that now there are fourteen names on the roll. Of these, two have left school so that we have an "even dozen," a small though "goodlie companie."

We are working harmoniously and confidently for the good of I. C. and send our best wishes to all our sisters through the columns of The Arrow.

CHI, YORK METHODIST COLLEGE.

Our chapter here at York was organized July 5, 1884, by two members from the Gamma chapter of Iowa. We started with seven charter members. Altogether eighteen have been initiated into our chapter. We have at present twelve active members.

Our chapter is connected with the M. E. college of York. There is no other ladies' secret society in connection with the school.

Our chapter is in a flourishing condition at present. We all agree in saying that the society is a mutual benefit to us, both socially and otherwise

During the summer we gave a party, and during the past winter we have done some charitable work, and accomplished something in the way of reading.

As yet none of our members have done anything remarkable, but we hope to do something in the future that will make the society proud of our chapter.

With love and greetings to all our sister chapters we close, wishing The Arrow greatest success.

PSI, CINCINNATI WESLEYAN.

The Psi Chapter of I. C. was founded January 14, 1885, through the instrumentality of Miss Annette Jones, a former member of Kappa.

The chapter was organized with ten charter members, and since that time three more have united with us.

Our girls are all very busy with their school work and have not much spare time to devote to I. C., but next year we expect to do better work.

Everyone of our girls have five or six studies, then music, painting, elocution and work in literary societies, leaves very little time for anything else. Still we are loyal to I. C.

We sometimes meet an I. C. sister of Kappa, Miss Carle Cockins who is attending school in the city.

Please accept very much love for all our sisters and best wishes for The Arrow.

BETA, DENVER UNIVERSITY.

The organization of the I. C. Chapter at the Denver University took place February 12, 1885, under the direction of Miss'Addie Sutliff of Kappa.

Six members were received into the fold, Belle Anderson, Lillie Waum, Ruth Ritz, Lizzie Tuttle, Mary Wolcott, Franc Carpenter, and Mamie Carpenter.

Our chapter has held its regular meetings at which a literary and social programme was carried out. At the third meeting the Sorosis initiated one new member, Miss Minnie Wheeler.

The Denver University is under the auspices of the M. E. church, is now about to enter upon its sixth year, and has from two hundred and fifty to three hundred students in all departments. It supports one oratorical and two literary societies, one Sorosis, I. C., one fraternity, Beta Theta Pi, and a foot-ball team. It is asserted by knowing ones that Kappa Alpha Theta has organized a chapter consisting of six members, but they are having some difficulty, so they cannot be said to claim a place here as yet. The college contains one representative of P. E. O.

All the societies have been organized this school year except the literary societies, so we are quite new in the way of fraternities.

BETA OMEGA, FAIRFIELD, IOWA.

The Beta Omega Chapter of I. C. Sorosis was organized at Fairfield, Iowa, the 12th day of October, 1882. It consisted of five members, three of whom were initiated according to the constitution; the other two were former members of Gamma Chapter at Iowa Wesleyan.

During the winter the little band was faithful and zealous for the cause of I. C., and although not adding many to their number, they had pleasant and profitable meetings.

For six or eight months the time was spent in literary work, members being added in the meantime. Since that time the literary work has been interrupted, yet we have not been idle. In various ways we have been working to fill our coffers, with the intention of eventually securing a room that we might call our own, and of founding a library that, growing as the society grows, will prove a source of much pleasure and benefit for our sisters.

We are now about to take up some regular work again, but we shall vary the program occasionally by having a good social time in place of literary exercises.

Our chapter now numbers twenty-five. Several since joining have left us.

We are hopeful for the future and are working to make our society a helpful and influential one.

The P. E. O's. here outnumber I. C., but there is no feeling of rivalry between us, as the two societies are formed on quite a different basis.

We are anxiously awaiting the appearance of The Arrow and wish for it the greatest success.

Our chapter sends greeting to all I. C. sisters.

ZETA OMEGA, OTTUMWA.

Our chapter at Ottumwa was organized August 22, 1884. The way we "came to be" was this: A young lady from our city, Miss Sallie Warden, while at Mt. Pleasant became a member of the I. C. Sorosis at that place, and when she returned she was urged by her I. C. sisters there to form an alumni chapter at Ottumwa. After she returned home she worked faithfully, and to her is due the credit of our flourishing chapter. Our meetings have all been very enthusiastic and interesting, and although one of the youngest chapters, we think we have the true I. C. spirit.

A POEM.

A valiant band of sisters, we, Joined in the golden bond Of love, and truth, and charity, And faith in the beyond.

Our mission is to cheer and bless
Where'er our lot be cast,
And come what will of weal or woe,
Be faithful to the last.

We'd seek the higher walks of life, And freely lend to those Who need the help that we can give Till earthly life shall close.

And when at last, our mission done, No longer wanderers, we, We'll leave all care and fondly bid Farewell to dear I. C.

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