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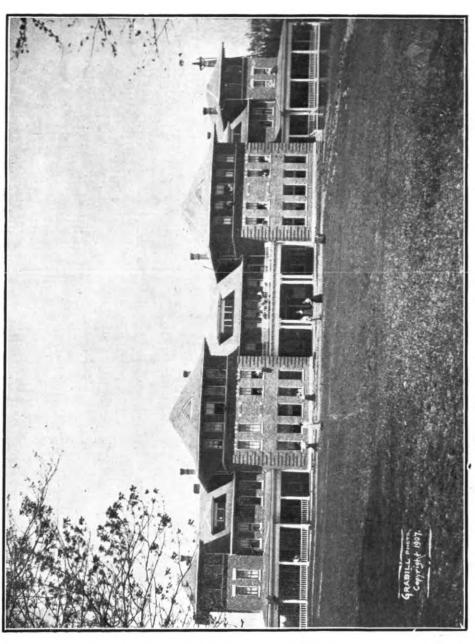
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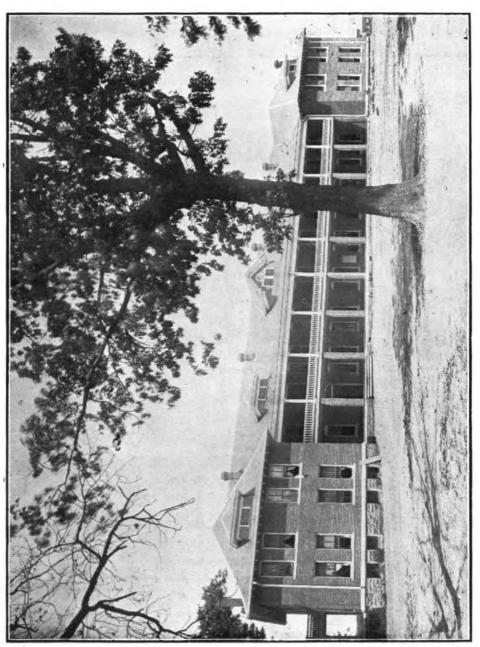
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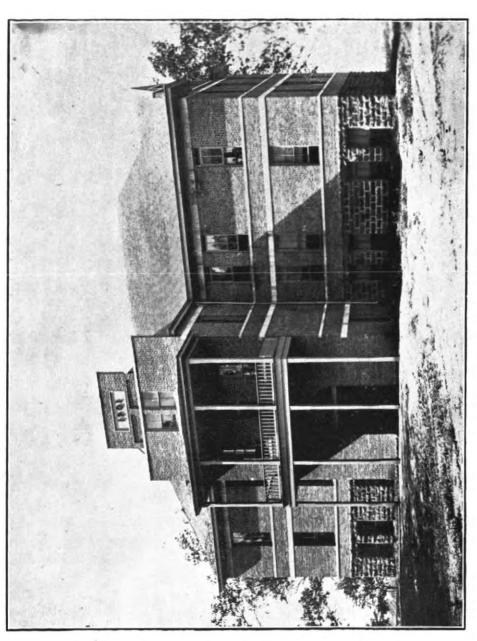
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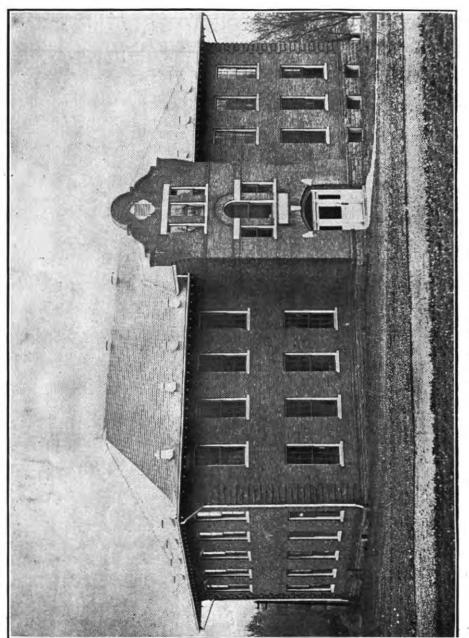
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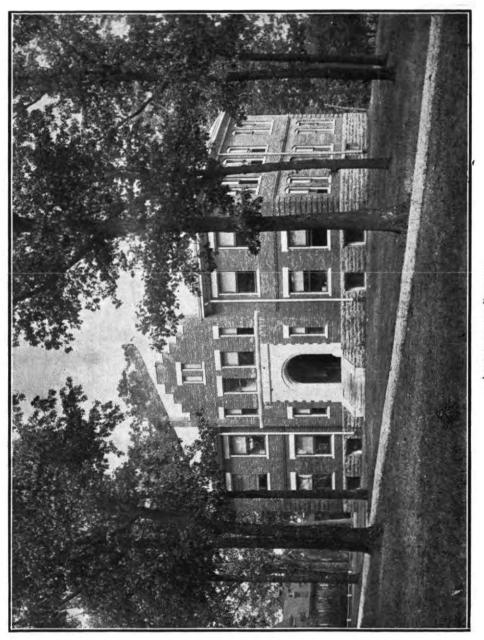


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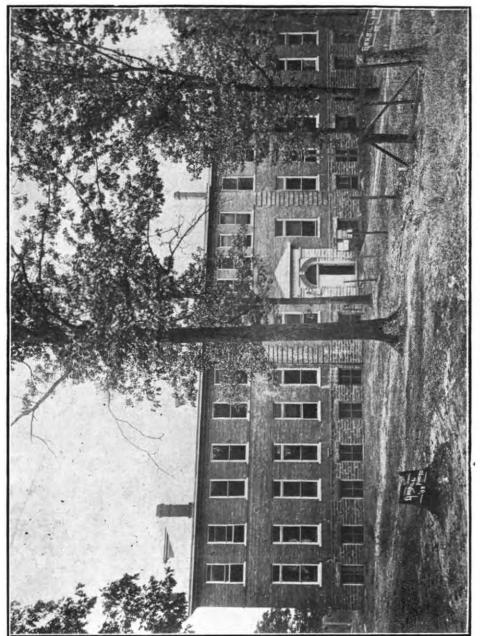


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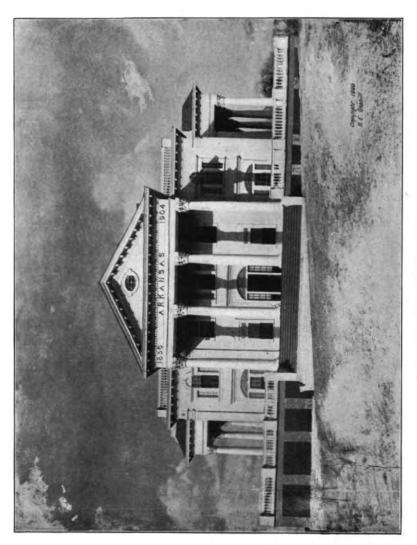
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THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Congress in 1862 laid the foundation for the University of Arkansas and other land grant colleges of the United States, by offering to each state 30,000 acres of public land for each senator and representative in Congress. In 1871 the general assembly of Arkansas accepted the offer of Congress, and passed an act directing that the "Arkansas Industrial University" be located by the Board of Trustees at the town or city which should make the highest and best bid in money, or bonds, or real and personal property; that the Board of Trustees, in locating the university, should take into consideration the health, accessibility and other vital interests upon which the success of the institution might depend; and that such location, when made, should be irrevocable. In accordance with the provisions of this act. Favetteville and Washington County gave \$130,000 in thirty-year eight per cent, bonds to secure the location of the institution, and in January, 1872, the doors were opened to students. 1899 the name was changed by legislative enactment to the "University of Arkansas." The state has been the constant friend of the university, and by appropriation has broadened its scope, so as to include the liberal, as well as the applied arts. Since its foundation the university has had a history of continuous growth and expansion.

The university is located in Fayetteville, a handsome city in the heart of the Ozark Mountains, 1,500 feet above sea level. Its record proves it to be one of the most healthful places in the South. The mountain scenery surrounding it is charming in variety and beauty.

Exclusive of the Medical and Law Schools and the Branch Normal College, the corps of instructors consists of seventy-seven professors, instructors and other officers.

The buildings of the university proper at Fayetteville number twenty. The main building is a brick structure five stories high with cut stone trimmings. In addition to this there are four dormitories, Engineering Hall, mechanical shops, experiment station buildings, dairy building, greenhouse, agricultural building, chemistry building, hospital, extensive campus and other grounds amounting to 160 acres.

That the social life of the university is not entirely neglected is shown by the number of student organizations here. Beside the fraternities and sororities there are the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., six literary societies, two engineering societies, an agricultural society, English Club, Deutscher Verein, Cercle Français, Glee Club, Dramatic Club, Torch Club (a club of senior and junior girls) and others. All of these organizations help to stir the social activity of the university.

While the university is non-sectarian, the students are required to attend daily chapel exercises. The requirements for entrance into the freshman class have been raised to ten points this year and to twelve and one-half points next year.

The following fraternities have chapters in the University of Arkansas: Kappa Sigma (1890), Sigma Alpha Epsilon (1894), Kappa Alpha (1895), Pi Kappa Alpha (1904), Sigma Nu (1904), Sigma Chi (1905), Sigma Phi Epsilon (1907). Women's fraternities: Chi Omega (founded 1895), Zeta Tau Alpha (1903), and Pi Beta Phi (1909).

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ARKANSAS ALPHA

I.

Instead of a formal account of the installation of Arkansas Alpha, may I be allowed to send a very informal account written on the train, as I know the copy can be no longer delayed?

After several weeks of delay the date in the installation was finally set for December 29th, and on the 28th the Pi Phis from Arkansas and Oklahoma began to gather in Fayetteville for the important event. Mrs. Gladson an I. C. from Iowa Gamma, the mother of one of the Gamma Epsilon Delta girls, offered her house as headquarters for all the Pi Phis, and a very delightful house-party we had with Mrs. Merriman, Iowa Zeta, Mrs. Branson, Indiana Beta, and Mrs. Gilbert, Iowa Beta among the number.

By Wednesday afternoon the Gamma Epsilon Delta girls, alumnae and active, had assembled to the number of thirty, and the initiation took place at the beautiful house on the hill, which had been the Arkansas building at the St. Louis Exposition, and where the Fayetteville group has had its rooms for some time. The day was beautifully clear, and the view from the wide verandas over toward the campus and the university buildings was pleasing in the extreme. The wide halls and large rooms filled with a happy enthusiastic group of girls carried me back to the date of my own initiation, with this difference, however, we were seven, they were thirty strong.

After the initiation proper came the informal banquet, the long table being decorated with dark red carnations, and by each plate was placed a single large carnation. This was the time when the visiting Pi Phis could pause long enough to take an inventory of the new chapter, the result of which was most satisfactory to us all. Seated around the long table, the key note seemed to be joy at the attainment of a long wished for end, not only among the girls of the newly established chapter, but among the visiting Pi Phis of the southwestern country as well, especially with Mrs. Merriman who has worked for so long with the girls for the establishment of the chapter. One thing only marred our perfect happiness, the absence of the Grand Treasurer, Céleste Janvier, who had been instrumental in obtaining the charter for Gamma Epsilon Delta, and whose presence was much desired. Her hearty greetings, however, assured the girls that they were not forgotten, and that her absence was unavoidable.

The next day was spent in becoming better acquainted, and then the exodus began. The time was short, but we shall all remember with pleasure the cordial hospitality of our Fayetteville hostess, Mrs. Gladson, the hearty welcome extended to us by the members of the chapter, and their courtesy and kindness during our stay. The wish expressed by all as the train left the station was "Good luck to Arkansas Alpha, our fortieth chapter, and all success and happiness in the New Year."

May L. Keller.

Dec. 31, 1909.

II.

On February 8, 1906 eight girls in the University of Arkansas met and organized a local fraternity which was called Gamma Epsilon Delta. Feeling that the benefit to be derived from such organization would be increased by affiliation with a national fraternity of high standing, we began to work in earnest for a charter from Pi Beta Phi, which was our ideal as a national fraternity. Working always to reach the high standard of Gamma Epsilon Delta—loyalty in friendship, sincerety in purpose, and all the qualities of the true woman, we were preparing to meet the critical requirements of Pi Beta Phi.

Our first success was in securing the support of Mrs. Gladson (Elizabeth Wade) of Iowa Gamma, who has, for four years, been our patroness and friend. After many letters from members of the faculty in regard to the character and scholarship of the girls had been sent to the Grand President, Anne Stuart, President of Gamma province was sent to inspect the local fraternity. She encouraged the girls to continue striving toward the fulfillment of their aspirations.

In the Spring of 1908 Zannie May Estes, of Missouri Alpha and Ruth Bayley of Missouri Beta came to visit us. Their report was favorable and soon after their return home official recommendations were received from the chapters they represented. Encouraged by this, we worked with renewed interest and in the following fall a formal petition was sent to the Grand Council.

Miss Céleste Janvier came as a representative from the Grand Council. During her visit Ruth Jennings and Mrs. Merriman, Pi Phis of Fort Smith, and Zannie M. Estes of Columbia, Mo. were guests at the chapter house. Great rejoicing and fraternity enthusiasm was shown, when on the night before their departure Miss Janvier assured us of her favorable report.

On the evening of December 10 we received the telegram from Miss Keller saying "Charter granted." Preparations were begun at once for the installation which was to take place December 28 and 29. The installing officers were Miss May L. Keller and Mrs. E. N. Merriman, Mrs. Hugh Branson and Mrs. Gerald Gilbert of the Arkansas and Oklahoma Pi Beta Phi alumnae. The installation took place in the fraternity rooms in the Arkansas Building. Each girl was deeply impressed by the earnestness and sincerety with which the ceremonies of the initiation were conducted.

After the last of the twenty-eight girls had been presented with the arrow, an informal spread was served.

The charter members were: Hazel Gladson, Ruth Wood, Mary Shannon, Ruth Jennings, Mildred Gregg, Victoria Vogel, Elizabeth Nichols, Lulu Fleeman, Bess Jane Graham, Margaret Stuckey, Sallie Pope, Nellie Wilson, Mary Campbell, Barbara Davis-Olney, Madge Campbell, Mary Drake, Lyta Davis, Susie Moore, Lucy Nichols, Dolph McCain, Wanda Richards, Aileen Spencer, Ovid Young-Barret, Sunshine Fields, Frances Douglas, Lillian Wallace, Claira Norris, Josephine Dubs.

On account of the absence of most of the faculty and student body during the Christmas vacation, no formal receptions were given, but this gave opportunity for forming a much closer friendship with our guests. On the morning following the installation Miss Keller met with the girls and had a heart to heart talk with them.

We wish to thank our new sisters, who have given us their encouragement and assistance and we hope that the baby chapter of Pi Phi will prove worthy of the confidence placed in it.

> WANDA RICHARDS. MARY DROKE.

HOW I HAVE WORKED MY WAY THROUGH COLLEGE

It has been suggested that it would be not only instructive to us all but also helpful to many of our active members, to learn in what ways and by what means different undergraduates have helped earn their way through college. With this in view the Editor asked each chapter to volunteer contributions through members who are now helping earn their way through college. It has been gratifying to learn that snobbery, so often and so falsely imputed to fraternities, though, we regret to state, charged with truth in too many instances against specific chapters or individuals, seems to have no footing in Pi Beta Phi. Not only have our chapters known how to select initiates who were strong girls, but love of the fraternity and fraternal associations has, as the contributions attest, been the means of inspiring Pi Phis to complete their college courses, as well as to earn the money wherewith a completion of their undergraduate work was made possible. In this measure our fraternity has been a builder of character, and to develop character is the aim of education in its highest form.

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The first work I did my freshman year was sewing for an alumna. There are two things about that little bit of work that are characteristic of most of what I have done since: it was the means of beginning an acquaintanceship which has ripened into a friendship that has been both pleasant and helpful to me; and it was work which I had never done before and work which, on first thought, I felt I could not do.

It was hard to get work my first year and hard to find time to do it. For the last two years I have had charge of the employment for women at Boston University and I always advise the girls to get all the help they can their freshmen year—after that a girl of average strength and ability can get on very well. For two years and a half I have received my tuition for work in the "Information Office" which is also post office and telephone room. This has been very pleasant work, bringing me into closer touch with professors and students. It is my good fortune to know not only every one in my class, but almost everybody in college. For the last two years I have been

Romance librarian for the college. There are two private libraries that house their books in Boston University—the "New England Modern Language Association" and an Italian library. I have charge of them also. Last spring and during a few weeks after college closed I recatalogued these two libraries.

In my own work and in my work in the Employment Bureau I have found that one cannot expect to be fully equipped for any work when she begins it. Too many girls underrate their In charge of ability and so frequently refuse work they need and an Italian it often happens that a girl who is less efficient will library My work with the Italian library illustrates this. When I was asked to take the work, I replied that I should like to try it, and if I found that my ignorance of the Italian language was a serious handicap. I should either give up the work or study the language. It seemed to me that my inability to read Italian would almost incapacitate me for the position, but as usual I was anxious to try. In practise, the only inconvenience that has arisen has been when subscribers have asked me to recommend a book: and I have in a measure solved this problem by keeping an accurate list of every book that is taken from the library, so that I can tell them what books are most popular. My conscience demands that I add that I do not read Italian and so cannot give my personal opinion.

I send out the notices for the meetings of the "Circolo Italiano di Boston" and for the "Society for the University Education of Women"—the "society with the long name" as we call it familiarly; and I occasionally "pick up" odd bits of clerical work. I am also private secretary to one of my professors—I hasten to say that my duties in that capacity are light. Since college opened this year, I have tutored an hour every day and one afternoon a week and all my spare time at home I assist the Art teacher at Miss Winsor's School for Girls—hektographing, arranging and mounting pictures, cataloguing, etc. I also take an occasional order for a firm that carries college novelties.

Perhaps the pleasantest work I have done was last year when I spent every free hour in the home of one of my professors, taking care of his four-year old boy. That was my recreation and I believe that every college girl needs the joy and training that comes from association with little children. I have just one afternoon a week free this winter and I have

a standing invitation there to luncheon that afternoon, and I assure you that when it is possible I go—often tired and scared of the black cloud of unfinished work looming up on my horizon, but after an afternoon's romp with Jack I come back to my work, refreshed in mind and body and with new courage.

My first vacation was very happily spent taking care of a friend's little baby at a summer hotel; the next year I tutored and did settlement work; last year I catalogued the Romance library and spent ten weeks tutoring a friend at her summer home in New Hampshire. I am sure no girl could have spent happier vacations had she had all the money in the world.

Really girls is sounds busier that it is. Still, I know I have done an unusual amount of outside work and I have been able to do it because I have planned my work as carefully as I could and because there has been such variety in it; then too I am strong and have no "nerves." Sometimes I ask myself: "What has been the good of such weariness of the flesh?" I might have borrowed the money, devoted myself wholly to my college work and then in two or three years paid the money back. This is something that every girl who belongs to my class "financially speaking," must decide for herself.

These are some of the things my work has done for me. Naturally I was rather lazy and shockingly unbusinesslike and unsystematic in my work; I have become very fond of work and a glance at my little notebook will show that I am on the way to being systematic, for it contains eight separate accounts and one of them is a cash account! My work has been the means of starting some of the most beautiful and helpful friendships of my life, and it has made it possible for me to be a help rather than a burden to my family and it has brought me into much closer touch with my professors and classmates.

I should never advise a girl to work as I have done if she does not need the money. She can get the same training in settlement work, children's clubs, home and church, etc., and she ought not to take work from those who need it. But I hope that no girl who must work will regard it as a cross. All that it has meant to me, and more, it will mean to any girl who goes into it with the determination to get the most out of it and to do the best she can.

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When I first started to write down just the merest outline of my

experiences in working my way through college, my mind went back to three years ago last September, when I left my home in a A Bell little Iowa town, and had my first taste of college life. I Girl am one of a family of twelve, and in my busy high school days, going to school, helping at home, and doing extra work when I could, the idea of going to college never crossed my mind. But the minister's wife, formerly connected with Iowa Wesleyan University, inspired me with aspirations for a college education, and through her influence procured the position of bell-girl in Hershev Hall, the girls' dormitory. From the high school I had already been awarded an honor scholarship which entitled me to my tuition for the year, and with ten dollars, which was all I had saved from my summer earnings after buying the clothes I needed, I started in as a bewildered but optimistic freshman. I borrowed \$50 during the year, from the Students' Educational Fund of the college, and managed to finish my first year, as happy a girl as any in school.

I should like to tell all the things that were done for me through the year by the different students, acts which showed their interest and good fellowship, but that is not in place here. At the end of the first year, I at last yielded, (although I did not see my way financially) to the girls who had been so kind and thoughtful to me from the day I entered school, and became a happy Pi Beta Phi pledge.

During the summer vacation I spent most of my time doing housework, earning, not more than \$3 a week, out of which I managed each summer to save about \$10 after getting my wardrobe in a suitable condition to return to school.

And as I lived my first year, so the others have been. I have had the same position all the time, answering at all hours of the day, except when I was in classes, the door-bell and the telephone, thus paying entirely for my board and room. Each year I have taken advantage of the educational fund, thus paying for my clothes and incidentals. For two years I received \$20 toward my tuition from what is called a church scholarship. I paid \$6 to my church to help raise the church apportionment in order to get any benefit from it. This scholarship, however, did not pay half my tuition, but with the borrowed money and \$100, which my grandmother gave me, I finished my third year.

I am now a senior and am still at my post, answering the bells, but hope that some way will open up that will enable me to be free from duties the last semester of my college life, which ends this coming June.

Little did I expect when I was in high school that I should ever get to college. My greatest expectation was that I should enter a Normal. But as it so often happens practically my whole course in life was changed and by a very small event. While I was visiting my aunt one winter it was necessary that I should go to college. To do this it was necessary that I should earn money during the summer, and if possible while in college.

My uncle who was a member of the Lake Placid Club, which is situated up in the Adirondacks in one of the prettiest spots in this part of the country, wrote asking if there was anything that I could do. As a result I went up there as a waitress and had a most delightful as well as profitable summer. The work is really very fascinating. It seemed to me just like a game that I was trying to play to the best of my ability, so that I might come out victor over my opponents, in the persons of sixty hotel guests. The work, of course, is not easy, but what work is? Our breakfast was served at half past six, and we reported in the main dining room at seven o'clock. We had a half hour to get our tables set and then at half past seven came roll-call. Of course people who are taking their vacations do not rise very early, and I can assure you that my people were not exceptions to the rule; for it was very seldom that they came to breakfast before nine o'clock. Until this time I could study, write letters, sew or do anything I wished. Usually we were through with our breakfast work about half past ten. At twelve we had dinner, and reported in the guest dining room at half past twelve. dinner work was over between two and half past two, and then all the afternoon was ours to do as we wished. There certainly was enough to occupy our attention for boating, bathing, golfing, tennis, the woods and the water all were at our disposal. What more could we desire? Supper was served at half past six and our work was finished about eight, and then our day's work was done. My first summer I did office work between hours and of course I earned a little more than some of the others. At the end of the season I had \$50, which is fairly good for a new girl.

When I returned home in September I was very enthusiastic about

the club and often entertained the girls by telling them of the good times I had enjoyed. Seven of the girls became so interested that about Christmas five college girls decided to go with me the next summer. And such a summer as it was and such congenial companions as I did. We, of course, all wanted to be together and the only way we could do this was to live in a tent. Of this we were very much in favor; and what fun it proved to be, it would take pages and pages to tell. The summer was as much of a vacation as we could have wished for. It was also a successful summer for us all, but as I had been there before I made more money than the others and when I came home in September I had \$90.

Chapter House Steward My first year in college, I did mending every Saturday morning, which helped along a little. This year I am steward in the chapter house and I want to tell you, girls, that it touches my heart to see how many little things the girls do for me.

Library Work One member of New York Beta during the month of August, 1909, earned \$30 in library work in the city. The money paid her fraternity assessments.

Scholarships Won by Excellent Grades

Another member of New York Beta through various odd jobs has helped defray her college expenses. Scholarships of \$75 each were earned for the last three years of the course by reaching certain marks in class work.

During her freshman year she played the piano accompaniment Pianist for Gymnasium Classes in settlement work in the city. For two hours' work she thus earned \$1.50 a week and paid current expenses with the money. During the following summer she did clerical work in the office of the university, earning \$9 for six days' work a week for five weeks.

Sophomore year she spent in the house of a friend obtaining her board and room in exchange for light house-work and care of the Taking Care of Children

baby. About \$15 was earned by making Greek gowns for the sophomore-freshmen athletic Greek games. During the summer of 1908, she taught kindergarten

in the regular Board of Education summer schools in New York, earning \$84 for eight weeks' work. This money paid all sorts of expenses of the following year.

During her junior year she earned \$1 each Sunday afternoon for one hour's playing of the piano in a Friends' mission class in the city. Tuesday evenings each week, she played the piano also for a settlement gymnasium class for young girls, thus earning \$1.50 an evening. Saturday mornings for six weeks two hours were

spent in the university psychological offices plying experiments for twenty-five cents an hour.

During the summer of 1909, five weeks were spent in the university office, doing clerical work at \$9 a week. For eight weeks following she taught kindergarten again in the city's summer schools, earning \$10.50 per week, working six days from 1 to 5.30 p. m.

The above are the main occupations engaged in during the four years and, although they were not very strenuous in themselves, the money realized went far toward making her college course possible and particularly her membership in the fraternity.

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I don't think that I am ambitious, unless it is ambitious to go after what one wants and get it. My parents do not think a college education necessary for a girl, so I was forced to secure Teaching the necessary funds by my own efforts if I chose to go to Piano college. In my freshman year I managed to get along without working; in fact I had never thought of earning my way through college, but I was invited to join Pi Beta Phi that year and I enjoyed my fraternity life so much that I couldn't bear to give it up. I stayed at home the first semester of my sophomore year and studied piano, taking a sort of normal course. I also studied how to secure pupils, and went out and got enough to pay my expenses in college provided that I also continued to teach. The second semester I started in with twelve hours of college work and seven music lessons a week besides a kindergarten class. Since I live at home my earnings from these sources were sufficient to pay my expenses and to buy my clothes. My teaching I continued all summer and when college opened this fall I was giving fifteen piano lessons a week. I registered at college for thirteen hours, which I expect to carry through the year, in addition to one hour a week in harmony. Some of my music pupils come to my home; and I go to the homes of others—the latter takes much time in this city of "magnificent distances." I keep Monday afternoons for chapter meeting; I teach every other school day; and on Saturdays and Sundays I rest.

I had never done any remunerative work before, and I find that I now begin to learn with unusual rapidity. I don't find much time to play, and not enough to study as much as I should like, yet the work is so enjoyable that I do not dislike it at all. In fact I am conceited over it, for I am the only girl in our chapter who is trying by her personal resources to gain an education. I shall be compelled to take four and a half years to graduate, but I hope then to be able to go to some eastern conservatory where I can enjoy college life in Pi Beta Phi as well as study music, to my heart's content.

I should like to urge every girl who has left college on account of lack of finances, to try my plan—it is lots of fun, one surely learns things, and college comes to mean more even than ever before.

At George Washington University two students are chosen each year as assistants in the college library. As compensation they receive one-half of the tuition of the actual number of hours of college work carried. Each assistant spends twelve hours a week in the library, so that she becomes quite familiar with the daily routine of a library, as well as with the different books and the "book atmosphere." These student assistants realize to a great extent the minor duties of a librarian, thus gaining a general idea of what their future work will be. For several years one of these positions has been held by a Pi Phi. At present a member of Columbia Alpha holds this position.

George Washington University, situated in the heart of Washington, maintains a close connection with the high schools of the city.

Substitutes Teachers in City

High Schools

Many members of the high school faculties are furnished by our college. Also upper classmen find it valuable experience to substitute for instructors in the high schools who, for a short time, are absent from their duties. Owing to the numerous subjects which are taught at the university only at late hours, many of the girls find it not at all inconvenient to substitute during the day and

still pursue their college courses in the late afternoon. To prospective teachers the training is valuable since substitute teaching in high schools counts as the experience so often found necessary in obtaining desirable permanent positions. Moreover the pay for a day's work is good, as it ranges from \$2 to \$4. Many of the girls of Columbia Alpha has found this delightful and remunerative work.

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Until last fall an alumna has been our house steward, but at that time the active chapter assumed the responsibility of the care of the house. I was elected house steward for this year. As this involves much extra work, the chapter voted to allow me a credit of \$2.25 a week, half of what we regularly pay for board.

In addition to this work in our chapter house, I am assisting in the botanical department of the university. At present I am illustrating a book for Dr. Bessey. Usually I spend two hours a day on this work and I earn from \$10 to \$20 a month. This pays my fraternity dues, special taxes, and most of my incidentals. I am a junior in the university and carry sixteen hours' work.

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In a small college merit more easily creates an opportunity for students to make their way through college than is the case in a large university where, because of the number of students, a certain amount of influence must be back of applicants for aid. I am manager of the girls' gymnasium. I have charge of the two large classes of girls who take part in various drills and of basketball. For this work I receive my tuition, \$21 a term.

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Partly to pay my way through college and partly for the experience to be gained therefrom, I taught school in the country

Schools

Taught in Country

Schools

The great variety of subjects required, enabled me better to determine what lines of work I should later teach. Also the experience gained will no doubt be of help to me in securing a position after I have left college.

During my college course until this my senior year I have done waitress In Girls'
Dormitory

Some outside work to help earn my expenses. At first it was in the girls' hall of the college, the home of more than a hundred girls. I waited on a table at which there were about ten girls and afterwards helped dry dishes. The time required for this work averaged four hours a day, and in return for it I received my room and board. Ten student girls were doing similar work and we had many good times along with the work which of course, was not always easy.

Last year instead of working in the Hall, I lived with friends in Housework town, helping with the housework; and for this I obtained my board and room. This was certainly a pleasant year for I was just like one of the family and my work was just such as I would do at home. I am sure that I am enjoying my last year in college all the more for having had these experiences.

Last year Lombard established a sort of fellowship in Latin and Greek. Two hours' teaching a day is required. The courses to be tought by the student assistant comprise the work done in the first two years of high school, that is, through Caesar in Latin and through the Anabasis in Greek. This fellowship yields \$225 a year. This amount pays tuition, and board and room in Lombard Hall.

This year and last I have held this fellowship. As I expect to teach either Latin or Greek, the work helps me in my own studies as well as by giving me experience in teaching. We girls hope to keep the Latin and Greek fellowship as a Pi Phi institution.

My work last year was tutoring. The first half of the year, I lived with a family and in return for my board and room, helped the boy, aged twelve, and the girl, aged fourteen, in arithmetic and grammar, and started them in Latin. Certain hours of the day were set aside for this work and the rest of the time was my own. The second semester, however, I lived in the fraternity rooms. About the beginning of this semester, I began tutoring a little girl in arithmetic. She was backward in that subject and I had to help her so that she might graduate from grammar school. She had a lesson twice a week and for this I re-

ceived a dollar an hour. I enjoyed this work very much, and felt that I was getting valuable experience.

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I attended an eastern college for one year and then left because my father's health was uncertain and more money was needed at home. That was four years ago. When the oppor-Stenographer tunity came to me to work my way through a smaller In College western college, the family decided that they could Office do without the money that I had been putting into the home and thus left me free for college work. I am working in the college office as a stenographer, taking dictation from the president, the secretary, and the dean of the college, and occasionally from other members of the faculty. I am in the office all of the time not taken up with my recitations, with the exception of three hours on Monday morning, the weekly holiday. This amounts to from four to six hours work a day at the rate of twenty cents an hour. My weekly income ranges from \$5.80 to \$6.20. My board and room cost me \$3.50 a week. A scholarship reduces other college fees to a trifle more than \$30 for the year. My greatest item of expense aside from these is my fraternity, and there are also my dues to literary society and to Y. W. C. A. I am taking fourteen hours' work instead of the required sixteen and for this reason may find it necessary to take an extra year's work. However, I do not consider the mere question of time important.

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My freshman year 1907-1908 I earned my board in Haven Hall, the girls' dormitory, by waiting on table. There were about fifteen waitresses in the Hall and each had a table of ten girls. Each meal we had to wait on them and clear the table afterwards. After dinner at night each had a portion of the dishes to wash. It was intended that this work should amount to three hours a day—an hour's work for each meal.

Vacations every girl that lived near enough went home. This frequently made it possible for us waitresses also to go. In June the hardship came, for every waitress had to remain over commencement whether she willed or not.

On the whole as I look back on this period of college life, my freshman year, I am glad I worked. Besides earning my board I grew to have a keener sympathy for those who work. I got bet-

ter acquainted also with many girls' real selves. Some would not notice me on the street my first year but the second, when fortune was more kind and I didn't have to work, they were more than cordial. I am glad to say that during that year I waited on four Pi Phis (I was a neutral then) and that each one was very kind to me wherever I met her.

Through the Arrow I would like to ask all Pi Phis to be very kind and thoughtful towards our college associates who are less fortunate than we.

Being the happy possessor of several sisters who also hope to come to college in the near future, I decided at the close of my high school career, to be independent and earn, as far Waitress in as possible, my way through college. With this end in Summer view, I spent the following summer in company with Vacation other high school girls of like determination, doing table work in congenial surroundings. In addition to enjoying a healthful vacation among the mountains, I was able to earn my first tuition bill, and meet all expenses.

Since coming to college, by doing all kinds of housework, cooking, ironing, dish-washing, sweeping, dusting, door-tending and last but not least, baby tending, I have been fortunate enough Housework to earn my board and room, which is equivalent to \$5 a week.

I consider myself fortunate indeed because the spirit of my college tends to help instead of to hinder students who are earning their way. their way.

Last year two of our girls received their tuition, one for correcting English papers, and the other for assisting in Assistants to the mathematical department. A third girl College Instructors earned pin money by tutoring in Latin. year a junior and a sophomore are earning their tuition by correcting English papers. A second junior corrects Latin papers, a third junior is assistant librarian in the college library, and a senior is an assistant in mathematics.

One of the upper classmen a few years ago was editor of The Collegian. This entitled her to free lege Newspaper tuition.

Editor of Col-

During the three and a half years of my college course I have tutored in mathematics. For this work I do not require much prepation as mathematics is my major subject. I spend in tutoring what time I am not busy at my own studies. For this I get from twenty-five to fifty cents an hour, depending on the subject. One term I taught a regular class in Algebra; this brought me sixty cents an hour. By my tutoring I have earned nearly \$300.

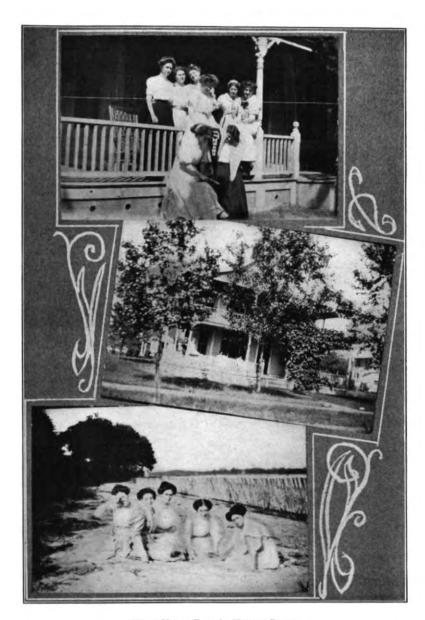
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The first money I ever earned was by doing the treasurer's work for a girls' boarding club. For this I received my board, which amounted to \$65. For the past two years I have taught Grammar in the English department here. In the fall of 1908 I taught three classes daily for sixty cents an hour. Since then I have had two classes daily, also at sixty cents an hour. Besides this I have read themes nearly every week. Altogether I have earned \$500 during my three and a half years of college life.

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I was fortunate in gaining a conversational knowledge of German at home, so that after two years' additional training, I was able to teach two classes last year. In this way I earned \$100 in addition to my tuition of \$50. I also tutored a few delinquent German students. For this work I received fifty cents for a lesson of an hour and a half. I earned approximately \$20.

This year I am house steward at the chapter house. For this I receive my board, about \$10 a month. I am also carrying on the work of tutoring, earning thus \$20 a semester.



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J ANITA BROWNE, M. G. B., AS Capt. Harry Townshend IN D'Arcy of the Guaras, 1911 JUNIOR SHOW AT BARNARD



A Model Lover, a Comedy Given by Lincoln Alumnae of Nebraska Beta



MARGARET L. GLANDING, '11, NEW YORK ALPHA, AS Luciana IN
A Comeay of Errors



Leota McFarlin, as Cecilia in As You Like It, Given by Thespian Dramatic Club, April. 7 and 8, 1999



Hazel Kelly, '12, Kansas Alpha, as $Nan\ Freeman$ in $Father\ and\ the\ Frat,$ Given by Thespian Dramatic Club, December 3 and 4, 1909



CLARE JAEDICKE, KANSAS ALPHA, AS Gertrude Fielding IN Father and the Frat, Given by Thespian Dramatic Club, December 3 and 4, 1909



EULAH GRAY, '10, MISSOURI BETA, WHO WROTE The Prude Queen of Hadden Hall, A COMEDY GIVEN BY MISSOURI BETA

Photograph by T. Kajiwara



HELEN GORSE, Missouri Beta AMY STARBUCK, Missouri Beta YSOBEL CAMPBELL, Missouri Beta Photograph by T. Kajiwaca



Berna Holdeman, Iowa Alpha Susanne Gardner, Iowa Alpha Ullena Ingersoll, Iowa Alpha



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Pansy Matthews, Indiana Alpha Edith Ball, Iowa Zeta Carolyn Bradley, Iowa Zeta



MILDRED DANIELS, Mass. Alpha LOUISE SHEPHERD, Ohio Beta FANNIE CHARLES, Washington Alpha



HELEN BERTRAM SMITH, Ohio Beta

PI BETA PHI IN COLLEGE DRAMATICS HABDILOU, OR THE HINDOO MYSTIC

AN OPERETTA COMPOSED BY HELEN BERTRAM SMITH, OHIO BETA

Of the operetta *Habdilou* which is to be given January 16, there is little to tell just now. I have the music all finished—songs and choruses—yet the dialogue is only hazily outlined in my mind. Yet if it is of any interest to the Pi Beta Phis to know how I went about it I am glad to furnish an account.

The Glee Club director, at a loss for a general plan for novelty in the annual concert, came to me this fall stating her limitations, and asking if I could write an operetta to conform to them, for presentation in January. She said, what I already knew too well, that costume was impossible if it meant any expenditure, that dressing-rooms were not to be had, that only one scene could be rented from the theatre, that no men could be in the choruses, and that she knew of no girls with dramatic ability among her splendid singers, so there was no one to "write around." She stated at the same time that she wanted plenty of comedy, room for "take-offs," two full acts, and pretty effects.

After a little time for thought I outlined Habdilou—The Hindoo Mystic—for them, and got the music composed and off to the printer first. In making it up, I decided that every little operetta that our college folks love has some catch phrases which we adopt, some funny characters which we can parallel on the campus, and some tunes that we can whistle. Also that the only place to set it was a dormitory or some such residence of girls, and that the fun would lie in their wee bits of philosophy, their mis-judgments, and womanly wit. So Habdilou is set in a dormitory in a modern college on the last of October—Hallowe'en—the first scene in modern dress at twilight, and the second in negligee-kimonos—at midnight.

There are in the cast, seven players: Pepsy, the fascinating freshman, in love; Dorsey, her "girl-lover," sister to the college idol; Laura, a senior with dignity; Dockit, the dormitory clown; Priscilla, Dean, pro tem; Brother Tom, in love with Pepsy; Habdilou, the Hindoo Mystic.

ACT I.

Curtain rises on end of the Glee rehearsal. Conversation at its close gives the true relation of each and mentions the man "Beverly" to whom Pepsy is supposedly engaged, leading into the "Sense of Humor" song sung by Laura. Dinner chimes, and when all are out, Dorsey and Pepsy—are heard bidding a breathless adieu to Tom. They let us know of the absence of the dean, and plan with Dockit (who enters soon) to "spirit away" Priscilla—who is appointed Dean pro tem. Pepsy and Dockit go out to the dining-room, and Dorsey signals her brother who enters with the Hindoo. Then a conversation follows about the picture of the mysterious man that hangs in Pepsy's room. The Hindoo is given instructions and money, and hidden in an ante-room. When the girls return Dorsey announces that she has engaged "Habdilou"—for a psychic reading that night, and that all who will may join. When Priscilla objects, Dockit and Pepsy entice her into the attic clothes-press and they return to join in the last chorus: "That is only wumby-dumby talk" which is a "barn-dance" movement.

ACT II.

This scene is helped out by bogie-lights, "Hallowe'en traps," and quaint attire. Much merriment is carried out in a typical "dorm" spread, during which Tom is smuggled into the room with Habdilou -and his sister, and dressed precisely like the mystic. There is an occasion made for a toast song, in which many can sing a little verse, then Dorsey announces that "Habdilou" wants the picture of "that opposite type which has attracted them-further to aid her in the reading." The "Love Song" follows, in which Pepsy first figures as the possessor of the handsome picture that has attracted the attention of all who entered her room. Then Habdilou enters with a weird wild song of India, much the most artistic song of all, I am told, and the circle is formed. By a clever ruse, Habdilou passes behind a screen during an incantation, and is replaced by Tom, in like costume, who receives his sweetheart at his knee, with her supposed lover's picture. He recognizes "Beverly," as a young actor, several months dead, and figures out where the child got it. His disgust is deep at her deceit, and he hovers near, as the returning psychist, pronounces the sentence she has learned from him-"There is absolutely no psychic connection between you and this man. You are not in love." Pepsy then makes so pathetic an apology in the little song that follows that she wins back her lover. She tells how "none were her friends but the dingy books"-and how much popularity followed in the wake of her little ruse, ending with the phrase

"Act engaged but not in love, and men will come to woo." Through Tom she is reunited to Dorsey who uncovered the deceit, and the finale follows.

There is little to it all but an occasional opportunity for another little tune, or bit or by-play with local hits. I want you to know, however, that the part of "Habdilou" will fall to Louise Shephard, a Pi Phi, who besides being the best singer in the club, is the helpful Pi Phi artist who designed my programs last year when I directed the club, and came to the front this year with a beautiful cover design for the book of the operetta. The design was worthy of having on the best paper, in three colors, but I was spending Glee Cub money, and made it most reasonable. I could have accomplished nothing, I am sure, at the university, had it not been for the constant encouragement and help of the girls of Ohio Beta. I hope that the presentation will not disappoint their splendid faith in Habdilou.

HELEN BERTRAM SMITH.

THE PRUDE QUEEN OF HADDON HALL

WRITTEN BY EULAH GRAY, MISSOURI ALPHA, AND GIVEN BY THE CHAPTER

Friday, March 15, 1909, the Missouri Beta chapter of Pi Beta Phi presented a three-act play entitled the Prude Queen of Haddon Hall. It was written by Eulah Gray, '10, and was presented in the college theatre. A number of rushees were invited besides many friends of the chapter. The plot of the play which is very simple, serves chiefly to bind together the delightfully characteristic scenes of college life. Violet Sperry, the Prude Queen is rushed madly by the Kappa Mu Sigma (keep mouth shut) Sorority. They call a meeting to vote her in, but her room-mate, Birdie Lee Wallace, discovers that Violet has deceived her, and refuses to vote on her name. So Katherine Woodard, a western girl, is the only new acquisition. The next scene is the ghostly initiation of Katherine, which is suddenly interrupted by the unexpected appearance of one of the teachers. The last act is the night of "Senior Prom." Violet prevents Birdie Lee from eloping with her lover, who she proves is false, and she also shows Birdie Lee that she has in reality been the truest possible friend. When the sorority girls return from the "Prom" in their pretty gowns, Birdie Lee joyfully proposes for membership the name of Violet Sperry, the Prude Queen of Haddon Hall.

The play opens with a typical college song, and from the beginning is filled with laughable instances drawn from college girls' everyday life. Roberta Creston, the boy-crazy girl, cannot keep from raving about Jim's new suit, lavender tie and socks, not to mention his "cute little rah rah hat." Inez Henderson is the official rusher, and she certainly goes at it with a vim. Sweet Barton has a wonderful brother who is ever in her mind. She never forgets to remark—now, if only my brother were here, etc. Katherine Woodard, the little Texas girl, is true "raw material." She abhors rats, fancy dresses and social affairs in general, and is remarkably sloppy before the Kappa Mu Sigmas decide to improve her appearance. But by the end of the year she appears in Birdie Lee's room with a monstrous rat, literally begging the French maid to dress her hair.

The cast was composed of: Birdie Lee Wallace (the heiress), Shirley Seifert; Pet Arnold (working her way through college), Ysobel Campbell; Inez Henderson (official rusher), Ruth Le Cron; Roberta Creston (boy-crazy girl), Sara Thomas; Violet Sperry (Birdie Lee's room-mate), Louise Birch; Miss Ford (favorite teacher), Zide Fauntleroy; Sweet Barton (athletic girl with brother), Julia Griswold; The Band, Edith Baker; Katherine Woodard (sloppy girl), Betsy Forbes; Happy Dixon (center on basketball team), Eulah Gray; Mascot, Anna Dierfield; Marie (Birdie Lee's French Maid), Imogen Adams; President Kappa Mu Sigma, Dorothea Frazer; Mu Beta Sorority Girls, Marjorie Adriance, Marguerite Frazer, Helen Shultz.

On Wednesday afternoon, September 22, four of our girls gave the Pi Phi Minstrel Quartette as a "rushing stunt." They were dressed as old darky women, and they sang comic songs, with local hits, and laughed at their own jokes. The performance was made as ridiculous as possible. Those who took part were Amy Starbuck, Ruth Le Cron, Louise Birch and Helen Schultz. Eulah Gray drilled the girls and accompanied the songs. After the performance watermelon was served to the guests.

Missouri Beta.

A PATRON OF ART

GIVEN BY INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNAE CLUB

Our Indianapolis Alumnae Club, comprising all Pi Phis resident in the city, from whatever chapter, gave a play last May at the home of Mrs. Herbert Fatout (Laura Huffman), of Indiana Beta. The production was a very amusing farce entitled A Patron of Art, written for seven female characters, with the following cast:

Mrs. Morley, a patron of arts and sciences, May Carney-Middleton, Indiana Alpha; Genevieve Morley, her daughter, Mary Davis, Indiana Gamma; Theresa Blumenshenkel, a distant relative, Ethel Curryer, Indiana Gamma; Jewel Dumont, a music teacher, Fanny Miner, Indiana Gamma; Ernestine Moneyclacker Rittenhouse, a society young woman, Anne McCollum, Indiana Gamma; Antoinette, her maid, Ruth Elstun-Curtis, Indiana Gamma; Bridget, servant to Mrs. Morley, Emma Eaton-White, Iowa Zeta.*

Mrs. Morley, absorbed in clubs, neglectful of her family, and seeking higher social position, wishes to join forces, matrimonially and socially, with Miss Rittenhouse, a member of an old established family, by which Miss Rittenhouse may also profit through securing entrance to certain exclusive clubs. Their efforts properly to impress each other as to the strength of their respective positions, are very laughable. The poor music teacher, who has a sentimental attachment to Mrs. Morley as the fianceé of her son, enlists Theresa and Bridget in a little conspiracy by which they are to use the mother's love for Genevieve as a means of bringing her back to herself.

The play was in every way successful. The participants themselves probably didn't realize that they had so much dramatic talent. Mrs. Middleton, in the difficult part of Mrs. Morley, did especially well and rendered with great feeling and vivacity the long lines of her part. She was dressed in a very handsome afternoon gown. little daughter, a diminutive Pi Phi, dressed in a shortwaisted white dress with braids, socks and slippers was a very sweet little ten year old and laughed, and cried, and pouted, and "pieced" very naturally indeed. Miss Rittenhouse, with her maid, her long veil, her lorgnette, and her lazy drawl, was the very personification of contemptuous elegance, and though at first courted by Mrs. Morley was finally made to feel quite out of place, in the re-awakening of the mother, Mrs. Curtis, as her maid in a black dress and white cap and apron, couldn't be distinguished from the genuine French article and was just as dainty and demure as the most fastidious could wish. The part of Jewel Dumont, who is sweet, sentimental, and diffident,

^{*}Mrs. White also acted as stage manager and dramatic critic. Indiana Gamma writes the Editor that the success of the play was largely due to Mrs. White's untiring efforts.

but resourceful, was very prettily portrayed by Fanny Miner, gowned in white. Theresa and Bridget, the two "character" parts were well taken by Miss Curryer and Mrs. White, and the makeup for each was perfect. Theresa in her old, old-fashioned dress, bonnet, and shawl, with white stockings and old carpet bag, and her German brogue, succeeded in annoying and embarrassing Mrs. Morley almost to distraction, but her heart was right. Though Bridget showed by her dress and appearance that she was fresh from the old country, yet she had been in America long enough to acquire insolence and chewing-gum. She won the allegiance of Genevieve by telling her the blood-curdling stories theoretically not permitted by her mother, and was a factor in bringing about the climax.

A slight burn on Genevieve's hand was exaggerated and used as a pretext for bringing Mrs. Morley home from a club, and by the skillful management of Miss Dumont, who keeps her in suspense and leads her to think that Genevieve thinks more of Theresa and Bridget in this trying time, than of her mother, the dénouement is brought about.

The play was given with very simple setting and accessories in Mrs. Fatout's library. Mr. Fatout had fastened two or three old window blinds together with hinges, and stained them, for wings at one side, and a lavatory door was used as a street entrance. The audience was seated in the hall and the parlor beyond. A telephone receiver and transmitter was loaned by the telephone company, which, with a door-bell, comprised all the "props" needed. An ever-watchful prompter was hid in a corner, but her services were not required.

EMMA EATON-WHITE.

A MODEL LOVER

GIVEN BY NEBRASKA BETA ALUMNAE

A Model Lover was the name of the little play that members of our alumnae presented for one of the rushing parties in the fall of 1908. Mrs. Howard Kirkpatrick (Vera Wattles) was director, adviser, and stage manager and with one exception the cast was composed entirely of alumnae members.

The ballroom at the home of Ada and Helen Waugh made an attractive and adequate theatre, one end being used as the stage which was very very beautifully set. As the play abounded in clever lines and ridiculous situations there was a great deal of applause and merriment. The cast of characters follows:

Col. Francis, of the old school, Anita Hazelwood; Prof. Pettetier, Grace Murray Salisbury; Gustave Pelletier, son of Prof. Pelletier. Mildred Hazelwood-King; Leslie Francis, niece to Col. Francis, Susanna Ashmun-Brown; Betty Trask, ward to Col. Francis, Edna Holland-DePutron; Mrs. Bobbit, housekeeper to Col. Francis, Anne Elizabeth Stuart. Act I—Studio of Leslie & Betty; Act II—Same. Time—Present. Place—Paris.

TOMMY'S WIFE

GIVEN BY MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA

Tommy's Wife, a comedy in three acts, was presented by Massachusetts Alpha, March 13, 1908, in Jacob Sleeper Hall.

The romance of the play takes place in twentieth century New York, and in it Mildred Daniels as Patty Campbell, a student at a Broadway Dramatic School and Helen Brown as Rose, sister of Tom Carothers, the artist, divided the honors of leading lady, each having a prominent part and each doing exceptionally good work. A decided touch of humor was added by "Pierre de Bonton" a French fencing-master in love with Rose. The last scene of the play was made especially attractive by the introduction of a fancy costume dance, arranged by Florence Bobb, a student at the university, who also assisted us between acts, with a number of vocal selections.

Tommy's Wife was given for the benefit of the history professorship fund and was a decided success financially, as more than fifty dollars were cleared and given to the trustees of that fund. We were proud of the fact that Dean Warren made special mention of the play the following morning at chapel and announced its success.

We are hoping that the play to be given next semester, 1910, will be no less a success.

Massachusetts Alpha.

AN AMUSING INCIDENT

GIVEN BY THE COLORADO INITIATES OF 1909

It is a custom that every year the pledges entertain the chapter and alumnae with a play. There are only two things required, first the play must be absolutely original, the idea may come from some outside source of course, but the words and arrangement must be their own. Second all the pledges are expected to take some part. Naturally the number of pledges influences the performance and last year when there was an unusually large number of pledges a negro minstrel show was given with vaudeville "stunts" and personal hits upon chapter members. This year however there were only eight girls and their play was an original farce called *An Amusing Incident*. The cast of characters was as follows:

James Edsull; Grace Edsull, his wife; Carla Edsull, his baby sister; Robby Edsull, his older sister; Jack Whitly, a college friend; Mrs. Whitly, Jack's Mother; Bridget; Messenger. The time is the present and the scene is the living-room of a modern apartment.

James and Grace Edsull, a young and inexperienced couple, are trying to run a house and keep up appearances on a very modest income. The servant problem is by far the worst they have to face and the play opens with James and Grace seated in their living-room discussing the present incompetent Bridget. That individual herself soon brings the dialogue to an abrupt close by stalking in and thrusting a telegram in front of Edsull demanding at the same time the messenger boy's fee. Bridget is far from prepossessing. She is tall and angular. Her hair is strained back from her forehead and twisted tightly on the back of her head. Her face is streaked with soot probably acquired by repeated tussles with the kitchen range and the apron that she wears is far from clean. But on the whole her attitude convinces one that Bridget has a will of her own and no doubt feels herself capable of managing her young master and mistress.

James pays the messenger and eagerly opens the message. He reads that his college chum, Jack Whitly and mother, wishing to meet Mrs. Edsull are coming to make a short visit. At first James is delighted but Grace is in the depths. "What shall we do for a maid?" she moans. "Bridget can never serve company." James becomes angry and at once jumps at the conclusion that probably the Whitlys who are wealthy people have no other object in their visit than to see how a house can be managed on such a small income. He urges his wife to start out at once and try to secure a maid.

Grace has scarcely left the house when Bridget hustles rather than ushers in James' two sisters whose arrival is most unexpected. Bobby, the older one is a pretty, fluffy-haired, young lady, brimful of mischief. She has descended unceremoniously upon her brother to escape

an ardent lover's admiration. The younger sister Carla, is only an innocent looking child with her Teddy bear and dolls clasped tightly in her arms.

Though her brother's greeting is a cordial one, Bobby is quick-witted enough to see that something is troubling him and instantly orders him to tell her his grievances. Glad of the chance to unburden himself to some one, he asks her if she noticed Bridget. She replies that no one could fail to notice Bridget. James then hastens to tell of the approaching visit from his old college chum and the lack of sufficient help in his home. Bobby is immediately interested and after a moment's thought cries, "Oh James, let me be your maid your wife has never seen me, she won't know, please, please!" Her brother jumps at the suggestion as the proverbial drowning man at the straw.

Bobby has hardly transformed herself into a servant girl when Mrs. Edsull returns worn out with her vain search. Gleefully her husband points out that he has been more successful. He explains that the new maid Flora is his little sister Carla's nurse, but that she has kindly offered to aid them out of their present difficulties. Carla strongly objects but her interruptions are overlooked in the arrival of the expected guests. When Jack Whitly enters the room he gives a stare of surprise upon seeing the maid and Bobby, and Flora nearly drops the suitcase that she is bearing from the room but neither speaks. Little Carla once more feels called upon to explain the situation but her brother hurries her off to buy candy and at the same time he pacifies Bridget, who is threatening to resign her place if any more company comes.

When the disturbance seems to have quieted, Jack Whitly loses no time in seeking out the maid though Bobby does her best to avoid him. At last, however, he comes upon her in the living-room and demands to know why she is working. Seeing no other way out of the perplexing difficulty Bobby tells him of the predicament in which she found her brother and adds that she never dreamed that Jack Whitly was the college friend or she would not have assumed the disguise. But she begs him to promise not to give her away until she has successfully finished the masquerade. He promises provided she will promise him something also. He tells her that she already knows how much he loves her and begs her to become his wife. Bobby does not need much persuasion and they are just sealing the compact with a

kiss when Mrs. Whitly enters the room. Horrified at the sight of her son with a servant girl in his arms she faints away. James and Grace are summoned and the little sister follows them in, getting in everybody's way and begging to be allowed to explain. There is now no further chance of disguise and the play ends with a reconciliation between the lovers and Mrs. Whitley but with Bridget threatening emphatically to give notice if the family do not come to dinner.

Colorado Alpha.

REVERIES OF A BACHELOR

GIVEN BY INDIANA ALPHA

After the completion of our new gymnasium at Franklin College the question of its equipment naturally arose. A carnival was decided upon, at which each organization in college was to have some "stunt" and thus earn money to help purchase apparatus. The carnival was to be held in the gymnasium, where to each organization a certain amount of space for its "stunt" was allotted.

We chose the Reveries of A Bachelor and arranged our space so as to form a little theatre, having obtained a regular movable stage with curtains, footlights, etc. The stage was arranged as a dining-room with covers laid for four at table. We obtained a reader to read the portions we had selected from the book, as nothing was to be said on the stage, and secured a pianist to play appropriate music. One of our good Pi Phi supporters consented to be the Bachelor, for of course we had to have a fine looking man to take this part.

When the curtain rises the Bachelor is seated by the table smoking as he watches an old negro mammy light the candles on the table. The reader tells us that the host is expecting friends to dine with him. And as he waits for his guests he sees, through the smoke, all his sweethearts pass before him. Twelve types of girls are represented each coming from the back of the stage, passing in front of the Bachelor, walking across the stage, and passing out. First comes a little girl in short skirts, her hair in braids, a doll in her arms. She is succeeded by the "daisy girl," who is decked from head to foot with these flowers of the field. Then a dashing young widow comes forward, followed by a summer girl, an athletic girl, a Red Cross nurse, a gypsy maid, an actress, and a little Japanese girl whom he met in far away Japan. An artist, with brush and palette comes forward, a Spanish senorita in native costume also. Finally comes

his bride, and as the wedding march begins the Bachelor goes to meet her, then a dozen girls, forming two half circles, surround them and the curtain falls on this tableau.

It took about fifteen minutes for these tableaux, just long enough to give the audience its money's worth and yet not long enough to become tiresome. We felt rewarded for our work for we made the hit of the carnival and cleared more money than any other organization at less than half the expense.

Indiana Alpha.

MICHIGAN BETA'S VAUDEVILLE

At first at vaudeville seemed impossible, for not a single one of us could think of a single "stunt" which we could exhibit from the stage, without the fear that it would fall flat. But a vaudeville was decided upon, and a vaudeville it must be, so we all got our thinking caps on and eventually produced one of the cleverest little entertainments that our chapter has given in many a day. We decided at the beginning of our performance that each act should be a surprise to the performers in every other act, so that we might enjoy our own vaudeville as much as our guests. Many were the whispered preparations and the rehearsals behind closed doors, as freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors prepared their special acts, and great was the funin anticipating and guessing what part our neighbor was to play. Our audience had reserved seats on the front stairs and the all-star cast performed in the hall in front of them with the room adjoining as a dressing apartment. Extension wires reaching to the floor from the chandeliers served admirably as footlights and made quite an effective stage. One of the girls was stage manager, and in a black suit of clothes with the necessary addition of a wig and mustache, took charge of the performance announcing each act as it was staged. One of our girls is a clever dancer, so accompanied by a chorus and ballet, she illustrated the popular song hits of the day. Another act was the impersonation of popular actresses in their favorite rôles. Several pantomine performances were given accompanied by both pianos and vocal solos. "Take-offs" on the girls were rendered in song and verse. An Arabian dance was beautifully given in costume. Selections from several operas were given by choruses. A tableau and a Michigan song, "The Yellow and Blue," concluded the performance. During the intermission between acts, a girl in a little white suit with a tray suspended about her neck sold candy and pop-corn.

We had an immense lot of fun out of our little vaudeville and at comparatively no trouble.

MICHIGAN BETA.

ONTARIO ALPHA AND SHAKESPEARE

No account of Pi Beta Phi theatricals would be complete without some mention of the impromptu presentation of part of Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream, given by Ontario Alpha at their houseparty last spring. The preparation of costumes, learning of parts, assigning of rôles, and the presentation of the play was the work of a single evening. Naturally the costumes displayed showed a balancing quantity of originality. Pyramus was arranged in a darkhued kimono with girdle effect produced by a bath towel and he carried, as a dagger, the crumb "scraper." Thisbe, beautiful beyond measure, appeared in a kimono of lighter hue and disguised by a tunic-like arrangement of mauve, of which her blood was also manufactured. The parts of Wall, Moon, Quince, etc. were easily managed with the necessary adornments of stones, honeysuckle boughs, lanterns, Teddy bears, etc. The lion carried on her back a heavy, hot, fur coat from the depths of which from time to time issued muffled roars.

The parts were all perfected by nine o'clock although in places the Shakespearian version was much improved by the various "stars" who made their "débuts" that night. Imagine the surprise of the performers when, upon entering the drawing room, they discovered that guests had been asked in to witness the production. After a hastily effected exit they mustered up courage and reëntered to the delight and amusement of the audience. When once Peter Quince had succeeded in having the characters properly introduced the play proceeded smoothly except for a brief interruption caused by the clatter of Pyramus' dagger falling on the floor. Although the poor lion had become almost nothing under the heavy pressure of the fur coat she roared beautifully "an 'twere any nightingale."

On the whole methinks Shakespeare himself would have enjoyed the performance to say nothing of what our Pi Phi sisters missed.

MAUDE E. ZUERN, '10.

COLLEGE PLAYS IN WHICH PI PHIS HAVE RECENTLY TAKEN PART

ILLINOIS DELTA AT KNOX

One of the customs at Knox is for the juniors and sophomores to give their plays on Washington's birthday. The juniors give theirs in the afternoon and the sophomores in the evening. The sophomores are planning theirs now and a Pi Phi is chairman of the committee.

Last year the juniors presented Miss Hobbs, a comedy by Jerome K. Jerome. The character of Miss Hobbs was taken by Grace Hinchliff and that of Miss Susan Abbey by Estelle Avery. The sophomores gave a highly entertaining comedy, A Professor from Germany. Half of the girls in the cast were Pi Phis. The character of Sou Westfal was taken by Madge Blayney; Florence Bastert as Gretchen Dinklespiel was a charming German girl and Dema Harshbarger as Mrs. Dinklespiel took one of the most difficult parts in the whole play.

The senior class gave Shakespeare's Love's Labors Lost for their class play. Pi Phi had only one eligible senior Miriam Hunter and she took the part of Rosaline, an attendant of the princess.

Lois Potter.

IOWA ALPHA AT IOWA WESLEYAN

Iowa Alpha does not have the opportunity to develop her talents along theatrical lines for our college is a Methodist one. Each year the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. give what is called a "Wesleyan Boom," in the auditorium. Each class and department of the college gives a "stunt" which is a surprise to all save the participants. Between the stunts each class, in order, is given an opportunity to try to excel in giving songs and yells. Several Pi Phis had parts last year and two had principal ones.

The junior class came in with a rush and formed a half-circle about an immense fire-cracker several feet high. Their song was interrupted by a terrific report (a revolver carried by one of the boys) and quick as lightning Berna Holdeman, '10, dressed in the class colors and carrying a Wesleyan banner, had broken through the tissue paper fire-cracker and was bowing and smiling to the audience. She gave a cute little toast to the college which closed by

her saying that she was the "junior stunt!" To appreciate this one must see this tiny little lady, who is not five feet high.

The freshmen stunt was something on the order of Mrs. Jarley's wax figures. Suzanne Gardner, '11, gave a lecture on different phases of college life and illustrated, or demonstrated her talk by means of sixteen figures. At the close of the talk all the figures were wound up and formed a chorus which sang a Wesleyan song.

A few weeks ago the two Christian Associations held a "Giggle Alley," in the main building. Suzanne Gardner had charge of one room and her entertainment called "Susie's Band," consisted of a vaudeville in which three Pi Phis besides herself had parts: Ada Redd, '12, Lavanda Gardner, '11, and Henrietta Davis, '13.

In one of the first floor rooms was presented the monologue An Old Sweetheart of Mine. As the handsome man talked about his past loves they appeared in a frame at the back of the stage. Berna Holdeman, '10, was the First Love, Vera Hassenplug, '13, the Winter Girl, and Mary Colt, '11, the College Girl.

The junior class in oratory gave two plays last year. In one When Love Is Young, Suzanne Gardner, '11, was Polly, the leading lady. The other play was Sunset. In this Ullena Ingersoll, '09, cleverly impersonated an old maid. In the oratory recital she impersonated, in costume, Topsy, in scenes from Uncle Tom's Cabin. In the senior play, Shakespeare's As You Like It, she took the leading part of Rosalind. The part of Hymen was taken by Ethel Lymer,'09.

We are proud to have Pi Phi well represented in this phase of college life as well as in many others. We also have an added pleasure in that our professor of oratory, Miss Ora Schrader, is a Pi Phi and that she is the director under whom these plays are developed. Miss Schraeder as the reader with the Iowa Wesleyan Concert Company last year, was enthusiastically received everywhere.

IOWA BETA AT SIMPSON

The dramatics of Simpson College are held under the general supervision of the dramatic club, which is in charge of Prof. John Dunn Martin, head of the department of oratory. The club takes up the study of the drama both ancient and modern, presenting to the public certain representative plays. Last year the first number of our dramatic course was The Cup, by Tennyson. Dessamond Clabaugh took the leading part as Queen. Minor rôles in this play

were also taken by Maide Baker, '11, as Phoebe, Helen Harp, '10, as the priestess, and Edith Lisle, '10, as the goddess. In The Silent Voice, Margaret Pemble, '11, and Nan White, '09, took parts. In Browning's little play, In A Balcony, the two leading parts were taken by Pi Phis, Edith Lisle, '10, was Constance and Ruth Baker, '06, the Queen. The course was closed by Strongheart, in which Clara Scriver, '12, was Polly and Edith Beall, '10, took a minor part. This year the course opens with Everyman, a Morality play, Dessamond Clabaugh, '11, playing the part of Kindred and Knowledge. Margaret Pemble, '11, that of Beauty.

IOWA GAMMA AT IOWA STATE

Maude Mirick, '10, took the part of Lona Hessel in Ibsen's Pillars of Society, the junior class play given June 7, 1909, with Sibyl Lentner, as coach.

Mae Reed, '12, took the part of Hortense, in the French play, La Lettre Chargée, by Eugene Labiche, given by the French Club, under the coaching of Mrs. Fairfield and Mrs. D'Orville and presented Dec. 15.

Regina Brennan, '11, took the part of Jane Nangle in The Maneuvers of Jane, the sophomore class play given February 20, 1909, with Sibyl Lentner as coach.

IOWA ZETA AT STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

April 27, 1909 the university dramatic club presented *The Road to Yesterday* by Evelyn G. Sutherland and Beulah Dix. The leading rôle, that of Elspeth Tyrell, was taken by *Carolyn Bradley*, and that of Malena Lereson, the gypsy, was taken by *Edith Ball*, '09.

On December 9 the university dramatic club presented their first play of this year, Sweet Nell of Old Drury, by Paul Kester. The title rôle was taken by Carolyn Bradley, and that of the Duchess of Portsmouth by Elizabeth Brainard, a Pi Phi pledge.

MISSOURI BETA AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Oscar Wilde's play, An Ideal Husband was presented March 12 at the Odeon Theatre in St. Louis, by the Washington University dramatic club. Helen Gorse, '10, took the part of Mabel Chiltern, the heroine. In the same play Amy Starbuck, '09, had the part of Lady Markby, and Ysobel Campbell, '11, was Mrs. Marchmont.

NEW YORK ALPHA AT SYRACUSE

"Boar's Head," the dramatic society of Syracuse University, decided to produce for its classical play this year, Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors. Trials were held at which candidates gave twenty lines of any one character. When the judges announced their decision, the part of Luciana was given to a New York Alpha girl, Margaret L. Glanding.

Under the direction of Prof. Hugh M. Tilroe, head of the department of oratory and public speaking, we rehearsed and rehearsed and rehearsed and rehearsed once again. Mistakes and amusing situations, however, relieved the monotony of practicing. You really couldn't help laughing, could you, if someone suddenly handed you a wig as a makeshift for a bag of gold. Wouldn't your gravity be at least slightly ruffled if, when rushing in upon a duel scene, you found the quarrelers fencing with modest little lead pencils? Of course, in a Comedy of Errors it was only to be expected that, at the final dress rehearsal, the lights should calmly go out in the midst of the grand finale scene. Flickering matches were struck, one after the other, to prevent us actors from falling off the stage.

Our costumes, which were rented from Van Horn & Son of Philadelphia, were patterned after those worn by Mr. Louis James' Company in his production of the same play. And how anxious we were to see our dresses, and how proud we were of our gorgeous glassjeweled tiaras and flashing bracelets and of our Grecian gowns with their sweeping trains.

At 8:15 on December 2 our friends, Pi Phis and Syracuse University students, came in full force, to the auditorium of John Crouse College to witness the play.

OHIO BETA AT OHIO STATE

The dramatic club at Ohio State University is known as "The Strollers." It is composed of four girls and four men and they present one play a year. When a Man's Single was given April 23, 1909, in the University Chapel. Dorothy Irvine, '11, took the leading part, that of Norah O'Neill, an Irish maid.

The Girl's Glee Club will present Habdilou, or The Hindoo Mystic in the chapel on the evening of January 14. Louise Shephard, '11, will have the leading rôle, that of Habdilou.

ONTARIO ALPHA AT TORONTO

It has never been customary at Toronto for any one fraternity to give a play, owing chiefly to the absence of chapter houses. A keen interest, however, exists, due chiefly to the influence of the Margaret Eaton School of Literature and Expression where thorough dramatic training is given. Many of the school's best pupils are students at the university and Pi Beta Phi has been well represented in all phases of dramatic activities.

It is usual for the dramatic club of the School of Expression to present one of Shakespeare's plays each year. Last winter, Twelfth Night was given and it was a great success. The classic lines of the Greek theatre lend themselves to beautiful and picturesque tableaux and the soft lights added greatly to the performance. We had good reason to be proud of the girls of our chapter who took part. Edith Gordon, '09, was highly praised by different members of the faculty for her interpretation of Malvolio. Bessie Cruickshank, '09, as Sebastian, was worthy indeed of the fair Olivia. Jean Fechnay, '09, took admirably the rôle of poor, shaky Sir Andrew Aguecheek. Two of our sophomores, Jessie Starr and Minnie Barry, were supers.

Last year at our Women's Literary Society, papers were read on the life and works of W. B. Yeats, the Irish poet. At the conclusion of this study one of his plays, *The Hour Glass*, was presented at an open meeting. *Bessie Cruickshank*, '09, managed the production and had her freshmen and sophomores well trained. *Jessie Starr*, '11, and *Edith Gordon*, '09, were students in the cast.

The first event of the commencement week celebration was a dramatic production of Tennyson's great poem *The Princess*. It was presented by the girls of the graduating class. The production was in the simplicity of its staging and the classic cut of the mauve and cream costumes reminiscent of the Greek plays. The chorus work and the introduction of the interlude songs were very successful. Pi Beta Phi was well represented. *Edith Gordon*, '09, as the Prince won a great deal of praise. *Bessie Cruickshank*, '09, was charming as the Princess. *Jean Fechnay*, '09, made a splendid Florian and *Alma Anderson*, '09, took well the rôle of Ipse.

This year the dramatic club expects to present A Winter's Tale, and some of our girls will probably be in the cast.

WASHINGTON ALPHA AT UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

In The Spirit of 1909, a Twentieth Century Masque by Frank M. Fouler, given March 19, 1909, under the auspices of the sophomore class, Bertha Bigelow, '11, was Hedda Lundin. In the Land of Hearts' Desire, an Irish tragedy by W. B. Yeats, given March 19, 1909, under the auspices of the sophomore class, Lita Burch, '12, was a Fairy Child. In Half Back Sandy, a college play by Norman Lee Swartout, given December 18, 1909, under the auspices of dramatic club of University of Washington, Lita Burch, '12, was Mabel Sumner. In Cousin Frank, a society playlet, by Frances Aymar Mathews, given December 18, 1909, under the auspices of the dramatic club of the University of Washington, Fannie Charles, '12, was Genevieve Raymond.

VERMONT ALPHA AT MIDDLEBURY

In the junior play One of the Eight, given last year one of our members had a small part. In Pygmalion and Galatea, given at commencement time, Hazel McLeod, '09, had the second part In Half-Back Sandy, a play soon to be given, Gertrude Brodie, '11, has the only feminine part, that of Mabel Sumner.

THE PI BETA PHI FELLOWSHIP FOR GRAD-UATE STUDY

At the October meeting of the Grand Council in New York it was decided to withdraw the undergraduate scholarships for the year 1910-11, and to offer in their place one graduate fellowship with a value of five hundred dollars. This fellowship is open to any Pi Beta Phi who has received her bachelor's degree. It may be used at any university, either in this country or in Europe, which offers the best advantages in graduate work along the particular line desired by the holder.

Two points will be considered by the Grand Council in awarding the fellowship: first, the scholastic standing of the student, and second, all-around development of character, and the ability to represent the fraternity in whatever place the recipient may be.

Applications, together with photographs of the applicants, credentials from professors, and other testimonials should be in the hands of the Grand Council not later than March first so that the award may be made before the close of the college year. Blank forms for application for fellowship may be obtained from the Grand President.

MAY LANSFIELD KELLER, Grand President.

GRAND COUNCIL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Grand Council was held at the Sesrun Club, New York City, on Saturday, Oct. 23, 1909, with the following officers present: Grand President, May L. Keller; Grand Treasurer, Céleste Janvier; Arrow Editor, Mrs. Mary Bartol Theiss; Grand Secretary, Elda L. Smith. The Grand Vice-President, Cora E. Marlow, had not completely recovered from her severe illness and was unable to be present. A general discussion along the lines of fraternity activity resulted as follows:

- The Constitution and By-Laws will be reprinted as revised by the Grand Council.
- A new edition of the Catalogue will be compiled to include the membership of the fraternity from its founding until the close of the school year 1909-10.
- Each chapter and officer will be supplied with a copy of The Sorority Handbook, Third Edition.

- Announcement of the installation of new chapters made upon cards engraved in uniform style will henceforth be under direction of the Grand Treasurer.
- 5. The completion of the Arrow file in the archives of each member of the Grand Council will be attempted.
- A tentative program for the Twenty-First Biennial Convention at Swarthmore was outlined.

The several groups applying for charters in Pi Beta Phi were discussed. The petition of the group in the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville has been presented to the chapters for their vote. Investigation of the group in Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio, warranted the Grand Council in taking favorable action upon their petition.

The Grand President, as delegate to the Eighth Pan-Hellenic Conference, reported upon it and upon local Pan-Hellenic difficulties in several colleges.

The routine work of keeping fraternity records may be facilitated by active chapters if they will be prompt and accurate in sending names and dates, and by alumnae if they will send to the Arrow editor all items of fraternity interest which come to their knowledge.

ELDA L. SMITH.

TREES EVERY CHILD SHOULD KNOW

By Julia E. Rogers of Iowa Zeta

Trees Every Child Should Know, by Julia E. Rogers, author of The Tree Book, etc., is a book that every child should have. It is published by Doubleday, Page & Co., and is one of a series of twenty volumes for children. There are 250 pages of text, with 50 pages of illustrations, and a key to the various groups and tree families.

Although all this sounds rather formidable for the juvenile mind, the book is simplicity itself. Miss Rogers has broken away from the stereotyped form of presenting scientific fact, and has invested her book with the charm of a story. She has sought to make the study of the trees so pleasant as to attract the youthful mind. In her own words "the finding out of tree names is not dreary and hard, but a good game to be played out-of-doors."

Very happy is the author's idea of dividing the work into autumn,

winter, spring, and summer studies. In the first group are included the nut trees, the oaks, and trees with winged seeds. There is also a chapter on autumn berries, and another on the changing color of the autumn woods. The winter group includes trees that can be identified by their bark, shapes, and thorns. It deals largely with the conifers. The spring studies tell of the awakening of the trees, of trees that bloom early, and why trees need leaves. The elms, maples and willows are here described. Under the head of summer studies are described trees with the largest flowers, the showiest trees, and trees that bloom in mid-summer. There are also chapters on early berries and the service berries. Horse chestnuts, buckeyes, locusts, and fruit trees are here described. The text concludes with a chapter on the uses of trees.

The opening chapter, on the nut trees, will appeal strongly to the children. Miss Rogers tells about nut gathering, and what child can resist the lure of nut gathering? There is much that will stir the childish imagination, also, and create a desire to see the beauties described. "The most wonderful shagbark hickory tree I ever saw," says the author, "I met at sun down after a walk across country. It was late April. The sun was shining through the tree top, and as I looked up I thought I must be dreaming. Instead of buds I saw what looked like lighted candles, each with a silked frill below the tip of flame. The warm spring air had brought out the hickory buds, and they had cast off their winter covers, revealing the silky inner wrappings of the inner shoots. I had never before seen a tree thus illuminated, and the sight was enchanting." What child could read this, with its suggestion of a Christmas tree effect, and not want to see it too?

There are many other things in Miss Roger's new book that will be just as interesting and stimulating to the youthful reader. Incidentally there are few grown ups who could fail to be both pleased and benefitted by a perusal of *Trees Every Child Should Know*.

MAY WOOD-SIMONS

Mrs, May Wood-Simons, the first woman to receive the Harris prize in economics at Northwestern University, is a member of Illinois Epsilon chapter of Pi Beta Phi. This prize of \$100.00, the gift of Mr. Norman Waite Harris, of Chicago, is awarded to the writer of the best essay on a topic involving original investigation in the Departmen of Economics, Finance, and Administration. No undergraduate student is eligible for this prize unless, at the time the award is made, he shall have completed the equivalent of six year-hours in economics. Essays offered in competition must contain not less than 10,000 words. Mrs. Simons' essay of about 20,000 words upon the subject "The History of Economics Thought in Relation to Industrial Conditions in the United States from 1700 to 1814" won the Harris prize in 1909. The judges were the professors of economics in the state universities of Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois.

May Wood's high school work was done in Baraboo, Wis. In 1893 she entered Northwestern University where she was initiated into Illinois Epsilon chapter of Pi Beta Phi on Nov. 23, 1894. The following two years she spent in teaching. On June 15, 1897, she was married to Mr. A. M. Simons, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin. They have one daughter, nine years of age, Miriam Prindle who is named for Miriam Prindle-Wallace, a charter member of Illinois Epsilon.

Since her marriage, Mrs. Simons' work has been in economics. She has been identified with the working class movement, being closely associated with the international socialist movement. After working in the Chicago Bureau of Charity and in the University of Chicago Settlement during the years 1897-9 she spent some time in France, Belgium, and England studying social conditions. After a year's study in the University of Chicago, she took her Ph.B. degree there in 1905. Later she has been studying in Northwestern University and in the University of Chicago towards a doctor's degree. She has done considerable magazine work, writing for the Journal of Sociology, Technical World, and other magazines. At present she is assistant editor of the Chicago Daily Socialist, of which her husband is editor-in-chief. Her present address is 2319 Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill.

WHAT A FRATERNITY GIRL THINKS

At the time the chapter moved into its new home, the Seattle alumnae club announced that they would give a shower at the chapter house for the girls, and that the shower was to be composed of things useful for the house. They also asked that a list of such articles as were needed be sent to them by the chapter. This was accordingly done and the result was a pleasant afternoon together and a display of gifts that looked almost like a wedding. Aside from this the Seattle and Tacoma Pi Phis helped us in furnishing the house by presenting a large rug for the living-room.

These are specific and material evidences of their help and good will towards the chapter and are evidences I believe of the interest and fellowship the alumnae members feel towards the active chapter.

Washington Alpha.

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California Alpha has a chapter by-law, the observance of which has given Pi Phis many happy memories of fraternity pleasures.

Chapter Entertainments by Class

The by-law states that there shall be an established custom that the seniors shall entertain the chapter on the chapter anniversary; that the

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the chapter on the chapter anniversary; that the chapter freshmen shall entertain the chapter on Founders' Day; and that the chapter juniors and seniors shall each entertain the chapter at some time during the first semester of the

entertain the chapter at some time during the first semester of the college year. A stated sum from the chapter treasury is allowed each group.

California Alpha.

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From my personal experience, which has been gained in more than one chapter, I have come to believe that the one thing of primary importance to make the initiation as effective and beautiful as possible, is that the officers, and every other member of the chapter, know the ritual with unfaltering thoroughness. Much or little may be spent on an initiation, according to the individual chapter. But the elaborateness of the decorations has comparatively little to do with the impressiveness of the experience. There is nothing more beautiful than our ceremony, if it is given with earnestness, reverence, and perfect

unanimity. One hesitating voice, or slight mistake in words, will go far toward marring the occasion.

Texas Alpha.

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The girls of Washington Alpha at Christmas instead of giving

Washington Alpha's

Christmas Plan

each other special gifts, give something to
the house. Thus the different presents are
enjoyed by all.

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Last year at the first meeting after the Christmas holidays, we had a chapter Christmas tree in our rooms. The articles were not to cost over ten cents and each member was not to receive more than two presents. In order that one might not get more than her share each girl had a list of whom she was to give her presents. In the afternoon the tree was trimmed with the usual Christmas tree decorations and the articles tied on. Each package was wrapped so as to conceal, as far as possible, its contents.

Many of the presents were jokes and takeoffs on the various girls which made it all the more enjoyable. After all the packages had been distributed and contents noted, refreshments were served. A very merry evening was the result.

Vermont Beta.

IN MEMORIAM

ELLA LILLIAN SHERMAN-DENT

To Columbia Alpha has come a great sorrow, in the death of Ella Lillian Sherman-Dent. She was a student at the Central High School in Washington, and entered George Washington University in the fall of 1896, becoming soon after a member of Columbia Alpha and a most devoted and loyal Pi Beta Phi. Even in her first year at college she was not strong, but her buoyant spirit and ambition accomplished much, and her joy in her work was conspicuous throughout her college course. Later, she became especially interested in library work and for a time after leaving college attended the Library School at Amherst, Mass.

On July 18, 1907, she was married to Lieutenant Elliott Johnstone Dent, U. S. A. (Theta Delta Chi), and they made their home in Washington, where Lieutenant Dent was on duty. In the winter of 1908 a little son was born, and shortly afterwards Mrs. Dent was taken to New Mexico in the vain hope of arresting the disease, which later proved fatal. When climate and medical science seemed powerless to help her, she was taken to Vancouver Barracks where Captain Dent was stationed, and there on October 22, 1909 she was released from her suffering.

Throughout her long illness, conscious to the end, she exhibited rare courage and true Christian fortitude. Hers was a singularly sweet and sympathetic nature, combining intellectual gifts with unusual magnetism and personal beauty. Her face seemed to shine with an inner and spiritual light, and all whose lives were privileged to touch hers, in the most remote way, were blessed in that experience.

E. B. J.

CHARLOTTE FULLER RISLEY

Mrs. Charlotte Fuller Risley died at her home in Harvard, Neb. early last summer. She had been an invalid for many months. Mrs. Risley was one of the charter members of Illinois Beta. Before her marriage, which occurred June 19, 1883, she was a teacher in the public schools.

As a student she did faithful and earnest work. Her pleasant disposition made her a lovable as well as a trustworthy friend. In her home life, all that was promised by these traits displayed while she was a student, was more than fulfilled. Illinois Beta feels that she has lost one of her finest women.

EDITORIALS

Although your Editor has not yet received from the Secretary of the National Pan-Hellenic Conference the lists of libraries willing to receive our magazine, she has had copies sent to the forty colleges in which Pi Beta Phi maintains chapters. She has done so because, except in a few instances, these libraries were already on our mailing list of exchanges. Will all corresponding secretaries please observe the statement made in the report of the recent National Pan-Hellenic Conference, "that the corresponding secretaries of the chapters of all fraternities represented in the conference be required to report to their editors concerning the arrival and disposition of their magazines in the college libraries; and that the editors report the result of these investigations to the secretary of the National Pan-Hellenic Conference." In several instances last year where the Arkow must have been lost in the mails, librarians wrote for duplicate copies. These the editor is always glad to furnish to library or to individual subscribers.

Iowa Alpha's chapter letter with its lament on its all too brief enjoyment of chapter house joys makes the editor wonder why some of our chapters have not already availed themselves of the chapter houses of sister chapters for vacation house-parties, or, where the chapters are near enough geographically, for occasional week-end parties, or Thanksgiving or Easter trips. Why, for example, should not the Swarthmore chapter, which always has a house-party of the active chapter and a few alumnae, not hold its house-party in the Syracuse chapter house. Why should not the Hillsdale chapter go up to Ann Arbor for a house-party at Thanksgiving time? A houseless chapter would certainly find such an experience most delightful. And a chapter-house chapter would find equal pleasure in exchanging houses for a week or two. Nor would the exchange of fraternity courtesies involve increased expense. For unless the resident chapter were at an actual expense for rental, the visiting chapter's expenses would be limited to their usual living expenses for food, plus their car fare. Alpha Chi Omega is so impressed with the need of chapter house-parties to strengthen friendships and develop closer attachments that she is talking of building a general fraternity house, by subscriptions advanced by alumnae, in a somewhat central location, to be used by each chapter in turn for house-parties.

In like fashion why should not the Pi Phis who come to Columbia summer school, to Wisconsin or to Michigan summer school, live during the summer term in the chapter houses or apartments in these colleges? There are enough Pi Phis every summer at Columbia, I know, to fill to overflowing New York Beta's apartment. Pi Phis would be glad to make the chapter apartment their headquarters. And New York Beta, I feel sure, would be glad to have them do so. Why don't we "get together," girls? The Arrow will be glad to make announcements of "open houses" for any chapter desiring it to do so.

The Arrow is glad to welcome Arkansas Alpha to the fraternity. As Gamma Epsilon Delta girls, possessed of energy and perseverance, they have been known to us for several years. Their determination and their ability we have come to know during the years of their application to the fraternity. It is a pleasure to welcome Arkansas Alpha whose strength as a local, gives promise of even greater strength as a chapter of Pi Beta Phi. A recent and tangible evidence of energy appears in the present issue of the Arrow. Miss Keller installed the chapter December 29 and the January number contains an account of the university and a report of the installation.

NOTICES

The Los Angeles alumnae club of Pi Beta Phi has asked the Arrow to announce that an official register for all Pi Beta Phis in Los Angeles, Cal. is to be found in the Y. W. C. A. building, corner of Third and Hill Sts., Los Angeles, Cal.

At the request of the Grand President the Editor is about to have a small song pamphlet printed for use at the convention banquet. Will each chapter send to the Editor a list of the titles of its ten favorite songs? Please send at once, so that the pamphlets may be printed in time to be sent to all alumnae clubs and chapters desiring to use them at the Founders' Day Banquet.

Columbia Alpha will be very glad if any chapter can supply her with the following copies of the Arrow which she needs to complete her file:

Vol. XII, 1, 3. Vol. XIV, 3.

Columbia Alpha will be glad to send to any chapter needing them the following Arrows which she has in duplicate:

Vol. XII, 3, 4.	Vol. XVIII, 3.
Vol. XV, 1.	Vol. XIX, 1.
Vol. XVI, 2.	Vol. XXII, 1, 2, 4
Vol. XVII, 4.	

If any alumna who subscribes to the Arrow knows of any alumna to whom a coin card and a circular have not been sent, will she please send the name of the letter to the alumnae secretary of her state or province?

Will any subscriber who fails to receive her copy of the Arrow please notify the editor at once?

Will any corresponding secretary whose stock of paper for contributions to the Arrow needs replenishing please notify the Editor so that the paper may be forwarded? The Editor sends paper at once to all who request a supply, but unfortunately the service for second-class mail is not so trustworthy as is that for first-class mail matter.

ALUMNAE PERSONALS

CALIFORNIA ALPHA-STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Ruth Grace Sterne, '09, was married December 2 to Charles Jerome Williams, *Virginia*. Mr. Williams is now employed as a civil engineer for the Arizona Railroad. Their home address is 3051 Second St., San Diego, Cal.

Anna Lena Lewis, '94, whose address is 15 Grove St., Tarrytown, N. Y., has been seriously ill this winter.

Mrs. Winnifred Harper Cooley, '96, has an article entitled "Has the Apartment Hotel Come to Stay" in the November number of the National Food Magazine.

COLORADO ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolcott (Rosetta Bell, '00) a baby girl, Cleophile Evelyn, at their home in Moab, Utah.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbart Curtin (Margaret Helps, '06) a son. Mr. and Mrs. Curtin are living in Helena, Mont.

Mrs. Hugo Wangelin (Elise Whitmore, '06) has joined her husband in Bishop, Cal. and they will make that their home.

Eunice Thompson, '08, is teaching at Roreffe, Colo.

Rosina Vaughn, '09, is principal of the school at Hooper, Colo.

Floye Sheldahl is teaching at Buena Vista.

Isabel McKenzie, '08, and Marie Waltemeyer, 08, are teaching in the Boulder graded schools.

Cleophile Bell, '08, and Katherine Dier are assistants in the English literature department of the University of Colorado.

Helen Hossler is a student at Mount Holyoke College.

Willo Roesch has moved to Seneca, Ill.

COLORADO BETA-UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Florence Spencer-Rathbone has been seriously ill but is now on the road to recovery.

Mrs. Wm. C. Mains (Sadie Bristol) has moved from Mt. Vernon, N. Y. and gone west to live.

Anna Guthrie is a student at the University of California.

COLUMBIA ALPHA-GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Claire Wilson is now Mrs. Hamilton of Canton, N. Y.

Charlotte Farrington, '09, is teaching in Sloatsburg, N. Y.

Mary Kelly, '98, is studying music in Vienna.

Clara Velma Barber, '06, is spending the winter in Washington, after having taught two years in the high school at Lancaster, Wis.

Adelaide Albert-Best has been visiting her parents in Washington.

Adèle Taylor, '06, and Adelaide Albert-Best were delightfully entertained on Saturday, November 29, by Miss Keller and by Maryland Alpha.

Catharine McIlhenny, '04, was married on December 15, to Mr. E. Russel White, of Virginia. They will reside in Washington.

Margaret White, '07, and Rhoda Watkins, '06, are working at the university for their Master's Degrees.

ILLINOIS ALPHA-MONMOUTH COLLEGE

Mrs. Archie A. McClanahan, '81, is living at 4712 Malden St., Chicago.

Rosa Moore, one of our Founders, asks the Arrow to announce that she has established a centre for Pi Beta Phis and affiliations at 59 East Twenty-first St., New York City, and also at Bryn Mawr, King Co., Wash. Miss Moore's property in Bryn Mawr is a half hour's ride from Seattle and is opposite the campus of the Mental Science College. At these centres Miss Moore, who will divide her time between New York and Seattle, will be glad to see or hear from college girls generally.

The Eastern interests of the Mental Science College Educational Association will be conducted by Miss Rosa Moore, 59 East 21st St., New York City.—True World.

ILLINOIS BETA-LOMBARD COLLEGE

Mrs. Clara Richardson Putman, '73, of Brodhead, Wis., is paying a visit to her son who is living in La Grande, Ore.

Mrs. Emma Livingston Wing, '83, and Mrs. Lulu Burt Cravens, '84, have started a round robin letter of the Pi Phis of '83, '84, and '85. Already they have twenty letters in the chain.

Elma Williams, '83, has become a Reader in the Christian Science Church at Pasadena, Cal.

Susie Grubb-Miller, '83, is now living at 548 25th St., Oakland, Cal. Her daughter has been elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Ella Grubb-Simmons, '87, of Owosso, Mich., spent a few days at Lombard when she was on her way to visit her parents at Liberty, Ill. Clara Grubb-Gilmore, '89, has developed quite a talent for public reading. She is constantly called upon to give readings in Stockton, Cal. her present home.

Carrie Grubb-Hansen, '89, recently visited in Galesburg after the death of their mother, with her sister Jennie Grubb-Fowler, '91.

Lura Townsend-Dickinson, '99, of Chicago with her little daughter visited her parents in Galesburg during the holidays.

Louise Ross, '07, Carrie Hurd, '08, Louise Claycomb, '08, and Anna Ross, '09, were at Lombard for the Knox-Lombard football game and dinner.

Carol Fisher, '09, who is doing graduate work at the University of Illinois, gave an oration on Woman's Suffrage before the State Woman's Suffrage League at Chicago.

The Woman's Christian Temperence Union at its recent convention in Omaha, at the suggestion of Mrs. Mecca M. Varney of Michigan adopted for suffrage work the motto "Woman's ballot for King's Business."—New York Sun.

ILLINOIS DELTA-KNOX COLLEGE

Mrs. Alice Brotherton Farnum, '98, is in Vienna this winter where her husband, Dr. Charles Farnum is studying medicine. She is studying art.

Martha Taliaferro is in California for the winter.

Annette Lindner, '08, who is teaching in the High School at Sheffield, was in town for a few days and attended the meeting of the Pi Phi alumnae association.

Alice Johnson, '08, who is teaching in Lexington, Ill., came home for Thanksgiving.

Harriette Avery, '08, is spending the winter with her sister Mrs. Corwin Giddings of Dayton, Ohio.

Evelyn Holliday, ex-'10, is attending Wells College, Aurora, New York.

ILLINOIS EPSILON-NORTH WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Mrs. May Wood Simons is the first woman to win the Harris prize in economics at the Northwestern University. The prize is given for the best thesis of not less than ten thousand words on any economic subject requiring original investigation. Mrs. Simons's thesis was 20,000 words in length and was entitled: "History of Economic

Thought in Relation to Industrial Conditions in the United States from 1700 to 1814." The judges were the professors of economics of the Universities of Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois.—New York Sun.

Lili Hochbaum is teaching in the high school at Appleton, Wis.

Frances Paullin is attending National Park Seminary at Forest Glen, Md.

Mary Sloane's address is Beach, N. D.

Mabel Cowdin, '08, Etta Shoupe, Irene Brady, Hazel Schelp, Lenore Sterling, Cornelia Blake, and Opal Cranor came back to attend our informal party.

Helen Hibbard, '08, is teaching in the South Bend high school.

Lenore Sterling, '09, is teaching music in Columbus Grove, O.

Grace Hartshorn, '09, visited the chapter the latter part of November.

Catherine Donaldson, '09, and Frances Paullin, '09, will spend the holidays in Evanston.

ILLINOIS ZETA-UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Hilda Kirke White, '07, was married to Mr. W. A. Walters on Monday evening, December 20. They will be at home after February 1, at 450 East Seventeenth St., North, Portland, Ore.

Ethel Lendrum, '07, visited us the week end of November 19.

Lottie Fuller, ex-'11, transfer from Kansas Alpha, has withdrawn from school, and accepted a position in her home town, Leavenworth, Kan.

Kate Summerwill, '11, transfer from Iowa Zeta, has withdrawn from school for this semester.

Mabel Lindsay was married December 4, 1907, to George C. Fairclo, *Illinois*. Mr. Fairclo, who is a member of Kappa Sigma, is a civil engineer. Their address is New Mexico Cottage Sanatorium, Silver City, N. M.

Alta Stansbury, '03, left Port Huron, Mich. in September to become head librarian of the public library of Spokane, Wash., one of the large public libraries of the Pacific coast. Miss Stansbury had been head of the Port Huron Library for six years.

Alta Stansbury, '03, Emeline Carter-Sherman, '01, and Edith Clark-Burr, '02, are charter members of the newly organized Spokane branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae.

Mrs. Edith Clark Burr, '02, is secretary of the Spokane College Equal Suffrage Club. Her address is Buena Vista Apartments, Spokane.

Erma Moore, '04, is now Mrs. Frank H. Binder of 521 Fourth St., Council Bluffs, Ia.

INDIANA ALPHA-FRANKLIN COLLEGE

Mrs. C. M. Carter (Martha Noble, '88) one of our charter members, visited her daughter Louise at the Dormitory in November.

Ethel F. McCollough, '01, has been elected president of the Wisconsin Library Association.

Bertha Fletcher, '03, who is attending Columbia University, will be home during the holidays.

Mary Lacy, ex-'06, was married Wednesday November 17 to Mr. Loyd Cutsinger, a traveling salesman of Edinburg, Ind.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weyl (Alice Payne, ex-'04) a daughter.

The alumnae and the active chapter entertained November 12 at the home of Mrs. Charles Drybread, former Grand Vice-President, for Mary Lacy, ex-'06, and Miss Lillian Ditmars, the daughter of one of our patronesses.

Mrs. H. D. Lawshe (Julia Wilson, '07) of Washington, D. C., will spend Christmas with friends in Franklin.

Claribel Shirk, '09, of Greensburg, visited college friends here in December.

Susie Ott is living at 511 West 122nd St., New York City this winter. Seven Indiana Alpha alumnae are here installed in a pleasant apartment, keeping house together.

Cora Voyles is teaching in Bloomfield, Ind.

INDIANA BETA-INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Among our guests during the week end of the Indiana-Purdue game were: Blanche Couk of Roachdale, Irene Ferris of Illinois Zeta, Mrs. Charles Russell Willson and Blessing Rassman of Indianapolis, Francés Epperson of Ladoga, Pauline Michael of Lafayette, Josephine Boyd of Paoli, Harriet Haas, Mrs. Helen Shirk Shortle, and Florence Rosenthal of Tipton, Junana Young of Poseyville, Opal Cherry of Boonville, and Flo Traylor of Jasper.

Mayme McDonald was married September 9 to Edward Elsner, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, a lawyer of Seymour, Ind.

Caroline Cecil visited the chapter recently.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Karsell (Caroline Reed) a daughter.

INDIANA GAMMA-BUTLER COLLEGE

Ethel Curryer, '97, is spending the winter in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Loop (Ethel Roberts, '00,) are spending the winter in London. Mr. Loop is associated with John L. Griffiths, U. S. Consul-General at London.

Maria Leonard, '05, is teaching in the University of Colorado.

Mrs. Everett Holloway (Alice Good, ex-'06,) of Gillett, Ark., is spending a few weeks with her mother in Indianapolis.

Mary Clark, '08, of Danville, is studying music in Indianapolis Elizabeth Rawls has entered Indiana University.

Hortense Russell is teaching in the public school of Amarillo, Tex. Louisa C. VanDyke is now teaching in Aberdeen, S. D. Her address is 418 South Arch St.

IOWA ALPHA-IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

May Pierce, '09, who is teaching Latin and English in the Richland high school, spent Thanksgiving at her home in Cameron, Mo. She spent several hours with Mrs. Clara Munz Voss, '09, in St. Joseph, Mo.

May Hills, '99, gave a most enjoyable house party. The guests from out of town were Mrs. Alma Law-McCauley, '99, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Adelaide Ward Barnum, '99, of Monmouth, Ill. While these girls were here the Mt. Pleasant alumnae chapter gave a party at Nellie Wallbank's.

Stacey Turney, Iowa Zeta, recently visited Ethel Lymer, '09.

Mabel Payne visited Ruth and Stella Work in Ottumwa.

Ullena Ingersoll, '09, has returned from her vacation and expects soon to be in the active chapter.

Grace Waller's address is 1309 Dearborn Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Chas. Rosenberger (Myrtle Ramey) is living at 1720 First Ave., East, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

Mrs. John Thomas McFarland (Mary Burt) is living in Yonkers, N. Y. Dr. McFarland's office is at 150 Fifth Ave., New York City, where he is corresponding secretary of the Sunday School Union of the M. E. church.

Mrs. Rolla C. Hukill (Dora Laughlin) is living in Golden, Colo. where Mr. Hukill, who is also a graduate of Iowa Wesleyan, is chief clerk and bookkeeper in the State Industrial School for Boys.

Edna M. Burd is now Mrs. Wm. J. McEldowney of Chicago Heights, Ill.

Grace G. Shrader, Colorado Beta and Iowa Zeta, is teaching in North Yakima, Wash. Her address is 313 South Fourth St.

Ida Karsten is spending the winter in San José, Cal.

Mary Palm is teaching in Marion, Mont.

IOWA BETA-SIMPSON COLLEGE

Kathryn Rehkopf visited her brother, Lieut. Rehkopf at West Point in October. She also visited friends at other points in the East.

Mrs. F. S. Burberry (Martha Dashiell) is intending to spend the winter in Texas.

Floy Reed, ex-'10, visited the active chapter for a few days in October.

Mrs. J. E. Clark (Amedia Hinshaw) returned early in December from spending the summer in Canada.

Blanche Spurgeon, '06, is intending to attend the Missionary Convention at Rochester, N. Y. during the holidays as a delegate from the faculty.

Mrs. Blanche Van Scoy Story has removed with her family to New Virginia.

Mrs. Bruce Tallman (Nan White, '09) of Guthrie Center visited Iowa Beta in October.

The younger members of the alumnae who live in town have been having very pleasant times together. A slumber party at Lena Dunning's was one of the enjoyable reunions.

Vera Ingram, '07, of Colfax, visited Blanche Spurgeon in October. Mrs. Flora Sigler Carver of Los Angeles visited at the home of her brother, Mr. Carl Sigler, this fall.

Miss Kern of Ames spent a few days this fall with Iowa Beta friends.

Mrs. Suel Spalding (Mary Dashiell) has moved to Basin, Wyo.

Mrs. J. Ernest Carmen (Gertrude L. Hancox) is now living at 2719 Euclid Ave., Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, O.

IOWA GAMMA-IOWA STATE COLLEGE

Mrs. S. A. Beach (Norma Hainer) is suffering from a very severe sprain in her wrist.

Lillian Mills-Hurst has moved from Youngstown to Pittsburg, Penn.

Fanny Wilson is spending the winter with her sisters in New York City.

Esther Crawford has recently undergone a serious operation in New York City.

Celestine Pettinger is teaching in the high school at Rolfe, Iowa. Iowa Gamma recently enjoyed a week's visit from Florence Pettinger.

Stella Wiley, Iowa Zeta, '05, librarian in the Onawa public library, visited us on her way to the meeting of the Iowa Library Association in Des Moines.

Mrs. Chas. Heston (Jennie Bechtle, ex-'08,) who recently returned from Manila, P. I. is visiting friends in Iowa. Mr. Heston has been transferred to The U. S. Signal Corps, New York City.

Irma Wiley, '05, was married November 11, to Mr. F. L. Wells of Coeur D'Alene, Idaho. They will spend the winter in San Diego, Cal.

Mrs. G. J. Adamson (Helen Prouty, '05,) is now at Rock Springs, Wyo., where Mr. Adamson is engaged in railway construction work.

Louise Rowe has given up her position in Finley Hospital, Dubuque, to be at home this year.

Madelon Medes, Iowa Alpha, called on the chapter in December. Mrs. J. V. Lamson (Maude Hicks) has moved to Norfolk, Va., R. F. D.

IOWA ZETA-STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Bertha Wheeler, ex-'11, visited us at the time of the Missouri-Iowa football game.

Katherine Summerwill, ex-'11, visited us at the time of the Iowa-Ames football game. She is attending the University of Illinois this semester.

Elizabeth George, '09, is teaching in Shellrock, Iowa. At Thanksgiving time she visited Iowa City in company with Sadie Holiday, '07, who is teaching in Waverly.

Alice M. Edwards, '06, is spending the winter in Phoenix, Ariz.

Mary Brooks, '09, and Alice Brooks, ex-'11, are in California for the winter.

Iowa Zeta extends warm sympathy to Mrs. B. F. Shambaugh (Bertha Horack) who recently suffered the loss of her mother.

On October 18 Iowa Zeta lost one of her most beloved and most loyal alumnae, Mrs. Ethel Bond Munger, '01. She was an especial favorite among her sisters in Pi Beta Phi and her loss will be keenly felt.

Elsie Remley, ex-'11, is in the city library in Anamosa, Iowa.

Mignon Maynard is teaching in Clinton, Iowa.

The chapter extends sympathy to Mrs. Maud Young-Ball whose mother died October 8.

Julia E. Rogers, '92, has an article "October Berries, Red, White, and Blue" in the October issue of *Country Life in America*. In the November number Miss Rogers has an article entitled "Tales That Dead Leaves Tell." And one of the features of the December issue is Miss Rogers' article on "The Seven-fold Interest in the Candleberry."

Mrs. G. A. Howe (Alice Howard, '01,) has gone to Ormond, Fla. to live.

Mrs. Edward F. White (Emma Eaton) is now living at 5202 E. Michigan St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Mrs. C. W. Sears (Louise Boesche, '97,) is living at 1352 North 23rd St., South Omaha, Neb.

Helen A. Walburn, Iowa Beta and Iowa Zeta, is teaching in Winterset.

KANSAS ALPHA-KANSAS UNIVERSITY

Mrs. James W. Means (Laura Poehler) has moved to Pueblo, Colo. Her address is 2301 Grand Ave.

Ella Nye, '05, and Myron Humphry, Beta Theta Pi, Kansas, '04, were married November 17, and will be at home in Chickasha, Okla. Edith Snow has just returned from abroad.

Claudia Pendleton, '07, is visiting relatives in Burlington, Iowa.

Lillian Abraham recently visited our chapter on her way to Texas. Aileen Weaver, '06, is substitute teacher and supervisor of attendance in the schools of Morristown, N. J.

Marion Mervine and Ruth Mervine are visiting their sister in Santa Fé, N. M.

Mrs. Thornton Cooke (Emily Hulme) now lives at 201 East

37th St., Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Cooke is treasurer of the Fidelity Trust Co.

Willis H. Carothers, Kansas and a member of Sigma Nu, was married last August to Queena Beauchamp of Holton, Kan. Mr. Carothers is principal of the high school at Iola, Kan.—Delta of Sigma Nu.

Mrs. H. E. Hynes (Emma Riggs) is living in Maumee, O.

LOUISIANA ALPHA-H. SOPHIE NEWCOMB COLLEGE

Céleste Janvier, who has been in Philadelphia and New York for the past year, is expected home some time in December.

Louise Westfeldt, Martha Gilmore, and Agnes George are all making their début in New Orleans this winter.

Julia Armstrong is also making her début in New Orleans this year. Hilda von Meysenlug has returned from Germany where she had been studying music.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Labouisse (Alice Monroe) have a son.

Mrs. A. H. Howcott (Jeanie Butler) is now living in Natchitoches, La.

Lucy Pinckney Elliott has gone to Highlands, N. C. to live.

Mrs. Theodore de Booy (Elizabeth H. Smith) lives in St. Matthews, Ky.

MARYLAND ALPHA-WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE

Ina-France-Nesbit, ex-'06, called on the chapter recently.

Ullena Ingersoll, ex-'10, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '09, spent several weeks in Baltimore on her way from Europe. She visited Mrs. Irene Drury Heubeck, '09, and Blanche Lamberson, '10. On her way west she spent a few weeks with Louise Weber, '09, in DuBois, Pa. and with Anne Porter, '08, in Emsworth, Pa.

Sara Porter, '10, spent Thanksgiving holidays with Annabelle Miller, '09, of Madison, N. J.

Mrs. Albert C. Best (Anne Albert) and Adèle Taylor, of Columbia Alpha were present at our initiation on November 20.

Louise Pearce, California Alpha, who is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins, has come in close touch with Maryland Alpha.

Mrs. S. T. D. Jones (Edith Miesse) is living at 60 West 92nd St., New York City.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA-BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Harriet E. Draper is studying miniature painting at the Art Students' League in New York City. Her address is 155 Madison Ave.

Mrs. Wm. Beckwith Clark (Marcy Burnham) has moved to Sunset, Sutter Co., Cal.

Harriet F. Greene is teaching in New Orleans University, New Orleans, La.

The address of Mrs. C. C. Quimby (Agnes Logan) is 216 South Clinton St., East Orange, N. J.

MICHIGAN ALPHA-HILLSDALE COLLEGE

Estelle Nash, '02, who is teaching in the high school at Saginaw, Mich., was in Hillsdale for a few days at Thanksgiving time.

The second week in November we enjoyed a visit from Mrs. Kate King Bostwick, '92.

Polly Branch, '07, of Chicago will spend the Christmas holidays in Hillsdale.

Harriet Bishopp, '09, of Tecumseh, Mich., was back for our house party in November.

Letters have come from Clara Seiler telling of her safe arrival in Kohlapoor, India where she is now settled, in charge of a mission school.

Caroline Dudley, '02, came home for Thanksgiving from Ann Arbor where she is attending the University of Michigan.

Mrs. Adah Brown Loomis, '91, of Addison, Mich., a charter member of our chapter, visited the chapter recently.

Bess Dudley, '06, was home for Thanksgiving vacation in Hillsdale.

Mrs. Bessie Wood Prideaux of Hillsdale chaperoned our house
party at Bau Beese lake, which we gave for our pledges November
13 to 15.

Vivian E. Lyon is the new secretary for the Hillsdale alumnae club. Maude Corbett is now city Y. M. C. A. secretary in Des Moines, Ia. Clara Hughes is teaching in Duluth, Minn. Her address is 207 West Third St.

Mrs. M. E. Tripp (Mayte Collins) has moved to Hudson, Mich.

MICHIGAN BETA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Castle (Sadie Edwards) a daughter, Eleanor on October 9.

Born to Mrs. Frank Parker (Faith Gilbert) a daughter, Lois on November 7.

We are happy to report the improved condition of Mrs. Rebecca Downey White, who is about to assume her former social duties.

Mrs. Louis J. VanSchaick (Nellie Kellogg) is now living at Calapan, Mindoro, P. I.

Mrs. Chas. Ramsey (Clara Foster) has moved to Durand, Mich.

MINNESOTA ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Albert P. Reed, Minnesota, a member of Kappa Sigma, was married to Florence Amble in October at the Pi Beta Phi house in Minneapolis.—Kappa Sigma Caduceus. Mr. and Mrs. Reed live at the Douglas Apartments, Minneapolis.

Irma Smith, '08, is teaching in Graham Hall, one of Minneapolis' private boarding schools for girls.

Mrs. James B. Ladd (Alice Elizabeth Thompson, '06), who was married early in September, will spend her Christmas holidays in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Wm. P. Lee (Marjorie Wentworth), who has lived in Fairfax since her marriage, is now living in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Arthur Thompson (Ula Riggs) lives in Katolla, Alaska.

Luella Woodke, '08, visited the girls at the chapter house in December.

Josephine Schain, '08, is living at Pillsbury House where she is assisting in settlement work in addition to her law practise.

Florence Bernhardt, ex-'09, is teaching in Gladstone, Minn.

Mrs. Harry Miller (Agnes Watson, '06), is living in La Feria, Tex.

It grieves us to announce the death of one of Minnesota Alpha's most active and interested Pi Phi mothers, Mrs. Frank A. Day, mother of Juanita and Constance. She was one of the chapter's most devoted friends, one who was always ready and willing to help us in every was possible.

Rose Winifred Eaton is teaching in the high school at Rochester, Minn.

Nadine Crump, Iowa Zeta, is teaching English in the East High School, Minneapolis.

MISSOURI ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

Maude H. Neal may be addressed in care of Sunday Department 4, New York World, New York City.

Bessie Bond is now Mrs. W. F. Lauffert of Mabank, Tex.

Dot Johannes, '08, visited the chapter early in November.

Ethel Robnett-Estes and son are visiting Mrs. Estes's parents in Columbia.

Elizabeth Clay, '09, is teaching English at Kansas City, Mo. in Westport high school.

Edith Miller is attending the Kirksville Normal School.

MISSOURI BETA-WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Laura May Watts, '11, was married to Oliver Smith December 1 at St. Peter's Episcopal church. After January 1 their address will be 5731 Clemens Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Amy Starbuck, '09, is with us again this year. She is a candidate for the M. A. degree.

Ruth Bayley is now living in Santa Barbara, Cal. Her address is 1220 Garden St.

Eulah Gray was married to Howard S. Pfeuffer on December 8. Mr. Pfeuffer is a lumberman of New Braunfels, Tex., where the couple will make their home.

Helene Brammer will not return to college after Christmas. Her address will be 2311 West Third St. Davenport, Iowa.

Anna Dierfeld also will not be back after Christmas. Her address will be Appleton City, Mo.

NEBRASKA ALPHA-M. E. COLLEGE OF YORK

Mrs. Luella Vance-Phillips has moved her studio to 13 Central Park West, New York City. Mrs. Vance-Phillips was the hostess at the December meeting of the New York alumnae club. She told the club of the work of painters and miniatures and illustrated her charming talk by examples of her own delicate work.

The address of Mrs. Arthur F. Bentley (Anna Harrison) is 4430 North Winchester Ave., Chicago, Ill.

NEBRASKA BETA-UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

The engagement has been announced of Pearl Archibald, who for the past four years has been industrial secretary of Y. W. C. A. for the North Atlantic States, and Mr. Burdette Gibson Lewis, Phi Kappa Psi. Mr. Lewis is a graduate of Nebraska and took his graduate work for his Ph. D. at Wisconsin and Cornell. Mr. Lewis is statistician for the Public Service Commission in New York City.

The engagement of Lillian Waters, '10, to William Driskill is announced. They will be married January 1.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Gould (Bess Heacock, '05) on Thanksgiving day, a daughter.

The marriage of Grace Conerd to Carl Edward Huffman has been announced. They will reside in Atlantic, Ia.

Nelle Agnes Schwab, '06, and William F. Hoerger were married October 18. Their home is in Sutton, Neb.

Margaret Phillippi, Iowa Alpha, of Omaha visited friends in Lincoln and called at the chapter house.

Alice Wilcox of North Platte, Neb., visited at the Pi Phi house the week before Thanksgiving.

Carrie Slocum, '07, and Bert Baker were married November 11. Their home will be in Falls City, Neb.

Sarah Hutchins will spend the winter in California.

Jean McGeachin visited at the home of Grace Shallenberger the first week in December.

The engagement of Sarah Martin, '11, to Russell G. Burruss, Sigma Alpha Epsilon of Lincoln, Neb., has been announced. The wedding will take place early in January.

The engagement of Mame Killian to Will McGeachin, Phi Gamma Delta, is announced. They will be married New Year's day and leave immediately for Manila, P. I. where they will reside.

Born on December 7 to Mr. and Mrs. Emory D. Stanley (Eva M. Cooper) a daughter Katherine.

NEW YORK BETA-BARNARD COLLEGE

The engagement of Anna Morris Jackson, '09, Pennsylvania Alpha and New York Beta, to Mr. Charles Branson has just been announced. Miss Jackson resigned her position as instructor in domestic science in the Mt. Vernon high school December 24.

Maude Klein, '08, is teaching in the Floral Park grammar school, Long Island.

ONTARIO ALPHA-TORONTO UNIVERSITY

Muriel Oakley, '07, is at present teaching.

Roberta Gilray, '08, is teaching in the high school in Mount Forest, Ontario.

Bessie Cruickshank, '09, is at her home in Matsqui, British Columbia, this year.

Jean Fechnay, '09, is teaching in the Collegiate Institute in Kincardine, Ont.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA-SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Peborah L. Ferrier, '01, is traveling through the west.

Mary Cooper Johnson, ex-'02, is doing college settlement work in Philadelphia.

A son, Ernest Cosmos, was born October 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Quigley (Margaret S. Darlington, ex-'04) of St. Mary's, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Clement (Ada Clara Graham, '07) are now living in their new home at Llanerch, Pa.

Pennsylvania Alpha has enjoyed visits from Elizabeth Johnson, '06, Mary L. Sproud, '07, Beatrice Victory, '07, Edith S. Bunting, '08, Hazel L. Davis, ex-'07, Katherine Griest, '08, and Anne Pearson, '08.

The engagement of Anna Morris Jackson, ex-'02, and Charles Branson, *Scio*, of Cadiz, Ohio has been announced. Mr. Branson is a broker and he is also engaged in the real estate business. The marriage will take place in the late spring and the couple will make their home in Lansdowne, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA-BUCKNELL COLLEGE

Rebecca Shove, '06, is teaching in West Pittston.

Gertrude Stephens-Downs, '99, is rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy, at her home in Pittsburg.

Mary Stephens, '99, is teaching at Camp Verde, Ariz.

Ella Garvin spent part of her Thanksgiving vacation in Lewisburg. Eunice Hall, '09, spent a few days with us at the time of the State game.

Lila Long, '03, came down from Williamsport for the Bucknell-State game.

The chapter enjoyed a cooky shine in the Suite, at which all our town alumnae were present. Mrs. Thornton M. Shorkley (Genevieve White, '00) is chairman of the publicity committee of the League of Civic Clubs of Rochester, N. Y.

Nellie E. Johnson, '05, is teaching in the schools of Mt. Carmel, Pa.

Mrs. Edgar Reed (Lillian Foust, '00) has moved to Lebanon, Pa. where Mr. Reed has been elected superintendent of schools.

Blanche A. Bane, '02, was married October 14 at her home in Norristown to Dr. William S. Kuder, U. S. N.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA-DICKINSON COLLEGE

Gertrude Heller-Barnhart, '05, of Johnstown visited her sister Ruth Heller, '12, for a few days.

Kathleen Gooding, '05, has gone to Pittsburg to be assistant superintendent at the Presbyterian Hospital.

Helen Kisner, '08, visited Annie O'Brien, '08, at Wilmington Conference Academy, Dover, Del.

Mabel Kirk, '05, Anna Spears, '05, and Ethelyn Hardesty-Cleaver, '02, entertained the Pittsburg alumnae club at Mrs. Cleaver's home in Wilkinsburg Saturday, November 28.

TEXAS ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

On December 2, Ellen Waggener, '06, was married to Dr. E. H. Lancaster, Alpha Mu Pi Omega. The wedding was a quiet home affair, Anne Townes, '05, being the bride's only attendant. After the first of January Dr. and Mrs. Lancaster will be at home in Houston, Tex.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Sadie Millspaugh, '08, and Mr. Lemuel Ford Boulware. They will be at home in San Angelo, Tex.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Susette Matthews, '11, and Mr. Arthur Burns, Sigma Nu. Their home will home will be in Paul's Valley, Okla.

Nonie V. Mason, '10, has been married to Mr. Scott Field. Their home will be in Calvert, Tex.

Myra Foster, '06, was recently married to Mr. A. K. Rogers, Beta Theta Pi. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are at Del Prado Hotel, Chicago. Era Keeling, '10, transferred to Texas Alpha from Indiana Alpha last year, was recently married to Mr. William Kirby.

The engagement is announced of Emily White, '06, and Mr. Percy Marshal. The wedding will not take place until after Christmas.

Several of Texas Alpha's alumnae were back for Thanksgiving. Among them were: Mae Wynne, Lenore Hummel, Beulah Holland, Lucile March, Mary Gooch, Helen Markle, Kate Martin, Myra Peacock, Emily Mauerick.

Born October 18 to Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Milam (Grace Hill) a daughter, Helen Elizabeth.

Katharine B. Sockwell is now living at 1404 Lincoln St., Amarillo, Tex.

Julia Armstrong, Louisiana Alpha, of Katharine, Tex., was the maid of honor to the Queen at the Battle of Flowers in San Antonio last summer and bore the title of Duchees of Katharine. Wilna McKee of Houston was the Lady of the University.

Mae S. Wynne of Huntsville was appointed sponsor for the First Texas Brigade at the Confederate reunion in Memphis, Tenn. She appointed Mary Smither as her maid of honor.

Anne Townes has returned from Europe after an absence of more than a year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Evans (Edith J. Clagett) of 2082 Vyse Ave., The Bronx, New York City are the parents of a six months' old son.

VERMONT ALPHA-MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

Florence M. Andrews, '00, has charge of the work in science in the high school at Mamaroneck, N. Y.

Mabel E. Stevenson, '07, is now Mrs. C. Lisle Percy. Her address is Atlanta Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga.

VERMONT BETA-UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

Mrs. Carlton Howe (Alice Durfee, '05,) is very ill at her home in Essex Junction, Vt.

Mrs. Arthur Welch (Kathryne Gebhardt, '01,) who has been seriously ill for several months, is convalescing slowly.

The alumnae who were present at Vermont Beta's banquet were: Sylvia Warren, '09, Lillian Carpenter, '07, Mabel Balch, '09, Jennie Rowell, '09, Helen Barton, '09, Daisy Russell, '03, Mrs. Charles Waddell, '99, and Mrs. Charles Pierce, '07.

Grace Hayes of Ludlow, Mass., visited the chapter during rushing season.

Helen Barton, '09, is assisting Professor Jones during the illness of Mr. Helyar.

Gertrude Johnston, '07, on her way to Arizona visited Mrs. Albert C. Brown (Estella Metcalf, '08) of 552 Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

Gertrude M. Johnston, '07, who received her A. M. degree in 1909 from the University of Michigan, is now instructor in German and Spanish in the high school at Tucson, Ariz. Her address is 721 East Sixth St.

WASHINGTON ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Mrs. John Monteith (Olive Neal), Mrs. John Judson Pierce (Ethel Taylor Watts, '10), Fay Yantis, '08, and Helen Grares, '11, were visitors at the chapter house.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Stearns (Helen Mar Gibbons, '07) a daughter.

Mabel Joyce is instructor in domestic science in the West Seattle school.

Lela Hawkins is teaching in Toppenish, Wash.

Ruth Sturley and Elizabeth Dearborn are teaching in southern Washington.

WISCONSIN ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Daisy Moser, '09, is teaching gymnastics at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill.

Margaret Stanton has returned to her home in Ames, Iowa, where she will remain until she leaves for Europe in the spring.

Mrs. Robert Coe (Vera Christiensen, '04) who visited Wisconsin Alpha recently, has returned to Whitewater, Wis.

Mrs. H. J. Saunders (Virginia Hayner, '02) has moved to Silmore, Albany County, Wyo.

Mrs. Gustave Blatz (Rega Bodden, '09) is living in Milwaukee.

Cora Hinckley, '07, is teaching at Stevens Point.

Anita Koenan, '07, has recently returned from a trip abroad.

Alice Volkman who spent '07 and '08 in graduate work is at home in Louisville, Ky.

Frances Hall, '08, is residing in Milwaukee.

CHAPTER LETTERS

ALPHA PROVINCE

VERMONT ALPHA-MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

(Chartered 1893)

Vermont Alpha has now settled down to the regular work of the year, after a most successful rushing season. We held our initiation November 19, and our annual banquet the following evening. Though we had none of our national officers with us this year, a large number of our alumnae were back, as well as two delegates from Vermont Beta. Now we can introduce to our sister chapters six new Pi Phis: Helen Wood, '11, Clara Engel, '12, and Annie Perkins, Mary Reynolds, Eleanor Hatch, and Helen Harriman, '13.

A week or two before the Christmas holidays, the college received a visit from Miss Corbett, a Y. W. C. A. Territorial secretary, and we were pleased to find that she was a Pi Phi from Michigan Alpha. During her stay at the college, she attended one of our regular fraternity meetings; after the meeting we held an informal spread in the rooms. Miss Corbett spoke to us most interestingly of the different chapters she had met, and of some of the Pi Phis engaged in Association work. She gave us a short talk on the fraternity's policy and made many helpful suggestions for our chapter's future.

A new dramatic club has been started in Middlebury, and a short play is to be given the night before the holidays; Miss Brodie, one of our junior girls, is to have a leading part. Still another of our juniors is class vice-president, and another assistant editor-in-chief of the college annual. One of our seniors is vice-president of the Y. W. C. A. and a number of our girls hold cabinet positions. Pi Phi seems well represented this year in all the college activities.

MARGARET FRENCH.

VERMONT BETA-UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

(Chartered 1898)

The rushing season opened at Vermont with the usual tea and reception. Our town alumnae entertained for us with several informal affairs. Our chapter also gave a number of informal evenings. We did not give any elaborate functions this year as we felt that we could best judge the girls and get better acquainted with them through informality. We also did more individual rushing which we also felt to be the best possible way of getting acquainted with a girl and knowing her as she really is.

November II we pledged four splendid girls: Helen Durfee of this city, Alta Grismer also of this city, Beulah Hayes of Ludlow, Mass., and Loretta Tobin of East Providence, R. I. We were able, however, to initiate but three of them as Miss Tobin was called home before the Thanksgiving recess by the serious illness of her mother.

Our initiation and banquet took place December 4. Twenty-two were present at the banquet. We were especially glad to have with us eight alumnae and two girls, Miss Walker and Miss Munroe, from Vermont Alpha. Mabel Gillis and Ethel Center were present at the initiation and banquet of Vermont Alpha.

They were royally entertained and returned home with a feeling that they had a sister chapter which was very near and dear to them.

Mrs. Nickerson, our province president, paid us a very short visit, staying over only one night. We were very sorry that she could not remain with us longer, but we were very glad to have her with us even for that short time.

ETHEL M. CENTER.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY (Chartered 1896)

Yes, pledge day and initiation are all over, and Massachusetts Alpha has been strengthened by the addition of nine new members, eight initiates and one pledge—among them our "gay young sophomore" from Mt. Holyoke and Isabelle Esten, a Student Volunteer at our own college.

Initiation was followed by our annual banquet at Hotel Vendome, with Mildred Daniels as toastmistress. This year part of the active girls were relegated to the cheering section, where they competed with their rivals, the songsters—each side endeavoring to be heard above the other. Another feature, was a debate—"Shall Mock Initiation Be Instituted in Massachusetts Alpha?" After various arguments, for and against, a committee of three alumnae decided on the merits of the question.

At the home of Helen Brown on the afternoon of December 3 the Pi Phi seniors entertained with a cooky shine where fun and informality made one of the pleasantest occasions of the year. Now we are planning to give an informal dance just before Christmas—as an addition, however not as a substitute for our annual fraternity dance.

At college our local Gamma Delta society has been busy. October 29, a Hallone'en party was given, under its direction, in the college gymnasium and on November 19 it held an informal social in the Assembly Room at which Mrs. Black addressed the students on "Manners."

On December 3 came the junior reception to the freshmen. This reception serves as a sort of forerunner to Junior Week, which we are all looking forward to, especially as Mildred Hood, 'II, is chairman of the Junior Play committee.

New Year Greetings to all Pi Phidom.

BEATRICE WHITNEY.

ONTARIO ALPHA-TORONTO UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1908)

At last our strenuous rushing season is over and we have five splendid girls to introduce—Isabel Masson, sophomore, Annie Edgar, Gordon Lovell, Charlotte Reeb, and Hazel Bletcher, freshmen.

Our initiation ceremony was held on November 24 at the home of Marguereta and Gladness Chapman and was followed by a supper.

We were glad to have with us at that time Mrs. Nickerson and how much we enjoyed her visit would be hard to say; we were delighted to hear her little stories of the other chapters, the latest fraternity news and to receive suggestions from her for our chapter. The other chapters of Alpha Province will

know how sorry we were to say good-bye to our president. We felt that every moment of her society afforded us not only a great deal of pleasure but also roused our enthusiasm and inspired us to work earnestly for all that our fraternity stands for.

On November 25 we gave a tea at the women's residence, Queens Hall, in order that the wives of the professors, the other women's fraternities and their pledges might meet Mrs. Nickerson. On the following Saturday we took our visitor to see the football game between Ottawa City and University of Toronto for the championship of Canada which 'Varsity won. Hurrah!

At present we are making arrangements for a chapter room and hope to take possession of a nice one by January 1.

Our college alumnae are giving a bazaar in Convocation Hall and Alma Anderson, '09, one of our Pi Phi girls, has charge of a booth.

We have something new this year in the line of athletics—a swimming club and all the girls are very enthusiastic over it. We are to have a contest with the Y, W. C. Guild in which one of our girls is entered. We expect 'Varsity to make a good many points in the diving and racing.

Term examinations are occupying all our time at present and we are looking forward to the Christmas holidays with pleasure as a change from work. We wish every Pi Phi a very happy and successful New Year.

MINNIE L. BARRY.

NEW YORK ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1896)

New York Alpha's fourteen new members are: Fay Furbaye of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gladys Case of West Bloomfield, N. Y.; Katherine Steinle of Washington, D. C.; Rachael Wolstadt of Brockton, Mass.; Ruth McLaklin of Babylon, Long Island; Gertrude Skerritt and Lulu Golden of Syracuse; Bertha Fry of Clayton, N. Y.; Marion Sheldon of Gouverneur, N. Y.; Jean Muir of Gowanda, N. Y.; Ina Grobe of Dannsville, N. Y.; Gertrude Gray of Albary, N. Y.; Julia Franz of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; and Marie Thompson of Union City, Pa. Three of our pledgelings, out of deference to the wishes of their parents, will not be initiated until next year. They are: Louise Andrews of Little Falls, N. Y.; Helen Hurford of Penn Yan, N. Y.; and Genevieve Gifford of Buffalo, N. Y.

Our chapter can justly be credited with a spirit of harmony and work. There has been a greater impetus toward higher scholarship, a greater activity in college affairs, an especially directed movement for renewed interests in Y. W. C. A.

Due to our college customs and the keen competition among fraternities, it is an honor to be chosen on committees, to be elected to class offices, to be chosen for plays and contests, to be elected to class societies, etc. The following information will show that New York Alpha is awake: We have four girls on strong committees in Y. W. C. A. In connection with this work, there is a large Bible class at the chapter house under the leadership of Rose Humann-Rogers. Rachael Wolstadt is our freshman on the class executive committee, while Fay Furbaye is vice-president of the freshmen woman's debating club.

Janet Bunyan is on the sophomore executive committee, while Katherine Baxter is one of the cheerleaders for sophomore women. Miss Baxter was on the toast list for the sophomore-freshman reception—an honor to be cherished, due to the manner of manking such selections. Olive Kirby has been chosen as alternative for the contest of sophomore women. Edith Haith and Marion Wells have been initiated into Pi Lambda, the library fraternity. Minnie Dinehart was elected secretary of the junior class. Margaret Glanding won one of the leading parts in "The Comedy of Errors"—presented by the Boar's Head—a dramatic society. She will soon be initiated into this society—an honor won only after keenest competition. Rena Barry has been elected to membership in the senior society for women. She is also president of the glee and instrumental Clubs. We have eight girls in the Glee Club and one in the Instrumental club.

Miss Corbett of Michigan Alpha, Territorial Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., was present at our initiation banquet. She urged us to greater activity in a work which is world wide and which has in it so many strong, capable women.

Mrs. Naus, an aunt of one of our girls, and Mrs. M. W. Blackman, wife of one of our professors, are two new patronesses.

On December 10 we will hold a bazaar—the income of which is to be used for chapter house necessities. The alumnae, patronesses, and friends have been invited. Each girl in the active chapter is expected to make articles amounting in value to seventy-five cents. There will be a program and refreshments.

We have in Syracuse University a dean of the women, Miss Jean M. Richards, professor of English, and niece of Chancellor James R. Day. She has the welfare of the college women much at heart and promises much good for them during her term of office.

We are proud of Dean Frank Smalley of Liberal Arts college, who has been presented with the LL.D. degree from both Union College and Colgate University.

Peace reigns supreme in Pan-Hellenic affairs. This condition we believe due to the influence of the Woman's League and the Y. W. C. A.—two of our strongest women's organizations.

New York Alpha hopes Santa Claus will be good to all Pi Phis—that your Christmas may be a merry one; that only good fortune may attend you throughout the New Year.

ROSE HUMANN-ROGERS.

NEW YORK BETA—BARNARD COLLEGE (Chartered 1904)

Hurrah! It's all over at last. The most abominable rushing system ever adopted at Barnard is fast becoming history and hazy nightmare. "No rushing" came the mandate of Pan-Hellenic and "Down with the King" sounded like a very conservative cry in comparison. From an Ancient Regime where parties, dances, dinners, and plays were the constant program in rushing to this new condition where one sophomore at one party was an unpardonable crime was not a particularly joyful outlook. But Pi Phi stood its ground and as pledge day approached with the atmosphere growing a darker and deeper blue every minute we waited our fate. Now it's all over and New York Beta

is glowing with pride and the desire to tell you the old, old story. Pi Phi has emerged from the scrimmage on the upper side of the pile. We are happy to present to you, Margaret Wood, Edith Valet, and Lucy Landru. In November we were fortunate in getting one of the most popular girls in college; interested in almost every branch of college activities she has won laurels innumerable and Ethel Leveridge's name in college stands for one of the girls who have done most for their class and won the greatest number of friends.

Though we couldn't have sophomores at our parties nor give parties to sophomores nor have any other combination of sophomores, parties, and Pi Phi, we could have fun by ourselves, and that we did. Have you ever been to the finest dance possible? Have you ever added to the above combination an adorable hostess? Well, we have, and in plain everyday English Beth Thomson's party was a perfect success. Our dance left no room for improvement and we are looking forward with great pleasure to the January cooky shine of the New York alumnae club.

JUANITA BROWN.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA-SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1892)

Pennsylvania Alpha enjoyed very much this month a week end visit from Miss Keller. As we wished our seven new girls to feel as well acquainted with Miss Keller as we do, we had a very informal little chapter party for her Saturday evening. Several of the alumnae were also back who had added much to our good times.

We were all very glad to have Miss Janvier also, visit us again this year. Her visits are always very enjoyable and much appreciated by the chapter.

The chapter was very fortunate this year in adding to her number Eleanor Rittenhouse, a transfer from Colorado Beta. We certainly congratulate ourselves upon gaining such a strong and enthusiastic girl.

The Pan-Hellenic rules for this year are practically the same as they were last year. This, of course, means another sophomore pledge day.

ANNABELLE BOYLE.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL COLLEGE (Chartered 1895)

The most important feature of this term is the initiation of three new members: Bessie Kates, '11, and Verna Whitaker, '11, of Millville, N. J., and Violet Wetterau, '12. The girls are very strong and enthusiastic.

On November 13, we were greatly honored by the presence of Miss Keller, our Grand President. In order to give our alumnae an opportunity to meet her, we held a reception at the home of Helen Hare. Here, the charming personality and pertinent remarks of Miss Keller inspired us with a more intense love for dear Pi Phi. A flash-light of the group and a few fraternity songs completed our evening's pleasures.

Christmas has not only its usual happy anticipations, but it will also bring us a gift in the person of a new Pi Phi, whom we are now cherishing as a pledgeling. College social life has its most important function of the winter term, in the form of College Girls' Reception. The president of the reception, who is also the president of the Woman's League, is one of our seniors, Ruby Pierson. Then too, many of our girls are filling positions on the committees.

Sara Ray, who has been elected president of the league for the proposed girls' basketball team, is proving herself an enthusiastic leader.

We were entertained Saturday afternoon, December 4, by Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, at a reception.

Pennsylvania Beta closes the year 1909 with pleasant memories, and looks forward to 1910 with best wishes for all chapters of Pi Phi.

GRETCHEN A. RADACK.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA-DICKINSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1903)

Since initiation there have been no special fraternity entertainments except a few informal parties in the rooms.

Missouri Wolegang, Pennsylvania Beta, visited in Carlisle during November and she and another Pennsylvania Beta girl, Sara Black, were entertained one evening by the active chapter.

A very pretty picture has been added to the rooms. It is the gift of Anna Spears, '05, Mabel Kirk, '05, and Ethelyn Hardesty-Cleaver, '02, and Gertrude Heller-Barnhart, '05, brought us a cushion.

December 4 a Doll Show was held when dolls the college girls had dressed were exhibited. These dolls were sent to Mrs. Ballington Booth and Miss Edith White to be distributed among poor New York children. This is the second year that dolls have been dressed for this purpose and it has now become a regularly established part of Y. W. C. A. work. Lydia Gooding, '10, was chairman of the doll committee.

About four hundred people from Gettysburg came over to Carlisle with the football team to witness the Gettysburg-Dickinson game October 29. The game was a glorious success for us as Dickinson won by a score of 14-0. A Hallowe'en masquerade was held in the gymnasium that evening and proved a fitting celebration for the afternoon's victory.

M. ELETA WITMER.

MARYLAND ALPHA—WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE (Chartered 1897)

November 6, pledge day, was a most triumphant one for us. We pledged eight splendid girls and the Monday following we pledged one more. November 2 we put the arrow on nine girls who are going to be fine Pi Phis. They are: Frances Strader of Greenville, N. C.; Amy Beck, and Leon Buckwald of Baltimore; Grace T. Lewis of Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Marjorie Upham of Dorchester, Mass.; Mary Weber of Du Bois, Pa.; Edistina Beggs of Ashland, Ill.; Louise Claridge of Baltimore; and Gretchen Schmidt of Washington, D. C.

Our alumnae entertained us Saturday night, December 4, at Dr. Keller's and we had a jolly good time. The affair was given in honor of the freshmen. Maryland Alpha chapter wishes to all Pi Phis a very happy New Year.

HARRIET L. RICE.

COLUMBIA ALPHA—GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1889)

The annual tea given by the Washington alumnae this fall afforded Columbia Alpha a delightful opportunity to renew its acquaintance with Miss Keller. We are very glad that she is so near us that it is possible for her to visit us occasionally. In order to see more of our patronesses we are trying the plan of having one day each month on which to have two of them down for luncheon. So far it has been a great success, and it is a fine thing for the girls to come in contact with women who have gone out from the college to take their places in the broad spheres of life.

Columbia Alpha wishes a prosperous and happy New Year to all Pi Phis.

ELEANOR GANNETT.

BETA PROVINCE

OHIO ALPHA-OHIO UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1889)

Since our last letter to the Arrow we have pledged three more girls making in all, six pledges whose names are Mayme McCombs of Youngstown, O.; Doris Ludlow of Piqua, O.; Kate Dorr of McConnelsville, O.; Mary Fletcher of Athens, O.; Jeanette and Beatrice McIntyre of Warren, O. Margaret Kelley of Freeport, O., '13, a pledge of last spring term, was initiated October 23.

One of the stunts for our new girls was a tally-ho party, given on Saturday afternoon, October 30. The different fraternities gave their annual Hallowe'en stunts, at all of which Pi Phi was well represented, as usual. Our plan of spending another evening in our Hall, in addition to the evening of our regular fraternity meetings, has proved very successful. All our active girls and pledges meet every Monday evening and a very pleasant hour is spent in singing and dancing. On Friday evening, December 3, eight of the girls entertained with a Hobo Ball.

BLANCHE DANFORD.

OHIO BETA-OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

October 18 was pledging day. We pledged six girls whom we are very proud to introduce to Pi Phis. They are: Alice DuBois and Ruth Saddler of Toledo, Ohio; Térése Kennedy of Portsmouth; Claudine Urlin, Katherine Pugh, and Dorothy Beebe of Columbus. They were initiated November 20 at the home of one of the girls, and the initiation followed by a banquet at the Southern Hotel in the evening. I think the fact that we stayed four hours in the banquet room testifies to what a very enjoyable time we had.

The girls glee club in place of its usual annual concert is trying something new by giving "Habdilou, or The Hindoo Mystic." It is a comic opera and will be presented on the evening of January 14 in the chapel. Ohio Beta is indeed proud for Helen B. Smith, '09, has written the opera, and Louise Shepard, '11, has the leading rôle.

There recently has been organized at Ohio State a new local sorority, Lambda Alpha, which is trying to obtain a chapter of either Alpha Phi or Delta Gamma. For about fifteen years there have been only four sororities at Ohio State so the introduction of a local makes a new problem for the girls. However as there are about six hundred girls in college and each of the sororities has an average membership of sixteen there is plenty of room among the other five hundred and thirty-six for a new sorority as can plainly be seen. Then too with five representatives at Pan-Hellenic meetings there would no longer be a chance for the tie votes, which are so frequent now.

Marguerite Lisle, '10, has just been elected as one of the delegates from our college to the convention of the Student Volunteer Movement to be held at Rochester, N. Y. from December 29 until January 2. The college girls raised the money to send our delegates, six girls and nine men, by means of "Tag Day." We had two days and the girls were put in charge of every building on the campus. They asked every one that entered to buy a tag letting them pay anything they wished for their tag. By the evening of the second day nearly every one in college was wearing a tag. One hundred and seventy-five dollars was raised, mostly in ten cent contributions.

January 7 has been fixed for the date of our annual formal party. So it will really be a holiday dance. This is earlier than we have held our party for some years but we think we shall like it very much. The winter term is the term for the formals so Pi Phi will begin the season.

MADGE L. SOMERVILLE.

INDIANA ALPHA-FRANKLIN COLLEGE

(Chartered 1888)

When we mailed our last chapter letter, we were planning our largest term event, the Hallowe'en party. The hall was decorated in cornfodder, evergreen bows, and dozens of pumpkins, and black cats. We girls were masked when the men were invited to enter, and such fun when they tried to find their ladies. The fortune teller's booth was decorated in fantastic fashion and much amusement came from this source.

We did not initiate until November 13. The new girls are: Mary Payne, Mattie Ott, Helen Barnhizer, Marie and Mary McClain, and Maude Davis of Franklin, Ind.; Katharine Kenny of Peru, Ind.; and Alene Oldaker of Greenwood, Ind. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Otis Wooley (Addah Magaw).

Lucy Guthrie, '11, entertained at her home December 3 with a dance for her house guest, Miss Hanckel of Indianapolis. An orchestra of stringed instruments furnished music in the dance hall on the third floor.

The athletic association of the college is working up a benefit vaudeville for new equipment in the gymnasium. The two classes for women, directed by Hazel Abbett, '10, will furnish part of the entertainment.

We have decided to give a shower for the chapter room instead of the annual Christmas grab-bag, and besides this each girl is dressing a small doll at our meetings. These twenty dolls will be turned over to the charity organizations and distributed to twenty little girls of the town on Christmas eye.

Indiana Alpha sends Christmas greetings and best wishes for a prosperous New Year. Marie Ditmars.

INDIANA BETA-INDIANA UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1893)

At present Indiana Beta is very busy preparing for the term examinations. For one week we shall be in the midst of them. With all this before us, we have scarcely time to give a thought either to Christmas or to our coming vacation.

Since the last issue of the ARROW we have a new initiate, Hazel Rubey of Winchester, Ind. This raises our number of freshmen to fifteen. We very much regret the fact that Ruth Aughinbaugh, one of our freshmen, has been compelled to withdraw from college on account of ill health, but we are hoping that she will be able to enter next term.

Our social affairs this term have been much as usual. The plan made last year by all of the sororities to have as their at home day the last Friday of each month has been continued this year and has proved very successful. We also now have an at home day for the fraternity men. We have had a rushing stunt and a formal Hallowe'en dance, at which half of the girls dressed as men. It proved a decided success and every one was enthusiastic over the fun it afforded.

Several weeks ago the play, "You Never Can Tell," was given by the faculty of the university. The leading part was taken by a Pi Phi. Also three of our girls were in the cast of the charity benefit play given by the townspeople.

RUTH K. WHITE.

INDIANA GAMMA-BUTLER COLLEGE

(Chartered 1897)

The girls of Indiana Gamma have passed a pleasant and successful term of fraternity and college life. We have devoted every Tuesday afternoon to our fraternity meetings and at least one alumna has always been present. After the formal meetings we gathered around the fire to sing Pi Phi songs and chat. The grade committee reported excellent grades for the majority of the girls. Agnes Tilson, one of our two seniors, was elected president of the Lotus Club (which corresponds to the Woman's League in most of the colleges) and vice-president of the senior class.

We have given a number of informal dancing parties and spreads at the homes of our alumnae. On Hallowe'en the Indianapolis Alumnae Club entertained the active chapter and rushees with a most delightful and unique party at the home of their president, Anna Weaver, of California Alpha.

We were greatly elated over the result of the Thanksgiving football game with Wabash the score of which was 12-0 in favor of Butler. This entitled Butler to the state secondary championship.

We have planned a number of parties for the rest of this term and the holidays. Our last "date" with the freshmen will be a week end party at the home of one of our seniors in Zionsville. We are looking forward with pleasure to the fifteenth of January when we may claim our chosen freshmen.

MILDRED MOORHEAD.

ILLINOIS BETA-LOMBARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1872)

Since our last letter we have pledged Ruth Chamberlain, a sister of one of our old girls and the daughter of a patroness. We expect to initiate her soon.

In October we had a meeting with our town alumnae to discuss plans for our bungalow. They were all enthusiastic and gave us many excellent suggestions. We expect to build a stone lodge of three rooms; a large living-room, a chapter room and a kitchenette. The college has given us a beautiful location on the campus.

College life has been unusually active this fall. The girls have reorganized the old Zetacaleon Literary Society for the study of Wagner. One of our girls is president, another secretary. In addition to the usual college assemblies, the freshmen gave a masquerade dance the last part of October.

A new member has been added to the faculty of the science department, William Sherril of the University of Alabama. He is an enthusiastic worker and an addition to the college.

Della Myers, '93, and Mrs. Alvia Myers Holmes entertained the active girls and a few of the alumnae with a cooky shine, followed by a dance..

Just now we are looking forward to our Christmas cooky shine and tree next week. This is an annual affair which we girls enjoy almost more than any other of the year.

Lucile Cravens.

ILLINOIS DELTA-KNOX COLLEGE

(Chartered 1884)

We have been busy securing suitable rooms and at last think we have found them. We were ready to move into them, but on that very morning there was a fire in them so of course we could not have them. We expect to move now very soon and our alumnae are going to help us to maintain our new rooms.

The Galesburg Pi Phi alumnae association is going to give loving cups to Illinois Delta and to Illinois Beta to be awarded to the sophomore girl having the highest scholarship.

We gave an informal dancing party in Central Hall on November 12. A large number of the town alumnae were present and all seemed to have a good time. We are now planning for our formal party to be given in February.

We have had one Pan-Hellenic meeting this month and everything seems to be running nicely.

Lois Potter.

ILLINOIS EPSILON-NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

Illinois Epsilon has had an unusually successful fall. We have another pledge, Ruth Schantz, daughter of one of the members of I. C., to introduce to you. November I we initiated two of our pledges, Helen Pierce and Adele Lochr, both of whom had advanced standing. Owing to a faculty ruling we shall be unable to initiate the remaining eleven pledges until the end of this semester; hence we have established a pledge chapter which meets every Monday and at which the freshmen learn the chapter roll, Pi Beta Phi songs, and the history of our fraternity.

In order to keep in close touch with our pledges, we have two spreads every month in our fraternity rooms. At one of these spreads we were glad to have with us Mrs. Patrick Carney, Colorado Beta, and Elda Smith, our Grand Secretary.

On October 29 we gave our annual informal party to introduce our freshmen. We were glad to see a great many of our alumnae then.

In November Lucie Gloss entertained the active chapter and the pledges at a luncheon at her home in Elmhurst, after which we all sang Pi Phi songs, and had a most enjoyable afternoon.

Owing to the Thanksgiving vacation only fifteen of our girls were able to attend the Chicago Alumnae luncheon, but from the report of those who were there, we who were spending Thanksgiving at home, missed an exceedingly good time.

A meeting of the alumnae club of Illinois Epsilon was held at the home of Sadie and Edith Thompson, on December 11, to which the active chapter was invited and where they spent a very pleasant afternoon.

We are glad to have with us this year, three very enthusiastic Pi Phis, Mrs. Lardner, Mrs. Gault, and Mrs. Barnstoff, whose husbands are on the Northwestern faculty.

We are all looking forward to our annual Christmas tree party, which will be held the last Monday before our vacation. Each girl sends some gift, which brings out a characteristic trait of the recipient.

Illinois Epsilon wishes all her sister chapters a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Edna Bassler.

ILLINOIS ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS (Chartered 1895)

In comparison with the excitement of rushing season, the last two months have been very quiet ones. The end of rushing season found us with six pledges: Florence Royer of Chicago; Lopis Fatch of Wilmette; Clara Swigart of Clinton; Harriet Bowman of Woodstock; Olive Mannly of Harvard; and Claire Dillon of Morgan Park. On November 1 we initiated the freshmen, and we surely were proud to put the arrow on them. Initiation was followed by an informal banquet and toasts were given by representatives of the different classes and the alumnae.

We have done little entertaining this year except our rushing parties. The last of October we gave a reception for our new chaperon, Miss Della Fleming. We have also had two social meetings on the night of regular fraternity meeting and they certainly stand out as most enjoyable times. We are planning a Christmas tree and cooky shine for the night before separating for the holidays.

The university is at last to have a new main hall. The sum of \$250,000 will be expended in its construction and it will be given the name of Abraham Lincoln Hall. The appropriation was obtained during the centennial year of the birth of Lincoln, and the fact that in 1862 President Lincoln signed the land grant bill which made possible the state universities, makes the name doubly appropriate.

HAZEL LOUISE OVITZ.

MICHIGAN ALPHA-HILLSDALE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1887)

Are we happy? On November 13 we pledged six girls, Mabel Hill of Vandergrift, Penn.; Jane Whitney of Hillsdale and Marian Cook of Tekonsha, Mich., who are sisters of Pi Phis; Mae Grandon of Hillsdale; Lena Topliff of La Rue, Ohio; and Elsie Eggleston of Hillsdale. We celebrated with a house-party at Bau Beese lake, near Hillsdale. This was a grand success. We became so well acquainted with our pledges, the time spent together seemed all too short and we separated envying chapters who are so fortunate as to have houses where the girls may enjoy one continued house-party all year.

On October 16 we gave a dinner party at the home of Bess Kempf for rushees and college men.

The State Y. W. C. A. convention was held at Muskegon, Mich. in October—Leithel Patton and Alice Clarke were delegates from Hillsdale.

Mrs. Carlotta Bailey-Ewing of Grand Rapids, one of our patronesses, gave readings from "Les Miserables" before the Hillsdale Women's Club recently. Mrs. Ewing is a general favorite in Hillsdale and it is always a pleasure to welcome her here.

We gave a reception at the home of Vivian Lyon on November 9 for Mrs. Kate King Bostwick and Mrs. Adah Brown Loomis. This was their first visit in Hillsdale for a number of years and we were very glad to know them. Mrs. Bostwick is one of our most enthusiastic alumnae—it is to her efforts that we owe our new piano in the Pi Phi room.

Some of our girls belong to the Glee Club; we are well represented in Y. W. C. A. work; and although we are interested in all college activities yet we try to put scholarship first of all. With best wishes to Pi Phis everywhere for a glorious New Year from Michigan Alpha.

BESS KEMPF.

MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (Chartered 1888)

We were all glad when rushing was at last over and we could settle down to our natural routine of college and fraternity life, before preparations for initiation began to occupy our thoughts. We had early decided upon November 6, as initiation day, and were extremely happy to find that so many of our alumnae could be with us, on that occasion.

College is as lively and as bustling as ever, and seems to find the rule of our new President Hitchins very agreeable. There are unusual activities in every line of work. The opera, which the boys have been working at, is nearing completion and the management is expecting to give it December 15, 16, 17, 18. The music is under the supervision of Professor Killeen, the husband of one of our '09 girls, George Hager. Several of our girls have been making their début on the stage, and had prominent parts in the opera "Three Bears," given as a charity benefit, and a few others are working for parts in the "Comedy Club," our local dramatic organization. The final try-out has not been held yet, but we are reasonably sure of two leading parts.

Most of the girls found it possible to spend their Thanksgiving vacation either at home or with friends, so that only six girls remained in the house. They gave a formal dinner and dance on the Friday after Thanksgiving, to help pass the time away, and declared that they has as good a time as those who were more fortunate in having kind friends or relatives near by.

The chapter was extremely delighted to receive a beautiful pair of andirons as a Thanksgiving gift from our Detroit alumnae. We are looking forward to our annual Christmas party and Christmas tree, which we will have on Monday before school closes for the holidays. We intend to present the house with some appropriate gift at that time. Our freshmen are going to entertain the freshmen of all rival sororities, at a house party, immediately after Christmas. This custom has prevailed among our sororities for some years and has been a a great source of pleasure to all concerned, and a fine way to get acquainted.

Though we regret Miss Lytle's resignation exceedingly, we are very much delighted with our new province president, Mrs. Johnson, and are anticipating a pleasant visit from her in January.

ELLEN MCHENRY.

WISCONSIN ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

(Chartered 1894)

Since the last issue of the Arrow Wisconsin Alpha has endeavored to start its new members on all the paths of development our college affords for more and more we girls are beginning to feel that the way to go through college is to get the most one can out of it—to learn all sides and to be not only good Pi Phis but good democratic Wisconsin students as well.

Several of our girls took part recently in an opera given by Mr. Stothart of Milwaukee under the auspices of and for the benefit of "The Attic Angels," a charitable organization of townspeople. The opera was a pretty success and was a novel experience to many of us. Pursuing dramatics further, Fae Brown will take part as "Dolly" in "You Never Can Tell," given by the Edwin Booth Dramatic Society, during the month.

At the time of the Minnesota-Wisconsin game several Minnesota sisters visited us. It was good to meet them and learn in what ways our chapter differed and in what ways it resembled theirs.

Needless to say, Wisconsin took a great fall when it came into contact with Minnesota's wonderful team and our sorrow was great but when we held Chicago the next week to a tie we revived and Wisconsin spirit is better for the shock.

During the Thanksgiving recess, twelve Pi Phis held a luncheon at Milwaukee. It included the Milwaukee Pi Phis and their sister guests and three Pi Phis who had been in the chapter recently.

Wisconsin Alpha wishes every Pi Beta Phi sister a very merry Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.

MARION HOLMES.

GAMMA PROVINCE

IOWA ALPHA—IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY (Chartered 1869)

Iowa Alpha has had several gay times lately. Probably the most enjoyed was the "Slumber Party" at the Pi Phi Cottage. Such a time as we had; singing songs and each girl giving her parlor "stunt." Then when it was really time to quiet down Ullina Ingersoll began! She started with the exciting experience of her summer's trip abroad and ended by scaring us into sleeplessness with ghost stories. When morning came the girls who knew how best went to the kitchen and breakfast was prepared. All day we stayed together and separated only at night. You girls, who have chapter houses cannot realize how we, who have not, enjoyed this day. We tried to imagine that we could stay at the cottage all the time and the party broke up with a good cry with real tears.

The Thanksgiving banquet is the college affair of the year. The Hershey Hall banquet room, with its two hundred guests was perfectly beautiful. In the south tower behind red and green bower was the orchestra. We were honored by having Suzanne Gardner chosen to give a toast to "Modern Languages." We were very proud of her for she gave it so easily and splendidly.

Louise Hancher, '13, and Edna Irish, '13, visited Verna Scott, ex-'08, in Burlington.

May Pierce, '09, visited the chapter and attended a spread at the Cottage.

Edith Burgess, ex-'11, spent Thanksgiving with us. She is teaching in the
Moulton public schools.

Suzanne Gardner.

IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE (Chartered 1874)

Rushing is now over, and Iowa Beta is pleased to present to you as duly initiated members of Pi Beta Phi: Edith Payton of Bedford, Ia.; Ruth Harp of Prairie City, Ia.; Gladys Smith of Stuart, Ia.; Besse Tilton, Hazel Perley, Eva Hathaway of Indianola, Ia. Never has rushing been so strenuous, and yet so enjoyable as this year—due to the fact that we "got everybody we asked," and we asked everybody we wanted, and four of our girls received other invitations.

We have had a number of rushing parties during our nine weeks pledge season. Our alumnae entertained us at the home of Mrs. William Buxton, Jr., one evening. Ada Proudfoot and Vera Peasley, two of our Pi Phi teachers, gave us a Dutch party. We took our rushees to Des Moines to the Drake-Simpson football game, and to a dinner in the evening at the Savory Hotel. We became so intimately associated with the new girls before pledging, that we feel our fraternity will be most congenial this year.

One of the most enjoyable features at the close of rushing season was the visit of Pearl Fitzgerald of Nebraska Beta. She was with us as the guest of honor at our last banquet held in Des Moines. Mrs. Tilton, one of our professor's wives, and the mother of one of our new girls acted as chaperon. We

held a reception and an informal afternoon for Miss Fitzgerald while she was with us. The last night of her visit we pledged the rushees.

Plans for our new gymnasium are well under way. Townsfolk and college people have combined efforts to further it. Three business men, two of them husbands of Pi Phis, contributed \$20,000 to the cause. This is proving a most prosperous year for the school and for Pi Beta Phi.

Just a word of gossip in closing, I overheard one man tell another on the campus a few days ago, "Well you are not in it here, if you are not a Pi Phi booster."

Love from Iowa Beta to all Pi Phis.

EDITH LISLE.

IOWA GAMMA-IOWA STATE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1877)

Several of the girls are busy with outside work. Mae Reed has a leading part in the French play to be given by the French club in the Assembly Room of Agricultural Hall, December 15. Four of the juniors are at work on the Bomb board, editing the college annual. Maude Mirick and Helen Wakefield are members of the new senior girls' society, "The Jack O'Lantern Club."

In November, during rushing season at Iowa Beta, two of the girls, Mae Reed and Jessie King, met their chapter in Des Moines, and attended a dinner party at the Savory Hotel. Both reported a very enjoyable time.

The last two years, instead of exchanging presents among ourselves, we have put our money together and purchased a Christmas present for the chapter house. Our gift for this year, in the form of a buffet, has recently arrived, and we are all very happy and proud over it.

Our party this term was of an informal nature, and was held in Champlin's Hall, November 19. Several of our alumnae and a number of out-of-town guests were present, among them was Ada Pagenstecker of Nebraska Beta. December 18 we have planned to entertain the other two women's fraternities at a "Kensington" at our house.

Initiation comes the last Friday of the semester, December 17. Two girls are to be initiated, Grace Helen Smith of Seattle, Wash., and Margaret Wentch of Dows, Iowa.

M. REGINA BRENNAN.

IOWA ZETA-STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

(Chartered 1882)

All of the girls are planning to spend Christmas in their homes but before we leave for the holidays we intend to have our biggest and most elaborate spread. It will be given by the freshmen, and will be in the nature of a fancy dress, Christmas tree celebration. Outside of the spreads held during rushing week we have so far had only one. That was at the time of the Iowa-Ames football game when we entertained a number of out-of-town guests.

We have all been very much interested this year in the Dramatic club's play, which is to be given December 9. Carolyn Bradley is to have the leading rôle and Elizabeth Brainard, a Pi Phi pledge, is also to have an important part.

As yet we have done little of interest in Pan-Hellenic outside of arranging

and giving a Pan-Hellenic party on the afternoon of December 4. We feel that there is no better way to promote good feeling and interest among the four women's fraternities represented at Iowa.

LILLIAN G. NOTH.

MINNESOTA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA (Chartered 1890)

November has been a month of football,—a succession of before and after the games. Minnesota has this year won the title of Western Conference champions—both in football and on the track. Five Pi Phis visited the Wisconsin Alpha chapter for the week-end of the Wisconsin-Minnesota game, returning to Minnesota enthusiastic about the university at Madison.

The spirit of Thanksgiving jollity has remained with us after vacation, for the month has been an exceedingly gay one socially. On November 3, the Pi Phi house saw the marriage of Florence Leila Amble and Albert Preston Reed, Minnesota, Kappa Sigma and Delta Chi. The house was redolent with wedding array for days. It was a pretty wedding and a distinctly college affair for the guests were limited almost entirely to the members of the three fraternities.

Our pre-Christmas informal dance was given in Alice Shevlin hall, Thursday, December 9. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph P. Gilette (Adelaide Robbins) and Professor and Mrs. Albert Earnest Jenks (Maud Huntley) acted as chaperons. The supper tables were bright with Christmas colors.

Lydia Cox of Cloquet, one of our freshman pledges, has been forced to leave college on account of ill health. The first operation was unsuccessful but we hope she will be with us next year.

Clara L. Cook of Spokane has left college to take care of her father who suffered a nervous breakdown.

Esther Pettit a freshman from Osage, Iowa, is wearing an arrow head

To all Pi Phis, a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, is the wish of Minnesota Alpha. VIOLA LENNING.

MISSOURI ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI (Chartered 1899)

The annual Pi Beta Phi banquet which took place in Kansas City, Mo. the Wednesday before Thanksgiving was a most enjoyable affair. Seven of our active girls were present, and our alumnae numbered more than usual. The banquet is always one of the most pleasant affairs of the year, as it enables us to know our sister Pi Phis better, especially those of Kansas Alpha. To us, however, the one thing that made last Thanksgiving time's banquet memorable was the fact that the annual Missouri-Kansas football game resulted in a victory for Missouri.

We have all been busy planning a matinee dance for the younger town girls who will soon enter the university.

Thursday afternoon we had a tea for the wives of the faculty members and for the women instructors. The affair was informal and all seemed to enjoy it. Early in December the university dramatic club gave "Old Heidelberg." Jessie Raithel, who took one of the parts, did exceedingly well. "The Man On the Box" is to be given soon after the holidays by the university dramatic club. Fay Jarman has the leading rôle.

But let me tell you what we are planning. It is a new house, all our own.

We hope to have it ready for occupancy by next fall, and we can do so too, if
our alumnae give us the support we need. The house is the topic of the hour
for all Columbia Pi Phis.

IRENE SHAFER.

MISSOURI BETA-WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1907)

Missouri Beta has eight new girls to introduce to the fraternity: Adele Seifert, Sallie Lee Sparks, Lois Tucker, Anne Adele Shreve, Julia Rogers, Erma Perham, Mary de Garmo and Julia McDaniel. The first six are regular freshmen, Mary de Garmo is a regular sophomore, and Julia McDaniel a candidate for the M. A. degree. We held our initiation November 13 with a grand spread afterwards. Such a jolly time as we had! Many of our alumnae from last year were with us, so we held quite an extensive reunion.

Mrs. Crosby (Dorothy Schultz, Iowa Zeta), one of our best friends among the St. Louis alumnae, gave us a delightful party about a month ago. Nearly all the chapter were able to attend and we greatly enjoyed the informal entertainment and good "eats."

A few weeks ago the Graham Memorial Chapel was dedicated. It is a beautiful structure, being an exact copy of King's College, Oxford, and has a wonderful organ, one of the finest in the city.

On December 6 the chapter enjoyed a short visit from Mrs. Nickerson, the President of Alpha Province.

At present we girls of McMillan Hall are very busy preparing for a Countrie Faire, to he held Saturday, December 11. The proceeds are to be used next spring for our extensive McMillan Day Festival.

Missouri Beta sends many good wishes for 1910 to each and every Pi Phi.

Helen P. Shultz.

KANSAS ALPHA-KANSAS UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1873)

Kansas Alpha extends hearty wishes to all, for a prosperous New Year. During the Thanksgiving vacation many of our girls attended the annual banquet at the Baltimore Hotel in Kansas City, where Kansas and Missouri Pi Phis gather each year before the football game between the two state universities. Moneta Butts, '09, responded for Kansas with the toast, "Our American Birds, the Eagle and the Turkey."

We have not entertained very much since our last letter. In November we entertained the faculty of the university with a reception at the chapter house. Our freshmen gave us a musical November 15, presenting some clever original songs. The Pi Phis entertained, at the house representatives of the district of the Student Government Organization, in which Kansas is located.

Pi Phi has been well represented in college dramatics this year. Cornelia Hardcastle, '13, took a part in "The School for Scandal" presented by the

Masque club. In the presentation of "Father and the Frat" by the Thespian Dramatic club, Hazel Kelley, '12, took the rôle of leading lady, Amarette Weaver, '09, the comic part, and Clare Jaedicke, '12, the part of a trouble maker. Sylvia Abraham, '12, is to be in the "Mikado," which will be given by the Fine Arts School of Music, December 10 and 11.

Our chapter is preparing to give an entertainment for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A. on February 4. We are also practicing Christmas carols, with which to serenade the faculty, fraternities and sororities, before we separate for the holidays.

Lucie March.

NEBRASKA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA (Chartered 1805)

Affairs in the University of Nebraska have been progressing very much as usual this year. There has been much discussion of late in regard to moving the university buildings from Lincoln to the State Farm campus. Three experts came from Boston to discuss the advisability of such a move. We all feel that separating college life from that of the city and enlarging and beautifying the campus would greatly increase university spirit and enthusiasm.

Our girls have been very much interested in university affairs. Two members have been doing active work in the dramatic club since last fall and one of the freshmen was recently elected to membership. As only eighteen out of fifty-seven candidates were chosen, Pi Beta Phi feels that she has been greatly honored. Beatrice Moffet and Grace Shallenberger are on the Cornhusker staff for this year. Early in January the Y. W. C. A. will give their annual County Fair and our booth is to be a German country store. The booths of other sororities will represent different nationalities.

Our freshmen gave a very pretty but informal reception for the freshmen of other sororities in December. It was a great success in that it created a more friendly feeling among the girls. October 22 we gave a party for our freshmen at Grace Shallenberger's. All enjoyed the evening immensely. Before Thanksgiving another dance was given in the ballroom of Governor Shallenberger's mansion. Before the girls departed for their homes to spend the holiday season, we had a cooky shine and a Christmas tree, with Santa Claus and presents for all, at the chapter house. This is one of our annual customs and one that affords great merriment and pleasure.

Our transfer from Texas Alpha, Era Keeling, left college and in November was married to Mr. William Kirby of Omaha, Neb. Their future home will be in Omaha. Another of our seniors, Sarah Martin, will be married in January.

Nebraska Beta wishes for all the chapters of Pi Beta Phi a happy and prosperous year.

Gertrude Lyford.

LOUISIANA ALPHA—H. SOPHIE NEWCOMB COLLEGE (Chartered 1891)

Since our last letter we have initiated our pledges. They are only four in number, it is true, but they are at least ten or twelve in enthusiasm, all rushing as hard as if they had never done anything else in all their lives. For there is no time of rest in our Pan-Hellenic system, but instead we have translated "Le Roi est mott; vive Le Roi!" into "The sophomore is initiated; go rush the freshman!" The freshman class is smaller this year than usual, but nevertheless we expect to find some Pi Beta Phi material in it. At any rate we are looking hard for it.

Nothing very exciting has been happening at Newcomb lately. The time of dramatics and basketball games has not arrived yet, so most of our time has been taken up with reorganizing old clubs and getting them into running order for the year. Nevertheless the time has passed so quickly that it seems almost impossible to have Christmas just three weeks off. But as it is so near we wish every single Pi Beta Phi a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

CARMELITE JANVIER.

TEXAS ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

(Chartered 1902)

For several weeks, now, fraternity and college affairs have been comparatively quiet and uneventful, in the interval between rushing season and examinations. Our term examinations commence on December 17, and some of the early birds are already beginning to prepare for them. The majority of us, however, are putting off the evil day as long as possible, and are depending upon an eleventh-hour "cram" to see us safely through our troubles.

During the Thanksgiving festivities, several of our alumnae were back, but we expect our real reunion to come later in the session. Miss Stuart, our Province President, is to be with us sometime during the winter term, and we are hoping to make her visit the occasion of a gathering of the Pi Phi clans. As the date of her arrival is not yet settled, our plans are quite indefinite. But we are determined to make this reunion, which will include our alumnae, and members of any other chapters who are living or visiting in the state, as thorough a success as the one which Texas Alpha held several years ago. According to our alumnae who were in the chapter at that time, the active members received as much benefit from it as their guests, not only in actual enjoyment, but in their additional interest, good-fellowship, and fraternity enthusiasm as well.

Speaking of our alumnae, the active chapter has had an exciting reason, on account of the seven Pi Phi weddings which fall due this term. Six of these have already taken place, and we have time to draw breath before the next one comes, in January. "Further details" of these interesting events are to be found in the alumnae notes.

Here's hoping that our sister chapters will come out from examination week triumphantly. Texas Alpha sends greetings and sympathy to everybody during this "time of trouble."

Frances P. Walker.

DELTA PROVINCE

COLORADO ALPHA-UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

(Chartered 1884)

This semester we have been so busy in school that we have done very little entertaining, but we have found time for a little. October 14 was Alumni Day at the university so we held a reunion cooky shine at the chapter house. The freshman party was also a great success. The initiates entertained the chapter and alumnae at an original play.

In order to bring the chapter and alumnae into closer touch it has been decided to have once each semester a business meeting to which the alumnae are invited. At these meetings matters of common interest are to be discussed and mutual and separate needs made known. At the first of these meetings the chapter room was given to the alumnae the first Wednesday of every month and the alumnae offered to assist the chapter with their bazaar. A bazaar is held each year just before Christmas which the patronesses, mothers and personal Pi Phi friends attend. The money made in this way goes into the house fund. This year the bazaar is to be held on December 11.

In January Pan-Hellenic is to give a dance. Only girls will attend this dance but each Greek will escort a member of some other fraternity. The local alumnae of all the different fraternities are invited also. In this way it is hoped that all fraternity women in the university will meet and know each other and furthermore that a better spirit will be created among the different fraternities.

Among the university activities this semester have been the Charity Ball given annually by the Women's League, the Junior-Freshman reception, the Engineers' Ball and the "Moon-Goddess." The "Moon-Goddess" was a comic opera the words and music of which were composed by two university students. The cast was entirely made up of university people. Frances Waltemeyer, '09, took the leading part and her beautiful voice enraptured every one who heard her sing. Catharine Fonda also had a leading part and all our freshmen were in the chorus.

Colorado Alpha sends best wishes for a happy New Year to every Pi Beta Phi. Eloie C. Dyer.

COLORADO BETA-UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

(Chartered 1885)

This term has been rather a quiet one for Colorado Beta. The only social function worthy of mention was the reception given for the new girls the evening of initiation. To this reception were invited the faculty and faculty wives, the parents of the new as well as the old girls, alumnae of Colorado Beta and the men of the university. A very enjoyable evening was spent by all. Also our freshmen gave us a luncheon and theatre party.

We decided to set apart the first Thursday of every month as our day at home and have found the plan successful and enjoyable.

Everyone is now busy getting ready for the holidays. Colorado Beta is planning a Christmas party for the Bungalow.

Colorado Beta sends best wishes for a successful New Year.

JESSIE E. MILLS.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA—STANFORD UNIVERSITY (Chartered 1893)

Our fall semester with its final examinations will end the seventeenth of this month and we are all happily looking forward to our three weeks Christmas vacation. Our college life this fall has been a busy and enjoyable one. Especially interesting have been several college plays given by the students and particularly the concert given by Sousa and his band which was held in Assembly Hall November 10.

The Schubert Club of which Florence Metzner, '10, is president, presented "The Chimes of Normandy" in Assembly Hall October 29. Ruberta Roberts, '09, and Mary Herdman, '12, had leading rôles.

At the time of our intercollegiate football contest with California, we were happy in having several of our alumnae with us again. Ruth Waterhouse, ex-'06, Elamae Lambert, '07, Mildred Hadley, ex-'09, Bonnie Carter, ex-'09, Inez Jewett, ex-'11, and Ilda Lane, ex-'12 all visited at the chapter house for several days.

Saturday afternoon, December 4 the senior class gave a burlesque Rugby football game as a means of raising money for the class treasury. It was a very humorous and novel affair and the costumes were particularly interesting, all kinds and colors being represented.

We have just received the glad news of the election of Florence Metzner, '10, to "Cap and Gown," the senior women's honor society. This was a very delightful surprise to her.

California Alpha sends best wishes for a very merry Christmas and happy New Year.

ADRIE C. HUNTSBERGER.

WASHINGTON ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON (Chartered 1906)

Washington Alpha is very glad to introduce to her sister Pi Phis her new pledges: Pearl Bossong, Gladys M. Madigan, Frances Martin, Meriam H. Webb and Mabelle Wilton. This makes our number this year twenty-two with thirteen in the house. We are glad to have with us Agnes Lamar from Vermont Beta.

According to college regulations no sorority may initiate any member before she has made twelve credits in college. Thus we cannot see the arrow on our freshmen until after the close of the first semester. Our rushing this year lasted but the two first weeks of college but they were such full weeks for Pi Phi! Stunts were planned for nearly every afternoon and evening. Our alumnae and patronesses were very kind in helping us and entertaining for us. Mrs. Edith Clark Burr of Illinois Zeta, Anna Mabel Allison formerly of Pennsylvania Beta, later transferred to Maryland Alpha, and Mabel Foster of Iowa Zeta visited the chapter during the rushing season.

During the Thanksgiving vacation we gave a dance in honor of our pledges. This was our first "big affair" since rushing and it was proclaimed a great success.

Washington is now champion of the Northwest in football. The Thanksgiving game with the University of Oregon with a score of 20-6 decided for us this victory.

The Pi Phis have entered into several college activities. Seven of us are in the chorus which is practicing to give Handel's "Messiah" soon. Lita Burch was chosen leading lady in the play, "Half Back Sandy" which the dramatic club is going to give. The Women's League and the Y. W. C. A. also find us represented and we hope to make this year count much for Pi Phi in college.

Annabel Johnstone.

EXCHANGES

Exchanges that receive three copies of The Arrow will kindly send exchange copies of their publications to Miss May L. Keller, 1822 Linden Ave., Baltimore, Md.; Miss Elda L. Smith, 710 South 6th St., Springfield, Ill.; Mrs. Lewis E. Theiss, 230 West 111th St., New York City.

The Arch Chapter of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity announces the installation of Gamma Xi at the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, O., on October 30.

Delta Delta Delta announces the establishment of Theta Alpha chapter at the University of Washington, Seattle, Wash., November 18.

Sigma Chi recently installed a joint chapter at Western Reserve University and the Case School of Applied Science.

Nearly 400 young men in Sigma Alpha Epsilon, a fraternity organized but five years before the outbreak of the Civil War, with a membership of less than 500, took part in that war. Kentucky, where the fraternity had two chapters, and Tennessee, where it had three, gave as many soldiers to the Union army as to the Confederate. But most of our men were Southerners and they fought for that which they had been taught to revere. There were 400 of these men, and from them came ten generals, eighteen colonels, twelve adjutants, twelve majors, fifty captains, thirty lieutenants. What a record!

Georgia Pi is in the history. The chapter which went to war, the chapter which heard the roll beat of the drum in the night, and under the stars marched away from the old military school to the battle field.—Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The Atlantic City convention of Sigma Alpha Epsilon granted a charter to the petitioning local, Iota Tau, of the University of Oklahoma, provided finances for the DeVotie Memorial Hall (named for its founder), provided for the publication of a history, and took the initial steps toward the formation of a Pan-Hellenic union.—Record.

At her recent convention in Ann Arbor Delta Gamma set a standard for eligibility to membership: except under special dispensation, every initiate of Delta Gamma must have fulfilled all entrance requirements for the College of Science and Liberal Arts and must be registered for at least two-thirds of the required amount of work in that college. A committee was appointed to draw up plans for the founding and administering of a scholarship fund. Two of the sur-

viving founders of the fraternity were guests at convention. Alumnae chapters were granted voting privileges. A charter was granted to the petitioners at the University of Missouri. At convention definite topics were assigned to chapters or individuals for preparation of papers and for discussion. alumnae chapter at Los Angeles was established. The alumnae chapters, with the Chicago alumnae club as chairman, were organized by the Grand Council into a committee to investigate fields for expansion. A new jeweler was appointed. A committee was appointed to design a national banner. A crest was accepted. Each chapter is now required to make a card catalogue of its members with names and addresses. Each chapter was advised to start a chapter library, consisting of fraternity manuals, bound files of Anchora, the roll book, a visitor's book, book for clippings for kodak pictures, etc. It was recommended that each chapter purchase a silver loving cup to be awarded each year to the freshman with the highest scholarship record. Each chapter will be required to keep a record book sent out by the Council. Each chapter that has no house address, must rent a post office box in the name of the fraternity, to save missent mail .- Anchora.

At the recent Chicago convention of Kappa Alpha Theta charters were granted at Oregon, Montana, and Oklahoma state universities. Eight petitioning groups were refused and six referred to the incoming administration for further investigation. A charter was also granted to the San Francisco alumnae club. College extension occupied the attention of convention for an entire session. The principal accumulated for a proposed graduated fellowship is to be used now for undergraduate loan scholarships. At present the fund is large enough to provide for eight undergraduate loan scholarships. It is proposed, when the fund has reached the figures set as its goal, it may maintain each year one graduate fellowship and one hundred undergraduate loan scholarships. District presidents are no longer members of the Grand Council; they are replaced by one Grand Vice-President who is to have charge of extension and of alumnae organization and interests. The office of Grand Secretary and editor of the fraternity magazine has been combined at a salary sufficient to demand the entire time of Miss Pearle Green, who has been elected to the position. There are now nine districts in the fraternity, and the district president is the one inspector within her district. Each year a private number of the magazine will be published, as well as bi-monthly bulletins. A careful effort was made to define accurately the standard of scholarship which the fraternity demands of its college chapters.

For 146 Thetas at the banquet this was their first convention; 40 had attended two conventions; 12 had been present at three biennials; 4 had attended four and 1 had attended six conventions.—Kappa Alpha Theta.

The Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae chapter of New York City has a Help committee whose object is to be of service in any way possible to Thetas coming to New York City or who live in its vicinity.—Kappa Alpha Theta.

Our library and settlement work in Irishtown has been so successful during the past year, and has been so greatly appreciated by the people of Lexington, that we feel enthusiastic about continuing it this winter. Money has been raised to add new bookcases to the library, some new books, and a few good pictures. Every Friday morning we plan to have two or more of the girls take charge of the class of little folk-telling stories, reading, and teaching them kindergarten games.—Lexington alumnae correspondence in the Eleusis of Chi Omega.

The members of the Denver alumnae association of Kappa Kappa Gamma have done a little that we think is worth while this year. There is a young woman here, a college girl, who came to Denver several years ago for her health. She worked as long as she was able, longer indeed, but was forced at last to give up. She was in a hospital without money or near friends. The members of her own fraternity in Denver were too few to supply all that she needed, and we have been helping them. Each member contributes a stated sum every month to a fund which is managed by a committee of one. From this fund the sum promised toward the support of our friend is deducted, and the surplus is used for the benefit of any of our own members who are ill or in trouble, and for sending flowers, books, or in some other way contributing to their comfort or amusement. We have one member who is confined to her room all the time. I suppose it was because of her that we thought of making this a permanent fund for that purpose.

We have also tried this winter to raise a little money for the benefits of the competitive scholarship offered to women at the Marine Biological Laboratory at Wood's Holl, Mass. To accomplish this Mrs. Rachael Baumann Greenlee, Epsilon, very generously gave a dramatic recital from Dickens' Tale of Two Cities. This cleared for us a very neat sum.—Denver alumnae correspondence in the Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

An exceptionally sane application of the educated ballot is revealed in a chapter letter from the Phi Gamma Delta chapter at Ohio State. This chapter holds regular examinations for the newly initiated, and the right to vote upon all questions is withheld until a satisfactory grade is obtained. This examination includes the history of the fraternity, the history of the chapter, and such general fraternity information as should be known by a good fraternity man.—

Delta Chi Quarterly.

Phi Mu has established a graduate scholarship. The Aglaia says it is open to all Phi Mus who are graduates of A-rank colleges; three universities will be selected by the Grand Council and the winner will be allowed to take her choice of the three.

Delta Delta Delta has adopted a special badge for its honorary members. The fraternity has begun the publication of its second secret annual, The Trireme.—

Delta Chi Quarterly.

Chi Omega is the only other of the women's fraternities to publish a secret magazine.

Alpha Omicron Pi is agitating the question of building a general fraternity house, with as central a location as possible, to be used by the various chapters for week end parties and for vacation purposes. The cost is estimated at \$5000 and alumnae are requested to pay \$16 a subscription.—Sigma Kappa Triangle.

Northwestern University will hereafter encourage fraternities to build their houses on the campus. The university will give a site for the erection of a fraternity house among the dormitories on the north campus. While the ownership of the house will be in the university, the fraternity will secure funds for the building from its alumni and friends, the university, lending an agreed part of the total amount, if this is necessary.

The style of construction will harmonize with the rest of the dormitory system. The house must be kept in proper repair, and the university and fraternity will agree as to the care of the grounds. Non-fraternity students will occupy neighboring dormitories, a condition which will promote closer association between the two groups of students.—New York Evening Post.

An employment bureau has been established at Barnard College, for the use of either the alumnae or undergraduates, by the College Alumnae Association. Barnard is, in all probability, the first woman's college to undertake such a venture.—New York Evening Sun.

Mrs. Russell Sage has given \$10,000 to the New York State Federation of Women's Clubs provided the federation will raise \$12,500 more. The object of the gift is to provide an endowment for the federation out of which the expenses of the officers may be paid and to found a scholarship in some woman's college. Mrs. Elmer Blair, president of the New York State Federation, on making the announcement at the recent convention in Rochester explained that as matters now stood it was impossible for any but wealthy women to be officers because of the expense entailed. Nearly \$2,000 toward the fund was raised in the convention.—New York Sun.

June 1, 1910, is the date by which all essays submitted in competition for the prizes of \$2,000 offered by Hart, Schaffner & Marx must be submitted. Five prizes are offered, ranging from \$200 to \$600, and are designed to stimulate the study of topics relating to commercial economics and industry. Essays are to be submitted to Professor James Laurence Laughlin at the University of Chicago, chairman of the committee in charge of the competition. The other members of the committee are: Professor J. B. Clark, Columbia University; Professor Henry C. Adams, University of Michigan; Horace White, Esq., New York City. The contest is classified, and is open to (1) any American without restriction; (2) undergraduates of any American college; (3) those without academic training. These contests have been held for the last six years.

Boston is to have a one-million dollar college for the education of women and girls of the middle classes, where instruction will be absolutely free. The instruction will prepare pupils in housework, sewing, trades, or business suitable for women to earn an independent living. Preference will be given to residents of Boston.

This college has been made possible by the munificence of the late Frank B. Cotton of Brookline. Under his will this sum of money will eventually be used to found a school "for the purpose of enabling women and girls, especially of the middle classes, without regard to nationality, religion, or color, to improve or better their conditions by being instructed how to perform work such as housework, sewing, trades, or business suitable for women and other means of livelihood that will permit them to earn an independent and honorable living, and teach them the nobility and dignity of industry and labor, both manual and mental.—Boston Post.

In a quarter of a century the number of members enrolled in the national fraternities has risen from 72,000 to almost 270,000 (of these 30,000 are women). The undergraduate membership in a normal year now ranges between 30,000 and 35,000; and of the more than 1,700 branches or chapters of these societies, 1,100 own or rent houses, which at a conservative estimate are valued at more than \$8,000,000. The fraternity has ceased to be an amusement and has become an institution.—New York Evening Post.

The secret society in some form is an inevitable accompaniment of the crowd, whether in college or out of it. It is the natural outcome and expression of certain human qualities, likely to be most active during adolescence. There is the desire for increase of power and decrease of individual accountability, which are both insured by membership in a company. There is the sentiment of loyalty to the "gang" or to a leader. There is the longing for close and intimate friendships as well as for opportunities for wide acquaintance. There is the delight of dominating over inferiors and even of training them in the way that they should go..

It is doubtful whether a single attempt at universal suppression or prohibition of secret societies has been permanently successful. Colleges have been able to banish the insignia of national fraternities, but, even so, local fraternities have flourished. Princeton has professed to prohibit fraternities altogether, but it is common knowledge that out of "eating clubs" the Princeton students have developed a system of local fraternities, fraternities in everything but name. President Wilson's recent attempt to use these clubs in a scheme of collegiate evolution which would change their fraternal character was violently opposed by members of these clubs among students and alumni, and has been at least temporarily abandoned.

The history of the old Delta Kappa Epsilon Chapter at Harvard is another illustration of the difficulty of uprooting a fraternity which the students intend to maintain.

Twice within a generation has Yale abolished sophomore societies. In official reports Vassar College has no sororities, but it is said that the Dickens and Shakespeare Clubs, once literary societies, are now exclusive social fraternities in all but name. In either sex the "gang instinct" is ineradicable. If suppressed in one form, sooner or later it reappears in another. Fraternities for women students became popular first in the western state universities, where they were formed, chiefly during the last quarter of the nineteenth century, in evident imitation of fraternities among the men. Description or criticism of fraternities is applicable to sororities without much change.

What differences arise seem to be due to the greater impressionability and sensitiveness of the girl, also perhaps to her disinclination to pursue a common rather than an individual purpose, or to her unfitness for what is called "teamplay." The rivalries of sororities while "rushing" candidates seem to be more intense than those of fraternities. The excitement among the candidates is more demoralizing, inasmuch that it has been necessary to define and restrict rigidly the privileges of "rushing" for sororities, in order to preserve the scholarship of the lower classes from ruin and the nervous systems of both rushers and rushees from wreck. But after the storm and stress of the annual rushing have passed the sororities seem to be less able to impress their raison d'être upon individual members. On the other hand one department of the society organization appears to be of more benefit to sororities than to fraternities. All the national associations maintain the machinery of inter-fraternity communication. There is usually a society magazine, or periodical publication, in which and outside of which there is much correspondence among the chapters. In addition the annual convention brings together delegates from all parts of the country. It is probably true that the young women particularly need this practice in business methods and in administration, but it is also true that they usually do the work with remarkable thoroughness and dignity. The sororities take a much more serious view of their relation to the welfare of the college than the fraternities do, and the tone of their discussions is usually indicative of the greater fidelity of the girl to the call of the ideal.

Another advantage of fraternity life is apparently shared equally by the organizations of both sexes. The fraternities enable the older graduate members to keep closely in touch with the life of the institution. They become acquainted with representative members of each class. They are always sure of finding friends to greet them on the college campus.—President Levermore of Adelphi College in The New York Times.

The September number of the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* is devoted to the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the social fraternity at Williams, from which Delta Upsilon developed. In an account of the establishment of the fraternity the *Quarterly* says:

The Williams chapter of Kappa Alpha came into existence in 1833, followed by a chapter of Sigma Phi the succeeding year. The underlying idea of the organization, an outgrowth of free-masonry, was distinctly new in college circles and was regarded generally with suspicion and distrust. Some years previously a man named Morgan had put before the public an exposition of the masonic principles and ritual, and these revelations, coupled with his mysterious disappearance, shortly after, had done much to deepen the then widely pre-

vailing sentiment that secrecy as a basis of union is bound up with infidelity and immoral practices. Too much emphasis cannot be laid on the strength of this belief during the first half of the last century. At Williams, where, as in other colleges of the time, democracy and the equal rights of man were favorite topics for declamation and flowery rhetoric, the new secret societies were regarded somewhat as the Jesuits have been regarded in strongly Protestant countries during periods of high religious feeling. An insidious influence, intangible but disturbing, seemed to be disrupting the college and threatening its very life. Distinctions appeared where distinctions were before unknown. Jealousies and animosities arose on all sides, and spiritually-minded students were shocked to see professing Christians hobnobbing in closest intimacy with confirmed infidels. The faculty frowned with disfavor on organizations whose members, sworn to defend and protect one another, might venture with impunity to disobey college laws. And, worse than all, the undergraduate body, which had lately experienced a "revival," seemed slipping back to a low level of religious enthusiasm.

An anti-secret organization was a spontaneous outcome of this feeling. On the evening of November 4, 1834, thirty students, ten from each of the three lower classes, met in the freshman recitation room in West College, and formed themselves into "The Social Fraternity of Williams College." In '35 twentyeight members were added, and from then on for a considerable period about two-thirds of the students in college were on the roll. "They were generally," wrote Brother Wm. Bross, '38, in a letter to the chapter ten years after the founding, "the moral and religious members of college. This was the character of the great majority of the members of the fraternity from the commencement of its existence." We may call this another way of saying that the character of the secret fraternities seemed at that time distinctly otherwise. However this may be, we learn from the same source that "some disturbances occurred the next day on account of the formation of the society. The secret societies endeavored to ridicule us. Badges of every description and caricature were worn by them. Class epithets were given to us." All this we are told, was borne "patiently and faithfully, and often did the advocates of secret societies find that there were blows to take as well as blows to give. But these were the blows of honorable intellectual effort. The principles of the fraternity being open and correct, it needed not the aid of ridicule nor anything low and groveling to sustain it. Appealing to the higher and nobler principles of man's intellectual nature, its course was upward and onward."

The principles and platform of the fraternity were embodied in a preamble and constitution drawn up by Daniel Brown and Edward Clark of '34. The constitution provided that no person who belonged to or countenanced any secret society in the college should be admitted to membership, and that any member who joined or countenanced a secret society should be expelled. A member in good standing might, however, obtain an honorable dismissal, a privilege which resulted in numerous desertions through the forties and early fifties, when a good many left to join new secret societies as they were formed. An important provision pledged the organization not to recognize society distinctions, but real merit, in college elections. Finally, as a basis of activity, it

was provided that the exercises of the society should be literary—"consisting of compositions, orations, and debates."

Armed with its constitution and a badge designed by C. G. Hazeltine, of '38, the society was from the first successful, and met with the hearty endorsement of the faculty. Its meetings, held at first fortnightly, then weekly, then fortnightly again, were always spirited and lively scenes of wordy warfare on subjects of an academic, philosophical, or political character. The question: "Has any state a right to secede from the Union?" met with a "warm discussion," we are told, in the meeting of October 21, '45, and was, curiously enough, decided in the affirmative. At the meeting of November 16 of that year, the society listened with rapt attention to an essay by Hazeltine on "Agriculture as an art," having been thrilled the week previously by a dissertation from Apthorp on "The marriage ceremony among the ancient Jews."

The meetings, at first held in the freshman recitation room in West College, were later transferred to the senior recitation room in Griffian Hall, where the members were summoned together by the ringing of the chapel bell. The roll, however, was not always full. The minutes of March 22, '53, tell us that "there being but few present on account of a lecture in Adams, a motion was made and unanimously carried to adjourn for one week." It would be interesting to inquire how many absences a lecture in Adams, ten miles distant by stage or carriage, would involve today. Lectures, however, were not the only things to interfere with the society's program. From the minutes of March 15, '42, we learn that "a fire having broken out in the adjoining vicinity, on motion of a member, the meeting was adjourned one week."

It must not be supposed that the society's progress was ever calm or tranquil. There were periods of depression and periods of desertion, leading to no little animosity and to a more vigorous statement of principles. At one time meetings were held every three weeks for the discussion of secrecy and its evils, and pamphlets containing the "opinions of distinguished men" on the same subject were printed for circulation. With the admission of Garfield (later President of the U. S.) to the society came a season of unrivaled prosperity and influence, so disturbing to the secret societies that they proposed an amicable debate on the subject of anti-secrecy, a proposition from which, after a committee from Kappa Alpha, Alpha Delta Phi, and Delta Upsilon had even signed an agreement concerning the terms of dispute, the other societies backed out, probably through fear of Garfield's oratorical powers.

With the graduation of Garfield in '56, I cannot help feeling, came the beginning of the end. The old opposition to secrecy had by that time greatly lessened, and the secret societies were taking on new features which put the basic idea of their formation very much in the background. They were drawing excellent men, men of probity and character and of unquestioned ability.

George Ade was elected Grand Consul of Sigma Chi at its recent convention.

Miss Nichols, our Pi Beta Phi patroness, chosen at the beginning of our fraternity life, has so endeared herself to all of us that Mu would not be Mu without her.—Drury chapter correspondence in Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha.

Pan-Hellenism in another guise!

But after all it is not from the standpoint of duty that the fraternity wishes to approach its alumni. That which we do only because of a sense of duty may give us a certain stern Calvinistic satisfaction; but not all of us are cast in such heroic mold. We do best what we enjoy. And here can be found the secret why so many graybeards take such a lively interest in the fraternity. There is a joy in keeping in touch with young men, in watching characters develop, in imparting purpose and balance; and in receiving in return enthusiasm and fresh ideas. The great are always friends of the young; and while most of us cannot hope to be great, we can at least have this joy and inspiration in common with our distinguished brothers.

The proof of theory lies in a complished fact. Point to an alumnus sincerely and enthusiastically interested in the fraternity, and we will show you at the same time a man of force and success in his business or profession. There is the inevitable coincidence, whatever may be the theory of cause and effect. If you wish to prove the truth of this assertion, go over the list yourself and then decide, purely from a selfish standpoint if you please, what will be your attitude as an alumnus.—Phi Gamma Delta, quoted by Themis of Zeta Tau Alpha.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly with natural pride tells how Commander Robt. E. Peary, Bowdoin, '77, hoisted the flag of Delta Kappa Epsilon at the North Pole. The Shield of Theta Delta Chi, with equal pride, says that Donald B. MacMillan, Bowdoin, '98, was there too "with the best of the rest of the Greek world."

An Ekklesia badge plan started ten years ago consists of a narrow white ribbon, upon which is printed the number of the Ekklesia, place, and date; this ribbon is given to each delegate who is attending his first convention; each delegate who has attended five conventions is permitted to wear narrow lavender ribbon; and each delegate who has for ten years attended the annual anniversaries is honored with the privilege of wearing a narrow purple ribbon. The illustration of Ekklesia souvenirs used in the Phi Gamma Delta is taken from a collection made for the Denison chapter's vault.

A collection of souvenirs of all descriptions, including buttons, badges, and banquet cards, can be made by every chapter, and will prove an acquisition of ever increasing value to chapter archives.—The Phi Gamma Delta.

At the close of the installation banquet of Alpha Xi Delta's new chapter at the University of California we all stood, and after the California custom, the girls sang a toast to their patroness and to the four Alpha Xi Deltas who had charge of the installation. The toast is:

 "We'll sing before this merry, merry company,

"We'll sing before we part,

"Here's to you, here's to you _____."—Grand President's report of the installation of Omicron chapter, in the Alpha Xi Delta.

Why not have a chapter exchange, a section of our paper set apart to be filled with interesting or amusing odds and ends? Send in the best story told at your last banquet; we haven't all heard it. You had some dainty score cards at your last party. Who made them? What was on them? Tell us all about them. Let us know the economies of that new cosy corner, or schemes for brightening up the fraternity room. Write a few words of wit or wisdom from one of your professors, or a thought from one of your members.—Alpha Xi Delta.

Last year the Phi Kappa Psi Association of Beloit College offered several prizes to the active chapter. All the conditions were complied with, and each prize offered was won. One of the features of the evening at the annual banquet, at which sixty brothers were present, was the presentation of the prizes won by the active chapter during the college year, 1908-9. During the entire year's work only one member of the chapter had a condition. The prizes were distributed as follows:

The prizes given by Brothers Mouat and Welsh to the chapter on condition that it should lose no man by any avoidable cause throughout the college year 1908-9 was won.

2. Brother Wright's prize to the brother in the chapter having the highest number of credits in the school year 1908-9 was won by Brother Kofoed.

3. Brother Child's prize to the freshman in the chapter having the highest number of credits in the year 1908-9 was won by Brother Hinckley.

4. The prize of \$5 giving to each brother in the chapter winning an official "B," of prize offered by the Class of 1903 was awarded to Brothers Mead, Dunham, Pearsall, and Wolcott.

Similar prize offers, which were in cash, have been renewed for this year.— The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.

The Yale chapter of Beta Theta Pi returned to college this fall with 63 active members.—Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.

Delta Tau Delta has revived its chapter at Wooster University, having granted a chapter to a local club.—Shield of Phi Kappa Psi.

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